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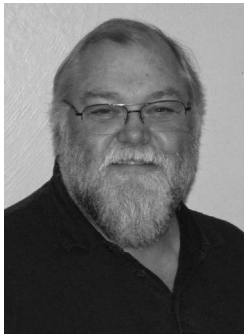
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## President's Message & Washington State (Puyallup) Fair



by PNNA President Richard Schulz, [richardf53@yahoo.com](mailto:richardf53@yahoo.com)

Hello, my name is **Rick Schulz**, and I was recently elected president of the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association. I'd like to take this time and space to tell you a little bit about me and how I came to be involved in this august organization.

**I started collecting coins in the early 1960's** but set it aside after graduating high school to pursue higher education, military service, a career, a family, and other endeavors. I picked collecting again in the mid 1990's. For the next fifteen years or so I joined and sat on the board of four local clubs. In 2010 I was asked by then PNNA president Lisa Loos if I would take over as coordinator of the association's display at the Washington State Fair. I agreed and figured I probably should become a PNNA member. I am still our fair display coordinator along with co-coordinator and current PNNA vice president Kevin Charboneau. Shortly after joining the PNNA, I was elected to the board. For the past four years I've held the office of vice president.

**As president I look forward to leading the PNNA** and its mission into the future. My emphasis has been and will continue to be outreach. Our current outreach activities include two coin shows a year (the two largest in the Northwest), our display at the Washington State Fair, and every few years, Wash Jam, Scouting's regional Jamboree. In conjunction with our shows, we hold seminars for Scouts to earn their coin collecting merit badge.

**We also reach out to our local member clubs.** Many of the clubs have their own coin shows and, when possible, the PNNA is there, often with our penny press.

**One outreach activity that I feel is underutilized is giving talks to community groups.** This is a great way to introduce the public to the joy of collecting. Also, there are a lot of folks out there who have collections they inherited and have no idea what to do with it. This is a great opportunity to help, it's a great public service and one that fits well with our mission,

**But the PNNA isn't just about outreach.** It is important that we continue to serve local and national dealers. We must continue to provide dealers with friendly and well-run shows so they can provide collectors with a vast array of numismatic items and it is important that we continue to encourage collectors to trade with local dealers and those who set up at our shows. This is what the numismatic community is all about.

There. **That's who I am and some of my goals** for the PNNA.

**We have two big events coming up in the last few weeks of summer and early fall.** First is the **Washington State Fair** which runs from August 30 to September 22. The Fair is our biggest outreach activity where we have the opportunity to show thousands of fair visitors the wonders of collecting. Since March, I've been recruiting volunteers to help out at our display in the Fair's Hobby Hall. There are always shifts available, even beyond the opening day of the Fair. If you are interested in helping out, you can view the current schedule on our website, [pnna.org](http://pnna.org), or you can call or email me with any questions. My contact info is also on our webpage. Whether you volunteer or not, I encourage you to come to the fair. It is one of the biggest in the nation and has something for everyone.

The **Fall PNNA Show** is coming up October 4-6 in Tukwila Washington. This is one of the largest shows in the Northwest and draws dealers from across the country.

In addition to all the dealers and all their wares, there will be **collector exhibits** that compete for awards. If you are interested in exhibiting, information is available on our website. There will be a **Scouting seminar** for Scouts to earn their merit badge. There will be a **treasure hunt** Saturday and Sunday for kids. And hopefully, there will be programs in the **numismatic theater**.

**I am very excited for the future of the PNNA and numismatics**, and I'm proud to have the opportunity to lead our association for the next two years. I look forward to meeting as many of you as I can, either at a show or at local club meetings. If you have any questions for me, call or email any time. And finally, **HAPPY COLLECTING!**

PNNA Washington State Fair information:  
<https://www.pnna.org/wp/events/fair/>.

PNNA Tukwila fall coin show information:  
<https://www.pnna.org/wp/events/fall/>.

## 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. 4-6, 2024, whereas the WCC fall show at the new location in Clackamas (first used in 2022) is scheduled for Nov. 9-10, 2024.

See <https://www.pnna.org/wp/events/fall/> for more information.

The PNNA fall coin show is expected to have family, youth and scouting activities again—see <https://www.pnna.org/wp/yms/>.

## PNNA 2024 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.

Bob Everett Memorial Award—Awarded to **Gawain O'Connor**, who has been active in PNNA activities including exhibiting and numismatic theater.

Nina Nystrom Memorial “Goodwill Ambassador” Award—Awarded to **Kevin Charboneau**. This is Kevin's second Nystrom award, and he continues to be active with the PNNA and local coin clubs.

PNNA President **Ed Fischer** selected **Bill Co-burn** (ANACS Rep.) and **James Free** as the recipients of the Presidential Award, and then newly installed President **Rick Schulz** presented an award to Ed! All received 2024 U.S. Silver Eagles in holders.

The literary 1st place award winners were the **Boeing Employees' Coin Club** (for best club newsletter) and “The Short Snorter of Major General Clayton Lawrence Bissell, USAAF” by **Tom Sparks** (for best article, as published in the 2nd Quarter 2023 edition of *The Nor'wester*).

Both the **PNNA adult and YN scholarships** to **ANA Summer Seminar** were awarded, and the winners will report on their experiences in the next edition of *The Nor'wester*. Please consider applying next year.

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 with the 3rd Quarter 2022 issue, there are 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 like this edition.

This change allows 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. Plus they're in full color!

**PLEASE DON'T WAIT!** Submit your content now (preferably in July) for this fall. All content including ads **MUST** be received by mid-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 2024-2026

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 in 2024 (this year). Please see Rick's president's message on page 1.

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*

Congratulations to James Reinders for his 1st Place (in the paper money class) and Byron F. Johnson Memorial (Best of Show) awards for his exhibit, “Hyperinflation: Examples from the 18th-20th Centuries.”

Exhibits are expected again at the fall show. For updates, including how to apply, and documents covering past exhibits including photos, see:

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

## PNNA Spring Convention

The 73rd Annual PNNA Convention and Spring Coin Show was held April 12-14, 2024, in Tukwila, Washington, and was a huge success! Convention chairman Kevin Charboneau reported a three-day public attendance of over 1,000, and many dealers with tables at the show reported excellent business.

The BSA coin collecting merit badge workshop held on Saturday was a huge success, with 36 scouts participating.

For more reports and photos, see the post on the PNNA blog at <https://www.pnna.org/wp/blog/>.