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"Year of the Tiger" first coin in new series from the Mint

The Royal Canadian Mint, amidst much fanfare, particularly from the Chinese community, recently unveiled the new sterling silver coin commemorating the Chinese Year of the Tiger at the Market Village in Markham, Ontario.

The new \$15 sterling silver coin with gold cameo is the first coin of a new 12-year series that will feature all of the symbols of the Chinese Lunar Calendar. The issue of the coin coincides perfectly with the Chinese New Year which falls on January 28, 1998.

"Our Chinese customers have been asking for coins with Chinese themes so we worked closely with the Chinese Community to develop this coin," says Royal Canadian Mint President Danielle Wetherup. "The Chinese lunar calendar coin series marks the beginning of a new relationship between the Mint and the Chinese market."

The centre of the Year of the Tiger coin features an octagonal 24 karat gold covered cameo depicting the tiger. In each year of the series, the design gold cameo will change to depict the animal for the year of issue. The 12 animals of the Chinese lunar calendar appear around the circumference of the reverse of the coin. Canadian artist Harvey Chan created the design of the Chinese symbols that surround the gold cameo. The 12 animals of the Chinese lunar calendar include the rat, ox, tiger, rabbit,

dragon, snake, monkey, rooster, dog and pig. The obverse of the coin portrays an effigy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II by artist Dora de Pédery-Hunt, surrounded by the inscription 15 DOLLARS CANADA, 1998.

Chinese astrology attributes character traits to each animal in the cycle, and people are said to share the traits of the animal associated with the year they are born. Character traits associated with the Year of the



Tiger include dynamic, energetic, competitive, assertive, charismatic, spontaneous, sensitive, thoughtful and very responsive to the needs of those closest to them.

The mint will produce 68,888 Year of the Tiger coins comprised of 92.5% silver, 7.5% copper with the Cameo covered in 24 karat gold. The coin weighs 34 grams, is 40 mm in diameter (the centre Cameo is 17.5 mm), the edge is reeded and the Proof is frosted relief on brilliant background. The coin has a face value of \$15 and will sell for \$68.88 Can. and \$51.38 U.S.

Each coin comes in an embossed red velvet box with gold moiré sides. The Mint is also offering a 12-coin set box with a centre medallion depicting the 12 lunar symbols to house the series. The coins are available at all of the Canadian Mint's global network of dealers and distributors or by calling the Mint at 1-888-796-1998. In Toronto call (416) 293-2788.

EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Plop, fizz, oh what a relief... **FIRST ONE FINISHED**

Well my first issue of the Ontario Numismatist is put to bed and thanks to the help of people like John Regitko and Graham Neale, who provided camera ready pages for this issue, it wasn't as difficult as I anticipated.

However, I still have a few bones to pick with contributors. I also would like to make a few suggestions on the way we do things to make it easier for one and all.

First, let me say that I've enjoyed producing my first issue and believe it or not, I've already learned something. You see one of the things I enjoy most about hobbies such as numismatics and philately (I am a stamp dealer) is the knowledge one derives by paying attention to the information provided by experts in the field. In this edition, for example, I found Chris Boyer's article on the RCMP and numismatics quite interesting. Chris points out in his work how numismatics has honored the Force over the years, but what I particularly took note of was the 1973 Mountie quarter.

I, like millions of other Canadians have grown accustomed to occasionally leafing through my loose pocket

change and uncovering a Mountie quarter. Not having looked at a coin catalog recently, I didn't realize that, in error, a large bust had been struck creating a "mule". (By the way, I thought a mule was a pack animal). I know from now on I'll be scanning my change looking to find that elusive error.

And Jerry Remick came up with an interesting article on Jeff Fournier's new numismatic piece made from Sudbury rock. This new \$5 trade dollar (for lack of a category name) should prove to be a new and interesting way to promote events using a trade dollar made of rock. Shall we all sing "Rock of Ages" for the two billion year old rock that it's made from.

But, I digress. One of the things that President Ken Wilmot and I discussed before I took over as editor, was getting the Ontario Numismatist out on time, and this issue was definitely not on time. What is the point of having a January/February edition, if it isn't received by members until February. I asked that contributions be sent to me before the New Year and all I received one two small articles from the Kent Coin Club. However, I'll forgive every-

one this time, because after all it was the Holiday Season. But next issue, I would hope that we can do a little better and let's have your contributions in by March 1 for the March/April edition.

And speaking of contributions, nothing brings additional attention to your articles better than strong illustrations. I own a flatbed scanner which allows me a great deal of latitude in dealing with pictures, artwork and clip art. Please make every effort to provide illustrations with your work. It makes for a more interesting editorial layout and it also helps the readers get a more complete understanding of the points you are trying to get across.

And one final item. If you own a computer, or have access to one, please send me your articles on disk and include a hard copy (just in case). I operate a Macintosh, but I can convert PC articles saved in either Microsoft Word or Word Perfect formats. Please save these articles as "Text" and I will have trouble opening them.

Until next time, Happy Hunting, and let's all do our best to "Coin" a few new phrases.

Don Atanasoff
EDITOR

President's Message

Now is the time to come to the aid of the ONA

I trust that all who receive this *Numismatist* had a nice Christmas and are ready to charge into the New Year.

Taking about a charge, how about the bills coming in. From all reports, spending was at an all time high. (I know this from the look of my VISA statement.)

I was talking to Treasurer Bruce Raszmann recently and he said membership renewals were coming in nicely, but there all still some members who have not renewed. Now is the time to send in your dues. Our association has to be one of the best values around. I urge you to "Do It Now!"

Accompanying the last issue of the *Numismatist*, many of you received a book or two of draw tickets. We require our members support to make the draw a success. Proceeds from the draw enable the ONA to provide services at a low membership price. I encourage you sell the enclosed books and then drop Bruce a line requesting a few more books. The rebates generated through the sales of draw tickets have benefited clubs by more than \$8,000 in the past.

On Sunday, January 4, Gary Oblinsky's father died. While I did not know the gentleman, I was aware that he was involved in numismatics for quite a long time. He operated a coin store in Niagara Falls for many years and was keenly interested in Centennial Coinage. Our condolences to the family.

I urge all members to submit a nomination for the Award of Merit as soon as possible. Please provide as much information as possible so the selection committee has plenty to work from. The Award of Merit is the highest award in the ONA, but without your input, there are many deserving candidates that the committee is unaware of and who go unnoticed. Please send your nominations to the P.O. Box shown in the masthead.

With this *Numismatist*, we welcome Don Atanasoff as our new editor. While I am aware there will be some growing pains, I hope you will be patient. Don has a wealth of experience having once been editor of Canadian Coin News. No doubt there will be changes made in future issues.

COPYCAT: Strange as it may seem, the Royal Canadian Mint appears to have taken a leaf out of the manual of the post office. Last year Canada Post issued a stamp to commemorate the Chinese Year of the Ox. It was extremely popular and sold out quickly. The Ox was the first in a series of 12 stamps that will be issued until the cycle is completed. Since many of these stamps will never see an envelope, the profits are enormous. The mint, seeing how popular the stamp issue is, rapidly put in a plan to cash in (so to speak) on some of the hype. We now have a \$15 premium priced coin to commemorate the Year of the Tiger.

Ken Wilmot
PRESIDENT



1998



**ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL CONVENTION**



Friday, April 17, 1998: 9:00 p.m. (Reception for Pre-Registrants)

Saturday, April 18, 1998: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 19, 1998: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Name of Registrant:	Telephone #: ()
Address:	Province:
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QUANTITY	FUNCTION OR ITEM	EACH	TOTAL
	Convention Pre-registration kit , includes the following: Gold plated convention medal, Standard Catalogue of Canadian Municipal Trade Tokens and Notes, Numismatic Ottawa Book, 1980 ONA Bronze Medal, 1967 Ottawa Trade Dollar, 1970 Ottawa Trade Dollar, Admission to show, Use of hospitality facility, ONA draw ticket, COCC OTTEX wood, Souvenir programme, Free COCC draw ticket (approx. value \$110.00 — Advance pre-registration received before January 15, 1998 is \$40.00)	\$45.00	
	Spousal pre-registration kit (only available to the spouse of the above registrant) includes the following: Silver charm, Admission to show, Use of Hospitality Suite, ONA draw ticket, Free COCC draw ticket, Souvenir Programme and more (Advance pre-registration before January 15, 1998 is \$20.00)	\$25.00	
	Friday, April 17th, 9 pm Reception with full bar for pre-registered guests and dealers (included in price)	\$0.00	
	Non-registered guest reception	\$10.00	
	Saturday, April 18th, 7 pm Banquet and post-banquet reception	\$35.00	
	Sunday, April 19th, 8 am Club delegates Breakfast meeting	?	
	Convention Medals		
	Silver .999 fine official souvenir medal	?	
	Antiqued bronze official souvenir medal	?	
	Additional Dream Vacation draw ticket	\$2.00	
	GRAND TOTAL		

Make cheques payable to "ONA Convention 1998". Return cheque and this completed form to: City of Ottawa Coin Club, P.O. Box 55127, 240 Sparks St, Ottawa, Ont., K1P 1A1

Accommodation at the Citadel, Ottawa, Hotel & Convention Centre can be made by asking for the City of Ottawa Coin Club Rate for \$89.00 per room per night. Phone 613-237-3600 or toll free at 1-800-567-3600.

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THIS BULLETIN

ONA EXHIBIT APPLICATION FORM

This form must be completed and returned to the ONA Convention Committee Chairman at P.O. Box 55127, 240 Sparks Street Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1P 1A1. Failure to send a completed form by Apr 17 1998 may result in refusal to accept exhibits due to lack of space at the show.

Name of Exhibitor : _____

Mailing Address : _____

Phone, E-Mail : _____

If Junior or Juvenile, please state your age : _____

I wish to enter Competitive exhibits in the following categories:

Number of Cases	Category	Description
_____	Canadian Decimal & Paper Money	Includes all Canadian coins, provincial coins, Government-issue paper money, bank-issues, bonds, private script, etc.
_____	Foreign Coins & Paper Money	Non-Canadian legal tender. private issue, script, bonds, etc.
_____	Medals & Tokens & Miscellaneous	Includes all war decorations, medals, medallions, private-issue mediums of exchange such as milk tokens, commemorative numismatic objects of all type. All numismatic items that does not fit into a specific category above; a mix of material so as to eliminate it from a specific category (note that a limited amount of background material may appear in a display to still qualify it under a specific category above). Note that "Miscellaneous" refers to miscellaneous numismatic material and not to other collecting interests such as stamps, post cards, etc.).
_____	Junior or Juvenile	All Junior or Juvenile exhibits for all above
_____	Total Exhibits	Categories will be judged together as one Class.
_____	Cases required to be provided by us for your display	

Note that in addition to the above categories your exhibit automatically qualifies for the "People's Choice" award as judged by the public attending the Convention.

I hereby agree to abide by the exhibit rules & regulations, including the reclassification of my exhibits by the Exhibit Chairman. I understand that I must be registered at the Convention to qualify for exhibit awards.

Although the Convention is providing security, I acknowledge that I will not hold the Convention Committee, the ONA and its members and Executive Officers or the Hotel staff liable for my exhibits.

ONA EXHIBIT RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Competition for exhibitors is open to anyone registered at the Convention.
2. Although security will be provided, including the use of locks on cases, the convention organizers, the ONA, hotel staff nor any of its members assume any liability. Although every effort is made to assure the visible presence of security staff and Convention committee members, all exhibitors must assure that locks are secure and locked and otherwise assume responsibility for their exhibit, including any material placed outside display cases.
3. The display material must be the property, or under the control, of the person displaying same.
4. The exhibitors are asked not to attend their exhibits while displays are being judged.
5. All matters relating to the displays shall be determined by the Display Chairman as per guidelines determined by the ONA.
6. The exhibitor is responsible for setting up and removing his/her displays in the timeframe advertised before-hand.
7. The Exhibit Chairman, with the knowledge of the exhibitor, may transfer an exhibit from one category to another before the judging if it appears the exhibitor has entered his exhibit in the improper classification.
8. The judges will submit final points scored for all competitive exhibits to the Exhibit Chairman at the close of the judging.
9. The judges' decision is final as to the results.
10. Material is allowed outside the case, providing the exhibitor assumes full responsibility and the material does not exceed the length of the display and is not higher than 24" above the exhibits table. If an exhibitor advises the Exhibit Chairman, via the Exhibit Application form, prior to the Convention, that wall space is required since the background would require more than 24" of free-standing space, the Exhibit Chairman will advise the applicant whether such wall space is available.
11. Exhibit applications must be received no later than one week before the Convention in order to be guaranteed exhibit space. Latecomers will also be accommodated, but subject to space and display case availability.
12. Display case sizes could change from Convention to Convention. Therefore, all exhibitors who do not provide their own cases are asked to note the exact clear inside measurements of display cases available for their use as detailed on the Exhibit Application form provided by the Convention Committee each year.
13. Whenever judges would like to comment on any exhibit, they will place a Judges Comment sheet under the first case of that exhibit, as a guide to the exhibitor in making up future exhibits. In addition, further verbal comments may be asked for from the judges following the announcement of the exhibit award winners. Judges' names are published in the numismatic press prior to the Convention, or can be obtained from any member of the Convention Committee or the ONA Executive at the Convention. Judges will be available for these discussions following the announcements of the awards.
14. In order to be judged, entries must be in place a) by 11:00 a.m. on first day if 2-day exhibit, or b) by 11:00 a.m. of second day if 3-day exhibit.
15. Exhibits must be left in position until the closing time announced by the Convention Committee. Any deviation from this would present problems re security. However, it is recognized that circumstances could arise that make it imperative for an exhibit to be removed a little before the official closing time, in which case, such early tear-down and removal must be discussed with the Exhibit Chairman prior to the removal of the lock and the opening of the cases. This is only fair and reasonable both from a security point-of-view as well as to the public.



