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## President's Message

by PNNA President Lisa Loos

I can't believe that the year has come to an end. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and found time to relax.

As the calendar turns, we have several events to get us back in the swing and not think about all the eggnog and goodies that were consumed.

January 8-9 is the Greater Tacoma Coin Show at the King Oscar in Tacoma. Followed by the Boeing Employees Coin Club Show at the Kent Commons January 21-22. For those of you that are a bit more adventurous, there is the Florida United Numismatists Convention in Orlando January 5-9. These same dates is also the New York International at the Waldorf Astoria in the heart of Manhattan. Whether you stay in the cozy confines of the NW, or travel back east, I am sure you can find that one special gift for yourself.

This new year also brings the close of the current officers and board members terms. (Just think, you only have to endure one more of my President's messages!) Elections will be happening this quarter. If you know of anyone who would be a valuable asset to the board, please send the nomination to Bill McKivor, Election Chairperson. Keep in mind, there is no harm in nominating yourself.

Best wishes for the New Year. — Lisa

## PNNA Dues / Newsletter Access

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## PNNA Officers 2010-2012

**President** - Lisa Loos

**Vice President** - Danny Bisgaard

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### Directors

Larry Gaye (Past President), Bruce Wonder, Gawain O'Connor, Bill McKivor, Mark Gruner, John Enges, James Reinders, Dale Reubish, Rick Schulz, Dennis Stevens, Dan Vornbrock.

### Appointed Positions

**Dealer-Director** - To be announced

**Editor/Webmaster** - Eric Holcomb

*See notice of 2012 PNNA election on page 5.*

*Deadline for submission of material for 2nd Quarter 2012 Nor'wester: March 15, 2012.*

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## **PNNA Awards**

### **Bob Everett Memorial Award**

The awards committee is made up of Danny Bisgaard (Chair), Gawain O'Connor, Dennis Stevens and Bruce Wonder. In addition, the past five winners of the Bob Everett Memorial Award (Michael Labosier, Richard "Dick" Cowley, James Reinders, Scott Loos, and Walter Ostromecki) make up the committee to select the winner for 2012.

The cash award is usually presented at the April annual convention (if the honoree is present). The recipient does not have to be a member of the PNNA; he or she need only be someone who has promoted numismatics in the Pacific Northwest during the 2011 calendar year.

Please send your nominations (name and achievements that merit receipt of the award) to one of the above past five members that make up the selection committee. In addition, nominations for the award could be sent to the PNNA awards committee ([d.bisgaard@comcast.net](mailto:d.bisgaard@comcast.net)) or the secretary for forwarding to the selection committee.

Deadline for nominations is April 1, 2012.

More information is available on the PNNA website at <http://www.pnna.org/awards/everett.html>.

Thanking all of the membership for taking the time to submit nominations for this important award.

### **Nina Nystrom Memorial Goodwill Ambassador Award**

The PNNA sponsors an annual award patterned after the Krause Numismatic Ambassador Award at the national level, and recognizes individuals who have served as "ambassadors" for the hobby of numismatics in the Pacific Northwest.

Winners are selected by the P.N.N.A. President, who need not make an award every year.

Nominations should be sent to the attention of Danny Bisgaard, c/o Skip Caldwell, PO Box 2051, Salem, OR 97308. Information should include a narrative describing and giving examples of the person's role in serving as an "ambassador" in the Pacific Northwest. Deadline for information is April 1, 2012.

### **Presidential Award**

The PNNA sponsors an annual award patterned after the ANA Presidential Award at the national level. Individuals may be recognized for a range of contributions to the hobby in the Pacific Northwest.

Winners are selected by the PNNA President, who need not make an award every year.

Nominations should be sent to the attention of Lisa Loos, current PNNA President, PO Box 2210, North Bend, WA 98045, or e-mail to [pnavp@yahoo.com](mailto:pnavp@yahoo.com). Information should include a narrative describing and giving examples of the person's role in serving the hobby in the Pacific Northwest.

Deadline for information is April 1, 2012.

### **PNNA National Coin Week Contest**

The PNNA sponsors an annual contest whereby local clubs can win monetary awards for promotion of National Coin Week (NCW). Each year the ANA selects a theme for NCW to suggest different ways to promote the hobby.

