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President's Message *by Larry Gaye*

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Hello to all ... This past month from prior to the ANA in Pittsburgh to now has been very busy on many fronts. The trip to the ANA was via Columbus, Ohio to visit family who are also friends ... no mean feat. Spent a week with my sister in law and had a ball. I satisfied another of my passions by visiting the US Air Force Museum at Wright-Patterson AFB. What a spectacular venue and a great research trip.

Suzanne and I drove from Columbus to Pittsburgh on Sunday, August 15. It was about a three hour trip on a very nice day with low temps and low humidity, a rare combination in this part of the United States in mid-August. We arrived safely in Pittsburgh and had a nice dinner together and met old friends in the lobby of the Omni William Pitt, a grand old hotel.

Monday I started work unloading semi-trailers and starting set up. We were really limited as to the hands on work we could do as Pittsburgh is a very heavy Teamster's Union town. Suffice it to say, we made all deadlines and the show opened on time. I made some wonderful purchases in some rather extraordinary areas. As some of you may know, I'm beginning a journey into another area related to Byzantine coinage namely early Islamic. I have a lot to learn. Much good food, good friends and hard work later, the convention closed and we began our trek back to Portland and the reality of home after being gone for a little over two weeks.

My next numismatic sojourn was last weekend to the Puyallup Fair. Scott and Lisa Loos put me up, or should I say put up with me on Saturday evening. We met at the Museum of Flight at Boeing Field to view the new collection purchased from The Champlin Museum. Are you seeing a pattern here? Aircraft and Coins are two very strong driving forces in my life.

I was not prepared for the sheer scope of the Puyallup Fair, what a zoo! Our table was in the "Collecting" and Crafts building (Hobby Hall). We gave away a lot of souvenirs to kids and adults alike. Our area was right next

to a modeling exhibit area so I felt doubly at home. It is truly extraordinary the stuff people come to the fair to do and see. Eat food, drink pop, view arts and crafts, gape at animals and get sick on stomach churning rides. I stand in awe, and to think the Fair lasts two weeks. Talk about exhaustion!

Scott and Lisa were truly wonderful hosts. I was treated to one of Scott's fantastic omelets on Sunday morning ... YUM! We had a chance to talk about numismatics in the Northwest. Somehow we have to involve more people, especially the young. There is also a need for a more concentrated effort to develop numismatics in the Portland metro and Mid-Willamette Valley areas. I firmly believe we can duplicate the success of the PNNA Convention in Seattle here in Portland by developing a joint effort mini-convention here in Portland in much the same way the ANA has a Convention and National Money show at different times of the year. Now there is something for all of us to think about.

One last thought, well maybe two. The PNNA meets only once a year. How about setting up a quarterly meeting of the club in a venue that would involve more collectors - both young and old alike? We could do more Boy Scout Merit Badge clinics, do a mini bourse and much more educational projects. This would require volunteers, but heck it gives us another chance to talk about our favorite topic and the reason we formed as a club: COINS!

See you all soon and Keep Smiling!

THE PUYALLUP FAIR

The PNNA again sponsored a coin collecting table and exhibit at the Puyallup Fair, 10-26 September 2004. Several Puget Sound clubs volunteered to sponsor one or more days of the fair by staffing the table. Thank you to all of the clubs and individuals who assisted.

PNNA Now Tax Exempt

The PNNA recently qualified for IRS 501c(3) non-profit tax-exempt educational organization status. See the board meeting minutes on pages 4-5.

Boling's Ride for Multiple Sclerosis

PNNA secretary/treasurer Joe Boling was able to collect about \$1,600 in pledges from those who supported his bicycle ride to benefit the National MS Society (in honor of longtime PNNA stalwart Marge Farnam). Many of those pledgers were PNNA members — thank you to all who assisted.

Bob Everett Memorial Award

It is time to nominate individuals to receive the Bob Everett memorial award in 2005. If you know of someone who has made valuable contributions to numismatics in the Pacific Northwest, please send secretary Boling a statement describing the individual's work.

PNNA 2004 National Coin Week Contest Winner by Larry Rowe, Judge

Every year PNNA has a contest whereby member clubs are encouraged to promote National Coin Week in their area to make the public aware of the hobby of numismatics. PNNA offers cash award prizes of \$100, \$75 and \$50 for first, second and third place winners.