TOP ONA AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT ONA CONVENTION IN OTTAWA

The Ontario Numismatic Association, to recognize numismatists who have made contributions towards the advancement of numismatics, either throughout Ontario or at the local level, award two distinct awards annually. Winners are announced at the Banquet of the annual ONA Conventions.

The Award is in the form of a silver medal and a suitably inscribed certificate. The medal bears the ONA crest on one side and the recipient's name and the year it is presented on the other side.

Recipients also receive a banquet ticket, a 1-year membership in the ONA (not awarded to Life Members) and an engraved metallic name plate identifying the bearer as a recipient of the award. The name tag, featuring the ONA crest as well as the name of the award, recipient's name and year of award, has a pin backing so that it can be worn to all numismatic functions. Those nominated are judged a few months prior to the annual convention, and the winner is announced at the Banquet at the Annual Convention. The Committee may add their own nominations over-and-above any received from the membership.

The ONA Awards Committee, charged with the responsibility of selecting a winner from the nominations, consists of four well-known numismatists and the President of the ONA. Currently, the Committee consists of Don Robb (Chairman), Paul Johnson (Past-Chairman), Ken Wilmot (ONA President), Mike Hollingshead and John Regitko. It is entirely up to this Committee to determine, without any outside influences other than receiving nominations, who should receive the Award of Merit, and how many (up to a maximum of 3) should receive the "Fellow of the ONA" award annually.

AWARD OF MERIT

The Award of Merit, the highest award the ONA bestows, was introduced by the ONA in 1962. The purpose is to give recognition to the person living in Ontario who has made the greatest contribution towards the advancement of numismatics at all levels - local, provincial and national.

All nominated candidates will be reviewed with the assistance of, but not limited to, the following criteria: Nominees must be a living resident of Ontario. The individual's full numismatic history should be presented to the committee by the nominator, not only accomplishments of the last year but the total involvement during his/her involvement with the hobby. A well rounded numismatic background should include work at the local, regional and national levels, including any executive and committee work that was done by the nominee, length of involvement; involvement in promoting numismatics in the local community such as with museum and mall displays, published articles in the area papers, TV & radio interview; organizational work with coin shows and coin conventions such as the contributions made to their success, length of involvement, efficiency of the job done; exhibiting at numismatic events; list of published numismatic articles and books; special numismatic projects; other outstanding efforts in the numismatic area.

It should be noted that the number of clubs a nominee belongs to, how many coin shows one has attended or how many other awards one has received have no direct bearing on the outcome, unless it is shown by the nominator that the individual is indeed active in the clubs he/she belongs to. A nominee also does not have to be a member of the ONA. Previous ONA Award of Merit winners are:

1962 - Robert C. Willey *	1974 - James Haxby	1986 - Ross Irwin
1963 - John Wilkinson	1975 - Charles Laister	1987 - Fred Barley *
1964 - Lloyd D. Smith	1976 - Howard Whitfield	1988 - Al Bliman
1965 - Rod D. Rekofski	1977 - Donald Thomas *	1989 - Roy Hollingshead *
1966 - Sheldon S. Carroll	1978 - Thomas Masters	1990 - Don Robb
1967 - James E. Charlton	1979 - Normal E. Wells *	1991 - Ted Leitch
1968 - No Award	1980 - Trudy Lambert *	1992 - Bruce Brace
1969 - Victor E. Smell *	1981 - Kenneth Wilmot	1993 - William H. McDonald
1970 - William English	1982 - Stella Hodge	1994 - Bob Graham
1971 - Pat Lambert *	1983 - John Regitko	1995 - Mike Hollingshead
1972 - Louise Graham *	1984 - Ruth McQuade *	1996 - Marvin Kay
1973 - Bruce Raszmann	1985 - Paul Johnson	1997 - Brian Cornwell

* Deceased

FELLOW OF THE ONA

The ONA initiated the "Fellow of the Ontario Numismatic Association" award in 1994. The "Fellow of the ONA" is an award to recognize individuals for outstanding service to numismatics in their local area. This includes their work with the local coin club and promoting numismatics in their community. Work in the local club can include executive and committee responsibilities, participating in Club projects and shows and involvement in club meetings. Promotion of numismatics in the community can include involvement with museum and mall displays, articles in the area paper and television and radio interviews, speaking about numismatics at service clubs and other non-numismatic groups.

The "Fellow of the ONA" award recipients also takes the form of a specially engraved medal, a framed certificate, a specially engraved pin-backed metallic name plate, a 1-year membership in the ONA and a banquet ticket to the presentation. However, unlike the ONA Award of Merit which can only be presented to one person annually, up to three deserving individuals can be honored as a "Fellow" at each annual ONA Convention banquet.

Previous recipients of the Fellow of the ONA Award are:

1994	Jerry Remick, Harvey Farrow & George Fraser
1995	Tom Kennedy & Tom Kostaluk
1996	Dick Dunn & Chris Boyer
1997	Norm Belsten

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The ONA Awards Committee is calling for nominations for both the Award of Merit and the "Fellow of the ONA" Award. For your convenience, a nomination form, summarizing the criteria, is published below. Whether the summary of accomplishments of the nominee is hand written or printed, or in point form, does not matter.

NOMINATIONS FOR ONA AWARD OF MERIT AND FELLOW OF THE ONA AWARD NOW BEING ACCEPTED

The ONA Awards Committee is requesting nominations for the "Award of Merit" and the "Fellow of the ONA" Award.

Please submit your name(s) of residents of Ontario you consider worthy of being recognized at the ONA Banquet at the annual ONA Convention, as having contributed to the success of numismatics at the local or provincial levels. Your submission should outline your candidate's qualifications for these awards, based on the following criteria:

Nominees should be well rounded in all phases of numismatics. The judging committee will review the following areas:

- 1) local coin club work: involvement with special events; Executive positions held at the local club level & length of service; contributions to overall club success; give specific example of each.
- 2) local community work: organizing a numismatic displays in libraries, malls or other public locations; other examples relating to the promotion of numismatics.
- 3) numismatic education: writing, research; published articles and/or books; exhibiting at coin shows, mall promotions or other events; list achievements.
- 4) Regional involvement: involvement with the hobby on a regional/national level; involvement with organizing coin conventions (list positions held); involvement with exhibiting and educational seminars at conventions.
- 5) any other achievements or contributions to numismatics in Ontario, as well as listing achievements nationally and internationally.

Nominee must be a resident of Ontario. To assure that the ONA Awards Committee is fully appraised of your nominees' contributions, a summary of numismatic achievements and contributions must be included with your nominations.

Closing date for submissions is March 16, 1998. Recipients will be announced at the Banquet on April 18, 1998 in Ottawa.

Written submissions, signed by the nominee and including their ONA membership number and mailing address, should be mailed to:

Ontario Numismatic Association
Don Robb, Chairman, ONA Awards Committee
P.O. Box 40033, Waterloo Square P.O.
WATERLOO, Ont. N2J 4V1

ADDITIONAL VCR TAPE PROGRAMS FOR LOAN DIRECTLY TO ONA MEMBERS ANNOUNCED

The ONA produced a third in a series of pamphlets listing VCR tapes (VHS format) on numismatic topics available from the ONA Audio Visual Lending Library. The pamphlet, listing 9 additional numismatic programs, were distributed to all program directors of coin clubs throughout Ontario. The pamphlet, created by John Regitko, ONA Club Services Chairman, contains a variety of numismatic collecting specialties.

Because of the length of some of the VCR tapes, they are normally not borrowed by coin clubs for showing at a club meeting. Therefore, the ONA is pleased to make available an additional quantity of VCR tapes on numismatics directly to members, for showing at a member's home, hopefully over coffee and donuts with other collectors on an evening other than the club's meeting night.

Although it is understandable that audio visuals are normally loaned out to bonafide coin club program chairmen because of limited copies being available, these extra-length tapes were acquired at no cost to the ONA, specifically for borrowing by individual members. Any member may borrow a copy on the same terms and conditions as a coin club, namely for a nominal charge of \$5 per order to cover cost of packaging, handling and postage from the ONA Librarian to the club. The borrower is responsible for the return postage. Requests should be directed to Ken Koch, Audio Visual Chairman, ONA Audio Visual Lending Library, 219 Southwood Dr., Kitchener, Ont. N2E 2B2. He can also be reached by e-mail at kenkoch@ionline.net. Note that if more than one video is requested for shipment at the same time and returned at the same time, only \$5 for the lot is charged.

The VCR tape videos that individual ONA members can borrow are profiled below.



#V-29

"TREASURES OF A LOST VOYAGE"

SUB-TITLE: The Richest Shipwreck in American History

PRODUCER: Discovery Productions/Discovery Channel

SYNOPSIS: On September 12, 1857, two hundred miles off the coast of the Carolinas, the sidewheel steamship *S.S. Central America* sank amidst the fury of a hurricane. She took with her hundreds of lives and over 3 tons of gold - the largest

treasure trove in American history. Among her cargo also was hundreds of millions of dollars worth of gold bullion and coins minted from gold uncovered by prospectors during the California Gold Rush. This video follows a high-tech crew of adventurers and scientists on the most ambitious deep water salvage effort ever undertaken.

Her final resting place has remained a secret for over 132 years. Three young men on their high-tech floating laboratory, the *Columbus America*, contained an image-projection computer with software that could sweep a path 3 miles wide and "paint" shipwrecks on a screen. Also on board was a 6-ton unmanned submersible that were their eyes, ears and arms on the ocean floor. Called NEMO, it was designed to operate on the ocean floor in very cold water and under extreme pressure via remote control. NEMO was the first unmanned robotic submersible specifically designed for deep oceans and was promptly used in the salvage operation of the deepest wreck ever recovered. It took 2 hours to descent 1-1/2 miles to a depth 240 times the pressure of the ocean's surface.

NEMO also contributed to a number of biological and ecological firsts. It gathered and brought to the surface biological creatures never before seen alive. The first living coral of a type previously seen only in preserved rock was also recovered.

You will be awed by the rolls of gold coins as well as the hundreds upon hundreds of gold coins that were strewn about the ocean floor. The video makes reference to the 3 tons of gold that the *S.S. Central America* carried, but no reference is made to the number or value of the gold coins that she was known to carry.



#V-33

“COLLECTING COLONIAL COINAGE”

PRODUCER: Media Resource Corporation

SYNOPSIS: America's first coinage offers a challenging and interesting collecting area. Learn about the issues from the original 13 Colonies from one of the top authorities, Mary Sauvain. While the best most of us can hope for is to acquire a modern reproduction of these specimens, this video illustrates the original issues and covers the rich history surrounding them.

Following an introduction on how Old World coins wound up being used in Colonial America as commodity money and an explanation of their varied denominations, we find out which medium of exchange the Indians introduced to the white man. We view illustrations of the early coinage produced for or by the colonies including speculative tokens, patterns, state coinage, fantasy pieces, contemporary counterfeits, etc.

Paper currency from a number of colonies is also illustrated, including Massachusetts (designed and printed by Paul Revere), Delaware (printed by Benjamin Franklin) and New Jersey. We also find out the importance of a sound, secure money system in a period of history that took “death to counterfeiters,” imprinted on some of the Colonial notes, very seriously.

A thoroughly enjoyable video, full of interesting facts and darn good photography from an educational seminar given at the Long Beach Coin Show in Long Beach, California.



#V-30

“U.S. COINAGE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

PRODUCER: American Numismatic Association

SYNOPSIS: From 1898 to 1946, the Philippine Islands were administered by the United States. A unique series of coins was produced at the U.S. Mints which bore the identities of both lands. These coins reveal a lot of the rich history of the Philippines.

These fascinating and very collectible issues have been largely overlooked by Americans and by foreign collectors of American coins. They, therefore, still present a good opportunity for the adventurer numismatist to acquire them at reasonably low pricing, taking into account their relative low mintages.

We find out that the Spaniards ruled the Philippines for something like 200 years. When the U.S. defeated Spain by sinking all of their ships in the Far East in 1898, the U.S. obtained the Philippines as part of the spoils of war. U.S. troops occupied the country, ultimately turned it into a U.S. possession and installed a civil government, and introduced regular U.S. coinage to their economy. However, these coins did not fit the Spanish coinage with which the Filipinos were familiar, and therefore, new coins were struck at the U.S. mint with both the U.S. and the Philippines names on them. Denominations reverted to the basic Spanish denominations of peso and centavos, written in Spanish (i.e. “Un” instead of “One”). We also find that reduction in size, weight and fineness also affected their coinage. Provisional patterns, the use of symbols (i.e. 3 main Island groups and the eagle), the Spanish influence on design (the use of the Pillars of Hercules) the American influence (Woodrow Wilson and Franklin Roosevelt's busts, the Barber design, the eagle, the federal shield of the U.S.), the reasons for chop marks, and many other facts are explained in this very interesting presentation.

We find out that the San Francisco Mint in California struck the early coins, while an American-owned Mint in Manila struck later issues (identified by an “M” mint-mark).

When we first had an opportunity to acquire a copy of this video at no cost to the ONA, we were somewhat reluctant to add it to the ONA Audio Visual Lending Library. After all, how many collectors living in Ontario would be interested in this coinage (with the exception of this author's Filipino-born wife)? Then we realized that the coinage is like any other legitimate U.S. currency, struck at a U.S. Mint or in a Mint owned and operated by the U.S. government.

This video probably includes more interesting facts and history than any other video or slide presentation we have in the ONA Audio Visual Lending Library on U.S. coinage.



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“COLLECTING CREDIT CARDS”

PRODUCER: American Numismatic Association

SYNOPSIS: Ken Hallenbeck talks about credit cards and credit card collecting. This video shows the earliest form of credit in the U.S., charge cards often referred to as credit tokens, and charge-a-plates. Unusual credit cards are shown, covering the development from paper and cardboard cards with punched computer slots to plastic cards, and current cards with holograms and magnetic strips. Hotel, department store, Playboy Club, gasoline company and car rental credit cards are covered. Cards from Canada, the U.S., England, Australia, Japan and Thailand are shown.