The ANA announced the 2012 theme: *Change in Money: Cowries to Credit Cards*. To quote the ANA press release, "Money has gone through some amazing changes in history – we exchanged cowry shells for goods and services thousands of years ago, today we swipe a plastic card or use PayPal. From the first coins and paper money to the steam coin press and polymer notes, the transformation of money is a fascinating journey."

The 88th annual National Coin Week will be April 15-21, 2012.

Local clubs should take this opportunity to enhance their club treasury by preparing an eye popping exhibit and display it in their local community.

Local clubs that do participate should send their information to the attention of Danny Bisgaard, c/o Skip Caldwell, PO Box 2051, Salem, OR 97308. Information should include pictures of the display and a written narrative on where the display was placed as well as other activities the club did to promote NCW.

Deadline for information is April 30, 2012.

Last year we had no entries. Let us increase the activity! The Olympia Coin Club has been the winner several times.

### **PNNA Literary Award for Best Club Newsletter**

The PNNA sponsors a new annual contest whereby local clubs can win awards for best club newsletter. Awards will be presented in April 2013, for the three best newsletters of 2012.

Criteria for judging will be as follows: The submitted newsletters will be judged on the basis of the overall quality of their content. Specific aspects that will be considered include their layout, use of graphics, inclusion of informative articles by club members, specific contributions by and for Y/Ns, and evidence of creativity, both in content and in methods of distribution.

Clubs should submit a sample of three of their 2012 club newsletters to the committee for evaluation.

Local clubs that do participate should send their information to the attention of Danny Bisgaard, c/o Skip Caldwell - PO Box 2051, Salem, OR 97308. In addition, electronic newsletters can be submitted to [d.bisgaard@comcast.net](mailto:d.bisgaard@comcast.net).

Awards will be \$100 for first (club to receive a plaque and PNNA perpetual plaque), and certificates for 2nd and 3rd.

Deadline for information is February 1, 2013.

We look forward to seeing what local clubs are doing in getting the word out about their club's activities and articles that help educate all of us.

### **Summer Seminar Scholarship Awards**

The PNNA is offering (two) full one session scholarships for an Adult and a YN (Young Numismatist) collector to attend the 2012 ANA Summer Seminar, held on the campus of The Colorado College in beautiful Colorado Springs, CO. Session I dates are Saturday, June 23, to Friday, June 29; session II, Saturday, June 30 to Friday, July 6, 2012. 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. The scholarship includes tuition for the class of your choice, a room in Loomis Dormitory (double occupancy), all of your meals (on campus meal plan included in tuition) and airfare reimbursement, up to a maximum value of \$1,000 (\$1,050 for the YN Scholarship due to a mandatory side trip). Young Numismatists (YNs), ages 13 to 22, stay in a Colorado College dormitory with a group of experienced chaperons and mentors. Along with attending classes, YNs participate in a variety of special activities and events. The winner will be either an Adult or YN collector that is a member of the PNNA and completes the application. (If you are not a current member of the PNNA – please submit \$10.00 dues with the application, or \$5.00 YN dues). Deadline for receipt of applications will be March 1, 2012. Please submit completed applications to: PNNA Scholarship Program – Attn. Danny Bisgaard, c/o Skip Caldwell/S.N.S., PO Box 2051, Salem, OR 97308. Summer Seminar class listings are available by contacting ANA or see [www.money.org](http://www.money.org). Questions can be directed to Danny Bisgaard, phone 503-588-8162, or e-mail [d.bisgaard@comcast.net](mailto:d.bisgaard@comcast.net).

Application forms are available online at [www.pnna.org](http://www.pnna.org), or from a PNNA officer, or at certain coin shows and club meetings.

### **2012 PNNA Spring Convention**

Save the dates! The 63rd Annual PNNA Spring Convention will be held at the Tukwila Community Center April 13-15, 2012. The Spring Convention has a rich tradition as the oldest and largest annual coin show in the Pacific Northwest. In addition to the 85 table bourse, offerings will include a Young Numismatist treasure hunt, Boy and Girl Scout programs, hourly door prizes, and Numismatic Theater presentations. Speakers this year will include noted coin designer and Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee member Heidi Wastweet. We look forward to seeing you there!

Also, we are looking for additional volunteers to assist with the important behind-the-scenes work that contributes to the show's success. If you can help, please contact General Chairman Mike Labosier at [pnnasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:pnnasecretary@gmail.com).

