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President's Message by Scott Loos

With the new year upon us, why not consider a commitment to numismatic education? Many opportunities are available both locally and nationally ... here are a few possibilities:

National Coin Week - April 21-27, 2002 is the 79th Annual ANA National Coin Week, a time for individual collectors, clubs, and dealers to educate the public about the coin collecting hobby. It's a time for numismatists to go into classrooms, speak before civic groups or set up an exhibit. But, most of all, it's a time to let the world know that collecting coins can be educational, inexpensive and fun. The NCW theme for 2002 is "Faces of Time," focusing on the people whose portraits have graced coins and currency through the ages. Participation in NCW also has its rewards through both the PNNA and the ANA. The PNNA will again award prizes to the clubs in the PNNA territory that best promote NCW (\$100 for first place, \$75 for second place and \$50 for third place). The ANA is also offering two full scholarships to Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. (See page 6.)

ANA Summer Seminar June 29-July 12, 2002. The ANA Summer Seminar is held on the campus of the Colorado College in Colorado Springs. Session I dates are Saturday, June 29, to Friday, July 5; Session II, Saturday, July 6, to Friday, July 12, 2002. Summer Seminar is an opportunity for numismatic scholarship and camaraderie offering students a wide and varied selection of week-long courses suited for anyone from the curious beginner to the most advanced numismatist. Some financial aid is available for both Adults and Young Numismatists who are active in the hobby. Please contact either the ANA or ANA Regional Coordinators Scott and Lisa Loos (425) 831-8789 for course catalog, registration forms and scholarship applications. (Also see page 6.)

The upcoming PNNA convention May 3-5, 2002 will also offer a variety of numismatic theatre presentations, educational exhibits, Young Numismatist events, and regional meetings of several national numismatic organizations. All events will be listed in detail in the 2nd

quarter *Nor'wester* as well as on the PNNA web site at www.pnna.org when they become available.

2002 PNNA Convention by Dick Billings

Preparations continue at this time with lots of positive things happening. The 2001 floor plan included a total of 72 dealer tables. Within a month after the close of this year's show we knew we would need to expand that floor plan. The revised plan for 2002 includes 90 dealer tables and, as of Dec 17, I'm pleased to report that 84 of these tables have been sold. This means that 5 months prior to "show time" there are only 6 tables left available to dealers which our bourse chairman, Scott Loos, and I are confident will be sold well before April. Even though we continue to hear some discouraging news on the economy, there is reason to look for some light at the end of the tunnel by early spring.

Several improvements have been added to the prior show agenda due in large part to dealer comments:

1. Three new A-frame street signs will be in place (along with the one we already have) to help newcomers find the building.

2. We are coordinating a more intensive ad campaign in the trade journals as well as the Puget Sound area newspapers.

3. We have extended an invitation to John Wilson, ANA President, to attend. Although we have received no commitment yet, we are hopeful.

4. ANA "roving VP," Walt Ostromecki, will be in attendance again this year.

5. We are exploring ways of cooperating with the Puget Sound area Boy Scouts to enable scouts who are working on a coin collecting Merit Badge to benefit from PNNA participation in their program.

6. The bourse tables will be individually topped and draped to enable ease of last minute adjustments.

Things are going well and I'm starting to get excited! See you in May!!

2002 DUES ARE DUE

PNNA dues are assessed annually in January. Please send your dues to the secretary, Joe Boling, using the envelope enclosed. Individual dues are \$10; family groups and clubs are \$15. Individual life membership is \$200 (there is no club or family life membership category). If you believe you are already paid for 2002, check the mailing label on this issue of *The Nor'wester*. Members not paid by convention time will not receive *The Nor'wester* after that date.

Exhibits at the 2002 PNNA Convention

Exhibits must be in place by noon on Saturday 4 May to be eligible for awards, which will be announced at 4:00 PM. We would prefer to have your exhibits in place on Friday, so that visitors to the convention can view and learn from them. If you want to use PNNA cases, you must send an application to Larry Rowe by 26 April so that those cases can be available. Use the form enclosed to apply for exhibit space and exhibit cases (send to Larry Rowe, PO Box 61621, Vancouver, WA 98666; phone 360-573-9827; email medalman@paclink.com). Remember that the PNNA best of show winner receives \$200 in assistance to take the winning exhibit to the ANA anniversary convention in the same year.

