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President's Message, by J. Eric Holcomb

With the holiday season here, 1998 — the year of the ANA's *World's Fair of Money*TM in Portland — is almost upon us. Your ANA General Chairman, Larry Rowe, has prepared a welcome message that appears on this page.

Larry is also chairman of the PNNA election committee. Per PNNA procedures, I formally call upon members to submit names for nomination. See Larry's article for more details.

Get ready for the PNNA Convention and the West Coast Expo Seattle coin show. Like the Winter Olympians in Nagano, Japan, go for the gold — put together an exhibit!

The next PNNA board meeting will be on February 8th in Portland (see page 5). PNNA members are encouraged to submit specific proposals for educational activities to the board at or before scheduled board meetings.

Dues are Due

PNNA dues are assessed annually in January. Please send your dues to the secretary, Joe Boling, using the envelope enclosed. Individual dues are \$5; family groups and clubs are \$7.50. If you believe you are already paid for 1998, check the mailing label on this issue of *The Nor'wester*. Members not paid by convention time will not receive *The Nor'wester* after that date.

PNNA Officers

President J. Eric Holcomb 1st vice-pres. 2nd vice-pres. Betty Hoffman Secy./Treas. Joseph E. Boling Past president Shannon Jones

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Farnam, Paul Longcrier, Scott T. Loos, Michael O'Hara, Alex Pancheco, Larry Rowe, Robert Steinegger, Steve Zieba

Dealer-director Marc Bettinger (appointed)

Welcome to Portland, by Larry Rowe

Portland, Oregon will be the focal site for PNNA numismatic activity in 1998. The annual PNNA convention, hosted by the Willamette Coin Club, will be held in Portland in April. The Easter week-end convention will be a kick-off for promotion of the ANA convention coming to The PNNA is the official host Portland in August. organization for the ANA event. Needless to say, there is a lot of excitement in Portland. This is the first time that ANA has held their annual show in the northwest since they were in Seattle in 1990. It will be a long time before ANA returns to this area again. All of us involved in bringing ANA to Portland invite you to plan on attending this great show and enjoy the scenic northwest. We are planning many events to make your stay in Portland an experience to remember.

Call for Nominations, by Larry Rowe

Yes, it is once again time to submit nominations for officers and directors of PNNA to be selected by mail ballot. Your president, Eric Holcomb, has appointed me as chairman of the election committee, and it is my responsibility to provide a ballot for the coming election. Elsewhere in this newsletter, President Holcomb will ask members of PNNA to submit names for nomination. According to the by-laws, any member in good standing may submit the name of any other member in good standing, to run for office. Those nominated will be sent a consent form to acknowledge their willingness to serve in the office to which they may be elected. Carefully consider your choices and mail your nominations by Saturday, February 7th, 1998, to:

Larry Rowe P.O. Box 61621 Vancouver, WA 9866

Vancouver, WA 98666-1621 e-mail medalman@paclink.com.

Thank you for your participation in the election process.

Exhibiting at the October 1997 West Coast Expo, Seattle

The PNNA and the West Coast Expo jointly sponsored competitive exhibits at the Fall 1997 Expo. Following are the results of the judging and the prizes that were awarded.

FIRST PLACE: *Double Struck Capped Bust Half Dollars* (proof Statue of Liberty \$5 gold coin).

SECOND PLACE: The George Washington Copper Pieces of the Early American Period (US 1/10 ounce gold bullion coin).

THIRD PLACE: Art Masterpieces Minted in Silver (proof Jefferson commemorative dollar).

FOURTH PLACE: Silver Art Bars and Silver Rounds of Collector Clubs.

NON-COMPETITIVE: Seattle's Meyer Brothers and Japan; and two cases of certified coins without a title.

Each exhibitor also received a participation award of an uncirculated silver eagle.

Exhibits at the 1998 PNNA Convention

Yes, there is still an exhibit program at the Portland convention, despite the Thursday-Saturday format. Exhibits have to be in place by noon on Saturday to be eligible for awards, which will be announced at 4:00 p.m. We would prefer to have your exhibits in place on Friday, so that visitors to the convention can view and learn from them. If you want to use PNNA cases, you must send an application to Larry Rowe by 30 March so that those cases can be available. Use the form enclosed to apply for exhibit space and exhibit cases (Larry's address is on the application). Remember that the PNNA best of show winner receives \$200 in assistance to take the winning exhibit to the ANA anniversary convention; won't that be a snap in 1998 (5-9 August in Portland)?