There are many Canadian connections. It is mentioned by Hallenbeck that he purchased the collection of 750 credit cards from the late Jack Veffer of North York, Ont., while credit cards belonging to Ontario residents William H. McDonald, Al Bliman and the late Lloyd Carney are featured. Even J. Douglas Ferguson's Playboy Key credit card is shown.

We are also pleased to summarize the previously announced videos that are available to any member:

TITLE	LENGTH	CAT. NO.	PRODUCER
The Modern Minting Process <i>(an insider's tour of the Denver Mint in Colorado of how coins are made: how blank planchets are made, how these blanks are processed and prepared to be struck, how they are struck, and more)</i>	50 minutes	V-19	American Numismatic Assn.
World War II Numismatics <i>(covers emergency coinage, occupation coinage, paper currency overprints, invasion money, allied military currency and guerrilla currency. Many countries are represented. Very educational)</i>	43 minutes	V-20	Florida United Numismatists
Secrets of Making Money <i>(explains in glorious detail the many features incorporated in the new U.S. \$100 notes, the world's most counterfeit money, including some "unique" features that will amaze you)</i>	54 minutes	V-17	Nova & WGBH/Boston
The Money Man <i>(Pittsburgh artist J.S.G. Boggs draws pictures of money and then spends it with the recipient knowing fully well what they are. BBC cameras follow him around as he tries to convince the U.S. Treasury Department, which has confiscated his money and accused him of counterfeiting, that they are works of art)</i>	45 minutes	V-07	BBC
Atocha: Quest for Treasure <i>(follow treasure hunter Mel Fisher as he looks for...and finds...a Spanish galleon, the Nuestra Senora de Atocha, with its 40 tons of gold and silver bars, 70 pounds of emeralds, priceless jewellery and thousands upon thousands of pieces of gold and silver coins)</i>	60 minutes	V-09	National Geographic Society
Papua New Guinea: Odd & Curious Money <i>(feathers, birds of paradise, the "money Pole," how brides are purchased, boar's tusks, dog's teeth, stone axes, cowrie shells, pig's teeth, turtle shells and other forms of mediums of exchange are explained)</i>	53 minutes	V-22	American Numismatic Assn.
Who's Minding the Mint <i>(a money checker at the U.S. Mint inadvertently loses \$50,000 and decides to secretly print up that amount before anyone discovers the loss. By the time he is finished, he has printed up a bit more. Like \$7,000,000. Nothing to do with numismatics, but it has a lot of printing machinery shown...and a lot of money is thrown around)</i>	97 minutes	V-16	Columbia Pictures
Alex Colville - The Splendor of Order <i>(good background on the coin designer that gave us Canada's centennial coinage of 1967, whose popularity has only been matched by the Canada 125 coin program exactly 25 years later)</i>	56 minutes	V-06	TVOntario
Dora de Pedery-Hunt - Her Early Years <i>(an informal speech given by Canada's foremost coin and medal designer at a club meeting during which she reveals her early life, her immigration to Canada and her start as an artist)</i>	30 minutes	V-14	Scott Douglas
Company of Adventurers <i>(the early history of the Hudson's Bay Company is narrated by Peter C. Newman. An excellent background on the Company that gave us one of Canada's early popular medium of exchange)</i>	44 minutes	V-11	CBC

Numismatics and the RCMP

By CHRIS BOYER

1998 marks the 125th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP).

Originally founded in 1873 as the Royal North West Mounted Police, today the RCMP is a world-renowned police force that has employed more than 40,000 members during its history. To commemorate the "Mounties", Canada has issued paper money, commemorative coins, and medals. This article will highlight the ways in which Canadian numismatics has honored Canada's national police force.

Commemorative Coinage

The Royal Canadian Mint has issued a number of commemorative coins - some circulating and some not - to honor the RCMP. Perhaps the most commonly known piece is the 25-cent commemorative coin that has been circulating since its issue in 1973. With a mounted officer on horseback featured on the reverse, this coin has been a familiar item in pocket change since its issue 25 years ago. A lesser known fact is that a scarce variety, known as the "large bust", is a much sought after collector's item.

Because of the change in the design for the commemorative 25-cent piece, a reduced bust of the Queen was prepared so that the mounted policeman reverse would strike up well. A small number of these coins, estimated at 8,000 of the nearly 135 million coined, were struck with the larger sized bust (as in the 1972 issue) in error. This created a "mule", that is, a coin struck with a pair of dies not intended to be

used together. Found in circulating strikes, proof-like and proof sets, these coins command \$175 in uncirculated condition.

Also in that same year, a .500 fine silver dollar was issued bearing a similar design to the 1973 25-cent piece.



Small Bust



Large Bust



Reverse

Both were designed by Paul Cedarberg. With a mintage of nearly one million pieces, it proved to be a popular issue. Both the circulating 25-cent piece and the non-circulating silver dollar both bear Cedarberg's initials - PC - on the reverse.



More recently, The Royal Canadian Mint has issued two additional non-circulating commemorative coins to honor the RCMP. In 1993, the mint struck approximately 10,000 \$200 gold coins with an RCMP officer and his horse near some children on the reverse. The coin retails for approximately \$400 today.

A year later in 1994, the Mint released a commemorative silver dollar in proof and brilliant uncirculated finishes with a combined mintage of approximately 230,000. The time the 25th anniversary of the last RCMP Northern Dog Team Patrol in 1969 was

honored. The proof version retails for about \$30 while the brilliant uncirculated trends at approximately \$22.

Canadian Paper Money

Perhaps one of the most beautiful designs on

Canadian paper money was on the back of the 1975-issue \$50 note. Featuring the RCMP Musical Ride in dome formation, the design naturally complemented the red multicolored note. Unfortunately, due to widespread counterfeiting of this issue, it was replaced in 1988 with the introduction of the "Bird Series" notes.

Known to bank note collectors as note "BC-51", its value ranges from \$50 in circulated condition to \$250 in uncirculated condition, depending on the serial number and the signatures of the Deputy Governor and Governor on the face side of the note.

Commemorative Medals

Various commemorative medals have been issued for the "100th" anniversary of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. This author has two such pieces in his collection.

The first is a copper-colored medal with the RCMP crest and the words "Royal Canadian Mounted Police Centennial" on one side, and an RNWMP officer on horseback with the motto "Maintiens le Droit" and "1873

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SHOW & BOURSE

FEBRUARY 1, 1998 - SOUTH WESTERN ONTARIO NUMISMATICS COIN & COLLECTABLE SHOW - PARIS, ONTARIO.

At the Convention Centre, Paris Fairgrounds, 139 Silver Street - Paris, Ontario. Hours: 9-5. Admission is \$1 and includes ticket on gold coin. Buy, sell, trade evaluate. Over 50 tables including tokens, coins, paper money, sports cards, jewelry, militaria, post cards and artifacts. Lunch available. For further information contact Ted Bailey at (519) 442-3474.

FEBRUARY 21-22, 1998 - TOREX

At the Primrose Hotel, Pearson Ballroom, 111 Carlton St., downtown Toronto. Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun. 10-3. Coins, paper money, cards, books, supplies, pens, watches, militaria. Daily admission \$5. For info: Ingrid K. Smith, 416-260-9070.

APRIL 17-19, 1998 - 36 ANNUAL ONA CONVENTION - OTTAWA, ONTARIO

At the Citadel Hotel & Convention Centre, 101 Lyon Street North, downtown Ottawa, Ontario K1R 5T9. Hours: Friday (Registrants Reception) 9 p.m.; Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 10-4. Coins, tokens, paper money, historical medals, numismatic literature, major numismatic auction (Charles Moore), educational displays, society meetings and tours. Daily admission \$2, children free. Contact Graham Neale: (613) 521-2117, E-mail g.neale@sympatico.ca. Visit our WEB Site in the Ontario section of <www.coinshows.com>.

June 27-28, 1998 - TOREX

At the Primrose Hotel, Pearson Ballroom, 111 Carlton St., downtown Toronto. Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun. 10-3. Coins, paper money, cards, books, supplies, pens, watches, militaria. Daily admission \$5. For info: Ingrid K. Smith, 416-260-9070.

ONA CLASSIFIEDS

Wanted: Numismatic pen pals to correspond with young collectors aged eight to 12 years. Please state collecting preferences. Mr. Chris Boyer, Paisley Road Coin Club, 406 Paisley Road, Guelph, Ontario, N1H 2R3.

RCMP celebrating 125th anniversary

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Canada 1973", on the other.

The second piece is a silver-colored medal in antique silver or perhaps pewter. One side features the RCMP crest surrounded by "1873-1973" while the opposite side features an historic scene with the inscription "Fort Macleod".

The Royal Canadian Mounted

Police will commemorate its proud history in 1998 with 125th anniversary celebrations. Everyone can be part of this event by collecting some of the many issues of RCMP coins, banknotes and medals. Most can be found at coin shops or by contacting a local coin club. Happy 125th birthday to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police!

(The author invites individuals who

may have different commemorative medals to write, call or fax him with the appropriate information so that it can be added to his research. Please write or call: Chris Boyer, Paisley Road School, 406 Paisley Road, Guelph, Ontario, N1H 2R3. Phone (519) 822-0675 or Fax (519) 822-7767.)

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TRADE DOLLARS

Secret mint mark revealed for 200 Oktoberfest \$2 tokens

By Jerry Remick

The secret mint marking on 200 specimen \$2.00 1997 Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest municipal tokens was revealed in Kitchener November 14, as two small lines near each end of the rolled scroll which bears \$2.00 in the centre. The scroll is on the obverse side just below the portrait on Onkel Hans and his large hunting horn.

Each person who obtained one of these specially marked tokens had until Nov. 30, 1997 to redeem the token for a modest prize at the K-W Oktoberfest office in Kitchener. Each prize winner also received a ticket for a draw on Dec. 2 for three grand prizes of \$500 each in Trimark Investment Funds. Only a few dozen people redeemed their tokens (which were kept until the draw then returned to the owners). Unfortunately, the K-W Oktoberfest office has no specimens of the 1997 \$2.00 token with mint markings on the scroll for sale. However, collectors desiring a specimen of the trade dollar with the special marking can forward a letter to the K-W Oktoberfest office stating the amount of money they are willing to pay for the token. Please enclose an SASE. The K-W office may forward the letter to one of the owners along with the offer to see if it is acceptable. Send inquiries to: Dolores Trask (Office Manager), K-W Oktoberfest Offices, 17 Benton St., Kitchener, On., N2G 4G1. For further



information call (519) 570-4267.

With 25,000 1997 \$2.00 tokens struck on 33 mm milled edged aureate bonded steel (brass color) blanks by Lawrence Medallie Art of Mississauga, Ontario, and more than 600,000 visitors to Oktoberfest in 1997, it is quite possible that many people who purchased the token are

not aware of the special prize-marked specimens. This will probably result in many of the remaining special tokens being hidden for years to come. It is also possible that not all of the 25,000 minted were sold, giving rise to the possibility that some specimens still remain at the K-W Oktoberfest office. One thing remains a safe bet for the future, if any of these special marked tokens surface at auction, they are sure to fetch a handsome price.

FIRST NUMISMATIC ROCK PIECE UNVEILED

What is believed to be the first numismatic piece with a design printed on it made on a small round rock blank was produced in late 1997 by numismatist Jeff Fournier of Sudbury, Ontario.

The piece is a uniface demonstration pattern produced on a round disk of gray rock (2 1/8" in diameter and 1/4" thick) from a diamond drill core. The Precambrian rock is over two billion years old and comes from the Sudbury Region where nickel, copper and a number of other metals are mined.

Only 100 samples have currently been made on gray rock, however, other rock colors from drill cores such as red, pink, black, green, etc. are available. These colors represent granite, gneiss, anorthosite, volcanic rock

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This & That

New membership applications accepted

Bruce Raszmann, ONA Treasurer and Membership Chairman, has confirmed that applications for membership which appeared in the November - December issue of the Ontario Numismatist have been accepted.

The following applications have been approved: 1645, Emilio M. Perri, Maple, Ontario; 1646, Barry McIntyre, Orleans, Ontario; and C114, Watford Coin Club, c/o Dalton Richardson, 16-356; St. Clair St., Watford, Ontario, NOM 2S0. Bruce also wishes to report that Steve Van Bree of Thedford, Ontario has been transferred from regular member to life member (LM101).

Bruce also says that some people have been a little tardy paying their 1998 dues. The new fees for membership in the ONA for 1998 are as follows: Regular - \$15; Husband & Wife (One Journal) - \$17; Life Membership (subject to bylaws) - \$150; Junior (up to 18) - \$5; and Club or Association - \$20. If you have not paid for 1998 dues, please remit as soon as possible to: The Ontario Numismatic Association, P.O. Box 40033, Waterloo Square P.O., 75 King Street South, Waterloo, Ontario, N2J 4V1, Attention Bruce Raszmann.

NEW OFFICERS IN KENT

There was no surprises when the Kent Coin Club held its election for 1998 officers recently as Lou Wagenaer was elected president of the club for the 34th consecutive year. Vice President is Jim Shelton, Secretary is Richard Sadler and Treasurer is Bill Martin.

The club also wishes to announce that it has several anniversary medals and wooden nickels on hand for sale. Anyone interested can write to the Kent Coin Club, c/o Lou's Coin and Stationary, 109 King St., Chatham, Ontario, M7M 1E2. The club will also be striking 30th annual coin show wooden flats and 30th annual coin club wooden dollars.

IN MEMORIAM

George Oblinsky, a long time member of the St. Catharines Coin Club died on Sunday, January 4, 1998.

Buy a piece of the 'rock'

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and others from the Canadian Shield.

The design in enamel is put on the natural rock surface by hand using a silk screen. Lettering and design is very sharp. The cost of producing the numismatic disks are \$5 each for 25 pieces to \$3 each for 500 pieces. In addition, there is a charge of \$100 per side for final art work to allow for the hand-enamel finish. Postage and PST (for Ontario residents) are extra. Also, a rock disk of 1 1/2" for numismatic pieces will soon be available.