The complete exhibit application is four pages long, just like ANA's. Pages 2-4 are only needed if you intend to have someone else place or remove your exhibit or if you are a multiple winner of first place awards at previous PNNA conventions. If you think you need the last three pages (not included here to save postage), ask for a complete copy of the rules from the secretary at the address in the letterhead. There are several references to specific parts of the rules in the PNNA application; if you have a copy of the ANA rules, you can determine what those references are without having the PNNA rules in hand.

Following are the PNNA exhibit classes:

Competitive exhibits

Best-of-Show – Byron F. Johnson, Jr. Memorial.
Best exhibit of tokens or medals – C. E. "Hepp"
Heppner Memorial.

Classified exhibit awards

Class 1 – United States and Canadian coins.
Class 2 – United States and Canadian paper money.
Class 3 – Tokens, medals, and decorations.
Class 4 – World coins and paper money.
Class 5 – General or specialized.
Class 6 – Pacific Northwest numismatic material.

Non-competitive exhibits

No specific awards.

Exhibits at the ANA 2002 Spring Convention

The ANA early spring convention in 2002 will be in Jacksonville, Florida. The dates are 7-9 March (Thursday-Saturday, no Sunday hours). If you are interested in exhibiting there, write to ANA headquarters (attention Rachel Irish) and request the exhibit rules and application. The case limit for spring shows is completely different from summer shows (up to fifteen cases if you show only one exhibit), which provides an opportunity to show the large exhibit you have always had in the back of your mind. Plus, the best-of-show award in the spring show is the Franklin Mint medal, a five-ounce 14k gold medal. APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 11 FEBRUARY.

Exhibits at the ANA 2002 Anniversary Convention

If you want to exhibit at the ANA anniversary convention in New York in August, ask ANA for an exhibit application now (see the information above about how to apply). THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 3 JUNE 2002.

Bob Everett Memorial Award

It's time for the committee to select a recipient for the Bob Everett award, to be announced (and hopefully presented, if the awardee is present) at the 2002 convention. The recipient need not be a PNNA member; s/he need only be someone who has promoted numismatics in the Pacific Northwest during 2001. Please send your nominations (name and achievements that merit receipt of this award) to one of the committee members: Joe Boling, Tom Sheehan, Larry Rowe, Jim Paine, Eric Holcomb.

Next PNNA Board Meeting

The next meeting of the PNNA board will be at the Boeing Employees' Coin Club show, Saturday 19 January 2002, at closing time (probably about 6:00 PM) in the main gymnasium. PNNA members are encouraged to submit ideas for educational activities or special events in advance of scheduled board meetings. Submissions should be made to the PNNA secretary at the postal or e-mail address listed on page 1.

Call for Nominations

Yes, once again it's time to request names for nominations of candidates. PNNA members have the opportunity to nominate someone to serve our organization for the coming two year term. PNNA President Scott Loos appointed Larry Rowe to serve as election chairman, and Larry is requesting nominations. Any PNNA member in good standing may nominate any other PNNA member in good standing to run for office. Those whose names are submitted will receive a consent form to confirm their willingness to serve. Nominations will be accepted for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and for ten members of the Board of Directors. Carefully consider your choices and send your nominations by Saturday, February 15, 2002 to Larry Rowe, PO Box 61621, Vancouver, WA 98666; phone 360-573-9827; e-mail medalman@paclink.com.

Willamette Coin Club Contributes to Relief Efforts

On Thursday, September 20, 2001 at its regular monthly meeting the members of The Willamette Coin Club unanimously voted to contribute \$1,000 to the World Trade Center disaster relief efforts.

The local recipient of \$500 was Northwest Medical Teams, located in Portland, Oregon. An additional \$500 was donated to the Uniformed Firefighter's Association of New York City, New York.

The text of the letter sent to each organization reads in part:

"The members of The Willamette Coin Club have voted to assist you in your need to take care of the widows and orphans left by the tragic and unconscionable attack on the World Trade Centers.

We have authorized \$1,000 to be donated to two organizations. The widows and Children's Fund is one, and our own Northwest Medical Teams is the other. The Northwest Medical Teams has sent members to New York City to assist in the recovery.

