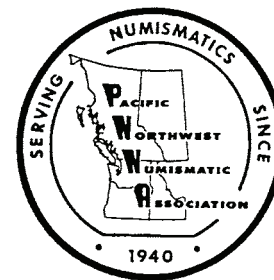


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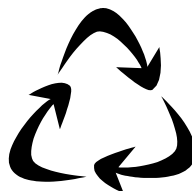
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Welcome to Tukwila

by General Chairman Mike Labosier

Welcome to the 63rd annual Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Spring Convention and Coin Show! This year's show hours are:

Friday	April 13	noon until 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	April 14	10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.
Sunday	April 15	10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The PNNA Spring Convention is the oldest and largest annual coin show in the Pacific Northwest. This premier event features 85 dealer tables, with national and regional dealers represented along with your favorite local dealers. A wide range of numismatic material in all price ranges will be available for you to explore.

You will find temptations — whether your interests gravitate to US coins or foreign, ancients, or US or world currency. For collectors of exnumia, beautiful and historic medals and interesting tokens will be on display and available for sale. The diversity of material extends to all historical periods, from ancient Greek and Roman times through the Middle Ages and Renaissance, and on to the colonial period and modern times.

Take advantage of educational opportunities. Carefully prepared collector displays vying for exhibiting awards will be on view Saturday and Sunday. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts can attend clinics to earn their Coin Collecting Merit Badge, and the public is invited to free numismatic theater sessions on several topics. Our highlight this year is a presentation by Heidi Wastweet, an accomplished sculptor and coin designer who also serves on the Citizen's Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) for the U.S. Mint. In that role, Heidi has a voice in what U.S. coin designs are selected for approval by the Secretary of the Treasury. In conjunction with private mints, Heidi has produced over 1,000 coins, medals, tokens, and rare coin replicas. You are invited to hear Heidi's perspective "from the inside" at noon on Saturday.

For budding Young Numismatists (YNs), the popular YN Treasure Hunt will run all three days of the show, providing YNs under age 18 with a chance to earn free coins. This program is run by Walt Ostromecki, Vice President of the American Numismatic Association. To get started, just stop by the YN table and see Walt.

The PNNA is grateful for the hard work of the convention co-host's volunteers. The King County Coin Club (KCCC) has co-hosted the Spring Convention for many years, and its members contribute greatly to the success of the show. You will find the KCCC and other clubs listed on the PNNA website, along with their meeting locations and times. Joining a club in your area is a great way to meet fellow coin enthusiasts and make new friends.

The annual convention brings together many of our members. The PNNA annual meeting on Saturday is open to all, and your comments and suggestions on how the PNNA can best promote our fascinating hobby are most welcome.

We're happy to see you — enjoy the show!

For show address — see page 8.

For collector exhibit information — see page 14.

Additional Show Information

- Parking is free, and admission is only \$2.00 per day, \$5.00 for all three days. Children 12 and under are free. "Early Bird" admission (9:00 AM Fri/Sat/Sun) is usually \$30.00.
- The YN program will be conducted all three day of the convention by ANA Vice President Walt Ostromecki. The program is being hosted by the PNNA and by participating local coin clubs.
- The PNNA is sponsoring a club table in the exhibit area. Local area clubs will have the opportunity to put out information about their clubs as well as have a representative at the table if they so choose.
- There will be both a numismatic theater and club meetings this year — see page 14.
- We regret that due to the unfortunate passing of Gregory Paul Franck-Weiby (1950-2011), there will be no souvenir tokens this year.

PNNA News

PNNA President's Message

by Lisa Loos

I am writing this with mixed emotions. Sadly, after four years of leading the PNNA, my term as president has come to an end and it is time for me to step down and make way for the new president. I am happy though for what was accomplished the past four years. The present board was very receptive to trying new things and implementing new ideas. I felt a true camaraderie with this board and I am pleased that I will continue to be an involved participant on the board as Past President.

