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## President's Message

by PNNA President Danny Bisgaard

Hope all of you had a joyous holiday season. I think all of us are looking forward to the year 2013.

A big thank you goes to Gene Wiley, Larry Gaye and Scott Loos for organizing the Portland, Oregon PNNA/WCC annual convention. All of the team of volunteers made the show a success. Exhibit award winners are posted on the PNNA website.

We continue to appreciate the work James Reinders does in promoting exhibits. We were blessed to have seven adult and two YN exhibits at the annual Salem, Oregon show held Dec. 1-2 at the Oregon State Fairgrounds. Gold and silver were awarded to the various winners. Business was brisk and I think the dealers had a good show, in spite of the new date for the show.

As the Board gets ready to meet at the Boeing Show, we continue to need the memberships' help:

Contact Mike Labosier about volunteer opportunities for the PNNA convention in Tukwila, April 12-14, 2013. Your participation takes some of the workload off the Convention Committee.

Contact Ed Fischer about the redesign of the PNNA logo and medal designs for the upcoming 75th PNNA anniversary in 2015 ([edoregon@comcast.net](mailto:edoregon@comcast.net)).

Please consider serving on the Board, new elections will be held in 2014.

Finally, the Northwest community has been honored by the awarding of the ANA National Money Show in Portland, Oregon, March 5-7, 2015. Please contact us if you are willing to serve on the various committees that are needed to make this show a success. More information will be forthcoming on the needs. In addition, if you have ideas for the PNNA medal you might want to consider a design that will benefit the ANA convention as well since both activities are taking place in 2015.

This newsletter has articles on the various awards we present. Please take the time to read and submit nominations for consideration.

Projected Board Meetings dates and locations:

Jan. 19, 2013 Boeing Show, Kent Commons

Apr. 13, 2013 Annual PNNA Convention, Tukwila Community Center.

Have a great "numismatic" winter – consider attending the FUN Show in Florida, Jan. 10-13 or the Boeing Show in Kent, Wash., Jan. 19-20 or the ANA National Money Show in New Orleans, May 9-11.

Let us make 2013 the best year ever in numismatic collecting!

## PNNA Dues / Newsletter Access

PNNA membership dues are payable annually at the beginning of the year. If you haven't paid, please send your 2013 dues to Scott Loos, PO Box 2210, North Bend, WA 98045. Reminder notices will be sent in January.

For those of you who prefer to use PayPal, the PNNA PayPal email is [sales@pnna.org](mailto:sales@pnna.org), and there are payment buttons available on the PNNA website (click on "Membership").

If you would prefer to receive your newsletters by email and/or web access, please notify Eric Holcomb. There is currently no discount for this option.

*Deadline for submission of material for 2nd Quarter 2013 Nor'wester: March 15, 2013.*

Please send ad copy to Eric Holcomb (email [Eric@Holcomb.com](mailto:Eric@Holcomb.com)), and payment to PNNA treasurer Scott Loos. Call Eric (541-647-1021) for more info.

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

## **PNNA Awards**

### **Bob Everett Memorial Award**

The awards committee is made up of Danny Bisgaard (Chair), Dennis Stevens, Jesse Torres and Lisa Loos. In addition, the past five winners of the Bob Everett Memorial Award (Michael Labosier, Richard "Dick" Cowley, James Reinders, Scott Loos, and Lisa Loos) make up the committee to select the winner to be announced in 2013.

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 2012 calendar year.

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

Deadline for nominations is April 1, 2013.

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 PNNA 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, 2013.

### **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 Danny Bisgaard, current PNNA President, c/o Skip Caldwell, PO Box 2051, Salem, OR 97308 or email [d.bisgaard@comcast.net](mailto:d.bisgaard@comcast.net). 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, 2013.

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

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

The ANA has not announced the 2013 theme. Check the ANA website [money.org](http://money.org) or the PNNA website [pnna.org](http://pnna.org) for the announcement of the 2013 theme.

The 90th annual National Coin Week will be April 21-27, 2013.

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, 2013.

Let us increase the activity! The Olympia Coin Club has been the winner the last few years.

### **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 will 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 by email 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 the local clubs are doing in getting the word out about their club's activity 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 2013 ANA Summer Seminar, held on the campus of The Colorado College in beautiful Colorado Springs, CO. Session I dates are Saturday, June 22, to Friday, June 28; session II, Saturday, June 29 to Friday, July 5, 2013.