Fournier's design shows the Science North Building, a hands on mining-geology museum in Sudbury.



SUDBURY, ONTARIO CANADA is below the building and below that is the Canadian flag. Above the building

in a large italic font is \$5 and the circumference of the coin reads FIVE (5) ROCK DOLLARS (at the top) and SUDBURY'S 2 BILLION YEAR OLD COIN at the bottom.

So far only 100 patterns have been produced, 50 with silver lettering and 50 with black lettering. A specimen of either color is available for \$9.99 Canadian plus \$1.50 for postage or \$9.99 U.S., postpaid. Orders should be sent to: Canadian Novelty Coins, P.O. Box 2111, Station A, Sudbury, Ontario, P3A 4R8. Ontario residents please add 8% PST. For more information call Jeff Fournier at (705) 566-3545 or fax him at (705) 566-2025.



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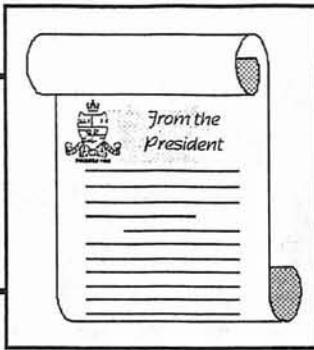
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ONA CONVENTION Special Issue



THE 1998 ONA CONVENTION MEDAL

The design, chosen by the City of Ottawa Coin Club, is an adaption of a token made by turn of the century numismatist Thomas Church. Information on the convention is contained on Pages 19 - 29.



President's Message

A sad time for the ONA

An historic month and one that greets us with sadness.

I was shocked to learn of the recent deaths of Sheldon Carroll (tribute elsewhere in the newsletter) and collector, dealer and numismatist Larry Becker.

These two stalwarts of our hobby will be greatly missed. The Ontario Numismatic Association members and executive wish to express our deepest sympathy to the families of these two giants of the hobby.

While an expression of sympathy is nice, it does not address the importance of having an accurate record of their contributions to numismatics. Sheldon Carroll spoke at many ONA conventions and his informative gatherings will be missed. While our hobby's loss pales to that of his family, having his knowledge lost forever to future generations is something that should have been averted.

Approximately two years ago, Ray Desjardine spoke to me about the idea of preserving historic events for future generations. Ray suggested having noted numismatists give an interview with a moderator and have it put on VCR tape. A great deal of effort went into attempting to have a TV outlet do the recording so it would have a professional quality about it, but it did not come about. Cable TV stations were cutting back and although the idea did not die, it was put on hold.

Now, two prominent numismatics are no longer with us to regale their encounters of the past. It is imperative that we take immediate steps to prevent a further loss of our numismatic history.

I would like to suggest we immediately start a fund to cover the costs of recording noted numismatists and their stories so that others will be able to obtain this information

first hand in future.

I am sure that many in the hobby would be willing to make a donation to this worthy cause and the time for doing so is now, before many of our founders are lost to us forever.

I would suggest that the ONA initiate this program immediately. Hopefully, the CNA may see fit to become involved as well and if so, a combined group could be established. I am prepared to donate a cheque for \$500 to start off the "Precious Moments Recordings" with the provision that these funds would only be available for the express purpose of producing the videos of prominent numismatists.

SOME FINAL THOUGHTS




Before closing, I have a few other items that need mentioning. First, if you have not sent in your "Dream Vacation" draw tickets back, please do so. They can be sent to the address on the cover of the tickets.

Secondly, I am pleased to appoint ONA Numismatist editor Don Atanasoff as our advertising manager. In addition to his editorial duties, Don will now be soliciting advertising for the bulletin. Don's background with the Torstar group of publications makes him well-suited for this assignment.

The ONA has not had anyone responsible for display advertising and this appointment will fill the void. The classified ads that we have run in the past will continue to be complimentary. We will publish the criteria for the publication of free classified ads in the next issue of the ONA Numismatist.

Finally, our convention in Ottawa is in high gear and registrations are coming in. If you have not registered, I suggest you do it now. Registration forms are available in this edition of the ONA Numismatist.

Ken Wilmot
PRESIDENT

 **36th ANNUAL O. N. A. CONVENTION** 
TO BE HELD IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL
* * *
HOSTED BY THE CITY OF OTTAWA COIN CLUB
APRIL 18 & 19, 1998 

The largest and most important numismatic event to be held in the Nation's Capital, Ottawa, during the last two decades will take place on April 18 and 19, 1998 in conjunction with the 36th Annual Convention of the Ontario Numismatic Association (ONA). As well as being a landmark event in its own right, it will set the stage for the 50th Annual (Golden Anniversary) Convention of the *Canadian* Numismatic Association (CNA) that will take place in Ottawa in the millennium year of 2000. Efforts are under way to ensure that the 2000 event will be the most memorable CNA Convention of all time.

The ONA Convention to be held in April of this year will be hosted by the City of Ottawa Coin Club. The ONA is the only truly provincial numismatic association in Canada, and was incorporated in 1962 as a non-profit educational and social organization dedicated to the collector of coins, tokens and paper money. The ONA's executive committee has grown to include an impressive network of 11 regional directors and it publishes an informative journal (the "Ontario Numismatist") every two months. Over 35 local clubs and numismatic organizations and hundreds of individual collectors in Canada and the United States are members of the ONA. The customary ONA Club Delegates Breakfast Meeting will take place at the Annual ONA Convention at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 19, and the cost will be \$6.50 per person.

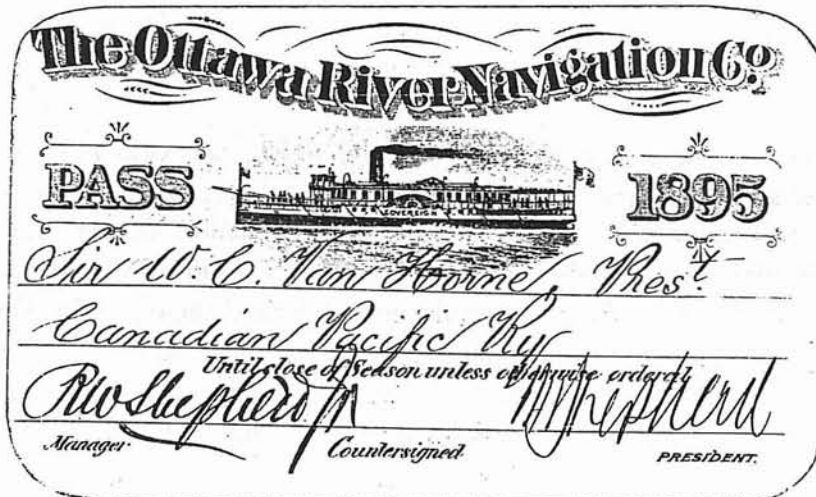
The 47 bourse tables for the Ottawa ONA 1998 Convention were sold out long ago, which attests to the interest and popularity of the Ottawa venue. Coin bourses provide legendary opportunities for filling the gaps in one's collection as well as for locating that proverbial "bargain", during which a collector's specialized knowledge can be put to good use. It is widely acknowledged that no dealer or collector can be an authority in all fields, and the possibilities of finding an underpriced rarity in a dealer's stock are generally higher than is often realized (e.g., a transportation token in the stock of a dealer who specializes in Canadian decimal coins, or a foreign banknote in the stock of a Canadian paper money specialist). It is widely accepted in all collecting areas that the "thrill of the hunt" is generally more pleasurable than the actual acquisition of the item in question, and coins, tokens, medals and paper money are no exceptions in this respect.

In addition to the numismatic bourse, which is the heart of any coin show, there will be numerous related activities including (i) a special "floor" tour of the Royal Canadian Mint (maximum of 25 participants, by pre-registration only), (ii) a "mystery" tour for registrants' spouses, (iii) free admission for registrants to the Bank of Canada's Currency Museum on the Saturday and Sunday, and (iv) meetings of various numismatic clubs and societies (i.e., the Ontario Numismatic Association, the Canadian Numismatic Association, the Canadian Association of Token Collectors, the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors, and the Canadian Tire Corporation Coupon Collectors' Club). Furthermore, there will be many educational displays

(competitive as well as non-competitive) offering both advanced and novice collectors an opportunity to view exceptional, rare and interesting material and to enhance their knowledge of numismatics and numismatic history.

One of the principal highlights of the 36th Annual ONA Convention will be the numismatic auction of international calibre to be conducted by Charles D. Moore of California on Saturday, April 18 commencing at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Moore has confirmed that approximately 1000 lots of choice, rare and affordable Canadian and Newfoundland coins and paper money will be offered to the highest bidder, with a total estimated value of about \$750,000. Over 750 ICCS and PCGS certified decimal coins will be included (the majority being in Mint State condition), as well as rare patterns, specimen strikes, major mint errors, large dealer lots, starter sets, proof-like sets, collections and general accumulations. Also included will be over 175 lots of scarce and rare Dominion of Canada and Chartered Bank paper money, as well as several specimen and proof notes from the American Banknote Company Archive sales that were held in New York during 1989 and 1990. Of particular interest to Ottawa collectors will be a major collection of rarely-encountered Bank of Ottawa notes and those of other Canadian banks (such as the Bank of Montreal) overprinted for specific use in Ottawa. Based upon the numerous high-quality public auctions conducted by Mr. Moore during the last two decades, Ottawa collectors and other visitors to the show are going to be in for a rare treat. Mr. Moore has reported that a separate Mail Bid Only auction containing an additional 600 lots will be included in the auction catalogue. Contained in the mail bid portion will be literally thousands of coins for the beginning and intermediate collector. Copies of the auction catalogue are available from the auctioneer at CAN\$10.00 each (which includes prices realized after the sale) -- contact Charles D. Moore, P.O. Box 5233, Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Tel: (510) 946-0150, Fax: (510) 930-7710.

The 36th Annual ONA Convention will take place at the Citadel Hotel & Convention Centre at 101 Lyon Street North in downtown Ottawa, just a few minutes walk from Parliament Hill. The show times are Saturday, April 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Sunday, April 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The admission fee for adults will be \$2.00, while children under 12 will be admitted free of charge. The City of Ottawa Coin Club will have a booth to provide new collectors with general information about the hobby and an opportunity to join the various numismatic clubs and societies. Official souvenir medals will be struck to commemorate the 36th Annual ONA Convention and will be available in 99.9% silver (40 pieces) and in antique bronze (75 pieces) at a cost of \$35 and \$10 each respectively.



Thomas Church design forms basis of the 1998 ONA medal

By CHRIS FAULKNER

The design chosen by the City of Ottawa Coin Club for its 1998 ONA Convention medal combines two related themes - the lumber industry and 100 years of numismatics in Ottawa.

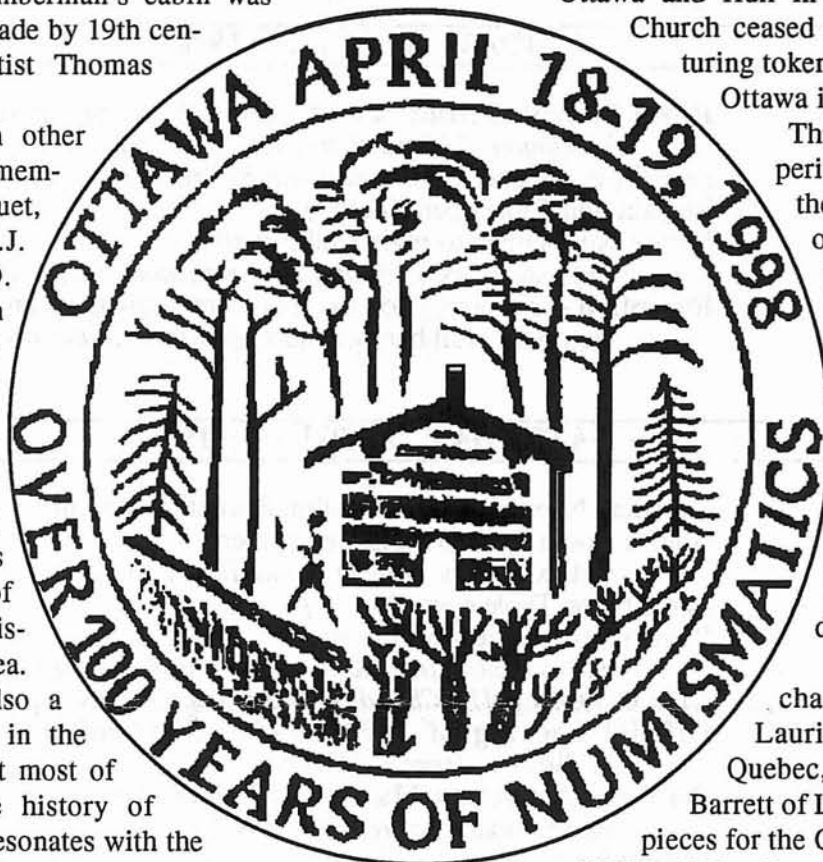
The forest scene portrayed on the reverse of the 1998 ONA medal with a lumberman's cabin was adapted from a token made by 19th century Ottawa numismatist Thomas Church.

Church, along with other prominent community members such as F.X. Paquet, F.R.E. Campeau, L.J. Casault, Mrs. E.D. Gibson, Louis Laurin and others formed the first numismatic organization in Ottawa (the second in all of Canada) - the Société Numismatique d'Ottawa in 1891, thus the commemoration of the 100 years of numismatics in the Ottawa area.

But Church was also a lumberman, employed in the timber trade throughout most of his working life. The history of Ottawa and the valley resonates with the names of the great lumber barons and timber merchants like Philemon Wright, J.R. Booth, Thomas MacKay, Bronson, Weston, MacLaren, W.C. Edwards and others. Thus, the medal also honours the major contribution of the lumber industry to the formation of the City of Ottawa and its surroundings.