The many things that were accomplished could not have been done without the outstanding officers and board members. I truly have not worked with a more passionate and hard working group. I want to thank each and every one of you for your dedication and commitment these past years. I know that with the new slate of candidates coming in, this dedication and passion will still be there to help grow the PNNA into the best numismatic organization. On that note, I hope everybody has received their ballot and has sent it back to the election chair, Bill McKivor.

My last official duties as president will occur at the upcoming PNNA convention April 13-15 at the Tukwila Community Center. I encourage every member to attend the board meeting Saturday at 8:00 AM and the general membership meeting that evening at 6:00 PM. This will officially be my send-off as the new slate will be inducted to lead for the next two years. In the past, I have used this membership meeting to introduce the members to all the great work the board has accomplished, and to hold an open Q&A forum. We certainly found the Q&A helpful and made some changes from the feedback that was received. I am confident that the new president will continue this format and continue to hear the voice of the PNNA ... its members. The general membership meeting is also where our annual awards are given. Come and see who the recipients will be this year.

Thanks to everybody for your support and confidence in me to be your president. I can't stress enough how much I thoroughly enjoyed it. Thanks for the ride.

Hope to see you all in Tukwila. Thanks again.

— Lisa.

PNNA Annual Awards

The winner of the PNNA's annual Bob Everett Memorial Award, made for integrity and demonstrated commitment to numismatics in the Pacific NW, will be announced at the convention on Saturday, April 14.

For more information about Bob Everett, about the award, for a list of past winners from 1999 to 2011, or to nominate someone, please see the PNNA website at:

<http://www.pnna.org/awards/everett.html>

Other PNNA annual awards, including the Nina Nystrom Memorial Goodwill Ambassador Award and the ANA Summer Seminar scholarship awards, will also be announced at the convention.

National Coin Week Contest

Every year the ANA sponsors National Coin Week and selects a theme for the promotion of our hobby. This year the celebration is the week of April 15-21, and the theme is *Change in Money: Cowries to Credit Cards*.

The PNNA has a contest among member clubs for the best promotion of NCW. Cash awards are given to the best three clubs that submit a report on their promotional event. No formal application is necessary. Just submit a description of the event to NCW judge Danny Bisgaard by April 30 for consideration. Photos are a great way to supplement the application!

The awards are \$100-\$75-\$50 for the top three club efforts. The annual theme does not have to be part of your effort; if you have an already-established program for promoting coin collecting in your community that does not refer directly to the annual NCW theme, it is still acceptable for consideration. The ANA also gives awards for NCW promotion excellence. If your club belongs to the ANA, submit a report to be considered for this award.

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April 2012

APR 13-15 PACIFIC NORTHWEST NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION (63rd Annual), Tukwila Community Center 12424 42nd Ave. So., Tukwila, WA

APR 15-21 ANA National Coin Week, Theme: *Change in Money: Cowries to Credit Cards.*

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

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

APR 21-22 BELLINGHAM COIN, CARD & STAMP SHOW, Hampton Inn, Fox Hall, 3985 Bennett Dr., I-5 Exit 258, Bellingham, WA

APR 21-22 TRI-CITY COIN CLUB SHOW, Hampton Inn, 486 Bradley Blvd., Richland, WA

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

APR 28 Salem Hobbies Expo, Salem Senior Center, 2615 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR

APR 28-29 SOUTHERN IDAHO COIN SHOW, Hilton Garden Inn, 7699 W. Spectrum St., Boise, ID

APR 29 (tentative) COWLITZ COIN CLUB'S 44TH ANNUAL SHOW, AWPPW Hall 724 - 15th Ave, Longview, WA

May 2012

MAY 4-6 DENVER COIN EXPO, National Western Complex, I-70 & Brighton, Denver, CO

MAY 6 (9AM-Noon) NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel, 8820 So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

MAY 10-12 ANA National Money Show™, Denver Convention Center, Denver, CO

MAY 19 Spokane Monthly Coin Show - Coins, Currency, Gold & Silver, Eagles Lodge, 6410 N. Lidgerwood St., Spokane, WA

MAY 19-20 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

MAY 26-27 MID VALLEY COIN CLUB 46th Annual Coin, Currency and Token Show, Linn County Fair and Expo Center, 3700 Knox Butte Rd, Albany, OR

MAY 31-JUN 2 LONG BEACH COIN, STAMP & COLLECTIBLES EXPO, Long Beach, CA

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Have a great summer!