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). 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 (\$5.00 YN dues). Deadline for receipt of applications will be March 1, 2013.

An application form is included with this newsletter, or is available online at [www.pnna.org](http://www.pnna.org), or from a PNNA officer, or at certain coin shows and club meetings.

Summer Seminar class listings are available by contacting ANA or online at [www.money.org](http://www.money.org). Questions can be directed to Danny Bisgaard, 503-588-8162, or email [d.bisgaard@comcast.net](mailto:d.bisgaard@comcast.net).

## **2013 PNNA Spring Convention**

Save the dates! The 64th Annual PNNA Spring Convention will be held at the Tukwila Community Center April 12-14, 2013. 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. 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*.

## **Exhibits at the 2013 Convention**

Now is the time to build your exhibits for next spring's PNNA convention in Tukwila. There is also an opportunity to show exhibits at the Boeing show (January); use this show as a proving ground for your entries. The best exhibitor at the PNNA spring convention earns \$200 toward the expense of taking the winning exhibit to the ANA summer convention the same year (the ANA will be in Chicago, Aug. 13-17, 2013).

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).

## **PNNA Officers / Directors 2012-2014**

**President** - Danny Bisgaard

**Vice President** - James Reinders

**Secretary** - Michael Labosier

**Treasurer** - Scott Loos

**Directors** - Lisa Loos (Past President), John Brown, Gawain O'Connor, Ed Fischer, Mark Gruner, Bill McKivor, Dale Reubish, Rick Schulz, Dennis Stevens, Jesse Torres, Dan Vornbrock.

**Appointed Positions**

**Dealer-Director** - vacant

**Editor/Webmaster** - Eric Holcomb

*PNNA/Willamette Convention, Sept. 28-30, 2012 in Portland*

Report by ANA V.P. Walt Ostromecki,  
email: [ostromecki@money.org](mailto:ostromecki@money.org).

**Pacific NW Coin Show Upbeat and Busy**

The PNNA and Willamette Coin Club's 8th annual convention, held September 28-30 at the Doubletree Hotel in Portland, OR featured a 90-dealer bourse, educational exhibits, a youth activities table and treasure hunt, a boy and girl scout merit badge clinic, plenty of numismatic fellowship — and an ANA Presidential Award presentation. Show Chairman Larry Gaye reported show attendance was brisk and steady on Saturday, but fell off a bit on Sunday afternoon. "The dealers overall were pleased with sales," Larry commented. "We were again most fortunate to have ANA VP, Walt Ostromecki in attendance. Walt staffed the ANA and hobby information booth as well as the Kid's Zone activities table where a ten-stop educational treasure hunt began. He is absolutely amazing when it comes to relating to and talking coins with the kids of all ages, and adult, too."

James Reinders and his daughter Katie conducted the Boy and Girl Scout merit badge clinics. Some two dozen scouts and leaders participated. The PNNA Board meeting commenced at 6:00 PM on Saturday night. The Association is gearing up for its 75th Anniversary in 2015. Plans for this celebration are being headed up by Ed Fischer. Other business included a report which noted the group has just completed the purchase of a hand-crank Penny Press which will be used to create an array of elongated souvenirs for the PNNA's shows and at the Puyallup Fair (WA). The Association also announced the kickoff of a new award for 2012: the Literary Award for Best Club Newsletter. The award covers both printed and electronic club newsletters.

Following the Association's business portion of the meeting, ANA VP Walt Ostromecki was introduced. He took the opportunity to officially announce and kickoff his candidacy for the ANA Presidency in 2013. This was followed up by the highlight of the evening, the presentation — on behalf of ANA President Tom Hallenbeck — of an ANA Presidential Award to a surprised and stunned Danny Bisgaard, current PNNA president. Walt noted in his comments: "Danny is truly a devoted hobby volunteer, someone who can't just say no. What I am referring here is that when the PNNA was hosting the ANA NSM Show in 2009 in Portland, opening day was Danny's birthday. Where was he found? Out partying? No, working the convention registration booth. He also mentioned that Danny was the leader of a numismatic group called the FOUR AMIGOS. The group travels up and down the Interstate-5

highway on a monthly basis visiting and passing out hobby information at all the clubs from Salem to Tacoma-Seattle." Danny began his numismatic hobby experience at age 16 (1969) when a neighbor first introduced him to coin collecting. He has had a passion ever since for not only collecting, but wanting to help educate others about the joys, fun and history of numismatics. Danny believes the only sure way to grow the future of coin collecting hobby is to "reach out and touch the next generation of collectors" through outreach education. The "four amigos" have introduced hundreds if not thousands to the joys of the coin collecting hobby and coin club membership.