We are all so proud of you for your selflessness in taking care of the people that depend on you and this is the only way we can think of to ensure that you and yours are taken care of in your hour of need. Thank you so much for your care, dedication and life efforts."

The Willamette Coin Club will continue to contribute to the community in ongoing projects funded by local coin shows and other activities of the club. This donation has been made possible by the support

the club has enjoyed from the community as a whole and the community of coin collectors and dealers of the numismatic community around America.

For more information: Willamette Coin Club, PO Box 5133, Beaverton, OR 97007-0133, or call Larry Gaye at 503-579-6416 or Rob Retz at 503-287-6626.

A Talking Coin by Joseph Kleinman

Many of us involved in ancient numismatics wonder what it would be like if our coins could talk, to speak to us of their travels and experiences. No doubt they did much the same things that our modern currency does. Pay for food, lodging, clothing and perhaps transportation. For sure they were brought into pagan temples and paid for sacrifices to various gods and goddesses. Let us now examine a coin of an individual who's life still has an impact on us to this very day.



The coin is a Silver Tetradrachm of no less a personage than Alexander the Great. On the obverse of the coin is the head of Alexander posing as the demigod Herakles or Hercules as the Romans would have called him. Why Hercules? Alexander considered himself to be a god, Herakles was the last son of Zeus king of the gods thus the connection. How do we know that the head is that of Alexander? Hercules was often depicted as a mature man having a beard, here we see a beardless youth. Additionally, the depiction closely resembles sculpted busts of Alexander as well as other coin types that make no pretension as to who the subject is.

The reverse of the coin is of equal interest. We see the god Zeus seated on his throne holding an Eagle, his companion bird. This particular reverse type may very well be a representation of one of the "Seven Wonders of the World," only one of two shown on ancient coins. The master sculptor Phidias created a statue of Zeus in Ivory and Gold which was known throughout the ancient world. This statue was set up at Olympus although it may have been moved to Athens. Behind Zeus is the inscription "Alexander."

To the ancients, no more had to be said.

PNNA Convention Educational Forums

As of the date of publication, there is no firm news on the educational forums for the May 2002 PNNA convention in Tukwila. The following club meeting is in the bag, although a time has not yet been scheduled.

- Early American Coppers / Colonial Coin Collectors Club joint meeting, with Fugio expert Rob Retz moderating.

Program director Bill McKivor has no idea at this point what other topics and/or programs will be scheduled. Individuals who wish to present a program, or clubs that wish to have a meeting, should contact Bill to reserve the date and times. Bill can be reached at:

PO Box 46135
Seattle, WA 98146
Phone 206-244-8345
bill.mckivor@pnna.org
copperman@thecoppercorner.com

Please include the subject of the talk (if applicable), and who is to speak. Thank you!

Scarce Token Found in Nevada Ghost Town

Recently, a gentleman named Joe Caruso wrote to inquire about a token found in the ghost town of Wonder, Churchill County, Nevada, which was an active mining town from 1906 to 1919. Although the token was found in Nevada, it was issued by The Bodega in Spokane. (See picture.) This token is listed in Al Erickson's book *Washington State Trade Tokens*, and is quite scarce, with only 3 or 4 pieces reported, based on a limited survey of serious collectors at the time the book was written (a couple of years ago). The token is not necessarily valuable because there are many other tokens from Spokane and most collectors collect by town, but nonetheless it is extremely interesting.

The Bodega was likely a tavern, and Bodega also operated a wine company in Spokane, which also issued a token. Anyone who has more information about the Bodega tokens is requested to contact the editor.



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Tom Sheehan will pay cash for numismatic libraries. He is also interested in buying old numismatic literature as well as medals of a commemorative or historic nature. Tom is also interested in taking those old auction catalogues off of your hands.

Tom Sheehan is eager to find any printed information, letters, photos or other memorabilia that has to do with some old time members of the PNNA. Tom is looking for information on Paul Fouts, C.C. Saeman and Jack Koch.

P.O. Box 1477, Edmonds, WA 98020

Phone (Edmonds) — 425-672-1334 (if Tom is out please leave name and phone number)

E-mail — twsheeh@attglobal.net

Deadline for submission of material for 2nd Quarter 2002 Nor'wester: March 15, 2002.