If you are a dealer who would like to advertise in the convention edition of *The Nor'wester*, or if you would like to advertise on the PNNA website, please contact editor Eric Holcomb, [eric@holcomb.com](mailto:eric@holcomb.com). One-line website listings at [http://www.pnna.org/info/member\\_links.html](http://www.pnna.org/info/member_links.html) are free to PNNA dealers!

More information about the convention will be posted on the PNNA website, and will appear in the 2nd Quarter convention edition of *The Nor'wester* (when published in late March).

### **Exhibits at the 2012 Convention**

Now is the time to build your exhibits for next spring's PNNA convention in Seattle (Tukwila). There is also an opportunity to show exhibits at the Boeing Employees show (January); use this show as a proving ground for your entries. Don't forget that the best exhibitor at the PNNA spring 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 Philadelphia, August 7-11, 2012).

If you need more information about numismatic exhibiting at a PNNA convention, see the PNNA website at <http://www.pnna.org/exhibits/exhibits.html>, or contact PNNA chief judge [Eric Holcomb](mailto:Eric.Holcomb).

### **In Memoriam**

Unfortunately, several members and friends of PNNA have passed away recently. These include dealers George Booth and Michael O'Hara (see minutes on page 5), dealer Irving Joseph Weber Jr. (see the obit at <http://obits.dignitymemorial.com>), and PNNA token maker Gregory Paul Franck-Weiby (see page 7).

## PNNA/Willamette Convention, October 21-23, 2011 in Portland

Report by ANA Governor Walt Ostromecki,  
e-mail: [ostromecki@money.org](mailto:ostromecki@money.org).

The Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association (PNNA) and The Willamette Coin Club (WCC) jointly sponsored the annual MINI-CON coin show and convention at the DoubleTree Hotel, Portland, OR, October 21-23, 2011.

“An array of non-collector, youth and family focused outreach programs, exhibits and educational activities highlighted this year’s show,” remarked Lisa Loos, PNNA President. “We were indeed honored to have ANA Vice President Walt Ostromecki in attendance to once again lead various free public and youth activities which included the ever-popular Kid’s Zone Treasure Hunt and Coin Collecting 101 Basics. Walt also held a public forum on Saturday evening for ANAPNNA members, dealers and the public about ‘What’s Happening Inside Today’s ANA.’

In addition, Loos went on to say: “PNNA members James Reinders and YN Katie Reinders each conducted very successful coin-collecting badge workshops for Boy and Girl Scouts, with approximately 40 scouts in attendance on Saturday afternoon. They also spearheaded the youth’s outreach drive for numismatic exhibits which did net three entrants, including one first timer.”

The show was attended by well more than 600 despite the lingering economic downturn and lower prices in the stock and bullion markets. General Chairman and current WCC President Gene Wiley noted, “We expected a bullion show, but it broke out into a collector-based extravaganza with many dealers reporting lively sales all day Saturday.”

Dennis Reed, owner of Lacey Rare Coins, Lacey, WA, observed: “Friday was a slow start with lots of foot traffic, but little buying. Oh but, Saturday, all I can say is WOW! It was a collector-buying bonanza.”

Amiee from Bellevue Rare Coins, Bellevue, WA, remarked: “We didn’t know what to expect from the public when it came to purchasing certified coins (their massive show inventory included approximately 85% of slabbed and various graded collector coins), but we are sure glad we came to this show.”

The Penny Lady, Charmy Harker, Irvine, CA, said: “I did well and was very busy all three days with sales. But the most enjoyment and satisfaction I received came from my participation in Walt’s educational kids’ treasure-hunt program. I just love engaging and talking with youngsters and families in conversations about coins.”

PNNA Exhibit Coordinator and Chief Judge Eric Holcomb reported that there were nearly a dozen cases of outstanding exhibits, with two YN’s participating. Best of Show as well as a first place award was captured by YN Katie Reinders (PNNA ANA Summer Seminar Scholarship winner and 2011 Outstanding YN Summer Seminar attendee), with *Happy Birthday Oregon*. Second place honors were claimed by James Reinders, *A Swedish 3 Daler Plate From the Nicobar Wreck*. Third place went to a YN first time exhibitor, Marie Fernandez, *Mint Marks of U.S. Coins*. Judges were Eric Holcomb, Scott Loos and Danny Bisgaard. (A full exhibit report is available on the PNNA website.)