Danny has been an active ANA volunteer at the three ANA conventions held in Portland since 1997 as well as a numismatic theater presenter, exhibitor, young numismatists outreach program promoter — especially at the PNNA hosted table during the yearly Puyallup Fair. Danny credits his initial contact with numismatics at age 16 to a neighbor; the spark which ignited and grew his collecting interest to coin dealer Ken Basford; and his rise to serve clubs and the PNNA in leadership positions to Scott Loos. "I am blessed with a wife who understands my passion for coin collecting and joins in with me in that pursuit," commented Danny in his remarks following the acceptance of his ANA Presidential Award.



*PNNA president Danny Bisgaard (left) accepts the ANA Presidential Award on behalf of ANA President Hallenbeck from ANA VP Walt Ostromecki (right). The award took place at the PNNA board meeting on Saturday, September 29 at the DoubleTree Lloyd Center Hotel in Portland.*

There were five competitive exhibits at the show and a couple of educational displays. James Reinders took two first places for his exhibits "Complete German State 3 Mark Commemorative Type Set" and "Clock Makers Collection." Second place was claimed by Gerald Williams, "The Arts: The Numismatic Contribution of the Cooper Union." Third went to YN Katie Reinders with "Happy Birthday Oregon - Pendleton Round Up." Fourth was captured by another YN Marie Fernandez for "Should IN GOD WE TRUST be on coins?" The judges were Eric Holcomb, Gawain O'Connor and Danny Bisgaard.

## PNNA Board Meeting Minutes

September 29, 2012, Portland, Oregon

Members in Attendance: Danny Bisgaard, President; James Reinders, Vice President; Scott Loos, Treasurer; Mark Gruner, Director; Gawain O'Connor, Director; John Brown, Director; Ed Fischer, Director; Rick Schulz, Director; Dan Vornbrock, Director.

Members Absent: Lisa Loos, Past President; Michael Labosier, Secretary; William McKivor, Director; Dale Reubish, Director; Dennis Stevens, Director; Jesse Torres, Director.

Guests in Attendance: Walter Ostromecki, ANA Vice-President; Larry Gaye, Jason Mavity, Mrs. Gawain O'Connor, Mrs. James Reinders, Katie Reinders, Eric Holcomb, James Free, SNS President.

The board meeting was called to order by President Danny Bisgaard at 6:25 p.m. Danny welcomed the members and guests.

Secretary's Report: Mike Labosier, Secretary was absent from this meeting so Danny asked John to fill in to take the meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Scott Loos reviewed the 2012 financials through August. Revenues for the eight-month period totaled \$31,711.87 and year-to-date expenses totaled \$39,188.59. Cash balances totaled \$75,860.07, mostly invested in money market accounts. The fund balances include \$64,365.22 in the General Fund, \$3,730 in the Life Member Fund and \$7,764.85 in the Bob Everett Memorial Fund. Motion was made by Ed and seconded by John to approve the report.

### Committee Reports:

Convention – Scott commented that due to continuing overall convention costs it has become necessary to adjust the cost of table fees.

Exhibit – Dan and Danny informed the board that all the exhibit awards from Tukwila show have been presented to the winners.

Membership – Lisa was absent from the meeting and thus no report was made.

Outreach – James continues to focus his efforts on scouting initiatives and running the scout clinics at the conventions. James conducted the Boy Scout clinic at the Portland Show, and had 8-9 scouts present. Ed assisted James to be able to run the same program at the Salem Coin Show on Dec. 1-2. Katie ran the Girl Scout program for the two girl scouts present.

Rick said the PNNA Club Rep. Program was on hold currently due to the Puyallup Fair and coin squisher machine acquisition. According to Rick, the fair went well with increased attendance over last year, and about 4,000 Lincoln cents were given away.

Eric commented on the use of the website and called for more officer and committee participation in the new PNNA blog.