This year's theme was "Discover the World of Money." As the judge for the PNNA award, I was not able to announce this year's winner in time for the last issue of *The Nor'wester*, and for that I apologize. I regret to report that only one application was received. As a result of this, I needed to determine what place that application deserved, based on the content of the display, and not the fact there was no competition. Having done that, I am happy to announce that the winner for 2004 is the OLYMPIA COIN CLUB, earning first place and \$100 for their treasury.

I commend Dick Cowley of O.C.C. for putting together an excellent application package for the contest. It makes it possible for the judge to determine exactly what the club did.

The Olympia Coin Club set up their display at the Tumwater Timberland Regional Library. The subject for their display in line with the national theme was "People, Places and Objects Depicted on Money." The display was set up prior to National Coin Week and remained in place until the end of May. The display illustrated a number of different topics about coins, as well as some currency. Some numismatic books were displayed to encourage the viewer seeking additional information. All in all, a very nice entry!

Congratulations to the Olympia Coin Club!

PNNA 2005 National Coin Week Competition

National Coin Week in 2005 will be 17-23 April. The theme has not yet been announced by ANA headquarters, but it is not too early to start planning your club's participation. PNNA makes awards of \$100, \$75, and \$50 to the clubs with the three best national coin week programs each year. In some years, not enough clubs have participated to be able to make three awards. This is pretty easy money, folks — if your club is perpetually short of funds, consider this opportunity to earn some.

Exhibits at the 2004 ANA Anniversary Convention

Fifty-five exhibitors showed eighty competitive exhibits at the Pittsburgh ANA convention; only one was a PNNA member. Eric Holcomb entered an exhibit titled "We Came in Peace for All Mankind - A Selection of Apollo 11 Medals." He earned second place in class 15, modern mint medals. PNNA officers or members Eric Holcomb, Scott Loos, John Wilson, and Joe Boling served as judges in Pittsburgh.

Exhibits at the 2005 PNNA Convention

Now is the time to build your exhibits for next spring's PNNA convention in Seattle (Tukwila). There are also opportunities to show exhibits at the Everett show (November) and the Boeing show (January); use these shows as proving grounds for your April entries. Don't forget that the best exhibitor at the PNNA convention earns \$200 toward the expense of taking the winning exhibit to the ANA summer convention in the same year (the ANA will be in San Jose in 2005). Any club that wants a program on exhibit-building should contact the PNNA secretary at the address/phone in the masthead.

Exhibits at the ANA 2005 Spring Convention

The ANA early spring convention in 2005 will be in Kansas City, Missouri. The dates are 8-10 April (Friday-Sunday). If you are interested in exhibiting there, write to ANA headquarters (attention Barbara Olson) 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. Don't delay — the exhibit application deadline will be in late February.

Thank you PNNA by Dale Smith

I want to thank the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association for giving me the opportunity to attend a session of the 2004 ANA Summer Seminar. The scholarship made it possible for me to go to Colorado Springs, Colorado and attend class.

I began collecting coins only six years ago, when my friend Carl Steiger invited my wife and I to a coin show being held in Seattle. Carl has collected coins and bank notes since he was a child; yet, despite becoming friends during high school and seeing a few of his German inflation-period bank notes, I didn't get the bug. I remember finding mercury dimes and buffalo nickels, and, on rare occasions, even an Indian cent, in change when I was a young boy in the late 1960s. Perhaps if I had seen some of Carl's U.S. coins when we became friends, the collecting bug would have bitten me sooner. After college, Carl began pursuing Greek and Roman coins. On our visits, he would show us his latest acquisitions and he often had a coin auction catalog lying out on the coffee table.

In April 1998, Carl persuaded us to accompany him to the coin show being held in downtown Seattle. I finally came down with numismatic fever. Carl encouraged me to look examine an ancient Chinese coin, and sat me down at one dealer's table in front of a junk box filled with Roman bronzes. He offered to buy me the example of my choice. With his help, I picked out a coin from the reign of Constantine the Great. Later that weekend, he gave me a buffalo nickel. From then on, I was hooked.

The World's Fair of Money was held in Portland, Oregon, that August. We went, and I bought several pieces – a couple of Chinese cash coins, some Indian cents and a 1960 Hong Kong dollar bearing the portrait of Queen Elizabeth II. That started my twin numismatic passions – women on coins and currency, and British Commonwealth coins.