Send ad copy to Eric Holcomb (e-mail EHolc48@aol.com), and payment to the PNNA secretary/treasurer. Call Eric Holcomb at 253-850-2996 for more info.

Advertising rates (per issue) are:

\$4.00 (1 column inch; no oversized text)

\$7.50 (1/8-page)

\$10.00 (1/6-page)

\$15.00 (1/4-page)

\$25.00 (1/2-page)

\$45.00 (full page)

Full page color — price on request

Web advertising rates (per year on www.pnna.org):

1-line web site listing — Free to members

\$10.00 (sponsor page ad; business card size)

American Numismatic Association News

ANA STARTS ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER FOR YOUNG NUMISMATISTS

— “Your Newsletter,” an electronic communication device designed for Young Numismatists (YNs), has been launched by the ANA. “We were looking for a way to improve communication with YNs on an informal basis,” says ANA Education Director Gail Baker, who is spearheading the project. “Many young collectors are very conversant with the Internet and E-mail, and we think this weekly newsletter is right up their alley.” Baker notes that the electronic publication, named by long-time YN advisor Larry Gentile Sr., is designed to keep YNs up-to-date on projects, events and activities offered by the ANA and its member clubs. It also provides a forum for exchanging ideas, interests and stories, and includes games, quizzes and opportunities to earn “YN Dollars” that can be spent at special auctions held for young numismatists every summer.

“Your Newsletter is a cooperative information device,” Baker adds. “All young collectors and adults who work with YNs can have the newsletter E-mailed directly to them, or they can read it on the ANA’s web site (www.money.org/ynnewsletter.html).” The YN newsletter is intended for personal or private use only.

ANA REVAMPS MEDIATION PROCESS — To better serve members, the ANA has updated, codified and redefined its mediation process. Under the new process, which took effect on October 1, 2001, ANA members and non-members can seek resolutions to problems, with all complaints handled first by a newly formed Mediation Committee composed of five past members of the ANA Board of Governors. The committee will have the authority to impose disciplinary measures against those found in violation of the ANA’s bylaws or codes of ethics. Appeals will be heard by the Board of Governors, which retains the sole authority to suspend or expel members.

Those seeking resolution through the mediation process generally must file complaints within 90 days of the alleged violation. The ANA also may file a complaint without waiting for an individual to take action.

NCW PROMOTERS CAN WIN SCHOLARSHIPS

— The ANA is offering two full scholarships to an ANA Summer Seminar at the Association’s headquarters for the best promotions of the 79th observance of the National Coin Week, April 21-27, 2002. This year’s National Coin Week theme is “Faces of Time,” focusing on the people whose portraits have graced coins through the ages, according to ANA Education Director Gail Baker.

“During National Coin Week 2002, the ANA wants people to pay attention to their money and the faces

looking back at them,” Baker says. “With the United States Mint issuing fresh 50 State quarter designs every 10 weeks, people everywhere are thinking about the images on our money. Even members of Congress have expressed enthusiasm, asking numismatic hobby leaders for ideas, and officials at the United States Mint are looking into coinage redesign.

“But going far beyond an old item’s collector value,” Baker adds, “holding a coin from 50, 100 or even 1,000 years ago can begin an exciting journey of discovery into the honor, recognition, politics and power behind the face that appears on the small piece of round metal.”

The Association is encouraging its members to join in the National Coin Week celebration by offering two full scholarships to a future ANA Summer Seminar.

Some activities collectors can do during NCW are:

- Design a web page exhibiting the faces on coins of yesterday and today.
- Present a talk on the people behind the portrait on a coin - the person who is portrayed and the artist who created the image.
- Visit the U.S. Mint Web site - www.usmint.gov - to see the faces that appear and will appear on circulating, commemorative and bullion coins.
- Mount a National Coin Week exhibit at a library, bank or school.

One scholarship will be awarded for the best NCW display mounted at the Association’s National Money Show in Jacksonville, Florida, March 7-9, 2002. The other full scholarship will be given to the collector or coin club who submits a report of the best and most innovative way in which they promoted National Coin Week and the theme “Faces of Time.”