June-July 2012

JUN 2 (tentative) Sequim Coin, Currency, Bullion, & Stamp Show, Masonic Hall, 700 South 5th Ave., Sequim, WA

JUN 8-10 Memphis International Paper Money Show, Cook Convention Center East Hall, 225 N. Main, Memphis, TN

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

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

JUN 10 North Shore Numismatic Soc. Oakridge Stamp & Coin Fair, Oakridge Auditorium, 41st & Cambie, Vancouver, BC

JUN 23-JUL 6 ANA Summer Seminar (pre-registration and tuition required), Colorado Springs, CO

JUL 14 OLYMPIA/SOUTH SOUND COIN, CURRENCY & BULLION SHOW, VFW Hall, 2902 Martin Way, Olympia, WA

JUL 14-15 NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY 28TH ANNUAL CONV. & AUCTION, Clackamas Banquet and Catering Center, 12 miles south of the Portland Airport, just off I-205 (exit 12 or 12A)

JUL 19-21 SO-CAL COIN, CURRENCY & JEWELRY SHOW, Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, CA

JUL 19-22 Royal Canadian Numismatic Association convention, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

August 2012

AUG 7-11 ANA World's Fair of Money®, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, PA

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

AUG 17-19 New show promoter! SANTA CLARA COIN & COLLECTIBLES SHOW, Santa Clara Convention Center, Santa Clara, CA

AUG 18-19 (tentative) 15TH ANNUAL FLORENCE COIN SHOW (also stamps & jewelry), Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., Florence, OR

AUG 25-26 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, King Oscar Convention Center, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, WA

To list a show e-mail info@pnna.org, or call 541-647-1021. Shows will normally be open to the public from 10 AM until at least 4 PM unless otherwise indicated. Highlighted shows and events are PNNA, ANA or RCNA sponsored or co-sponsored. Events may be subject to changes or cancellations.

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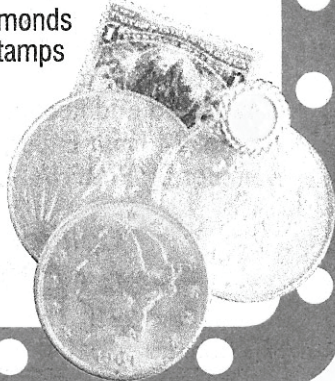
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Flowing Hair (1794-1795)



Liberty Seated No Motto (1840-1865)



Draped Bust (1795-1804) — Heraldic Eagle (1798-1804)



Gobrecht — Flying Eagle (1836-1839)



Liberty Seated Motto "IN GOD WE TRUST" (1866-1873)



Trade Dollar (1873-1885)



Morgan (1878-1921)**Peace (1921-1935)****Eisenhower (1971-1978) — Eagle Rev. (except 1976)****Eisenhower — Bicentennial (1776-1976)***Exhibit by Eric Holcomb***Background and Gobrecht Dollar Story**

The history of the U.S. silver dollar dates back to the Spanish milled dollar or “Piece of Eight,” and silver dollars were provided for in the April 2, 1792 act of Congress establishing the U.S. Mint.

However, in part due to fluctuations in the value of silver and gold, no silver dollars were minted between 1804 and 1835 (except the famous 1804-dated dollars made for the King of Siam, etc.)

In 1835, Mint Director Samuel Moore asked for permission to hire Christian Gobrecht as a second engraver to William Kneass. New Mint Director Dr. Robert Maskell Patterson received permission to employ Gobrecht after Kneass suffered a stroke. Also, Philadelphia artists Thomas Sully and Titian Peale were hired to prepare designs for new coinage.