Last year the PNNA adopted completely new exhibit rules, in an effort to make ours conform as closely as possible (at the regional level) with the ANA rules, so that exhibits can be easily moved to the national level. The categories for PNNA exhibits are now: Class 1 — United States and Canadian coins; Class 2 — United States and Canadian paper money; Class 3 — Tokens, medals, and decorations; Class 4 — World coins and paper money; Class 5 — General or specialized; Class 6 — Pacific Northwest numismatic material. The special "Hepp" Heppner award for tokens and medals, which can be for an exhibit from any of several classes, is still awarded.

The complete exhibit application is four pages long, just like ANA's. Pages 2-4 are only needed if you intend to have someone else place or remove your exhibit or if you are a multiple winner of first place awards at previous PNNA conventions. If you think you need the last three pages (not included here to save postage), ask for a complete copy of the rules from the secretary at the address in the letterhead. There are several references to specific parts of the rules in the application; if you have a copy of the ANA rules, you can determine what those references are without having the PNNA rules in hand.

We want to see lots of exhibits at the PNNA convention in preparation for the ANA show in August; use the PNNA convention as a test track for your effort.

Exhibiting at Other Shows

In addition to the PNNA convention, there are at least two other places that you can show exhibits (and win nice awards) while you fine-tune your exhibit for the ANA. The Boeing show, 17-18 January 1998, always has many entries, and the West Coast Expo, 17-19 April at the Seattle International Trade Center (not the convention center at the freeway) now has very nice awards. See the article about the October show elsewhere in this issue. While the awards at the WCE will vary from show to show, that article gives you an idea of the kinds of awards that are available. Prizes are purchased with monies donated by Teresa Darling, the show's commercial sponsor.

If you want to participate in the April WCE, request an application from Joe Boling. There is presently no limit on the number of exhibits that an individual may place, nor on the number of cases per exhibit. If the exhibit space is exhausted, restrictions may be placed for future shows; right now, bring what you like. There are no exhibit classes; all exhibits are in the open class and compete against all other exhibits placed for competition (non-competitive exhibits are also accepted and encouraged).

National Coin Week 1998

The ANA has announced the theme for NCW in 1998: "Numismatics — The Key to Knowledge." The PNNA will sponsor another competition for member clubs in 1998, and clubs and individuals are encouraged to promote NCW throughout the region. The ANA also awards a summer seminar scholarship for the best NCW program nationwide. Send NCW reports to the ANA Education Department by 31 May 1998 to compete for that award.

Minutes of PNNA board meeting 20 September 1997, Seattle, WA

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Holcomb at 7:10 p.m. Present were secretary/treasurer Joe Boling, directors Don Farnam, Marge Farnam, Paul Longcrier, and Larry Rowe, and members Kathy Rowe, Helen Young, and Pat Young.

Director Don Farnam submitted a letter of resignation as a director, citing his inability to attend meetings except when Marge Farnam also attended, and suggesting that appointment of another member might make it easier to conduct PNNA business. Since the next board meeting is to be in the Puget Sound area, the members present suggested that the letter be carried over to that meeting for consideration. No further action was taken.

The minutes of the 29 March board meeting were accepted as published in *The Nor'wester*. The treasurer having forgotten to bring the most recent monthly report, there was no treasurer's report [a current report is included with these minutes].

The members present expressed a desire for some feedback (from Tom Sheehan) about the distribution of tapes that the ANA was distributing for the cost of shipping.

Joe Boling announced that an agreement has been completed with Teresa Darling to conduct lectures and judged exhibiting at her shows, the first to be on the weekend of 3-5 October. She will provide \$250 per show for acquisition of exhibit awards; Boling will coordinate the placement of exhibits and judging thereof. One object is to promote exhibits at the Portland ANA in August 1998.

Larry Rowe reported the results of the PNNA's 1997 National Coin Week club competition. Olympia Coin Club won first place; the University Coin Club (Seattle) won second place. No further entries were received in 1997 (three clubs that participated in 1996 did not submit reports in 1997). Moved (Rowe) and seconded (Boling) to continue the program in 1998 at the same award levels. Passed.