During the PNNA business meeting, President Lisa Loos gave a big kudos to Rick Shultz and Kevin Charbonneau (Rick’s wing man), who both manned a PNNA and Numismatic Hobby exhibit and display booth in September during the run of the Puyallup Fair. Membership was reported as up a bit over last year. The January 2011 PNNA-ANA jointly hosted counterfeit detection education seminar was “a sold-out success with 30 participants.” PNNA will again sponsor a YN to the 2012 ANA Summer Seminar. A PNNA People’s Choice Exhibit Award will be established and instituted at the 2012 PNNA Spring Convention in Tukwila, WA. The Board also voted to establish a coin club newsletter award. A committee was setup to review and update the PNNA bylaws. Nominations for 2012-2014 election of officers are being solicited. The PNNA website ([www.pnna.org](http://www.pnna.org)) has a new look and members can opt for an online quarterly newsletter versus a printed one at a reduced cost, yet to be set.



Photo: Walt working with Girl Scouts at the Kid’s Zone table at the PNNA/Willamette fall show.



Photo: PNNA board member Danny Bisgaard working with some kids at the PNNA/Willamette fall show.

## ANNOUNCING ... The 2012 PNNA Election of Officers

Every two years we have an election of officers that covers the following:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

And — ten board members.

It is necessary for all board members who wish to retain their office to contact me to be put on the ballot, which will be sent out separately before the April convention, with the results to be posted in the April edition of *The Nor'Wester*. The installation of new officers will be held at the PNNA board meeting, which is open to all to attend.

Like the Marines, we are always looking for a few good men (and women) to serve the PNNA on the board of directors, or in any other position open. If you wish to help point this organization on the road to better serving the numismatic community, you are invited to discuss what this entails with the election chairman, and submit your name for consideration by the members. From long experience in volunteering within the PNNA you will not be sorry you joined the group who steers the ship. It is very rewarding.

Please send your information to Bill McKivor, PO Box 46135, Seattle, WA 98146, or call him at (206) 244-8345 to discuss what we do and why, and how you can help, or e-mail [copperman@thecoppercorner.com](mailto:copperman@thecoppercorner.com) for a quick reply.

## PNNA Board Meeting Minutes

22 October 2011, Portland, Oregon

Members in Attendance: Lisa Loos, President; Danny Bisgaard, Vice President; Michael Labosier, Secretary; Scott Loos, Treasurer; Mark Gruner, Director; Gawain O'Connor, Director; James Reinders, Director; Rick Schulz, Director; Bruce Wonder, Director.

Members Absent: John Enges, Director; Larry Gaye, Past President; William McKivor, Director; Dale Reubish, Director; Dennis Stevens, Director; Dan Vornbrock, Director.

The board meeting was called to order by President Lisa Loos at approximately 6:15 p.m. In addition to the board members noted above, PNNA Editor and Webmaster Eric Holcomb and ANA Vice President Walter Ostromecki Jr. were in attendance.

The board observed a moment of silence in memory of George Booth and Michael O'Hara, recently deceased members.

**Secretary's Report:** Mike called for any changes or corrections to the minutes of the July 9, 2011 board meeting minutes as published on the PNNA website. The minutes were approved as published (Danny/James). Mike reported that the PNNA had received an email inquiry from Jeff Shevlin, who asked to give a presentation on his new book at the October convention. Arrangements were made for Jeff to speak.

**Treasurer's Report:** Scott reviewed the PNNA's 2011 financial activity through September 30. Revenues through the third quarter totaled \$36,039, with expenses of \$33,258. Convention activity accounted for most of both amounts. At September 30 the club held cash balances totaling \$68,809, mostly invested in money market accounts. Included in the cash total was \$2,012 held for future Token Congress use. Fund balances at September 30 consisted of \$57,368 held in the general fund, \$3,700 in the life member fund, and \$7,740 in the Bob Everett Memorial fund. The Treasurer's report was accepted by the board (Mark/Danny).

### Committee Reports:

**Convention** – Scott reported there was a full bourse for the fall convention and that the first day had been busy. The scout clinic was active, with 15 boy scouts and 15 girl scouts participating. Next year's fall convention has been scheduled for September 28 – 30. Planning has begun for the 2012 annual spring convention in Tukwila. Scott noted that the bourse applications are out and that ANACS may attend. Video recording of numismatic theater presentations is also being considered. Mike will be looking for volunteers to help watch the door and assist with other duties during the convention.