Thomas Church was born in Ireland in 1844 and was an active numismatist in the Ottawa area from about

1880-1900. Sometime in the late 1880s, Church began to cut dies and manufacture his own tokens. His workshop at his home on Victoria Island in the Ottawa River where he was employed by Bronson's and Weston, was destroyed in the great fire which swept through much of Ottawa and Hull in April 1900. Thereafter, Church ceased collecting and manufacturing tokens. He died at his home in Ottawa in 1917.



Throughout his collecting period though, especially in the 1890s, Church made his own personal numismatist's card or check in many varieties and metals which he traded with other collectors. While the tokens are not plentiful, there are many varieties and sub-varieties since he married his dies in various combinations and in different metals.

Church also made merchant's tokens for Louis Laurin of Pointe Gatineau, Quebec, milk tokens for G.W. Barrett of Leitrim, Ontario, souvenir pieces for the Ottawa Winter Carnival in 1895 and the Central Canada Exhibition in

1896. Numerous dies refer to the lumber industry and others imitate various Canadian token types. The shanty in the forest setting that has been adapted for this year's ONA medal is intended as a tribute to Thomas Church, as a reminder of the long history of numismatics in Ottawa, and as recognition of the importance of lumbering to Ottawa and the valley.



36th ANNUAL



ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION



CONVENTION PROGRAM



CITADEL HOTEL AND CONVENTION CENTRE

101 LYON STREET NORTH

OTTAWA, ONTARIO K1R 5T9

Tel: (613) 237 - 3600

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1998

- 14:00 - 16:00 **Royal Canadian Mint "Floor" Tour** *[meet in the Mint's Boutique - Maximum of 25 participants, by pre-registration only]*
- 18:00 Security commences *[International Ballroom A, B & C]*
- 18:00 - 21:00 Registration Table open *[Foyer]*
- 18:00 - 21:00 Bourse Room open to registered dealers and exhibitors *[International Ballroom A, B & C]*
- 21:00 **Reception** - free admission to all dealers, registrants and committee members - full bar and more! *[Ontario Suite, Room 1819]*

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 1998

- 06:30 - 09:00 Canadian Numismatic Association Executive Meeting *[Victoria Room]*
- 08:00 - 09:00 Bourse Room open to registered dealers and exhibitors *[International Ballroom A, B & C]*
- 08:00 - 18:00 Registration Table open *[Foyer]*
- 09:00 - 10:00 Registrants' preview of bourse and exhibits *[International Ballroom A, B & C]*
- 09:00 - 12:30 CTCCC Meeting *[Le Chaudiere Room]*
- 10:00 **Official opening of 1998 O.N.A. Convention at entrance of Bourse Room** *[Foyer]*
- 10:00 - 14:00 **Preview of Auction Material** *[Bourse Room - International Ballroom A, B & C]*
- 10:00 - 16:00 Hospitality Suite open to dealers and registered guests *[Ontario Suite, Room 1819]*
- 10:00 - 18:00 Bourse Room open to the general public (Admission: \$2 per person) *[International Ballroom A, B & C]*
- 13:00 - 15:00 CATC Meeting *[Le Chaudiere Room]*
- 13:00 - 16:00 Spousal "Mystery" Tour *[participants meet at Queen Street entrance of Citadel Hotel - Bus leaves at 13:00 sharp]*
- 14:00 **Charles Moore NUMISMATIC AUCTION** *[Victoria Room]*
- 15:00 - 17:00 CAWMC Meeting *[Le Chaudiere Room]*
- 18:00 Bourse Room closes to the general public
- 18:30 - 19:00 Pre-Banquet Reception with Cash Bar *[Top of the Hill North]*
- 19:00 - 22:00 **BANQUET** *[Top of the Hill North]*

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 1998

08:30 - 10:30	O.N.A. Club Delegates Breakfast Meeting [<i>Joliet Room</i>]
09:00	Bourse Room open to registered dealers and exhibitors [<i>International Ballroom A, B & C</i>]
10:00 - 16:00	Bourse Room open to the general public (Admission: \$2 per person) [<i>International Ballroom A, B & C</i>]
10:30 - 11:30	O.N.A. General Meeting [<i>Le Chaudiere Room</i>]
11:00 - 15:00	Hospitality Suite open to dealers and registered guests [<i>Ontario Suite, Room 1819</i>]
12:00 - 14:00	O.N.A. Executive Meeting [<i>Seignior Room</i>]
16:00	O.N.A. Draw for the "Dream Vacation" [<i>International Ballroom Foyer</i>]
16:00	Bourse Room closes to the general public
16:00	SHOW CLOSES
17:00	Security ends

NOTE

By special arrangement with Mr. Graham Esler, Curator of the **Bank of Canada's Currency Museum**, all registrants displaying their ONA Convention badges will be admitted free-of-charge to the Currency Museum on Saturday and Sunday.



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1998 ONA CONVENTION

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Name of Registrant:	Telephone #: ()
Address:	Province:
City:	Postal Code:

QUANTITY	FUNCTION OR ITEM	EACH	TOTAL
	Convention Registration Kit , includes the following: Gold Plated convention metal, Standard Catalogue of Canadian Municipal Trade Tokens and Notes, Numismatic Ottawa Book, 1980 ONA Bronze Medal, 1967 Ottawa Trade Dollar, 1970 Ottawa Trade Dollar, Admission to show, Use of Hospitality Suite, ONA draw ticket, Set of COCC "OTTEX" woods, Souvenir program and much more (Approx. value \$110.00 - Cost of registration received before March 31, 1998 is \$40.00)	\$45.00	
	Spousal Registration Kit (only available to the spouse of the above registrant) includes the following: 1980 Silver charm, Admission to show, Use of Hospitality Suite, ONA draw ticket, Souvenir Program and more (Cost of registration received before March 31, 1998 is \$20.00)	\$25.00	
	Friday, April 17th, 2pm to 4pm Royal Canadian Mint Floor Tour (Maximum 25 Participants - names must be provided by April 3rd)	Free	
	Friday, April 17th, 9pm Reception with full bar for pre-registered guests and dealers	Free	
	Non-registered guests	\$10.00	
	Saturday, April 18th, 1pm to 4pm Spousal (Mystery) Tour (Minimum 20 Participants - deadline for registration is April 1st)	\$20.00	
	Bank of Canada Currency Museum (entry by convention badge only Saturday and Sunday)	Free	
	Saturday, April 18th, 7pm Banquet	\$35.00	
	Sunday, April 19th, 8am Club Delegates breakfast meeting	\$6.50	
	Convention Medals		
	Silver .999 fine official souvenir medal	\$35.00	
	Antiqued bronze official souvenir medal	\$10.00	
	Additional Dream Vacation draw ticket	\$2.00	
	GRAND TOTAL		

Make cheques payable to "ONA Convention 1998". Return cheque and this completed form to: City of Ottawa Coin Club, P.O. Box 55127, 240 Sparks St, Ottawa, Ont., K1P 1A1

Accommodation at the Citadel, Ottawa, Hotel & Convention Centre can be made by asking for the City of Ottawa Coin Club rate of \$89.00 per room per night. Phone 613-237-3600 or toll free at 1-800-567-3600.

ONA EXHIBIT APPLICATION FORM

This form must be completed and returned to the ONA Convention Committee Chairman at P.O. Box 55127, 240 Sparks Street Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1P 1A1. Failure to send a completed form by Apr 17 1998 may result in refusal to accept exhibits due to lack of space at the show.

Name of Exhibitor : _____

Mailing Address : _____

Phone, E-Mail : _____

If Junior or Juvenile, please state your age : _____

I wish to enter Competitive exhibits in the following categories:

Number of Cases	Category	Description
_____	Canadian Decimal & Paper Money	Includes all Canadian coins, provincial coins, Government-issue paper money, bank-issues, bonds, private script, etc.
_____	Foreign Coins & Paper Money	Non-Canadian legal tender. private issue, script, bonds, etc.
_____	Medals & Tokens & Miscellaneous	Includes all war decorations, medals, medallions, private-issue mediums of exchange such as milk tokens, commemorative numismatic objects of all type. All numismatic items that does not fit into a specific category above; a mix of material so as to eliminate it from a specific category (note that a limited amount of background material may appear in a display to still qualify it under a specific category above). Note that "Miscellaneous" refers to miscellaneous numismatic material and not to other collecting interests such as stamps, post cards, etc.).
_____	Junior or Juvenile	All Junior or Juvenile exhibits for all above Categories will be judged together as one Class.
_____	Total Exhibits	
_____	Cases required to be provided by us for your display	

Note that in addition to the above categories your exhibit automatically qualifies for the "People's Choice" award as judged by the public attending the Convention.

I hereby agree to abide by the exhibit rules & regulations, including the reclassification of my exhibits by the Exhibit Chairman. I understand that I must be registered at the Convention to qualify for exhibit awards.

Although the Convention is providing security, I acknowledge that I will not hold the Convention Committee, the ONA and its members and Executive Officers or the Hotel staff liable for my exhibits.



**36th ANNUAL
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CONVENTION**



**Friday, April 17, 1998: 9:00 p.m. (Reception for Pre-Registrants)
Saturday, April 18, 1998: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 19, 1998: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

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WELL-KNOWN NUMISMATISTS TO JUDGE WINNERS OF TOP ONA AWARDS

In the last issue of the ONA Numismatist, we provided some background on the top ONA Awards to be presented at the upcoming ONA Convention in Ottawa. These include the "ONA Award of Merit," the ONA's highest award and up to three recipients annually for the "Fellow of the ONA" Award. Those nominated are judged a few months prior to the annual convention, and the winner is announced at the Banquet at the Annual Convention.

It is entirely up to the ONA Awards Committee to determine, without any outside influences other than receiving nominations, who should receive the Award of Merit, and how many (up to a maximum of 3) should receive the "Fellow of the ONA" award annually. The committee, consisting of four well-known numismatists and the President of the ONA, may add their own nominations over-and-above any received from the membership. Currently, the ONA Awards Committee consists of the following:

DON ROBB (Chairman)

A collector since 1962, he has expanded his interests from his original collection of Canadian and Newfoundland coins to pre-Confederation tokens, commemorative medals and tokens of Canada's Centennial year 1967, CNA Medals, ONA Medals, Canadian wooden money and, more recently, Canadian Tire Coupons.

Don joined the Waterloo Coin Society in 1970 and has served in most of the club's executive positions, including two terms as President. He was also their editor for many years, their annual coin shows' chairman since 1991 (including 1990 when the club hosted the ONA annual convention). He currently serves on the club's Executive as Auction Coordinator. He has also served on a number of ONA Convention committees.

Don served as President of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors (CAWMC) from 1979 to 1981. Since 1981, he has been elected consistently to serve as a member of the CAWMC Board of Governors. He is also a Charter Member of the Southern Ontario Chapter of CAWMC, joining in 1981 when it was founded.

When the Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club (CTCCC) was formed in 1990, he joined as a charter member and was appointed its Secretary-Treasurer and Membership Chairman, positions he still holds. In 1990, he was appointed a Governor of the J. Douglas Ferguson Historical Research Foundation, a position he held until 1996.

His involvement with the CNA has been equally impressive. From 1985 to 1987, Don was an Ontario Director for the CNA. He has been appointed Co-Chairman of the 1999 CNA Convention hosted by the Waterloo Coin Society. In 1994 he was invited to join the ONA Awards Committee and in 1996 he became Chairman of the Committee. He considers the highlight of his numismatic career occurred in 1990 when he was presented with the Award of Merit by the ONA.

PAUL JOHNSON (Immediate Past Chairman)

Paul began his collecting in 1965. Paul joined the CNA in 1972. He received the CNA Young Numismatist award the following year, at which time he was also appointed Junior Director by the CNA President. He was CNA Club Services Chairman from 1975 to 1979, Finance Chairman from 1979 to 1985, Chairman of the Education Committee from 1983 to 1996 and Chairman of the Library Committee from 1989 to 1996. He was elected Second Vice-President from 1981 to 1983 and has held the position of Ontario Director for three 2-year terms. In 1995, the CNA honored Paul with the J. Douglas Ferguson Gold Medal, the highest award of the CNA. Other accomplishments involving the CNA are two Best of Show awards and serving as Chairman of the Young Numismatists Committee in 1973 and 1974. He was an exhibit judge at 7 CNA conventions and served as Coin Week Canada Chairman from 1979 to 1985. He has organized CNA annual educational forums from 1983 to 1996 and served as its moderator on 10 different occasions. Paul has attended 25 CNA Conventions since 1972. During the same period, he also attended 15 ANA Conventions.

He served as Chairman of the committee that developed the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course, directing more than 30 people in its development. Now in its second printing, it has achieved unexpected success, having seen hundreds and hundreds of people registering. As a result of this effort, the ANA presented Paul with the ANA Presidential Award.

More recently, he chaired the organizing committee for the CNA/NESA Educational Seminar held at Humber College in the Fall of 1997, and holds the same position with the upcoming Seminars scheduled for May 30 at Humber College and at the Royal Canadian Mint on April 20&21.

Paul has co-ordinated two CNA book projects, "Exhibits and Judging in Numismatics" (1983) and "The Club Organizational Handbook" (1986).

He is the recipient of the ANA Outstanding Young Numismatist award, the John Jay Pittman Award for best Canadian exhibit at an ANA Convention and numerous Best of Show awards at local coin club annual shows. In 1996, he was presented with a Charter Graduate certificate from the ANA School of Numismatics Diploma Program at the ANA convention in Denver by the ANA President.

He served in various capacities on the Peterborough Coin Club executive, is co-founder of the Canadian Young Numismatists Association in 1973, and has also served as Director of the Junior Numismatic Correspondence Club of America. He has spoken at many educational seminars and club meetings across the country and in the U.S.

Paul is a recipient of the ONA Award of Merit (in 1985), the youngest person to ever received the award, and has 3 ONA Best of Show medals as proof of his involvement with exhibiting at ONA Conventions. He served as the Chairman of the ONA Award of Merit Committee from 1992 to 1996. His involvement with ONA Conventions is also varied and numerous: Exhibit Chairman (1976), Education Chairman (1982), Program Chairman (1987, 1988, 1994, 1991 & 1994) and Education Chairman (1991 & 1994).