I love the hunt for coins, and the finding and the buying. Since becoming a coin collector I have attended many shows in Oregon and Washington, as well as visiting many coin stores. While I had acquired some catalogs and several books, my numismatic library took second place to chasing after sixpences and shillings. I collected coins, and learned their history, yet never really studied them.

I knew about the [ANA] summer seminar. It sounded interesting, yet wasn't something I really considered. I figured the money would be better spent buying coins, then on traveling to the American Numismatic Association headquarters and spending a week in a classroom.

Scott and Lisa Loos, whose table I regularly haunt at various shows, mentioned the PNNA scholarship to me. They were enthusiastic about the seminar, both having attended. Lisa had taken Prue Fitt's class on "Women in history on money and art" the year before, which captured my interest, since that covered one of my collecting passions. Lisa clearly had had a blast in the class. They told me the seminar would be a very worthwhile experience and encouraged me to apply for the PNNA scholarship. I decided to send in an application

While attending the National Money show in this March, I learned that I had won the PNNA adult scholarship. I couldn't believe my good fortune. Lisa and Scott told me I would have a great time. Joe Boling, PNNA treasurer, was very helpful in handling my paperwork and arranging payment.

Arriving at the Colorado Springs airport, I met an ANA staffer and several other students. We quickly fell into easy conversations about where we were from, what we collected, and what courses we were taking. This experience was repeated again and again after we arrived at Colorado College, from Loomis Hall to the cafeteria and lounge. "Meeting-and-greeting" continued throughout the week. This was something else about the seminar I had not considered. Making new friends and sharing mutual enthusiasms for the hobby was a truly heady experience. Even better was yet to come.

Prue Fitts had been scheduled to teach "Women in history on money and in art" during the first session of the 2004 Summer Seminar, and I promptly signed up for her course. It turned out that Prue's class was canceled. I wound up with my second choice, "Collecting Coins of the World – 1500 to now", as my second choice.

"Collecting Coins of the World" was co-taught by George Cuhaj, an editor from Krause Publications, and Emmett McDonald, a long-time world coin collector and retired chemical engineer. There were eleven students in the class. Aside from myself, there were four Young Numismatists, two teachers, a coin dealer, a grandmother, a long-time ANA museum volunteer, and a drummer.

The class covered a lot of ground. Four centuries of coins, focusing on Europe, the British Commonwealth, Latin America and Asia. Trade coinage and gold were discussed in separate sections. We viewed two ANA slide presentations on two different collections of coins, one that was crowns of the world, a specialty of Emmett's as well. Emmett and George were great. Emmett has a lifetime of experience collecting world coins, with enough coin lore and anecdotes to fill

a month of classes. George's technical expertise was invaluable, as was his instruction in using the Krause catalogs. Both encouraged class participation and had wonderful senses of humor.

Emmett brought a number of pieces from his collection for us to examine. There is no substitute for studying a coin up close. We discussed a bit of metallurgy, a bit of chemistry, and coin-design elements, as well as economics and history. We took a coin I.D. quiz, where each of us had to identify several unattributed coins, using the Krause catalogs.

"Collecting the Coins of the World" showed me the value of looking beyond the mere beauty of a coin. The class also increased my appreciation of the value of research in numismatics. I gave a short presentation on die numbers used by the British royal mint on some of their coins during the later 19th century, having spent the night before researching the topic in the ANA library. The library was amazing, and I kept wishing for more time spent there!

I had also signed up for a night class, Joe Boling's "Detecting Counterfeit World Bank Notes", held for three evenings. I collect women on bank notes, with a sub-collection of Queen Elizabeth II. But I had not studied the production of bank notes beyond the basics. Joe's class was a rigorous examination of printing methods, security devices, and the many means counterfeiters used to duplicate notes. He is extremely skilled in identifying counterfeit currency and managed to pack a lot of information in three nights.

I also attended a couple of "bull sessions," which were actually mini-classes. My favorite was the one on Jetons, presented by one of my "Collecting Coins of the World" classmates, Greg Thompson. Another highlight was the book sale. I bought a stack of books on world coins. My only regret is that I couldn't buy more!

Thank you, PNNA, for giving me the opportunity to attend the 2004 ANA summer seminar. It taught me what numismatics really is. It is not just chasing after coins and putting them in your collection, it's also discovering the design, use and history behind the coin. And thank you for creating the scholarship. It is a very worthwhile endeavor.