Joe Boling reported that the PNNA table at the Puyallup Fair was a success again in 1997, with participation from many members of Puget Sound area clubs. Todd Imhof of Pinnacle Rarities donated a new banner for the fair, with the legend "coin collecting — history in your hands." The banner will be usable in other locations as well, such as at the West Coast Expo shows.

Board members inquired whether there were other fairs that we could support, such as the Evergreen fair in Monroe. The consensus was that member clubs in the locations of other fairs would have to pick up the ball for such support (such as the Everett and Skagit Valley clubs for the Monroe fair).

About the 1998 PNNA convention, sponsored again by the Willamette Coin Club: WCC will promote the ANA convention at the April PNNA show. Boling reiterated the desire to get large numbers of local exhibitors to compete, citing the 30+ new exhibitors who participated in Denver in 1996, mostly from local clubs. Boling also stressed the need for early preparation of copy for the wooden nickel for the PNNA show.

About the 1998 ANA convention: a second order for 5000 woods has been placed. 5000 have already been distributed at shows locally, the Puyallup Fair, and the 1997 ANA convention in New York. Dave Schmidt is negotiating directly with the ANA over placement of the Portland convention in his northwest show calendar; the PNNA and the Willamette Coin Club (which is providing many of the committee chairs for the ANA convention) will bow out of that discussion.

Boling reported that he failed to investigate the availability of blazers for the PNNA officers, as discussed at the previous board meeting.

Scott Loos submitted a request that the appropriation to underwrite startup costs for an educational seminar in eastern Washington be rescinded, since he has not been able to generate any interest in running one there. The board decided that no specific action is needed; we simply would not spend the money if it was not requested.

Eric Holcomb announced that he will be building a web site for the PNNA, using space made available by the ANA. He indicated a need for acquisition of web-authoring software, but said that since he would be using it to also build a personal site, he would split the cost with the PNNA. Marge Farnam suggested that her daughter Janet (a Microsoft employee) be asked to assist in acquisition [Janet reports that the employee store makes good deals for non-profit organizations.] Moved (Rowe) and seconded (Longcrier) to appropriate \$50 for web authoring software. Passed.

Other educational programs, such as the acquisition of additional "penny boards" and the acquisition of a TV/VCR set to use at shows, were discussed. The former was deferred to the next board

meeting. Moved (Rowe) and seconded (Don Farnam) to spend not more then \$300 plus tax for a 13" TV/VCR that will be used to show numismatic videos at shows and fairs. Passed. [The set was purchased on 23 September for \$260.63.]

Don Farnam suggested that the PNNA emphasize having itself mentioned in advertisements for shows that it is sponsoring or providing assistance for.

Nominating and election committees are needed for the PNNA elections next spring. Larry Rowe volunteered to chair both committees. President Holcomb appointed him thus.

President Holcomb adjourned the meeting at a time not noted by the secretary.

Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, Secretary

Minutes of PNNA board meeting 1 November 1997, Tacoma WA

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Holcomb at 2:00 p.m. Present were secretary/treasurer Joe Boling and directors Don Farnam, Marge Farnam, Paul Longerier, and Del Cushing.

The attendees were referred to the minutes of the previous meeting, as distributed by Secretary Boling. They will be published in the next *Nor'wester*. The treasurer's report for the month ending 31 October 1997 was distributed. Boling reported correspondence from Sanford Durst (offering book reprints) and Ed Rochette (soliciting club support for an annual Olympic coinage program). After a brief discussion, no further action was taken on Rochette's letter. Boling reported that the last two mailings to the Mid-Valley Coin Club in Albany had been returned by the post office. Del Cushing took the two mailings and will attempt to contact a member of the club.

Old business: Del Cushing reports that the slide set of his AYP memorabilia will be started soon. Boling reported the results of the exhibit program at the October West Coast Expo (very poorly supported by collectors). Boling reiterated the need for artwork for the April 1998 PNNA convention wood. Cushing said he would take care of ordering 1000 woods for that show. Holcomb announced that the next PNNA board meeting will be in February in conjunction with the next ANA Portland committee meeting. He reported that Tom Sheehan will report by e-mail the distribution of the tapes that we acquired from the ANA (these are not the James Earl Jones tapes, but the introductory tapes that ANA made available for the cost of shipping). He also reported that the PNNA web site is