CLASS SCHEDULE AVAILABLE FOR ANA SUMMER SEMINAR

— Ten new classes and eight new mini-seminars are included in the just-completed course catalog for the ANA’s 34th Annual Summer Seminar, June 29 to July 12, 2002 at ANA headquarters on the Colorado College (CC) campus.

“The coming Summer Seminar again promises to be a great one,” Education Director Gail Baker says. “We have scheduled 32 classes and 11 evening mini-seminars, plus evening bull sessions and tours. Many of the classes will fill up quickly, so I encourage all interested students to register as soon as possible.” The course catalog was mailed to all ANA members and is available on the ANA’s web site, www.money.org. The on-line catalog offers easy access to course descriptions, instructors, special classes and events, and a link to the campus. Interested students can download a registration form, and a scholarship or financial aid application.

COIN SHOW and EVENT CALENDAR

To list a show contact Del Cushing; P.O. Box 88984, Seattle, WA 98138-2984; Phone 206-244-1596. Highlighted shows and events are PNNA, ANA or CNA sponsored or co-sponsored. Shows may occasionally be subject to changes or cancellations.

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JAN 5-6 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, University Place Community Hall, 37th & Bridgeport, Tacoma, Wa.

JAN 12 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Inn, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, Wa.

JAN 19-20 BOEING EMPLOYEES' COIN CLUB SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave No., Kent, Wa.

JAN 26 OLYMPIA COIN CLUB SHOW, VFW Hall, 2902½ Martin Way, Olympia, Wa.

FEB 9 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave, Kent, Wa.

FEB 10 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

FEB 10 NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel 8820 So. Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.

FEB 16 ISSAQUAH-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1801 12th Ave. NW., Issaquah, Wa.

FEB 16-17 MCMINNVILLE COIN & STAMP SHOW, Spirit Mt. Casino, Highway 18, Grande, Or.

MAR 2-3 GRAYS HARBOR COINS, STAMPS & COLLECTIBLES SHOW, South Shore Mall, Aberdeen, Wa.

MAR 7-9 ANA National Money Show™, Jacksonville, Florida

MAR 9-10 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, University Place Community Hall, 37th & Bridgeport, Tacoma, Wa.

MAR 9-10 CALGARY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn Downtown, 119 12th Ave. S.W., Calgary, Alberta

MAR 16 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Inn, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, Wa.

MAR 16-17 MID-VALLEY COIN CLUB SHOW, Alterra Villas of Albany, 1565 Davidson St. S.E., Albany, Or.

APR 6-7 OREGON STATE SPRING COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn Portland Airport Convention Center, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, Or.

APR 13 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave., Kent, Wa.

APR 14 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

APR 20-21 VANCOUVER NUMISMATIC SOCIETY COIN SHOW, Oakridge Auditorium, 41st & Cambie, Vancouver, B.C.

APR 28 NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel, 8820 So. Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.

MAY 3-4-5 PACIFIC NORTHWEST NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave. So., Tukwila, Wa.

MAY 25-26 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, University Place Community Hall, 37th & Bridgeport, Tacoma, Wa.

MAY 25-26 SPRINGFIELD COIN, CURRENCY & TOKEN SHOW, Masonic Center, 2777 Centennial Blvd., Eugene, Or.

JUN 8 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Inn, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, Wa.

JUN 9 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

JULY 12-14 CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, Renaissance Hotel Harborside, 1133 W. Hastings, Vancouver, British Columbia

JUL 13-14 NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY CONVENTION, Marshall Recreation Center, Vancouver, Wa.

JUL 20 OLYMPIA/SOUTH SOUND COIN SHOW, VFW Hall, 2902½ Martin Way, Olympia, Wa.

JUL 31-AUG 4 ANA World's Fair of Money®, New York City, New York

AUG 11 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

AUG 24-25 WASHINGTON STATE 23rd ANNUAL COIN SHOW, University Place Community Hall, 37th & Bridgeport, Tacoma, Wa.

SEP 6-22 PUYALLUP FAIR (PNNA-sponsored coin exhibit in Hobby Hall).

SEP 7-8 OREGON STATE FALL COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn Portland Airport Convention Center, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, Or.