**Membership** – Lisa provided a brief update for Dennis, who was unable to attend. Projects underway include a membership survey and construction of a membership kiosk to be set up at shows. An updated case rental agreement is being drafted by Scott and John. Progress will be reported at the next board meeting.

**Outreach** – Rick reported that the PNNA's participation at the Puyallup Fair was again a big success. He recruited a good line up of volunteers, and about 5,000 foreign coins (30 pounds worth) were given away to visitors. Lisa thanked Rick for his work on the improved display at the fair this year.

**Education** – Scott reported that another seminar offering is under consideration. With changes at the ANA, joint sponsorship may again be a possibility.

Another option would be to co-sponsor a course with the instructor.

**Election** – In Bill's absence, Lisa reminded everyone that elections would be held in March 2012 for the 2012-2014 term. Board members wanting to run for another term will need to notify Bill; inclusion on the ballot is not automatic for current members. Candidates will likely be asked to provide brief biographies for the ballot package.

**Publication** – Eric reported that the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter *Nor'wester* has been issued. The PNNA website is experiencing about 500 page views per day. An update of the speakers' bureau information on the website will come, and a new feature enabling members to receive monthly notifications is being explored. Eric appealed for more articles and other content for the website and for *The Nor'wester*.

**Award** – Danny will be publishing a call for award nominations in the next edition of *The Nor'wester*. The new literary award will be publicized further, with 2012 newsletters to be evaluated for a first award in 2013. Danny, Mark, and Bruce serve on the review committee.

**Exhibit** – Award winners at the fall convention were as follows: Katie Reinders – 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Best of Show for "Happy Birthday Oregon;" 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – James Reinders for "A Swedish 3 Daler Plate from the Nicobar Wreck;" 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Marie Fernandez for "Mint Marks of U.S. Coins."

#### Old Business:

By-Laws review – Rick and Gawain were assigned to review the PNNA by-laws as published on the PNNA website and recommend any suggested changes at the next board meeting. All board members were asked to review the by-laws and send any comments to Rick and Gawain by mid-December.

Branding/Logo – Lisa will follow up with Dennis as to plans for a contest for a new logo design. The board may also consider retaining the Boeing Employees Coin Club medals artist.

Elongated cent machine – No progress to report; Rick will follow up.

Projection Screens – One screen has been purchased for use with the club's digital projectors; Dennis will donate a second.

#### New Business:

Walter Ostromecki reported that the ANA is revisiting show site plans. The Portland Convention Center could be considered for the spring 2013 National Money Show if the PNNA and Willamette club were interested in co-sponsoring the event. Previous ANA

shows were held there in 1998, 2004, and 2009. A motion was passed (Scott/Bruce) authorizing the PNNA to send a letter to the ANA in support of holding the spring 2013 National Money Show in Portland if the necessary club commitments are obtained.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Michael Labosier, Secretary, Recording

## Upcoming Board Meeting

The next meeting of the PNNA board will be on Saturday, January 21, 2012 at 5:00 PM at the Kent Commons in Kent, WA at the annual Boeing Employees Coin Club show.

## PNNA Committees (2010-2012)

See the PNNA website at <http://www.pnna.org/officers/committee.html> for a list of current PNNA committees.

Committees (and committee members) will be re-assigned after the 2012 elections.

*Please let us know if you would like to assist with a PNNA committee. Thank you!*

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## Gregory Paul Franck-Weiby

March 10, 1950 - November 11, 2011

Memorial Services were held December 3, 2011 for Gregory Paul Franck-Weiby, Silverton-area artist, numismatic master and peace activist who died at about 3 a.m. Friday, November 11, 2011 after suffering a massive stroke the previous Wednesday. He was 61.

He was born March 10, 1950 at Harriman Jones Clinic and Hospital in Long Beach, California, the son of Paul Lauren Weiby and Holly Knill Weiby. His parents divorced when he was about 9 and he was raised by his mother and maternal grandmother, Ivy Knill. When he was in his early teens, his mother became personal assistant and photographer to the explorer and bathysphere inventor, the late Otis Barton. Greg traveled much of the world with his mother as she followed Barton on his explores. Greg spoke often of his time in Europe, especially Granada in Spain and weeks in Addis Ababa in Ethiopia. Greg studied sailing and became knowledgeable about sailing ships of all sorts. In his youth he sailed on an old Norwegian Volksbot which his father owned. All this and more nurtured in him the great artist he would become.