By January 1836, Treasury Secretary Levi Woodbury and President Jackson approved the new obverse (Liberty Seated) design. On April 9, Patterson submitted an improved version of the obverse with a pen sketch of the reverse, reporting that “The drawing is true to nature, for it is taken from the eagle itself.” and “The absurdity of the shield sticking to the breast of a bird is avoided.” Also, “The arrows and branches are also removed from the eagle’s claws, as contrary to nature and good taste.”

1,000 coins struck for circulation in Dec. 1836., and subsequent mintages were also very small, making Gobrecht dollars highly prized by collectors today.

Patterson standardized the Liberty Seated coinages in 1840 (with sculptor Robert Ball Hughes refining the Liberty Seated device), and unfortunately replaced the flying eagle by the old heraldic bird.

Gobrecht, born in Hanover, PA in 1785, became Chief Engraver of the U.S. Mint in 1840 and remained until his death in 1844.

References:

The U.S. Mint and Coinage by Don Taxay.

The Comprehensive U.S. Silver Dollar Encyclopedia by John Highfill.

A Guide Book of United States Coins (“Red Book”) by R.S. Yeoman, edited by Ken Bressett.

American Numismatic Association News

2012 National Coin Week

“Change In Money: Cowries to Credit Cards” is the theme for the 2012 National Coin Week, April 15-21. The American Numismatic Association will host a variety of fun, education-based activities online and at the Edward C. Rochette Money Museum in Colorado Springs. Events and activities will focus on how money has changed over the years and the innovations that have allowed those changes to occur.

“Money has gone through some amazing changes in its history,” said Andy Dickes, ANA National Coin Week coordinator. “Where we exchanged cowry shells for goods and services thousands of years ago, today we swipe a plastic card or use PayPal. From the first coins and paper money to the steam coin press and polymer notes, the transformation of money is a fascinating journey.”

Activities and resources for the 89th annual National Coin Week include:

- A video scavenger hunt for gold coins and other prizes. Collectors will receive a weekly video clue via the ANA’s YouTube page and website for a numismatic object to collect. (Note: responses are due by April 16 for a chance to win an American Eagle half-ounce gold coin and other prizes.)
- A club trivia challenge where ANA member clubs compete for prizes and bragging rights by knowing the most about innovations in money.
- A promotional kit for clubs with educational materials, buttons, bookmarks and more.
- An open house at the Money Museum, scheduled for April 21, which will include free admission, activities for children and adults, and the minting of the 2012 National Coin Week medallion in the museum’s Mini-Mint.
- The opening of a new museum exhibit, “The History of Money,” on April 12.
- Promotional information on www.money.org, including a sample press release, proclamation, interactive flyer and Money Museum exhibit panels.

ANA Summer Seminar

For many, Summer Seminar is a life-changing event. It has catapulted the careers of many of the nation’s most successful numismatic collectors, authors and dealers, and guided young numismatists to become hobby leaders.

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Enroll in Summer Seminar today and have the numismatic time of your life. (This year’s sessions are June 23-June 29 and June 30-July 6. See the ANA website for more information and course listings.)

Club Rep Program

The ANA Club Representative Program is being revitalized, and a PNNA Club Representative Program has also started! For more information, attend the general membership meeting or club rep meeting scheduled at the PNNA convention, or watch the ANA and PNNA websites for more information as it becomes available.

To read the ANA club rep quarterly newsletter, *MintMark*, simply visit the ANA website (www.money.org), select “Membership / Club Directory,” then click on “Learn about Clubs” to find the link. Contributions of written material and photos from ANA clubs for future editions of *MintMark* are welcome.

As part of the ANA Club Rep Program, monthly summaries of “What’s going on at the ANA?” are available to clubs. If your club isn’t receiving this communication, contact the ANA or the PNNA for more information.



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PNNA Convention Exhibits

by Eric Holcomb, PNNA Chief Judge

Collector exhibits are encouraged at the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association convention and coin show, April 13-15, 2012 in Tukwila. Exhibits will be displayed in a separate room across from the bourse area. This room will only be for exhibits, and for club tables for clubs that would like to participate. This arrangement allows more space for exhibits and makes it easier for the public to view your display.