Minutes of PNNA board meeting 20 June 2004, Portland, Oregon

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Gaye at 8:15 AM. Present were secretary/treasurer Joseph Boling, directors Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, Scott Loos, Larry Rowe, Kathy Rowe, and appointed dealer-director Rob Anglemier.

Moved and seconded (L Rowe/L Loos) to approve the minutes of the previous board meeting and general membership meeting, both held 24 April 2004. Passed. A treasurer's report is being made monthly by email.

Moved and seconded (K Rowe/S Loos) to approve the May report subject to audit. Passed.

Moved and seconded (S Loos/L Loos) to ratify the president's appointment of Rob Anglemier as the dealer-director for the term 2004-2006. Passed.

The final convention report for 2004 showed a profit of \$4,449.96, including general admission fees of \$1,908, representing at least 950 daily admissions (families and multi-day admissions average less than \$2/visitor-day). President Gaye congratulated Scott Loos (bourse chair) and Dick Billings (general chair) for outstanding work on the convention.

General show calendar - nothing has been done yet beyond the board approval to proceed, which was passed at the previous meeting. President Gaye appointed the following committee to develop this publication: Dale Reubish, Eric Holcomb, Del Cushing, Rob Anglemeier, Scott Loos. This calendar is to be distributed at shows, at the Puyallup Fair, in the Nor'Wester, posted on the web site, and anywhere that the PNNA has a presence. It is to be free, completely informative, with ads on the back to cover part of its costs. The committee will select its own chair. Eric Holcomb will coordinate the work of the committee until a chair is selected.

A discussion of the cash amount of the Everett award was opened by Boling. In the past two years, earnings from the fund have been so low that the award has been only \$150 (2003) and \$100 (2004). Moved and seconded (L Rowe/K Rowe) to supplement the award (from the general fund) as necessary to achieve a minimum award of \$200, and to make retroactive payments to those who did not receive at least \$200 in past award cycles. Passed. [This provision resulted in supplemental payments of \$50 to Ray Mah and \$100 to Dick Billings.]

Larry Gaye has been talking to ANA HQ about establishing an exhibit award memorializing Rob Retz. Further discussion with members present explored the mechanics for establishing a new class. [Since this meeting, another organization has undertaken to establish such an award, probably outside the ANA exhibit award program.]

Future educational seminars. There is value in staying in bed with the ANA in the conduct of seminars such as the two-day two-course offering in Tukwila last fall (the ANA diploma program, training certificates, prestige). The problem is the cost that ANA now

charges - \$150/student-day is too expensive, in comparison with what a student would spend to attend the summer seminar (where five days of coursework are offered, vice the two or three that we can manage when running seminars locally). Seminar timing works better in spring, for publicity reasons. We could also still do smaller ones of our own in the fall. If we offer seminars in the spring, should they be in conjunction with our show? The pros and cons are to be determined by the education committee. If we want to do one-day seminars, we have enough experts that we could offer several topics with minimal cost. Formats could be single-subject, full-day symposia with several speakers, etc. The following committee was appointed to look at educational programs: Gaye, S Loos, L Loos. Boling reminded the committee to include Bill McKivor, educational chair for the past several spring conventions, in their discussions.

Moved and seconded (S Loos/L Loos) to donate \$50 to the Providence Portland Medical Foundation for Hospice in memory of Rob Retz. Passed.

Scott Loos reported that he tried last year to increase the visibility of the PNNA convention in the dealer community, to get wider participation. We placed an ad in the FUN program. In Central States, Rollie Finner has offered to put us in their show calendar, but we need to join CSNA. Moved and seconded (S Loos/L Rowe) to join the CSNA for \$8. Passed.

2005 show - we are on the way to filling the bourse - we have 25-30 payments already, and are taking applications from people to go on a waiting list.

YN committee - moved and seconded (S Loos/L Loos) to put an additional \$1,000 into our YN support program. Passed.

PNNA as host for a Seattle ANA convention. This is still sitting in limbo, waiting for another west coast convention slot - 2010-2011.

Do we want to move up to a larger facility for our annual convention? Eventually - we want to run a waiting list first. Larry Gaye suggested a move to Portland, where we can rent whatever space we need. Such a decision must be balanced against customer distribution, airline access, lack of general recognition in certain areas, and so forth.