Paul received a special Presidential Citation in 1998 for attending his 25th consecutive ONA Convention.

MIKE HOLLINGSHEAD

Mike started coin collecting at about age 14, when his father (ONA Past-President Roy Hollingshead) introduced him to the hobby. After getting his feet wet working part-time at a coin store and taking advantage of the rapidly rising silver and gold pricing, he settled on collecting love tokens and pocket pieces. When other people were saying "Buy the book before you buy the coin," his dad said to him "Join the club before you buy the book," a philosophy he followed by joining all area clubs. He also joined the ONA and was immediately made Secretary. In 1986, he resurrected the Guelph Coin Club and was its main driving force for a number of years.

A regular attendee at Waterloo Coin Society meetings, he has served the club in various capacities, including as President and Program Director, and is currently their Auctioneer.

Probably Mike's most visible area of collecting has involved Canadian Tire "money." After collecting and researching Canadian Tire coupons, he and Don Robb (see previous page) decided that what was needed was a club for this growing area of numismatics. They announced their inaugural meeting of the Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club at the Toronto International Coin Fair in the Fall of 1990 which was operated by John Regitko (see below). Due in large part to Mike's efforts, CTCCC is today the second largest national coin club in Canada, after the CNA, having grown to 300 members strong.

In 1995, he was honored as the recipient of the ONA Award of Merit, the second youngest person to ever receive it - only Paul Johnson was younger (see previous page). Mike's late father had received the award in 1989, making the Hollingshead's the only father/son team to ever receive major awards from the ONA.

JOHN REGITKO

John's involvement goes back to the founding days of the Central Coin Club (Toronto), where he planned programs for their weekly meetings (yes, weekly). As editor of the Toronto Coin Club bulletin, he received the CNA Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Award and the ANA Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Award twice. This was the first time in North American history that the same club and editor won both awards in each of two consecutive years. He also served as Program Director and President of the Toronto Coin Club and was their Convention Chairman for a number of years.

He served as 1st Vice President and as President (during 1980-81) on the CNA Executive and has recently accepted the assignment of Club Services Chairman. His series of articles on the inner workings on the CNA was published in the CNA Journal over a 2-year period. He has also served on the Executive of the Canadian Numismatic Variety Collectors Association (CNVCA) as Editor and as 1st Vice President.

A frequent speaker, he has also published a series of articles on the inner workings of the Royal Canadian Mint in Canadian Coin News. As owner/manager of the Toronto International Coin Fair (TICF), he made it the largest coin show in Canada, and was known as running it for fun & fellowship rather than for profit. One of the things he was known for was to provide complimentary space to all numismatic organizations wishing to hold meetings in conjunction with TICF (CAWMC, CTCCC, CATC, the ONA Executive and the CNA Executive took him up on it, itself an endorsement of the show). He also has the distinction of probably having more articles published about coin conventions than any other individual (about TICF, ONA and CNA).

He has been responsible for the printing of admission tickets and signs for a number of ONA and CNA Conventions and has been known to lug display cases to a number of conventions. He has also been responsible for gathering up the contents of and making up the boxes for registration kits.

John has been an instructor on the Fun of Coin Collecting at Adult Education Classes as both Yorkdale Secondary School (24-hour courses on 3 separate occasions) and at George Brown College (40-hour course). He was also an instructor at the recent CNA/NESA educational seminar at Humber College and is scheduled to participate as an instructor at both the CNA/NESA seminar at Humber College on May 30 as well as the Royal Canadian Mint seminar on April 20 & 21, 1998.

He is the recipient of the first "Fellow of the CNA" award ever presented (in 1991), as well as the CNA's highest award, the J. Douglas Ferguson Gold Medal. He is also a recipient of the ONA Award of Merit (in 1983), the ONA's highest award. As well as serving on the ONA Awards Committee, John also serves as Club Services Chairman and is the ONA's representative on the Internet's Numismatic Network Canada web site (with an e-mail address of onaclubs@idirect.com).

KEN WILMOT (ONA President)

Ken has served on the ONA Executive since 1973. As ONA First Vice-President, he was asked to take over the Presidency in 1986 when then-President, Roy Hollingshead, became ill. He was elected ONA President for 4 out of the past 5 two-year terms, namely 1987-1989, 1989-1991, 1995-1997 and 1997-1999. He was instrumental in getting the ONA Insurance Policy set up, which is beneficial to every ONA-member club.

During his terms as ONA President, he also found time to be President of the Stratford Coin Club (7 different times) as well as its Newsletter editor (for over 20 consecutive years).

He has been Chairman of 5 annual ONA Conventions, namely 1975, 1985, 1992, 1993 and 1995. Ken received the ONA Award of Merit in 1981 for his outstanding contributions to the hobby in Ontario. He boasts to purchasing his first colour TV from profits out of the silver melt of 1968.

When he was asked to provide his numismatic resume for this write-up, he requested that it be addended with a "ONA Presidential Statement" that goes like this: "I believe the future of the ONA lies with interesting more young collectors to the hobby. I am also a strong advocate to better communication, and one of the things I did to assist in that goal is to hook up to the Internet. I welcome correspondence from all members, including at my e-mail address of Wilmot@cyg.net.

RECIPIENTS OF ONA'S HIGHEST AWARDS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT 1998 ONA CONVENTION BANQUET

This year's recipient of the ONA Award of Merit will be announced at the Banquet at the 1998 ONA Convention in Ottawa on April 18. The Award of Merit, the highest award the ONA bestows, was introduced by the ONA in 1962. The purpose is to give recognition to the person living in Ontario who has made the greatest contribution towards the advancement of numismatics at all levels - local, provincial and national. If the recipient is not present at the Banquet, it will formally be presented at the earliest opportunity, either at a local coin club meeting or some other public function.

The "Fellow of the Ontario Numismatic Association" Award will also be presented at the Banquet of the 1998 ONA Convention. The ONA initiated the "Fellow" award in 1994 to recognize individuals for outstanding service to numismatics in their local area. This includes their work with the local coin club and promoting numismatics in their community. Up to 3 numismatists can be recognized annually. Again, if the recipients are not present, the award will be presented at another appropriate occasion.

Winners are selected by a select group of past award winners who take their assignment very seriously. Each Spring a call for nominations is made and all submissions are seriously considered, along with past entries that survived the cut of the "short" list.

MEDALS FROM PREVIOUS ONA CONVENTIONS FOR SALE

It has normally been the desire of the ONA and the Convention Committees to sell out of Convention medals each year, so as to avoid being involved in the aftermarket. For that reason, the quantities struck have been rather on the conservative side. For whatever reasons, not every issue is always sold out and the ONA is pleased to offer these remaining medals to anyone that wishes this opportunity to add them to their collection.

The ONA has only a few remaining medals from 3 previous conventions, which are being offered to members on a first come, first shipped basis. All obverses contain the standard ONA logo that appears on all convention medals. The reverses are illustrated below.



1991 ONA CONVENTION
OSHAWA



1996 ONA CONVENTION
NORTH YORK



1997 ONA CONVENTION
WINDSOR

YEAR	LOCATION	METALLIC CONTENT	QUANTITY AVAILABLE	PRICE EACH *
1991	Oshawa	Antique Bronze	9	\$ 7.50
		Nickel-Silver	15	7.50
1996	North York	Bronze	6	7.50
		Silver	3	35.00
1997	Windsor	Bronze	22	7.50

* 3 or more medals are shipped prepaid. Please add \$3.00 for shipping and handling when ordering 1 or 2 medals.

A bonus of a wooden token, issued for the 1996 North York ONA Convention, will be included for every medal ordered.

The fact that medals remain in the ONA Archives for only three years speaks well for the demand for ONA Convention medals. This might be your last opportunity to acquire these keepsakes at such attractive pricing.

Please send your order, along with a money order or cheque made payable to the ONA, to:

Ontario Numismatic Association,
Attn: Bruce Raszmann, Treasurer,
P.O. Box 40033, Waterloo Square P.O.,
Waterloo, Ont. N2J 4V1

TRADE DOLLARS

By Jerry Remick

\$2 token marks Elliot Lake's 1998 Homecoming

The Elliot Lake and District Chamber of Commerce, Elliot Lake, Ontario, has issued a \$2 municipal token to mark its 1998 Homecoming - the last week of June and the first week of July.

The obverse side of the token shows a uranium symbol in the centre, with pine trees below and at each side. A large statue of uranium, which is situated at the entry to Elliot Lake is also present, symbolizing the city's glory days in the late 1950s and early 1960s when it was known as the uranium capital of the world because of the enormous amount of ore mined there. Two dollars in large letters is just below the uranium symbol with the inscription "expires September 30, 1998. Elliot Lake District Chamber of Commerce. Two Dollars is inscribed twice around the circumference.

The Elliot Lake Homecoming logo covers the reverse centre, showing from left to right, the silhouette of a head frame of a mine, representing the town's former uranium mines; the silhouette of a house representing the town; and a tree, representing the area's earlier logging days. A large sun rising over the silhouettes indicates the optimism of the city and its residents. Elliot Lake is just below the silhouettes with Two Dollars Homecoming Elliot Lake around the outer part three times.

Ray Ethelston, vice president of the Elliot Lake and District Chamber of Commerce designed the obverse. The Homecoming committee designed the reverse.

Lawrence Medallic Art, Mississauga, Ontario struck 15,000 tokens on 33 mm nickel bonded blanks and made an additional 500 each in antiqued copper-plated NBS, antiqued silver plated NBS and gold-plated NBS.

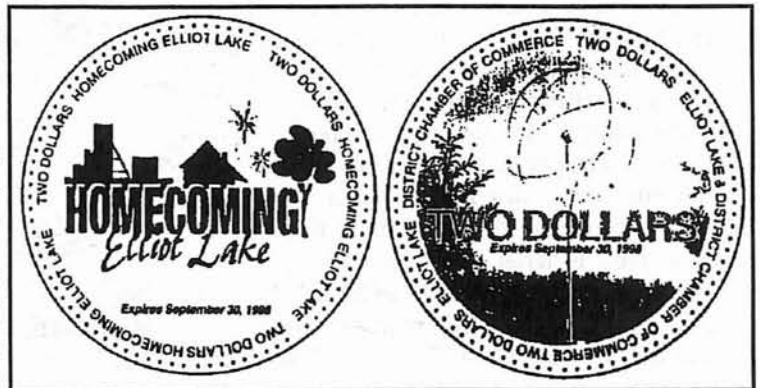
The NBS token is available at \$3 postpaid. A set of three different NBS tokens is \$22.75 postpaid and insured. Orders should be sent to Elliot Lake and District Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 1, Elliot Lake, Ontario, P5A 2J6, telephone (705) 848-3974.

Single plated tokens are available postpaid as follows: Antiqued Copper NBS - \$8.50, Antiqued Silver NBS - \$10.50, Antiqued Gold NBS - \$12.50. To order, call Ray Desjardins, P.O. Box 11447, Station H, Nepean, Ontario, K2H 7V1, telephone or fax (613) 823-3644. Visa and

MasterCard accepted.

Elliot Lake is situated in central Ontario, north of Lake Huron about midway between Sault Ste. Marie and Sudbury. It has become a retirement community with a population of more than 13,000 people.

Logging opened up the area in the 1840s and remained an important industry



well into the 20th century. The area is also popular for hunters, anglers and campers.

In 1953, uranium was discovered in the region and by 1957 the population had soared to 27,000 with several uranium mines in operation. The last mine closed in June of 1996. The houses left by the outgoing miners have been sold to incoming seniors making Elliot Lake one of Ontario's premier retirement communities.

IN MEMORIAM

The following letter was received by the ONA Numismatist from James E. Charlton regarding the death of one of Canada's most outstanding numismatists, Sheldon Carroll, in early February.

Major Sheldon S. Carroll, who died February 3, was one of the all-time greats in Canadian Numismatics.

He was often the right man in the right place at the right time. One example was the Canadian Numismatic Association that he was largely responsible for creating in 1950. He was the first president and later became the Honourary President. He also had the responsibility of planning and developing the the Bank of Canada's Numismatic Collection and was also the curator for a number of years.

Sheldon was a member and officer of many clubs and organizations during his 60 years in the hobby and a recipient of numerous high honours and awards. A noted speaker, educator, writer and numismatic consultant, he generously shared his wealth of numismatic knowledge at every opportunity. He had a distinguished career as an officer in WWII and in post war service.

Sheldon was born in Norwich, in south western Ontario on July 20, 1914 and had a life full of living. It has been my great privilege to have known him and to have been his close friend for nearly 50 years. P.S. Sheldon and I often exchanged birthday greetings at the CNA conventions as his birthday was July 20 and mine July 26. - James E. Charlton

CNA OFFERS NUMISMATIC COURSE

Would you like to learn more about the hobby of coin collecting? The Canadian Numismatic Association (CNA) is hosting an exciting one-day course offering a class room setting, seven different instructors, a wide range of topics relating to Canadian Numismatics and a day of fun and fellowship.

The course will take place Saturday, May 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Humber College, 205 Humber College Blvd. in Etobicoke (south of Finch Ave. and east of Hwy 427). Parking is free.

The course offered by the CNA, which attracted 50 participants last November, is very similar to its predecessor. Its goal is to educate collectors about the beauty, historical and economic importance of Canadian coins, tokens, medals and paper money. Seven well-qualified instructors will present topics in areas of their expertise and supplement these discussions with slides, videos, overheads, demonstrations, displays of numismatic material and handouts.

Instructing the various topics will be: Paul Petch, Canadian Coins and Commemoratives; John Regitko, The Coining Process; Chris Boyer, a Review of Canadian Paper Money; Ted Leitch, Canadian Tokens; Dr. Marvin Kay, Collecting Strategies; Susan Maltby, Coin and Paper Preservation; and Brian Cornwell, Grading Coins and Tokens. Paul Johnson will be the moderator.