Education – Scott brought up the idea of having a joint symposium, maybe next spring, and charge \$25 per person to attend. The PNNA is working with Jeff Shevlin, ANA Executive Director, to see if he will teach at a future numismatic theatre.

Elections – Bill was unable to attend but asked that we keep members in mind that would be a good fit to run for Board seats.

Publications – Dale was unable to attend but continues to keep the show calendar current.

Awards/Scholarships – Danny again mentioned that the PNNA will be awarding three awards for the best club newsletter submitted to the PNNA, and encouraged any and all clubs to participate. The first award will be for \$100.

On behalf of the ANA President, Tom Hallenbeck, the ANA Vice-President, Walter Ostromecki, presented an ANA Presidential Award to PNNA President Danny Bisgaard for his outstanding efforts to further the ANA principles and ideals.

Logo/75th Anniversary – Ed reported that research continues on possible medal designs to be considered. Further information will be forthcoming on the contest.

### Old Business:

Branding/ New Logo – A new logo was discussed involving current represented clubs. All new designs are encouraged for the board to evaluate. Three examples of die creators were passed around for the board to evaluate the degree of workmanship. The creation of new medal dies runs from \$600-\$750 for the primary three-dimensional dies, and one estimate of \$250 for a reverse die with just letters and numbers.

Ed suggested Vancouver, B.C. be included in the design plans. We need to establish a timeline for designs, quantity and composition.

Scott suggested combining the PNNA's 75th anniversary medal with the ANA Convention set for 2015, and to consider using the Patrick Mint in California.

Penny-Squishing Machine – Rick proposed some possible designs to the board for the new PNNA elongated cent machine. The board reviewed them and agreed that Rick should proceed with the creation of a new die. Rick will check with the Fair for approval of certain animals in the design. Recommendations are being sought for the storage and use of the machine, as well as possibly allowing other clubs to use it. The machine will be maintained by Rick.

Membership Tri-Fold - Focusing on the tri-fold membership flyer as the primary means of promoting the benefits of membership. Lisa was not present but continues to design such a tri-fold.

#### **New Business:**

Volunteer Involvement – Danny mentioned that more volunteers are always needed in running our shows, and that it was unreasonable to expect some individuals to step up to run certain show programs for nothing while we pay others for their efforts.

Scott discussed the handout of timelines and assignments that Mike produced for the Tukwila Show. We as a board will fill in some of the needs but we need to continue to explore other clubs or organizations to help assist the convention chair in fulfilling all the duties.

Territorial Scope of Organization – Continuing the discussion on the size of the area we serve.

Membership Increase – Continue to educate new members on the value of being a member of the PNNA. Need to increase the number of YNs.

Voting Participation – Danny wants the Board to continue thinking of ways to get the membership to vote during the elections.

Permanent Collection for use at Puyallup Fair – Rick suggested using the basic collection to draw from, and possibly highlighting different areas such as “the war years” to show something new each time. Board was in agreement with Rick’s suggestion.

As a result of unanimous Board action, the PNNA in partnership with the Willamette Coin Club has submitted a letter to the ANA requesting Portland be the host city for the 2015 National Money Show.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

John Brown, Director acted on behalf of Michael Labosier, Secretary, Recording.

## **Tom Sheehan is buying!!**

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Washington State Nationals.  
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## **ANA News**

### **Atlanta, Portland selected for future National Money Shows**

Atlanta was selected as the host city for the 2014 National Money Show<sup>SM</sup> and Portland, Ore., will be the location for the 2015 spring show following votes by the American Numismatic Association Board of Governors during an Oct. 20 meeting in Dallas.

The board voted to permanently move the spring show back to March, with some flexibility. This change begins with the Atlanta show, which will be held Feb. 27 to March 1 at the Cobb Galleria Centre.

The Portland show runs from March 5-7 at the Oregon Convention Center. The Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association and Willamette Coin Club were selected as host clubs.

The board considered the following factors: availability of the city and show dates, access to major flights, convention center rental fees, hotel costs and availability as well as the area’s collector base.

### **Operating budget**

The board approved a balanced operating budget for 2013. The budget proposes \$5,827,425 in expenses while projecting revenues of \$5,834,075 – a surplus of \$6,650.

Executive Director Jeff Shevlin noted that this year’s budget will allow the ANA to have a greater presence at more regional coin shows, increase the number of Money Museum field trips offered to Colorado Springs schools, and expand course offerings at Summer Seminar.