up on the ANA's host (accessible at http:// www.money.org, then to the club pages). reported that the ANA has announced the National Coin Week dates and theme for 1998: 19-25 April, "Numismatics — The Key to Knowledge." A discussion followed about whether PNNA itself should prepare and place exhibits (in addition to encouraging member clubs to conduct NCW programs). Pacific Northwest numismatics would be the preferred themes. The consensus is that such exhibits would have to be of a photographic or video nature, rather than showing actual numismatic items, because of the difficulty of providing security and of getting banks and stores to accept exhibits of significant material. Video programs would be useful for club presentations (not necessarily to coin clubs; also to fraternal/service clubs). While all thought that such exhibits would be good, nobody leapt forward to volunteer to build one. Boling reported that the Forest Service does have a green jacket that could be used as PNNA distinctive wear, but that he presently has not determined whether the vendor can provide jackets without USFS buttons and embroidery. The USFS jacket costs about \$122; a custom order could be expected to cost more. Don Farnam reminded the members that he had submitted a resignation letter at the last meeting. After discussion, action was deferred for the balance of this term of office.

New business: we want to continue to pursue educational programs. We have acquired the 13" TV set with built-in VCR that was authorized at the last board meeting, for use at shows and fairs. Del Cushing reported that he could build some slide sets of Pacific NW material besides the one of AYP memorabilia that he is already committed to prepare. Such slide sets could be used to give programs at PNNA conventions and as the educational programs at future West Coast Expos. Cushing said that he will get back to Eric Holcomb in a couple of weeks about his ability to do Holcomb reiterated that we want to push exhibiting for the ANA convention in Portland in August 1998. Boling raised the point of increasing dues from the present \$5/individual, \$7.50/family or club. After discussion no further action was taken.

President Holcomb adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m. Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, Secretary.

Dick Watt Passes Away

Your editor regrets to announce that long time PNNA and Boeing Employees' Coin Club member Dick Watt died on December 12th. More information and a complete obituary should be available in the next *Nor'wester* or in the January *BECC News*.

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ANA Prepares for 1998 Conventions — Preparations for the ANA 1998 conventions are well underway, with Numismatic Theatre speakers being sought for both the ANA National Money Show in Cincinnati, Ohio (March 19-20), and the World's Fair of Money in Portland, Oregon (August 5-9). For more information or to submit a proposal for a presentation, contact the ANA Education Department.

First Graduate Praises ANA Numismatic Diploma Program — Albert Sims, a coin dealer from Alamogordo, New Mexico, is the first to complete the necessary classes and correspondence courses to graduate from the ANA's Numismatic Diploma Program. "The knowledge I obtained from the courses in the ANA program I use every day in my work," Sims says. "I have recommended to many of my friends and customers that they join the ANA and take all the courses the Association offers."

Address-Label Fund-Raiser — Funds raised by address labels recently sent to ANA members will support the Association's Numismatic Curricula Project. The sheet of 80 personalized return-address labels, which include the ANA logo, also feature adhesive stickers with color images from the 1896 "Educational" series, considered by many to be the most beautiful and historical paper money ever printed by the United States.

Changes in Store for 30th Summer Conference— The ANA 30th Annual Summer Conference scheduled for next July will see a 17-percent increase in the number of classes offered and a first-ever cap on the number of participants. "We are very pleased to be offering 35 classes at next year's Summer Conference," says ANA Education Director James Taylor, "but we also have to recognize the boundaries of our success over the last several years. Enrollment has been increasing in monumental proportions, to the point where we have to limit the number of participants to maintain the intimacy, integrity and camaraderie everyone has come to expect of the program."

California Tax Update — ANA President Anthony Swiatek says a change in California tax law could signal a return of ANA conventions to the Golden State. "This is great news for numismatic collectors and dealers," Swiatek said on hearing that California Governor Pete Wilson had signed a bill that gives out-of-state coin dealers a seven-day grace period in which to conduct business in that state without being subjected to its tax nexus regulations.

Push for New Dollar Coin — The ANA two-year effort to produce a new coin to replace the Susan B. Anthony dollar now is before Congress with the support of the Clinton Administration. ANA President Anthony Swiatek says, "For several years, the ANA has backed several dollar coin proposals. Now it appears we are on the verge of it being approved." Through the efforts of its immediate past president, Kenneth Bressett, the world's largest coin collector organization has pushed for and supports the proposal for a new, gold-colored \$1 coin (HR 2637), introduced October 21 by Representative Michael Castle (R-Delaware).