There will be ample opportunity to ask questions and to obtain a better understanding of Canadian numismatic topics. The majority of the instructors were original writers of the

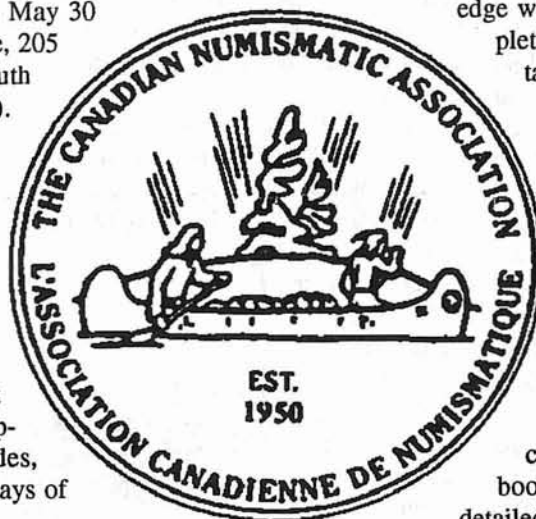
CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course and all have excellent knowledge in their area of interest.

This course has been planned as the next step in the educational process and will be presented in more depth than the original correspondence course. Although there were chapter tests in the first course, no testing of the participant's knowledge will take place this time and having completed the first course is not a pre-requisite to taking in this latest education endeavour.

Cost of taking the one-day course is \$35 for CNA members, \$45 for non CNA members and \$25 for juniors under the age of 18. Cost of registration includes coffee or tea during the morning and afternoon breaks. Lunch in the cafeteria at Humber College is the responsibility of the participant. Each person attending will receive a special CNA/NESA "Certificate of Participation" and a complimentary selection of numismatic books and magazines to take home. A

detailed map of the Humber College area will also accompany confirmation papers to be sent out following the acceptance of the registrant.

The number of participants in this course is limited so early registration is encouraged. Depending on the success of this event, CNA/NESA is considering similar courses in other Canadian cities in future. If you have any questions about the one-day course prior to registration, please contact the CNA Executive Secretary at (705) 737-0845, fax: (705) 737-0293 or Email: cna@barint.on.ca. Please complete the registration form below and send it to the appropriate address.



CNA NUMISMATIC COURSE - REGISTRATION FORM

Saturday, May 30, 1998 - Humber College, Etobicoke

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MINT ISSUES THREE NEW COINS

Coin honours the RCMP's 125th anniversary

In 1873, the North West Mounted Police was created as part of Sir John A. MacDonald's National Policy. The force was to replace the militia in Manitoba and to maintain law in Canada's unruly and unpatrolled northwestern frontier.

The NWMP force established and administered Canadian law. It put an end to the whiskey trade and the lawlessness in the old west and established peaceful relationships with the natives before the Canadian Pacific Railroad was built and settlers arrived.

As the nation grew in population and diversity and its communities became more established, the RCMP adapted and transformed into the modern day national police force that protects the citizens of

Canada today. In honour of 125 years of excellent service, the Royal Canadian Mint has created a sterling silver dollar to commemorate this important occasion.

The reverse side of the 1998 silver dollar sports the image of a Mounted Police

officer in the uniform of the 1800s, but wearing a pillbox hat that differs from the contemporary and widely recognized Stetson hat. The officer is on horseback with western terrain in the background. The obverse of the coin features Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in a design by artist Dora de Pédery-Hunt.

The reverse was designed by Adeline Halvorsen, who markets her work from her home in Newcastle, Ontario. An artist from an early age, her love of animals, especially horses, became a mainstay of her work. She now has to her credit more than 5,000 commissioned portraits of horses, people and dogs.

The composition of the coin is 92.5% sterling silver and 7.5% copper. It weighs 25.175 grams, is 36.07 in diameter, has a reeded edge, a proof and brilliant uncirculated finish and has a face value of \$1.

The RCMP silver dollar is encapsulated and presented in both proof and brilliant uncirculated finishes. The proof dollar costs \$29.95 in Canadian funds (\$22.45 U.S.). The uncirculated dollar is going for \$19.95 Canadian (\$14.95 U.S.). Both are available by calling the Mint at 1-800-267-1871 in Canada or 1-800-268-6468 from the U.S.



Discovery of insulin celebrated on gold coin

One of the most important medical achievements of the 20th century, the discovery of insulin by Canadian scientist Frederick Banting and colleague John MacLeod, is the subject of the 1998 \$100 gold coin issued recently by the Royal Canadian Mint to commemorate the 75th anniversary of this life-saving accomplishment.

On January 23, 1922, insulin was administered to a human subject with diabetes for the first time. Immediately the subject showed positive results and over the next few months, similar injections to a variety of subjects also proved successful. Commercial production of insulin followed with the result that people on their death beds were miraculously brought back to life.

For their achievement, Banting and MacLeod were awarded the Nobel Prize for Physiology and Medicine for the discovery of insulin on Oct. 25, 1923. Unfortunately, two other colleagues - Charles Best and James Collip - were not recognized by the Nobel committee. It has been suggested, even by authors of the official history of Nobel Prizes, that Best should have also received the award. For it was Banting and Best's experiments, combined with MacLeod's guidance and Collip's expertise in biochemistry, that culminated in the development and widespread use of insulin and the subsequent millions of diabetic lives it has saved and continues to save to this day.

The obverse of the coin is the contemporary effigy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, by artist Dora de Pédery-Hunt. The reverse was designed by Robert Ralph Carmichael. Carmichael, who was born in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario and graduated from the Ontario College of Art in Toronto in 1959, is best known for his design of the Loon on Canada's \$1 circulation coin.

The reverse features the flame of hope evolving into figures inspired by those on the Nobel Prize medal for Physiology and Medicine. The design is surrounded by the inscription 1923-1998, CANADA, 100 DOLLARS. Below the design is a two-line inscription with the words PRIX NOBEL PRIZE on top and INSULINE-INSULIN on bottom.

The \$100 14 karat gold coin is the 23rd in a series celebrating Canadian heritage that began in 1976. Only 25,000 of the coins have been minted with a composition of 58.33% gold and 41.67% silver. The coin weighs 13.338 grams, has a diameter of 27 mm and features a reeded edge. It has a proof finish, frosted relief on brilliant background and a face value of \$100. Included is a numbered certificate of authenticity. The piece sells for \$295.95 Canadian or \$192.45 U.S. To order call the mint at 1-800-267-1871 in Canada, or 1-800-268-6468 in the U.S.



\$350 gold coin honours Mint's 90th anniversary

The Royal Canadian Mint is celebrating its 90th anniversary this year and in honour of the occasion has struck a \$350 face-value coin made from 99.999 per cent pure gold.

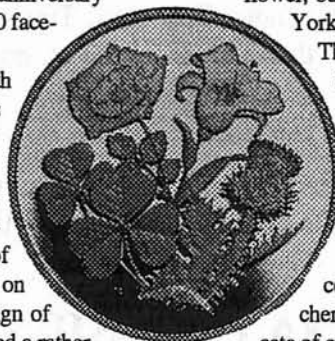
The coin, the largest ever produced by the Mint with such a high level of gold purity, weighs 38.05 grams, is 34 mm in diameter, 2.7 mm thick and has a reeded edge.

The floral reverse was designed by Pierre Leduc, a biology graduate of the Université du Québec in Trois-Rivières. While at university, Leduc spent a great deal of time working as a scientific illustrator creating works on zoology, entomology and botany. In creating his design of the coin, Leduc did not include text. Instead he fashioned a rather unique blend of the four flowers found on the Canadian Coat of Arms - the English Rose, the Scottish Thistle, the Irish Shamrock and the French Fleur-de-Lis. Of interest is the fact that the English Rose is not really a

flower, but a combination of the white Tudor rose of the House of York and the red rose of the House of Lancaster, the Scottish Thistle is the traditional bull thistle, and both the Irish Shamrock and the French Fleur-de-Lis have three petals.

The obverse of the coin depicts the traditional effigy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II by Dora de Pédery-Hunt surrounded by the inscription "Elizabeth II Canada D.G. Regina Fine Gold 350 Dollars Or Pur," with the year of issue left of the Queen and 99.999 to the right.

The mintage of the coin has been limited to 1,998 and comes in an anodized gold-coloured aluminum box with cherry wood staining. It is accompanied by a numbered certificate of authenticity. The coin is available directly from the mint for \$999.99 Canadian (\$740.95 U.S.) by calling 1-800-267-1871 in Canada or 1-800-268-6468 in the U.S. It is also available through the Mint's global network of dealers and distributors.



SHOW & BOURSE

MARCH 28, 1998 - CAMBRIDGE

The 7th annual Cambridge coin show at the Cambridge Newfoundland Club, 1500 Dunbar Road, Cambridge, Ont. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. More than 40 tables of coins, tokens, paper money, trade dollars, militaria, post cards, CTC coupons and more. Free admission. For additional information contact Verne Shaull (519) 621-3810 or (519) 624-2086 or Jim Pemberton (519) 621-1140.

APRIL 5, 1998 - KENT COIN & CARD SHOW, CHATHAM

30th annual show at the Wheels Inn Resort, 615 Richmond St., Chatham, Ontario. Hours: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., 25 dealer tables. Free admission and free parking. For more information call Lou Wagenaer at (519) 352-4150.

APRIL 17-19, 1998 - 36 ANNUAL ONA CONVENTION - OTTAWA, ONTARIO

At the Citadel Hotel & Convention Centre, 101 Lyon Street North, downtown Ottawa, Ontario K1R 5T9. Hours: Friday (Registrants Reception) 9 p.m.; Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 10-4. Coins, tokens, paper money, historical medals, numismatic literature, major numismatic auction (Charles Moore), educational displays, society meetings and tours. Daily admission \$2, children free. Contact Graham Neale: (613) 521-2117, E-mail g.neale@sympatico.ca. Visit our WEB Site in the Ontario section of <www.coin shows.com>.

MAY 3, 1998 - WINDSOR

At the Saboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave., Windsor, Ont. Hours: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Free Parking, displays and draws, \$1 admission. For information write: Ron Binder, Show Chairman, Windsor Coin Club, c/o 2279 Hall Ave., Windsor, On N8W 2L8

JUNE 27-28, 1998 - TOREX

At the Primrose Hotel, Pearson Ballroom, 111 Carlton St., downtown Toronto. Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun. 10-3. Coins, paper money, cards, books, supplies, pens, watches, militaria. Daily admission \$5. For info: Ingrid K. Smith, 416-260-9070.

CLUB MEETING

The Oshawa & District Coin Club has scheduled spring meetings on April 5 and May 3. The club meets at the Arts Resource Centre in Oshawa behind Oshawa City Hall. Times are 12:30 - 4 p.m. on both days. For more information call (905) 728-1352 or access the internet email at: papman@idirect.com.

CORRECTION:

In the December edition of the Ontario Numismatist, Jerry Remick gave the address for the Charlton Press as 4040 Yonge St. in an article on Page 97. The correct address is 2040 Yonge St., Suite 208.

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Frank Fesco receives ONA's highest honor at convention

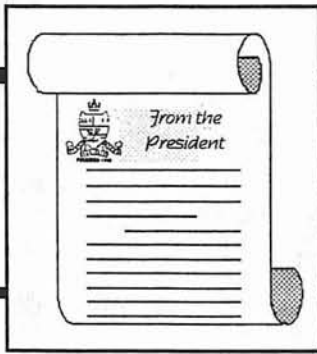
Frank Fesco has received the highest honour that the ONA can bestow on a numismatist - the annual Award of Merit. Fesco was presented with the award at the recently concluded ONA Convention in Ottawa.

Fesco's contributions to Canadian Numismatics are numerous. Suffice to say his background with the Bank of Canada and his tireless work on behalf of the hobby in Ontario and in Canada, make him a very worthy recipient of the award.

Also claiming a top award was Ray Desjardins who was the recipient of the 1997 "Fellow" Award. His great organizational abilities, his work with clubs and his tireless work with new and old collectors alike, all contributed to the selection committee's decision to honour him.

The North York Coin Club won the 'Best Club Bulletin' award for 1997 while its editor - Paul Petch took the coveted Editor Award for 1997.

Because of deadline, a more detailed background of the major award winners was not available. More information will be forthcoming in future editions of the Ontario Numismatist.



President's Message

Thumbs up for Ottawa's ONA Convention

WOW! That is about the only way to describe the recent Ontario Numismatic Convention hosted by the City of Ottawa Coin Club. From Convention Chairman John Verity to R.E. (Ray) Desjardins (COCC Special Draw) and everyone in between, the working together proved that co-operation can overcome all obstacles.

For those of you who could not attend the convention, I would like to address some of the highlights in hopes of keeping one and all up-to-date.

Last month I made reference to the passing of one of the true pioneers of numismatics - Major Sheldon Carroll. At the convention banquet, a moment of silence was observed for this outstanding numismatist. The honour was most appropriate for it was Sheldon who was responsible for the founding of the coin clubs in Ottawa. He also initiated the formation of the Canadian Numismatic Association in 1950 and played a key part in the founding of Canada's Currency Museum.

Guest speaker J. Graham Essler spoke of Sheldon's tremendous impact in the development of the Bank of Canada Currency Museum (which later became the National Currency Collection) and how he aided in its formation. Graham's speech, which contained many accolades of Sheldon's numismatic endeavours, held the crowd in silence and it wasn't until near the end of his speech that he almost broke down in his reverence of Sheldon.

Another highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Award of Merit to Frank Fesco. A more worthy recipient has never been honoured.

Frank's background covers everything from covert to researcher and everything in between. A tireless worker for the Bank of Canada, Frank's research work for the ONA has been outstanding, but until the convention, he had not received his due recognition for a job well done. Frank's acceptance speech also paid tribute to Sheldon Carroll and the impact that Sheldon had on him throughout his numismatic endeavours.