Shevlin also announced several improvements to the ANA’s website including a new blog, The Exchange. Members interested in blogging on The Exchange can contact [pr@money.org](mailto:pr@money.org).

“While we are developing our new website, we are looking at ways to improve our current website,” Shevlin said. “There are things we are adding that will have a lot of value to members.”

You can view the ANA’s website at [www.money.org](http://www.money.org).

## Summer Seminar – Enjoyable!

by James Reinders

*James is an ANA Life Member, current PNNA Vice President, Willamette Coin Club webmaster, an ANA Tech Committee Chair and a PNNA scholarship recipient in 2012.*

I recommend the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs to every numismatist! I've had the good fortune to attend four different times now over the past ten years. Last year, my daughter Katie, Jesse Torres, Marie Fernandez, and I attended from the Pacific Northwest (apologies if I missed anyone). Jerry Bobbe also attended as an instructor. Many more PNNA members have attended over the years too!

**Why it is Great** — The experience is a true seminar: small classes with active participation, many “outside the classroom” interactions with fellow students, instructors and recognized leaders in their fields, access to ANA headquarters, the museum and the amazing ANA library, “Lunar Lounge” to relax and talk into the wee hours of the morning, Hallenbeck's Coin Gallery, the Colorado Springs Coin Show, and the fabulous YN action (opportunity to support the YN scholarships through donations and bids – or just hang out and watch the fun!).

**Young Numismatists (YNs)** — The YN program at Summer Seminar is wonderful. My son (Andrew) went years ago, and my daughter (Katie) has been three times now. Katie will be in charge of the YN auction for Session I this year – quite an honor. I've heard she will be one of the youngest to ever take charge! PNNA members should focus donations and bid on Session I.

The YN program is more than the auction of course – the YNs attend class and have many special activities. They stay in their own dorm these days, which has helped pull them together as a group even if it has separated them from interacting as much with adults including industry experts. (This is a common YN concern which many make up for by seeking out the experts).

**Scholarships** — YNs have many scholarship options. The ANA scholarship application deadline for the 2013 Summer Seminar is January 31. More information is on the ANA website.

PNNA offers scholarships each year that cover most of the expense of summer seminar, one for a YN and one for an adult. All that is required to apply is that you be a PNNA member. Applications are usually on the website early in the year and need to be submitted by the end of February.

**Summer Seminar 2012** — Marie Fernandez took a grading class, Katie took the “So-Called Dollar” class from Jeff Shevlin about a week after he became the new Executive Director of the ANA. Jesse Torres and I took the “Mexico: from Juárez to the Revolución (1861

-1921)” from Mexican coinage expert Ricardo de León Tallavas.

**How do you pick a class?** — The normal advice is to take grading first. This is a skill every numismatist should have. There is also a class on detecting counterfeit and altered coins that builds critical skills. Some people take that multiple times to perfect skills. I like to take classes for history lessons – and delight in learning so many new things in a week that I feel like my head could explode! The Summer Seminar offers enough options to give you a challenge picking only one class each week! Well, they have evening classes too. I've done those most years, and it is a little exhausting – but also worthwhile.

### Consider attending in 2013 for Summer Seminar

The 2013 Summer Seminar Course Catalog should be published on the ANA website shortly (<http://www.money.org/numismatic-events/summer-seminar.aspx>), and will be in the January 2013 *Numismatist* magazine.

Summer Seminar dates for 2013 are June 22-28 for Session I and June 29-July 5 for Session II. This will be the 45<sup>th</sup> year for Summer Seminar!



*Photo: James Reinders, PNNA VP, sitting in the YN auction between the ANA Historian and ANA Executive Director; Photo courtesy of Richardo de León Tallavas*



*Photo: Marie Fernandez enjoying her grading class; Photo courtesy of Rob Kelley.*



# Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Scholarship Program for ANA Summer Seminar 2013 Adult/YN Scholarship Application

The PNNA is offering (two) full one session scholarships for an Adult and a YN (Young Numismatist) collector to attend the 2013 ANA Summer Seminar, held on the campus of The Colorado College in beautiful Colorado Springs, CO. Session I dates are Saturday, June 22, to Friday, June 28; session II, Saturday, June 29 to Friday, July 5, 2013. 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 this application (if you are not a current member of the PNNA – please submit \$10.00 dues with the application (\$5.00 YN dues)). **Deadline for receipt of applications will be March 1, 2013.** Please submit completed applications to: PNNA Scholarship Program – Attn. Danny Bisgaard, c/o Skip Caldwell/S.N.S., P.O. Box 2051, Salem, OR 97308. Summer Seminar class listings are available by contacting ANA or e-mail [www.money.org](http://www.money.org). Questions can be directed to Danny Bisgaard, 503.588.8162 or [d.bisgaard@comcast.net](mailto:d.bisgaard@comcast.net).