MEDALS — Wanted to Buy Historic, Commemorative, or Artistic

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- ⇒ Soon to be published! fixed price list containing literature from the collections of Bob Everett, Byron Johnson, and Wally Walker. Anyone who has an interest in ancients, copper or paper money particularly should respond but there will be something in the list for everyone. Send a post card or e-mail to receive a copy.

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PNNA BOARD MEETING

The next PNNA board meeting will be in February, immediately before the next meeting of the ANA-Portland convention committee: 8 Feb 1998, 1:00 p.m., at the Holiday Inn, 1021 NE Grand Ave, Portland. From the north, exit at Rose Quarter/Broadway, and follow the signs to the convention center. The Holiday Inn is one block from the convention center, on the east side of I-5. (The ANA convention committee will meet at 2:00 pm.)

Although the committee chairpersons for the ANA Convention have already been selected, additional help will be required in several areas. Notify Larry Rowe, Joe Boling, Eric Holcomb, or one of the committee chairs if you would like to help!

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The Portrait on the One Dollar Bill

by Bill Jones

The portrait of George Washington that appears on our \$1 bill may be the best known work in American art. But you may not know that the original painting was almost lost.

That familiar portrait of President George Washington was painted by Gilbert Stuart, who was born on December 3, 1755. Stuart painted many famous portraits of the Founding Fathers — including Washington, Jefferson, Madison and John Adams. Wealthy socialite Anne Bingham commissioned Stuart to paint portraits of George and Martha Washington in 1796. Mrs. Washington had shown interest in a portrait of her husband, and Mrs. Bingham decided to pay for a matching portrait of Martha, as well.

George Washington didn't like posing for portraits. The President had sat in stony silence as Stuart painted an earlier picture that the artist viewed as a failure. Things didn't start well this time either. Washington's false teeth were bothering him — and he was bored at having to pose for several hours. But as Stuart lifted his pallet, Washington broke into a smile. Surprised by his reaction, Stuart glanced through the open door of his studio and noticed that the President had just spotted an especially fine horse. Stuart and Washington launched into a lively conversation about raising horses.

After several sittings, Stuart felt that Washington's portrait was the best he'd ever done — and he decided to keep it, so he could paint copies from it. Stuart refused to finish the portraits of George and Martha ... but he later painted copies of the President's portrait whenever he needed cash — which was fairly often. He called these copies his "hundred dollar bills," because that was his usual fee for the duplicates. After he died, the Boston Athenaeum bought the unfinished portraits of George and Martha Washington from Stuart's nearly destitute widow. Today, they divide their time between the National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C. and the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.

Boy Bishop Tokens

by Robert Leonard

Christmas is almost here — but December 6 was the feast of St. Nicholas, the model for our modern Santa Claus. Not much is known about Nicholas' life. What is known is the devotion Europeans have had for him since medieval times, and right up to today.

Nicholas may have been a 4th or 5th century bishop in Asia Minor. He was renowned for his miracles ... including one in which he reportedly brought three children back to life.

Veneration for St. Nicholas exploded when Italian sailors exhumed his tomb in 1087 and brought it to Italy. It became the most popular pilgrimage site in Europe during the Middle Ages. St. Nicholas not only became the patron saint of Russia, but of all children. Numerous surnames were derived from his — including Nichols, Nicholson, Colson and Collins.

His feast day became the occasion for the ceremony of the "boy bishop." During the Middle Ages, the custom arose of electing a choirboy to be a bishop on this day — an "office" he held until the feast of the Holy Innocents on December 28th.

When the custom came to England isn't known, but it was well enough established that King Edward the First attended a service led by a boy bishop in 1299.

In some cathedrals, boy bishops distributed alms, using special tokens. The tokens were made of lead, with the earliest ones imitating contemporary English coins. They were introduced around 1488, and most of these tokens copy a detail of a coin design of that year. They were issued in three sizes and had inscriptions, including a variety of prayers to St. Nicholas.

"Boy bishop" tokens used to be rare ... until recently, only about 200 pieces were known. However, many have been found with metal detectors along the banks of England's River Lark. Last year, a hoard of 200 was discovered in England. This means "boy bishop" tokens are now available to any interested collector.