Holcomb - needs inputs immediately for the third quarter issue *The Nor'wester*.

The Willamette Coin Club has lost its bourse chair; they don't know where a replacement will come from. They want to have a 2005 show, but the members are getting old and unable to do the hard work that is needed. They are also looking at alternate monthly meeting formats, such as weekends, to accommodate

kids and the elderly.

What if PNNA had monthly meetings, for all kinds of comers, on the NW TAMS model? Programs at all expertise levels?

Boling reported that the PNNA's application for non-profit educational organization recognition (501c (3) status) has been submitted, and that the IRS has responded with further questions about certain of our operations (such as the summer seminar scholarship program). We will also be required to amend our incorporation papers in Oregon to include specific wording about disposition of residual assets in the event of dissolution (we presently name the ANA explicitly - a more general statement is required, apparently to cover the situation in the event of ANA's loss of its own 501c (3) status). [Since the meeting the IRS has awarded PNNA the status of 501c(3) organization.]

The meeting was adjourned about 10:00 AM.

Minutes taken and transcribed by Joseph E. Boling, secretary.

PNNA Officers 2004-2006

President - Larry Gaye

Vice President - Richard Billings

Secretary/Treasurer - Joe Boling

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Scott Loos, Norman Mikat, Eric Holcomb, Lisa Loos, Del Cushing, William McKivor, Bruce Wonder, Larry Rowe, Kathy Rowe, William Roark

Appointed Positions

Dealer-Director - Ron Anglemier

Editor/Webmaster - Eric Holcomb

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American Numismatic Association News

RARE COIN DISCOVERY, BUSY BOURSE HIGHLIGHT PITTSBURGH SHOW — From opening day ribbon cutting on Wednesday, August 18 to Sunday, August 22's mid-afternoon close, the 113th Annual ANA World's Fair of Money® surpassed expectations. Attendance figures reflected the public's growing appetite for numismatic items with nearly 15,000 people turning out. Many brought coins for appraisals while others shopped to complete a collection. Dealers stayed busy with a steady stream of traffic.

Highlighting the event on Saturday was one New York family's surprise to discover their 1792 copper cent — one of nine known — turned out to be worth more than they ever imagined. ANA past president and 2004 Numismatist of the Year, Ken Bressett, helped authenticate the rare quarter-sized coin that sat in a tobacco can for years. The 1792 copper cent has been called a "silver cent without the silver" because it was an experimental coin developed before establishment of the United States Mint.

Almost 2,500 numismatic dealers registered for the annual convention, many citing the ANA's reputation for quality shows and good crowds as the reason they attend each year. Event newspaper promotion included a four-page color insert in the Pittsburgh City Paper, advertising in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette as well as insertions in the Wall Street Journal and USA Today regional editions.

Local radio promotion included advertising on five stations; television spots ran Sunday, August 15 through Saturday, August 21 on the four networks as well as cable channels.

Jim Halperin and Steve Ivy, co-founders and co-chairmen of Heritage Numismatic Auctions, Inc, noted that this year's week-long preview session and sale resulted in more than \$20 million in sales — double the company's previous record of just under \$10 million in 2002 and up more than 20 percent over last year's Baltimore's auction.

"The market for coins and money items is terrific right now," Halperin said. "This was a fantastic show — one of the best in ANA history." "What we're seeing," said Barry Stuppler, ANA Governor, is everybody buying and selling. That trend appears to be nationwide as coin dealers across the country report a revitalized market — up over 2002 and 2003.

The ANA Board of Governors, President Gary Lewis, Executive Director Chris Cipoletti and General Chairman Wayne Homren were joined at opening ceremonies by area legislators and dignitaries. Those attending included: Pittsburgh mayor Tom Murphy; Pennsylvania state representative John Maher (a long-time collector who delivered a Citation of Welcome from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives); and Keith Schmidt from U.S. Senator Rick Santorum's office along with leaders from the three host Pennsylvania numismatic clubs.

Also on hand during a busy week were: Henrietta Holsman Fore, United States Mint Director; Antoinette Banks, Public Service Division for the United States Bureau of Engraving; Doug Chambers from the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission; Dr. Jim Richardson, curator of the Carnegie Natural History Museum and a number of Pittsburgh area host club dignitaries.