Through all the peace work, Greg was an artist. He made dies and coin dies, hand engraving in steel. Any coin from any place and any period could be placed in his hand and he could immediately, off the top of his head, identify it, give details about its lineage and history. He was for a long time active in Salem-area coin clubs. He was a member of the American Numismatic Association, the Ancient Coin Collectors Guild, the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association, the American Numismatic Society and the Unrecognized States Numismatic Society. Greg made many of the commemoratives for the PNNA and ANA conventions. Attendees to the ANA coin conventions in Portland will recall the curiously dressed man who put on fantastic demonstrations of ancient Greek, Medieval, and early modern coining techniques.

In most recent years, Greg became well known in numismatic, as well as fantasy gaming, circles for his work with the Shire Post Mint, producing such master works as the "Silver Daler of New Dal," which required more than 340 hours of meticulous, finely detailed engraving of its dies with hand-cut .999 fine silver blanks in authentic 13th century Germanic style. Greg referred to the "Daler of New Dal" as his *Magnum Opus* and from the date of this issue, he most comfortably referred to himself as "an artist."

Most recently, Greg had been working on dies and coins for the HBO series "Game of Thrones," based on the books by George R.R. Martin, with whom he was working. He completed "The Faceless man token" and was working on other Winterfell coinage at his death.

Artistically, Greg was most active in the Society for Creative Anachronism, where he was Ian Cnull (the last name rendered from his mother's maiden name with the 13th century spelling 'Cnulle,' from the Welsh Kenele, meaning "clump of oak trees"). In the SCA, which he

joined in 1989, he became "the Moneyer of Silberbyrg" or, as he was known to many more simply, "the moneyer dude." He honed his Craft, becoming one of the world's leading ancient coiners. He was made a Journeyman of the Moneyers' Guild of the West at An Tir/West War A.S. 26 (1991) and was the first moneying apprentice in An Tir, studying under Wilhelm Dogget of Windy Vale. The following year, he was recognized as 'guildmaster in An Tir.' His petition for incipient status of Moneyers' Guild of An Tir was accepted at May Crown A.S.28 (1994) and he received the Goutte de Sangre at that same event. Later that year, he was made a Master by the Moneyers Guild of the West at An Tir/West War A.S. 28, at which event he received the Royal Commission as 'Moneyer to Kings.' His personal device and Moneyers' 'goat' badge was passed by College of Heraldry early the following year.

He began minting in the society, issuing as money changer the copper follis of St. Hildegard \$1 trade coins ("barak bucks") at second Festival of St. Hildegard and became the money changer, issuing king head silver penny \$4 coin at Ducal War A.S. 29 (1995). The Moneyers' Guild of AnTir was officially chartered and Ian/Greg became Minister of the Guild. He introduced 'Byzantine style' gold ('light') tremissis \$20 trade coins as well as the gold florin \$50 trade at the Thirtieth Year Celebration, June A.S. 31 (1997).

It was Ian/Greg who engraved the matrix for the Kingdom Great Seal, issued in May A.S. 32 (1998) and anyone in the society in AnTir who has received an award from Kingdom since that date bears a wax impression of that seal.

Of his many projects, his most ambitious in the society what his replacement in A.S. 40 (2006) of the St. Hildegard coppers with actual medieval Chinese coins and his introduction of medieval style Chinese paper money, for which he engraved the wood chops and designed an create the silk threaded paper. He retired from serving as money changer at the end of the following year. He was elevated to the Laurel at September Crown, A.S. 42 (2008).

All of his work is highly collectable and is listed in *Krause Catalogue of Unusual World Coins*. Two of his coins are on the cover of the present fifth edition.

He enjoyed the company of many apprentices, journeymen and fellow masters and, at his death, was head of the AnTir Branch of the InterKingdom Moneyers' Guild.

Greg and his first wife, whom he tragically lost to a brain tumor in 2001, had no children. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by all his known blood relatives, though it is thought he might have some surviving distant cousins on his mother's side, none of whom he knew. In terms of family, he is survived only by his Lady, Karen Kidd. He did, however, in his life, cultivate a wide and extended family of many friends and professional associates, all of whom deeply mourn his too-soon and sudden passing.