Deadline for submission of material for Second Quarter 1998 Nor'wester: March 15, 1998. Call Eric Holcomb at (253) 850-2996, or e-mail to EHolc48@aol.com

Advertising rates are \$7.50 (1/8-page), \$10.00 (1/6-page), \$15.00 (1/4-page), \$25.00 (1/2-page), and \$45.00 (full page). Send ad copy to Eric Holcomb, and payment to the PNNA secretary/treasurer.

COIN SHOW CALENDAR

To list a club show contact Del Cushing; P.O. Box 88984, Seattle, WA. 98138; Phone (206) 244-1596

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JAN 3-4 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland Ave & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.

JAN 10 KIRKLAND/EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western, 12223 N.E. 116th, Kirkland, Wa.

JAN 17-18 BOEING EMPLOYEES' COIN AND SPORTS CARD SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave N., Kent, Wa.

JAN 31 OLYMPIA COIN CLUB ANNUAL SHOW, VFW HALL, 2902 ½ Martin Way East, Olympia, Wa.

FEB 1 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

FEB 7-8 NORTHWEST COIN DEALERS, INC., Seattle Center, Seattle, Wa. (location subject to change)

FEB 14 ISSAQUAH/EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1801 12th Ave, N.W., Issaaquah, Wa.

FEB 15 NORTHWEST TOKENS & MEDALS, King Oscars Motel, So. 88th & Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.

FEB 28 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave, Kent, Wa.

FEB 28 McMINNVILLE COINAND STAMP SHOW, 600 NE Evans St, McMinnville Ore.

MAR 14-15 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.

MAR 21 PENINSULA COIN SHOW, Masonic Temple, 5th & Warren Ave., Bremerton, Wa.

MAR 21-22 TRI-CITY COIN CLUB SHOW, no location: call J. Hulse, 1528 Kimball, Richland WA 99352; 509-946-5242.

MAR 22 BELLEVUE COIN & COLLECTIBLES SHOW, Bellevue Inn, 11211 Main St., Bellevue, Wa.

MAR 28-29 ALBANY COIN CLUB SHOW, United Steel Workers Hall, 610 13th St. S.E., Albany, Ore.

MAR 28 KENT -VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, Kent, Wa.

APRIL 5 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

APRIL 10-11 PACIFIC NORTHWEST NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 49TH ANNUAL CONVENTION, Lloyd Center DoubleTree Inn, Portland, Ore. APRIL 17-19 Spring 1988 West Coast Expo SEATTLE COIN SHOW, Seattle International Trade Center, 2601 Elliott Ave., Seattle, Wa.

APRIL 18-19 BELLINGHAM STAMP & COIN EXPO, Best Western Hotel, Bellingham, Wa.

APRIL 25 OLYMPIA/SOUTH SOUND COIN SHOW, VFW Hall, 2902 ½ Martin Way, Olympia, Wa

APRIL 26 COWLITZ COIN CLUBS ANNUAL SPRING SHOW, AWPPW Hall, 724 15th Ave., Longview, Wa.

MAY 2 KENT-VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, Kent, Wa.

MAY 2-3 SPRINGFIELD COIN CLUB SHOW, Masonic Hall, Centennial Blvd., Eugene, Ore.

MAY 17 NORTHWEST TOKENS & MEDALS, King Oscars Motel, So. 88th & Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.

MAY 30-31 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.

JUNE 6-7 NORTHWEST COIN DEALERS, INC., *Location to be determined.*

JUNE 13 KIRKLAND/EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western, Kirkland, Wa.

JUNE 14 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

JULY 11-12 NORTHWEST TOKENS & MEDALS 13TH ANNUAL CONVENTION, Marshall Recreation Center, Vancouver, Wa.

JULY 12 BELLEVUE COIN & COLLECTIBLES SUMMER SHOW, Bellevue Inn, 11211 Main St., Bellevue, Wa.

JULY 31-AUG 2 PORTLAND PRE-SHOW "98", Holiday Inn, Portland Airport, Portland, Ore.

AUGUST 5-9 AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 107TH ANNUAL CONVENTION, Portland Convention Center, Portland, Ore.

AUG 9 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

AUG 22-23 WASHINGTON STATE 19th ANNUAL COIN SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.

AUG 29-30 OREGON STATE 5th ANNUAL COIN SHOW, Sheraton Hotel, Portland Airport, Portland, Ore.