Exhibiting is not complicated. Just bring your display and register it at the Exhibit Chairman table. Exhibits need to be in place by noon on Saturday to be eligible for exhibit awards. A limited number of standard Allstate cases will be available if needed. Exhibits can be competitive or non-competitive. Remember that the PNNA best of show winner receives \$200 in assistance to take the winning exhibit to the ANA anniversary convention in the same year. (The 2012 convention is in Philadelphia.)

We hope to see your exhibit at the convention!

Note: If you would like to complete the simplified one-page exhibit application in advance (recommended), please see the PNNA website as explained below. If you intend to have someone else place or remove your exhibit or if you are a multiple winner of first place exhibit awards at previous PNNA conventions, please contact chief judge Eric Holcomb for the necessary information and forms.

For additional information about collector exhibits at the PNNA convention, please see the PNNA website exhibit page at <http://www.pnna.org/exhibits/exhibits.html>. There you will find lots of useful information including upcoming events, completed events, past PNNA best-of-show exhibit award winners, a Numismatic Exhibiting

Guide ("How to Exhibit") by former ANA Chief Judge Joseph E. Boling, the official PNNA rules for exhibiting and judging, and the PNNA exhibit application and sample exhibit rating sheet.

Tukwila Meeting Schedule

Saturday, April 14, 2012

PNNA board meeting..... 8:00 AM

Paper money collectors meeting..... 11:00 AM

"From the inside"

by Heidi Wastweet (see page 3)..... Noon

"Numismatic Washingtonia"

by Eric Holcomb..... 1:00 PM

ANA/PNNA Club Rep meeting..... 2:00 PM

Other speakers/club meetings to be announced.

PNNA General Membership Meeting and

Awards Presentation 6:15 PM

PNNA / WCC Fall Convention

The PNNA and the Willamette Coin Club are pleased to announce their 8th annual fall convention/coin show. The show will take place the weekend of September 28-30, 2012 at the DoubleTree Hotel at Lloyd Center in Portland, OR. The fall show has many of the same features as our spring convention – an outstanding bourse of local, regional, and national dealers; a numismatic theater; a YN program; and an exhibit area.



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Dear Friends,

This is my last “official” note to *The Nor'wester* as past president. Once the elections are over Lisa will enjoy the moniker of past president and have a well earned rest. Speaking of Lisa, I don't know how many of the PNNA membership understand what a fantastic job Lisa has done over the past two terms; Lisa Rocks!

Scott has been there through many terms as president and treasurer and has worn many more hats that go unnoticed. The outgoing board members and those continuing on to run again all deserve an extraordinary round of applause; I personally thank them and a very dedicated group of new folks running for office for the first time. Thank you all and best wishes.

The PNNA has grown with the times and is in excellent condition thanks to all of you as members, dealers and affiliate clubs. It has offered opportunities to assist many local clubs to grow and prosper. Those clubs in turn have supplied the PNNA with leaders as well as strengthened the local clubs they hale from form lasting partnerships.

My best wishes to all of you and I look forward to seeing you in Tukwila for another great convention and in Portland for the Fall Mini-Con.

Larry Gaye,

Past President

PNNA Board Meetings

Minutes from past PNNA board meetings, including at the Boeing club show in January, are available on the website (see <http://www.pnna.org/minutes/board.html>), or PNNA members may request copies of the minutes from secretary Michael Labosier, e-mail pnnasecretary@gmail.com, or via the PNNA's information e-mail, info@pnna.org.

If you have a suggestion or feedback for the PNNA board, please let one of the board members know before a scheduled board meeting.

PNNA E-mail Announcement List

New Feature! Join the PNNA e-mail announcement list! You will receive approximately one e-mail per month (possibly more in the days before one of the annual conventions) keeping you up-to-date about PNNA news and activities. The list is completely confidential, no postal address is required, and you can unsubscribe at any time. To sign up, please visit:

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