Covered in-depth by Pittsburgh area media, the Associated Press (AP), international reporters as well as the numismatic press, thousands of out-of-town visitors also attended the five-day coin show and exhibit event.

Stories appeared in media ranging from New Delhi HindustanNews.com website to CNN broadcasts to full coverage by local Pittsburgh newspapers, TV and radio. An AP story

describing the Show's many rare and historic exhibits, features and the rare 1792 U.S. copper cent discovered at the Pittsburgh ANA made headlines as far away as Miami, Atlanta and Seattle. Even a Russian television crew drove in from New York to get footage.

The economic impact of the 113th Anniversary ANA convention on the city of Pittsburgh was \$1.7 million. According to a spokesman from the Greater Pittsburgh Convention and Visitor's Bureau, convention-related guests reserved approximately 1,000 hotel rooms.

A total of 89 outstanding competitive and non-competitive exhibits assembled by 52 adult and eight young numismatists drew thousands of families, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, collectors as well as the general public. This year's public display of the nation's probable first silver dollar ever struck — the Contursi 1794 dollar — made headlines as did two of the five 1913 Liberty Head nickels.

Numismatic merchandise was popular as well. Close to 1,000 World Mint Passports were sold for 14 participating mints. Sales were consistent and busy throughout the week. Enterprise manager Cary Hardy says money ties featuring coin or paper money designs were a hot seller — as were shirts sporting the new ANA logo. Both were sellouts. In addition, multiple author signings each day were well-attended.

Lines formed at the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) booth which displayed the colorful newly-redesigned \$50 bills — created to help avoid counterfeiting attempts by tech-savvy copy-cats. The new currency will enter circulation by the end of September. The BEP's spider press demonstration was also a hit with visitors including Pennsylvania state representative John Maher who took his turn on the press — and the Billion Dollar Exhibit, which included \$100,000 bills, attracted throngs of curious attendees.

The United States Mint's "Artistic Infusion" public display in the convention center lobby attracted hundreds of admirers on Saturday. The paneled exhibit boards showcased 144 different proposed design submissions for the re-design of the nickel. United States Mint Director Henrietta Holsman Fore and Associate Director, Sales and Marketing, Gloria Eskridge, were both on hand at for an Open Forum to solicit public feedback.

Visitors also purchased United States Mint products, including two-roll sets of the 2004 Westward Journey Nickel Series, the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Silver Dollar and 2004 Mint proof sets.

Among minting organizations represented were four eastern European countries: Bulgaria, Latvia, Ukraine, and for the first time, the Polish Mint. The Japan Mint debuted a coin commemorating the country's new international airport and featuring a colorful hologram reproduction of the Earth as viewed from a weather satellite.

This year's sole inductee into the ANA Hall of Fame was Clifford Mishler, former chairman of the board of Krause Publications. Emcee Wendell Wolka's overview of Mishler's many career accomplishments and dedicated support for education and advancement the hobby of numismatics brought the audience to its feet. More than 350 members and VIP guests attended the Award Banquet, including Mark Anderson, son of numismatic legend, Burnett Anderson.

Based on reports from all sectors, the 2004 World's Fair of Money will go on record as one of the most popular and financially successful ever — but just wait til' next year in San Jose!

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 will occasionally be subject to changes or cancellations.

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OCT 2 SKAGIT VALLEY COIN CLUB SHOW, Cranberry Tree Restaurant, 2030 Freeway Dr., Mt. Vernon, WA

OCT 2-3 MONTGOMERY PARK COIN SHOW, Montgomery Park, 2701 NW Vaughn St, Portland, OR

OCT 2-3 CAVEMAN COIN CLUB COIN, CURRENCY & STAMP SHOW, Josephine County Fairgrounds, Grants Pass, Oregon

OCT 9-10 EVERETT COIN & SPORTS CARD SHOW, Everett Events Center, Everett, WA

OCT 10 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, WA

OCT 16-17 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

OCT 30-31 (Sat 10AM-6PM, Sun 10AM-5PM) INLAND EMPIRE COIN CLUB'S 2004 FALL COIN, CARD & STAMP SHOW, Sons of Norway Hall, 6710 N Country Homes Blvd., Spokane, WA

NOV 6 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Inn, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, WA