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Attach a separate sheet (for items 1 to 4) answering the following:

1. List the names of any numismatic groups to which you belong.
2. List any numismatic activities that you have participated in. Examples: numismatic exhibits, coin club talks/presentations, club officer or board positions, etc.
3. Write a paragraph about your numismatic collecting interests and how you got started in the hobby.
4. Tell why you wish to attend the Summer Seminar.
5. List your course preferences for Summer Seminar: (check ANA website for catalog)

1<sup>st</sup> choice: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> choice: \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note that popular courses tend to fill up quickly – however, every effort will be made to fulfill your 1<sup>st</sup> choice.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Receipt Deadline: March 1, 2013**

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## Road Warrior Part 2 "North of the Border"

by Ed Fischer

When last I left you folks, I was about to voyage upon a week of road miles and numismatic adventure. A week that would push the heartiest of travelers to a level of delirious pleasure. In other words, I was about to have some FUN!!

I had all my reservations made, passport in hand, ice chest stalked up and new maps from AAA as the Subaru steered north. No sissy GPS unit for me. No! I was going old school and loving every slice of beat-up Interstate 5, rugged side road and Canadian Highway. Visiting two club meetings, helping out at the Puyallup Fair and a stopover in downtown Seattle were all on the agenda. Of course I would have to experience the current U.S. / Canadian Border conditions.

Day one saw me leaving home at 4:00 AM to ensure I would make it to the North Shore Numismatic Society meeting at 7:00 PM. My desire for minimal distractions was side-railed by an odiferous young man I picked through the Craigslist "rideshare." He was a highly educated, penniless and a disillusioned debater headed to an organic garden commune on Vashon Island. His Master's Degree had afforded him a job working for room and board. Point Defiance and Ruston could not come soon enough.

The rest of the drive through Seattle was comparably uneventful and I approached the border crossing with my passport at the ready after only a ten-minute wait. The Canadian Customs lady asked a few basic questions and afterwards I convinced her to stamp my passport and they let me into Canada. I had a quick lunch just north of Port Roberts. What else was I supposed to do with the VERY LARGE ZIP LOCK BAG of Canadian coins I had imported? Or was that export an import? Sound too philosophical to me.

I drove around the beautiful city of Vancouver to check the local sights. I was amazed at the amount of construction occurring and quantity of Asian influence. After checking into the Marriott, I was directed to an Asian fusion/sushi restaurant where I could open up my ZIP LOCK BAG again. I got THE look.

I walked over and arrived early to the Bonser Centre, location of the coin club meeting. While waiting, I met a few of the members outside the active and flourishing community center. I could hear a variety of languages that sounded Asian, Indian, Eastern European and occasionally English.

I was escorted in, offered refreshment and greeted by many members. Norm Williams took me under his wing and made it a point to introduce me to everyone, fill me in on a bit of background and dynamics. I was given opportunity to talk on behalf of PNNA. My offer to serve them was made and the conversation continued

into subjects and challenges that many coin clubs are having in this day and age. The group was very hospitable and warned me not to mentioning anything about coins or collecting to the border agents.

I had brought a few of what I thought were collectable Canadian and U.S. coins which I ultimately put in their auction. Norm was kind enough to purchase the remainder of the ZIP LOCK BAG. Yeah! At the end of the night I was left wondering what to do with the \$60.00 in Canadian currency I now possessed. A stop for a slice of late-night pizza and adult beverage didn't put a dent in my new found collection. It was then that it occurred to me that the balance could be used to pay down my hotel bill.

After checkout, I opened my car to place my bags and was assaulted once again by the odiferous hitchhiker. I had that eerie feeling that I would have him traveling in that car forever. A valiant attempt was made to clean the passenger seat area using my wife's travel size package of handy wipes. Used them all!