See the PNNA Memorabilia Catalog (online at [www.pnna.org](http://www.pnna.org)) for examples of his work.

## *COIN SHOW and EVENT CALENDAR*

To list a coin show contact Eric Holcomb, [Eric@Holcomb.com](mailto:Eric@Holcomb.com), phone 541-647-1021. Highlighted shows and events are PNNA, ANA or RCNA sponsored or co-sponsored. Shows will occasionally be subject to changes or cancellations.

### 2012

JAN 5-8 FLORIDA UNITED NUMIS. (FUN) 57TH CONVENTION, 9400 University Drive Hall SB, Orlando, FL

JAN 5-8 New York International Numismatic Convention, Waldorf Astoria Hotel, 301 Park Avenue, New York City, NY

JAN 7-8 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

JAN 21 Spokane Monthly Coin Show - Coins, Currency, Gold & Silver Show, Eagles Lodge, 6410 N. Lidgerwood St., Spokane, WA

JAN 21-22 BOEING EMPLOYEES' COIN CLUB SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, Kent, WA

JAN 22 North Shore Numismatic Soc. Oakridge Stamp & Coin Fair, Oakridge Auditorium, 41st & Cambie, Vancouver, BC, Canada

JAN 28 OLYMPIA COIN CLUB SHOW, VFW Hall, 2902 Martin Way, Olympia, WA

FEB 2-4 LONG BEACH COIN, STAMP & COLLECTIBLES EXPO, Long Beach, CA

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

FEB 11 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN & CURRENCY SHOW, Kirkland Baymont Inn, 12223 NE 116th St, Kirkland, WA

FEB 11-12 OCEAN SHORES ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE SHOW, Convention Center in Ocean Shores, WA

FEB 12 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1 South Grady Way, Renton, WA

FEB 12 MCMINNVILLE COIN CLUB SHOW, Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th, Lincoln City, OR

FEB 18 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, Kent, WA

FEB 18 Spokane Monthly Coin Show, Eagles Lodge, 6410 N. Lidgerwood St., Spokane, WA

FEB 25-26 (tentative) 52ND ANNUAL COEUR d'ALENE COIN CLUB SHOW, Kootenai County Fairgrounds, Coeur d'Alene, ID

MAR 3 STANWOOD COIN CLUB ANNUAL SHOW, Stanwood Senior Center, 7430 276th NW, Stanwood, WA

MAR 3-4 GRAYS HARBOR COIN, STAMP & COLLECTIBLES SHOW, South Shore Mall, Aberdeen, WA

MAR 8-11 Chicago Paper Money Exposition Crowne Plaza, Chicago O'Hare, 5440 N River Rd, Rosemont, IL

MAR 10-11 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

MAR 10-11 CALGARY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY COIN SHOW, Radisson Hotel, 2120 - 16th Avenue N.E., Calgary, Alberta, Canada

MAR 10-11 SPRINGFIELD COIN CLUB 57TH ANNUAL COIN SHOW, Masonic Lodge, 2777 Martin Luther King Blvd., Eugene, OR

MAR 11 COIN AND CURRENCY SHOW, Clackamas Banquet Center, 15815 SE 82nd Dr, Clackamas, OR

MAR 31-APR 1 INLAND EMPIRE COIN CLUB'S SPRING COIN, CARD & STAMP SHOW, Center Place, 2426 N Discovery Place, Spokane Valley, WA

MAR 31-APR 1 North Shore Numismatic Soc. Oakridge Stamp & Coin Fair, Oakridge Auditorium, 41st & Cambie, Vancouver, BC, Canada

APR 8 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1 South Grady Way, Renton, WA

**APR 13-15 PACIFIC NORTHWEST NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, Tukwila Community Center 12424 42nd Ave. So., Tukwila, WA**

**APR 15-21 ANA National Coin Week (89th Annual)**

APR 18-21 Central States Numismatic Society 73rd Annual Convention, Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center, Schaumburg, IL

APR 21 Spokane Monthly Coin Show, Eagles Lodge, 6410 N. Lidgerwood St., Spokane, WA

APR 21-22 BELLINGHAM COIN, CARD & STAMP SHOW, Hampton Inn, Fox Hall, 3985 Bennett Dr., Bellingham, WA

APR 26-29 Chicago International Coin Fair, Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare, 5440 N River Rd, Rosemont, IL

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