NOV 12-14 TACOMA DOME COIN & SPORTS CARD SHOW, Tacoma Dome, Tacoma, WA

NOV 13-14 TRI-CITIES COIN, STAMP, CARD & JEWELRY SHOW, Hampton Inn, 486 Bradley Ave., Richland, WA

NOV 20-21 EVERETT COIN CLUB SHOW, Normanna Hall, 2723 Oakes Ave., Everett, WA

NOV 27-28 THE HOLIDAY COIN SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

NOV 27-28 SALEM NUMISMATIC SOCIETY SHOW, Red Lion Hotel, 3301 Market St NE, Salem, OR

DEC 4 OLYMPIA/SOUTH SOUND COIN SHOW, American Legion Post #166, 5757 Littlerock Road (across from Costco), Tumwater, WA.

DEC 5 (9 AM - Noon) NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel, 8820 So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

DEC 11 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, Kent, WA

DEC 12 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, WA

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JAN 8-9 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

JAN 8-9 EVERETT COIN & SPORTS CARD SHOW, Everett Events Center, Everett, WA

JAN 22-23 BOEING EMPLOYEES' COIN CLUB SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, Kent, WA

JAN 29 OLYMPIA COIN CLUB SHOW, American Legion Post #166, 5757 Littlerock Road (across from Costco), Tumwater, WA.

JAN 29-30 MONTGOMERY PARK COIN SHOW, Montgomery Park, 2701 NW Vaughn St, Portland, OR

FEB 6 (9 AM - Noon) NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel, 8820 So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

FEB 12 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Inn, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, WA

FEB 13 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, WA

FEB 19 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, Kent, WA

FEB 19-20 MCMINNVILLE COIN CLUB SHOW, Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th, Lincoln City, OR

FEB 24-26 LONG BEACH COIN, STAMP & COLLECTIBLES EXPO, LONG BEACH, CA

MAR 4-6 TACOMA DOME COIN & SPORTS CARD SHOW, Tacoma Dome, Tacoma, WA

MAR 5-6 GRAYS HARBOR COINS, STAMPS & COLLECTIBLES SHOW, South Shore Mall, Aberdeen, WA

MAR 12 STANWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, Stanwood Senior Center, Stanwood, WA

MAR 12-13 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

APR 2 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, Kent, WA

APR 8-10 ANA National Money Show™, Kansas City, MO

APR 10 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, WA

APR 16-17 MONTGOMERY PARK COIN SHOW, Montgomery Park, 2701 NW Vaughn St, Portland, OR

APR 16-17 BELLINGHAM COIN, CARD & STAMP SHOW, Hampton Inn, Fox Hall, 3985 Bennett Dr., I-5 Exit 258, Bellingham, WA

APR 17-23 ANA National Coin Week

APR 24 COWLITZ COIN CLUB ANNUAL SHOW, AWPPW Hall, 724 - 15th Ave, Longview, WA

APR 29-30-MAY 1, 2005 PNNA CONVENTION (56th Annual), Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave. So., Tukwila, WA



Ray Mah (left) receives the 2003 Bob Everett Memorial Award from Del Cushing (right).

Ray Mah 1935-2004

Ray was a lifelong friend of numismatics, and one who took great pleasure in sharing his love of the hobby with friends and collectors of all ages. Ray was a co-founder of the rebirth of the North Shore Numismatic Society, in North Vancouver in the mid 1970's, as well as a former regional director of the Canadian Numismatic Association, and to the end he was always looking for new ideas to help the clubs, their members and the community we served.

His passion for the hobby was his gift to all who knew him. To first time acquaintances at a coin show or other numismatic event, Ray's opening line was always, "How's your collection doing?" He always had an item of interest or experience to share with friends. We are all richer for having known him.

"Truly great friends are hard to find, difficult to leave, and impossible to forget." — G. Randell

Tom Sheehan is looking for information on the panic scrip of 1893, 1907 and 1914 from anywhere in the country. Tom is also interested in buying Washington State Nationals. CASH PAID!!

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Top: View from the balcony of the David L. Lawrence Convention Center in Pittsburgh, on the banks of the Allegheny River. **Center:** View of the bourse floor from above. The roof is supported with cables like a suspension bridge, allowing several hundred linear feet of exhibit space unencumbered by interior support columns. **Bottom:** du Pont 1866 "No Motto" coins, including the recently recovered 1866 "No Motto" Dollar.