A quick stop on the New Westminster waterfront for souvenirs and I was headed south toward my evening PNNA shift at the Puyallup Fair. The weather was once again warm as I bid Canada farewell.

After hitting the Duty Free shop, I found a place in the line returning to the U.S. After an hour and fifteen minutes of fretting over the collectables I had, I pulled up to the border agent. He looked real seriously at me and started a barrage of questions. The details he asked made him a master of geography or maybe he had lived down the street from me. He never asked about coins and I didn't volunteer. When I answered the question about where I worked, he gave me the move along wave and I was gone.

A Big hats off to Rick Schultz and his crew. They were the masters of display, planning and volunteer coordination for the 17-day event. I took over the duties from your PNNA President and Mrs. Danny and Sonja Bisgaard. They rushed off to some of the great nightly live music entertainment.

The main activity for the kids at our booth was searching for a Lincoln cent minted the same year they were born. The adults ogled over the case display of U.S. coinage and paper money. There was lots of eye candy! I met many folks and shared many memories about family collections and their adventures of the hobby. In the end I was able to direct them to local clubs, dealers and shows. Lots of smiling and new conversations left the display table area that evening.

The next morning I arrive early enough to eat a plate full of biscuits and gravy inside the Fairgrounds. Marlowe's opens up early to feed the vendors, exhibitors and other carousing carnies. A variety of other things also were available. When I arrived at the display area, I was greeted by the smiling face of Jesse

Torres. Together we worked as a great team to appease the hordes with great success. It was the 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM shift and we were met with many busloads of students from both public and home schools. We seem to run low or out of certain years of cents relating to those that were in attendance. Second part of the youth activity was picking a foreign coin if you found your year. Sometimes we had to skip the cents program to keep from sending some of the youngsters away crying.

With my shift complete, I outfitted my passenger seat with the AAA maps needed to travel north to the Seattle Numismatic Society meeting. I had to stop over at the Pike Street Market for a bite to eat and some dried flowers for the wife. I'm absolutely sure she was missing me by now. (Cross my fingers.) Fish and chips with a cup of clam chowder hit the spot and mini-cheesecake for dessert.

I traveled north up the Queen Anne Hill to find a beautiful old stone building where the meeting is held. This is the former home of a children's hospital. There were many historic photos inside of the circus entertaining and a U.S. President (sorry can't remember which one) visiting.

Seattle's meeting theme was "bring and brag." The variety of items was astounding and eclectic. A thousand dollar bill issued upon departing the military and vintage English editorial depicting the politics of changing over to the use of paper money were just a taste of the variety. I found myself greatly improved from the items they shared. The evening was capped by a presentation of Norse American medals from 1925 by David Schmidt. His shared items were extensive, the information intriguing and the quality brilliant. Thank you to all the Seattle members that were so hospitable and especially Scott Loos, who gave me great directions to compliment my AAA maps.

My drive back to Puyallup was an adventure. For several days previously, there had been an extensive series of forest fires to the east. It looked like I was driving through a fog bank to such a degree that I missed a few street signs and one freeway off ramp. I was blessed with seeing more of the Seattle and Puyallup area than previously planned. I eventually found my way back to my hotel room. The only people left on the street were the dime-toss girls and a few tilted cowboy hats.

Friday was to be the last day of my excursion and it met me with sadness. I hated to see my trip about to end. I wandered down for another portion of breakfast at Marlowe's before starting my last shift. It didn't take long before the busses rolled in and my attitude was uplifted. To see so many smiling kids come through our area was reassuring that we were doing it right. I had to make one last stop at the Fisher's Scone booth for a six pack of raspberry scones and a box of scone mix for the wife.

I opened up my car for departure and found the planet had returned to its proper alignment. The forest fire smoke had cleared, the Canadian coins deported and lastly only the memories of the Hitchhiker remained in the car. Left roadside, he's somewhere along the byways of Washington.

With 4,427.4 miles in 2012 according to the taxman, there has to be at least one more good story. Check out a future quarterly edition of *The Nor'wester* as the saga continues.



*Photos:*

1. Looking for birth year cent at the Puyallup Fair.
2. Bill Nix (left) and Don Toevs of the Polk County (Monmouth/Dallas, Oregon) "Bill and Don show."
3. Left to right: Gene Sims, Tom Deeth and Norm Williams at the North Shore Numismatic Society.
4. Former PNNA board member Les Copan at the North Shore Numismatic Society.

