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## President's Message

by PNNA President Ed Fischer



I now have further proof that numismatics is returning to the days of old. On a recent adventure to Phoenix, Arizona, I couldn't help but check out the coin hobby. And I was greeted with smiling faces and a great selection.

I had to stop at one shop just down the road because I kept driving past it. It gave me the bug to visit other locations. I did pick up a few 8 Reales for my own collection, a few 3-cent silvers for a customer and a couple of slabs that were just priced right. Inventory was bulging and all the shops I visited had multiple customers.

I also wanted to see if my time lined up with any of the local club meetings. I was lucky enough to be able to attend the Phoenix Coin Club held at the Elks Lodge in Scottsdale. The members were very friendly and walked me through the evening activities. One of the members had binders of coins out for sale. I bought quite a few sliver dollars and was able to work out a price that was good for both of us. The icing on the cake was the winning of a Silver American Eagle in their raffle. I had great conversations with club members on breaks and after the meeting. Great batch of numismatists!

This also translates into our hobby in the northwest. PNNA and local shows have been well attended with dealers reporting great sales and buying activity. It is always great to see all my friends on the bourse floor. We travel from such varying locations, that we may only cross paths at the shows. The shows keep rolling along and to keep up on your local or regional shows, visit [pnna.org](https://www.pnna.org) and check out the event calendar page (<https://www.pnna.org/wp/events/event-calendar/>). Following is just a smattering of local shows. For all the local, regional and some national shows, check the website.

Here I go into my second term as your president. I am hoping to have many more accomplishment since COVID risks are diminishing. We are always brainstorm-

ing in the background and bouncing ideas off each other. We are always looking for new insights and input for the Board. Especially since we are evolving from the most recent pandemic. This is your invitation to join our brain trust. Our next Board meeting is on July 30<sup>th</sup> in the Portland home of James Reinders. Hope to see you.

One of the evolutions is the movement of the annual Portland show to the Monarch Hotel in Clackamas, Ore., November 12-13, 2022. Lots of dynamics required the movement and I would challenge each of you to help in the transition for the Willamette Coin Club.

Randy Van Wie has taken the helm of the Oregon Coin, Currency, Token and Medal Show. Show dates include June 26 (completed) and August 28 (upcoming).

The Scottish Rite Temple in Salem is the new location for the Northwest Token and Medal Society show. This celebrates their 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It will be in a nice large venue on July 10.

The Washington State Fair in Puyallup is September 2-25, and we can always use volunteers to fill short shifts throughout the month. Contact Rick Schultz to help him out. Great Fair and great exposure for numismatics. (First see <https://www.pnna.org/wp/events/fair/> for current information and volunteer schedule.)

PNNA's Fall Coin Show in Tukwila will occur October 7-9. These shows have come back with a roar and don't disappoint. At the spring show the dealers were fighting for table space.

October 16 will be the date of the Polk County Coin Show. This is a beautiful one day show at the Polk County Fairgrounds in Rickreal, Oregon.

I would do a disservice if I did not mention ANA Summer Seminar. It will have already happened by this printing, but everything I have heard is that it is back the full two weeks with all the usual activities and fellowship. If you have not gone, making the journey will change you as a numismatist. The knowledge, mentorship and environment will open your eyes. And PNNA offers one adult and one YN scholarship annually to attend.

It is happening all around and all you have to do is reach out to find the way you want your numismatics to occur. As always, check [pnna.org](https://www.pnna.org) for our newsletter and current activities.

## Washington State (Puyallup) Fair

by Richard Schulz



The Washington State Fair in Puyallup begins Labor Day weekend (on Sept. 2), and runs until Sept. 25. PNNA activities at the Fair are expected to take place in the Hobby Hall again. See the PNNA website Fair page at <https://www.pnna.org/wp/events/fair/> for details as the Fair approaches.

If you have questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Hobby Hall coordinator Rick Schulz via email at [richardf53@yahoo.com](mailto:richardf53@yahoo.com), or by telephone at 253-535-0690.

## PNNA and Willamette Fall Shows

Separate fall coin shows are scheduled for Seattle (Tukwila) and Portland, with the PNNA sponsoring the Tukwila show and the Willamette Coin Club (WCC) sponsoring the Portland show.

The PNNA fall show in Tukwila is scheduled for Oct. 7-9, 2022, whereas the WCC fall show at a new location in Clackamas is scheduled for Nov. 12-13, 2022. See <https://www.pnna.org/wp/events/fall/> for more information.

## PNNA 2022 Annual Awards

by Danny Bisgaard

The PNNA awards committee, chaired by Danny Bisgaard, selected the recipients of the various PNNA annual awards, and they were announced at the spring convention in Tukwila.

Unfortunately there were no nominations for the Bob Everett Memorial Award or the Nina Nystrom Memorial "Goodwill Ambassador" Award. Please consider nominating someone next year.

The literary award winners were the Olympia Coin Club (for best club newsletter) and Kevin Akin for best article – "Fantasy Upon Fantasy: A Restaurant's Fake Past," as published in the 2nd Quarter 2021 edition of *The Nor'wester*.

PNNA President Ed Fischer selected Bill Hansen as the recipient of the Presidential Award. Bill was recognized for his energetic work in keeping meetings going in his garage during the pandemic. Included with the award was a nice foreign piece for his collection.

This year's adult and YN scholarships to ANA Summer Seminar were carryovers from 2020 and 2021. We hope to have the winners' reports in the next edition of *The Nor'wester*.

More information about the various PNNA awards can be found on the PNNA website at:

<https://www.pnna.org/wp/awards/>

## IMPORTANT!

### Change in *The Nor'wester* Editions

Effective immediately with this issue, there will be only two main editions of *The Nor'wester* each year, for the spring convention and the fall coin show. The other two editions will be short letters like this edition.

This change will allow the two main editions to have more pages, more articles and stories, more photos, and additional dealer ads if requested. There will be plenty of copies printed for distribution at shows, clubs and other events such as the Fair.

**PLEASE DON'T WAIT!** Submit your content now (preferably in July) for this fall. All content including ads **MUST** be received by the end of August.

Send content or inquiries to [Eric@Holcomb.com](mailto:Eric@Holcomb.com).

Assistance is available for editing and photography if needed. Please use commercially available photos only if you have permission. In the case of Heritage Auctions (<https://www.ha.com/>), we can use images with the proper credit. Some Wikipedia text and images can also be used with credit, as can U.S. Mint images.

## PNNA Officers / Directors 2022-2024

See the PNNA website at:

<https://www.pnna.org/wp/info/pnna-governance/board/>.

The current Board was installed at the spring convention in Tukwila.

For meeting minutes, including the annual general membership meeting, see:

<https://www.pnna.org/wp/info/pnna-governance/minutes/>.

## PNNA Collector Exhibits

by Eric Holcomb

There were no exhibits at the PNNA spring convention due to ongoing virus-related uncertainties. Hopefully there will be exhibits at the fall show. For updates, including how to apply, see:

<https://www.pnna.org/wp/exhibits/>.

## PNNA Spring Convention

No reports were received about the 71st annual PNNA Convention and Coin Show held at the Tukwila Community Center, Tukwila, Wash., April 8-10, 2022. As noted above, there were no collector exhibits and no numismatic theater programs; however, we believe that the bourse was very successful, with collectors and dealers happy to return to action. Reports and photos can still be accepted for the next edition of *The Nor'wester*.