## *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.

### 2013

JAN 5-6 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

JAN 10-13 FLORIDA UNITED NUMIS. (FUN) 58TH ANNUAL CONVENTION, Orange County Convention Center, 9899 International Drive, Hall SB, Orlando, FL

JAN 10-13 New York International Numismatic Convention, Waldorf Astoria Hotel, 301 Park Avenue, New York City, NY

JAN 13 COIN AND CURRENCY SHOW, Clackamas Banquet Center, 15815 SE 82nd Dr, Clackamas, OR

JAN 19-20 BOEING EMPLOYEES' COIN CLUB SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, Kent, WA

JAN 20 North Shore Numismatic Soc. Oakridge Stamp & Coin Fair, Oakridge Auditorium, 41st & Cambie, Vancouver, BC

JAN 25-27 SAN JOSE COIN CLUB SHOW, DoubleTree Hotel Bayshore Ballroom, 2050 Gateway Place, San Jose, CA

JAN 26 OLYMPIA COIN CLUB SHOW, VFW Hall, 2902 Martin Way, Olympia, WA

FEB 3 (9AM-Noon) NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel, 8820 So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

FEB 7-9 LONG BEACH COIN, STAMP & COLLECTIBLES EXPO, Long Beach, CA

FEB 9-10 OCEAN SHORES ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE SHOW, Convention Center in Ocean Shores, WA

FEB 10 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1 South Grady Way, Renton, WA

FEB 16 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, Kent, WA

FEB 16-17 MCMINNVILLE COIN CLUB SHOW, Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th, Lincoln City, OR

FEB 23-24 (tentative) 53RD ANNUAL COEUR d'ALENE COIN CLUB SHOW, Kootenai County Fairgrounds, Coeur d'Alene, ID

MAR 1-3 LAS VEGAS NUMIS. SOC. COIN SHOW, Palace Station Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, NV

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

MAR 2-3 GRAYS HARBOR COIN, STAMP & COLLECTIBLES SHOW, South Shore Mall, Aberdeen, WA

MAR 7-10 Chicago Paper Money Expo, Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare, 5440 N River Rd, Rosemont, IL

MAR 9-10 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

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

MAR 10 COIN AND CURRENCY SHOW, Clackamas Banquet Center, 15815 SE 82nd Dr, Clackamas, OR

MAR 23-24 Spokane Spring Coin & Stamp Show, Center Place, 2426 N Discovery Place, Spokane Valley, WA

APR 6-7 BELLINGHAM COIN, CARD & STAMP SHOW, Hampton Inn, Fox Hall, 3985 Bennett Dr., I-5 Exit 258, Bellingham, WA

**APR 12-14 PNNA CONVENTION (64th Annual), Tukwila Community Center 12424 42nd Ave. So., Tukwila, WA**

APR 14 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1 South Grady Way, Renton, WA

APR 18-21 Chicago International Coin Fair, Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare, 5440 N River Rd, Rosemont, IL

**APR 21-27 ANA National Coin Week**

APR 24-27 Central States Numismatic Society 74th Annual Convention, Renaissance Hotel & Convention Ctr., Schaumburg, IL

APR TBD TRI-CITY COIN CLUB SHOW, Hampton Inn, 486 Bradley Blvd., Richland, WA

APR TBD SOUTHERN IDAHO COIN SHOW, Hilton Garden Inn, 7699 W. Spectrum St., Boise, ID

APR 28 COWLITZ COIN CLUB'S 45TH ANNUAL SHOW, AWPPW Hall, 724 - 15th Ave, Longview, WA

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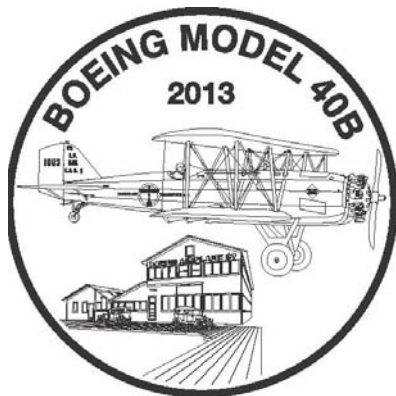
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