As it turned out, the newest Fellow of the ONA, also hailed from Ottawa as Ray Desjardins received the award. Ray's work in

numismatics, clubs, his great organizational abilities and his tireless work with new and old collectors alike, made him a most worthy recipient.

One of the highlights of the convention for me was the tour of the Royal Canadian Mint. This was not your ordinary tour of the Mint, we were given VIP treatment. We were taken down to the production floor and allowed to gaze upon the massive quantities of gold and silver bars, coins and Scissel Mistrikes. We could look, handle and inspect everything on the floor, but there was one big problem - No Samples! We also had a chance to speak with the designers of the new coins and if you had a sharp eye, you might well have seen the new releases before they are issued to the public.

While all this was going on, ONA Treasurer Bruce Raszmann was put to work on the presses as he joined in the production of the 1998 proof Proof Quarter. If you purchase a proof set this year, perhaps you should get Bruce to autograph it, it might well be one that he made. I think the reason he may have been chosen is that Bruce has been ONA Treasurer for 38 years and counting! Anyone that can last that long has to be trustworthy.

While many wonderful things happened at the convention, the ONA Executive sadly accepted the resignation of Elmer Workman as Area 6 Director due to health reasons. Elmer, who has been the Area 6 Director for many years, also acted as the ONA's head judge. His presence will be sorely missed. The ONA Executive wish him a speedy recovery and we now begin the task of trying to fill his might large shoes.

In closing, the ONA Executive has announced that Guelph, Ontario will host the 1999 convention at the College Inn April 16-18, 1999. We (the executive) hope that you will make plans to attend. Wishing you all the best for now and "Good Coining".

Ken Wilmot
ONA President

SHOW & BOURSE

JUNE 6 - SCARBOROUGH

At the Cedarbrook Community Centre, 91 East Park Blvd. Free Parking & Free Admission. Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Draws, more than 30 dealers. For more information write to: Scarborough Coin Club, P.O. Box 562, Pickering, Ont., L1V 2R7

JUNE 14 - BRANTFORD

At the Woodman Community Centre, 491 Grey St., (east of the Wayne Gretzky Parkway, Hours. 10-5. Coins, tokens, medals, bank notes, Canadian Tire money and wooden money. Free Parking. For information contact the Brantford Numismatic Society, Box 28015, North Park Plaza, Brantford, Ont., N3R 7K5.

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OCTOBER 3, 1998 - NORTH YORK

At the Edithvale Community Centre - in the gym, 7 Edithvale Dr., North York (near Yonge & Finch). Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Coins, tokens, medals, bank notes, Canadian Tire money and wooden money. Free parking and free admission - hourly draws. For information contact Ron Zelk, bourse chairman (416) 633-4383 Ext. 222 or write to: The North York Coin Club, P.O. Box 58508 Corner Plaza P.O., 197 Sheppard Ave., E., North York, Ont., M2N 6R7.

NOVEMBER 21, 1998 - WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY

At the RCAF Association 404 Wing, 510 Dutton Drive, Waterloo Ont. Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Free parking, free admission and "Penny Draws". For information call: Don Robb, Box 22062, Westmount P.O. Waterloo, Ontario, N2L 6J7 or call (519) 888-9655

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1998 CNA CONVENTION

Edmonton, Alberta, July 29 to August 2

For Hotel Reservations call Toll Free: 1-800-661-1122 before June 26 to get the \$79 rate!

With less than 3 months to go before the start of the Canadian Numismatic Association Convention, all indications point to a first class convention experience. We have secured a room rate of \$79.00 Canadian plus taxes for the duration of the convention. Dealers and attendees alike are encouraged to book early to ensure this rate. The cutoff for this rate ends June 26th. Phone the toll free number located at the top of the page to confirm your reservation directly with the Hotel. The Hotel itself boasts the largest pillar free hall in northern Alberta at over 13,000 square feet in area. The Edmonton Numismatic Society has held 3 successful Coin & Stamp shows over the past two years, so the Hotel has become accustomed to the special needs of the Numismatic dealer and collector. Edmonton is a great place to visit during the summer. Edmonton is home to West Edmonton Mall, the World's largest indoor Mall. Dealers and their guests won't want to miss the experience of the indoor waterpark, submarine ride, and Galaxyland Amusement Park, as well as hundreds of shops and services. In addition, Edmonton is home to many other attractions including Fort Edmonton Park, Muttart Conservatory, and the Provincial Museum of Alberta, which houses part of the fabulous Nickle coin collection. Regional sites include the Ukrainian Village and the Reynolds Antique Museum. Jasper and Banff National Parks are half a days drive away. So bring your partner and children and join us "on the Trail of '98" in Edmonton, at this years CNA convention.

'98 CNA Information Newsletter

Details of the convention are being finalized, and we are pleased to offer a special Friday night's evening of entertainment on a genuine paddlewheel riverboat cruise down the North Saskatchewan River. This seldom seen view of the city will please young and old alike. The evening includes a buffet dinner catered by the Westin Hotel. The "party-goers" among us can stay on board for the midnight cruise, which is included in the package. Edmonton's main summer exposition, "Klondike Days", occurs July 16th to 25th, and you are encouraged to come early and enjoy this unique Klondike experience. We are fortunate to have during the last 2 days of the CNA convention, another convention being held in the city called "Militaria '98". This convention is being hosted by the Edmonton Chapter of the Military Collector's Club of Canada. The event is dedicated to the 80th Anniversary of the end of World War One. Both organizations are promoting each others event, as coin collectors collect medals and vice versa. As the Edmonton Numismatic Society has been hosting several coin shows over the past 2 years, we have been advertising the fact of the CNA show at each event. Local radio and TV have been kept informed of the event and special promotions will be held to inform the public of this show. In addition, our show auctioneer Charles D. Moore, will be sending out his catalogue to his contacts around North America, which will also promote the show. To date we have 37 dealers registered plus the Royal Canadian Mint, Canadian Coin News, and our Auctioneer, Charles D. Moore. We are also negotiating with 2 other companies representing many world mints, who are interested in attending the show.

For your information, the following dealers have registered for the 1998 CNA show: J& M Coin & Jewellery Ltd., Diverse Equities Inc., Proof Positive Coins Ltd., Ross D. King, Verrol Whitmore, Serge Laramée, Ian A. Marshall, Olmstead Currency, Monnaie Yvon Chicoine, Versailles Coins, Andrew McKaig, R&D Coins & Paper Money, London Coin Centre Inc., R&S Coins, Douglas Robins Inc., Bob Armstrong Coins, Newcan Coin, Card, Collectables, Arctic Coin, Albern Coins & Foreign Exchange, Global Coin X-Change, Certified Coins of Canada, West Edmonton Coin & Stamp Co., M.J. Daniels Coins & Collectables, Randall's Coins, Calgary Coin & Antique Gallery, P.B. Numismatic Auctions Inc., Jeffrey Hoare Auctions Inc., Art Cox, Albert Kaiser, Collins Coins, National Pride Coins & Stamps, Canadian Cameo Coins, Monnaie Louis Chevrier, Michael Walsh Investment Quality Coins Inc., Traders Gold Corp., Mintmaster Numismatics Inc. See you in Edmonton at the Convention!

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TRADE DOLLARS

Enamelled municipal token issued by Franktown

By Jerry Remick

The tiny village of Franktown, Ontario (approximately 48 km south of Ottawa in Beckwith Township) has issued the first ever enamelled (colored) circulating municipal trade token. The 1998, 38 m.m. \$5 token is valid until May 30, 1998.

The obverse of the token features the Crest of Beckwith Township with Beckwith inscribed across the centre of the crest. On the outer rim, 'Ontario - Franktown - Canada' follows the circumference while 'Lilac Capital of Ontario' sits just above the crest. The lower side of the obverse beneath the crest is inscribed '\$5 dollars' as is 'Valid at participating merchants until May 30, 1998'.

The reverse shows a partially blossomed sprig of lilacs - flowers and buds - hand colored in enamel. 'Franktown Lilac Festival' is inscribed at the top with 'Syringa Vulgaris' - the Latin name for lilac, sitting centre right. The logo of Eligi Consultants is at the bottom of the token. Serge Pelletier, municipal trade token specialist and president of Eligi Consultants of Kingston, designed the token.

The token was struck and hand-enamelled in Montreal in mintages of: antiqued bronze (1,000); silver-plated bronze (100) and gold-plated bronze (100). Specimens sell for \$7.50, \$15 and \$17.50, respectively and can be ordered from Ray Desjardins, P.O. Box 11447, Station H, Nepean, Ontario, K2H 7V1, telephone (613) 823-3344. Ontario residents add eight per cent sales tax. VISA and MasterCard accepted.

Franktown came to life in 1818 to accommodate discharged soldiers of the Richmond



Military Settlement. Today, it is surrounded with 33 acres of lilacs that are looked after lovingly by the community.

A group of modern-day residents headed by Brent Saunders, organized the first lilac festival honoring the flower and the community in 1995. The following year, Jean-Pierre Pilote assumed the task and began the custom of honoring people in the area who had dedicated their time to help with the lilacs. George Lidd was the first recipient.

Revolving Bridge honored on 1998 Manitoulin Token

A revolving bridge, located at Little Current, Manitoulin Island, Ontario, is the subject of the 1998 \$2 municipal token issued by the Lions Club of Little Current.

The bridge, which is the main access to Manitoulin Island from mainland Ontario, is featured on the obverse side of the token with the words '60 Years of Service' inscribed just above it. 'Lions Club of Swift Current' follows the circumference on the upper part of the piece while 1938-1998 dies likewise at the bottom.

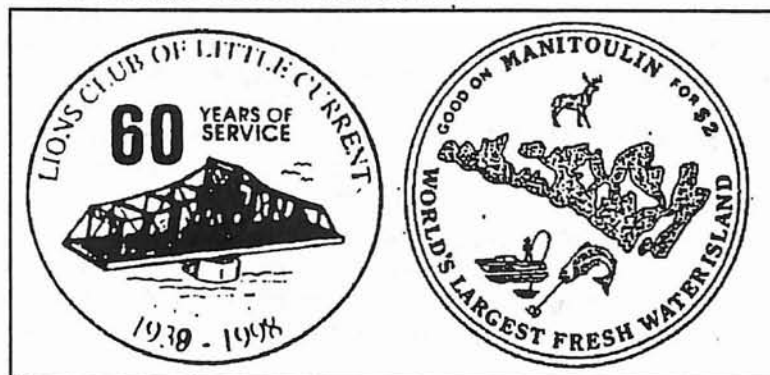
An outline map of the island

graces the reverse of the coin with a deer sitting above the map and a fisherman in a launch with a large fish on his line sitting below. "Good on Manitoulin Island for \$2 / World's Largest Fresh Water Island" is inscribed around the outer part.

Lawrence Medallie Art of Etobicoke, Ontario - (406) 259-7221 - struck the tokens on 33 mm milled-edge blanks in nickel bonded steel (NBS). There were 4,000 NBS; 750 gold-plated NBS; 750 in antiquated copper-plated NBS; and, for the first time in 25 years, 250 in antiquated silver NBS, produced.

The token, exclusive of postal costs sells for: \$2 NBS; \$7 gold plated NBS; \$6 in antiquated copper NBS and \$6.50 for antiquated silver NBS. Postal costs are \$2 for up to three tokens and \$3 for four to 10. Send orders to the Little Current Lions Club, c/o Rolly Racicot, P.O. Box 623, Little Current, Ontario, POP 1K0, telephone (705) 368-2830. A list of back issues for sale is available on request. Overseas orders should add \$2 while American orders paying in U.S. funds should deduct 27%, then add \$3 for bank clearing service charges. Note: The 1998 NBS \$2 is available at \$2.75 postpaid, plus GST from Jim Quinn, P.O. Box 291, Miramichi, N.B., E1V 3M4, telephone (506) 622-1914.

This is the 30th consecutive year that the Lions Club of Little Current has issued a token making Manitoulin and Nanaimo, B.C., the longest running issuer of municipal tokens in Canada.



Mint enters world plated-coin market

The Royal Canadian Mint is jumping into the world plated-coin market with both feet as it recently announced that a new coin-plating facility will be constructed adjacent to the Winnipeg Mint. The official sod turning took place in Winnipeg on April 9.

The \$30 million dollar project, scheduled for completion by June 2000, will create approximately 30 full-time positions to the already existing workforce at the Mint.

"This coin plating facility will ensure a secure, cost-effective supply of plated coinage for Canadians," says Ron Duhamel, Secretary of State for Science, Research and Development and Western Economic Diversification.

"It will also enable the Mint to change the metal composition of the five,

10, 25 and 50-cent coins to a plated composition, this being less expensive to produce than the single metal variety."

The Mint expects savings of \$9.5 million annually once the new plating process is in full swing and estimates an additional \$3 million in profits annually. This prediction is based on the worldwide growth of the plated coin market with countries such as the United States, Great Britain, Fiji, Israel, The Philippines, Singapore and the Bahamas already using them.

Plated-coin production consists of a layered process, which involves plating nickel, then copper, and nickel again onto the steel inner core of the coin. This process, developed by the Royal Canadian Mint, is faster than other coin-plating methods used elsewhere, and the

Treasures coin set will change from parallel field and brilliant relief to a brilliant field and relief. The two-dollar coins introduced in the 1997 Uncirculated set will also feature the brilliant field and retain the frosted polar bear image. The Mint will use numismatic dies and spe-



The 1998 Royal Canadian Mint Uncirculated, Oh! Canada, and Tiny Treasurers coin sets feature a new brilliant uncirculated finish on the field and relief of the coins.

coins are easily identified by mechanisms such as vending machines. The Mint also expects to increase revenues by bidding on contracts to produce plated coins for other countries in the world.

NEW FINISH ON COINS

The Royal Canadian Mint is changing the finish on some of its uncirculated coin sets.

The finish of the 1998 coins in the Uncirculated, Oh! Canada! and Tiny Tim

cially prepared blanks for the production on these coins.

The Mint also plans to shift production of the aforementioned uncirculated sets to Winnipeg as a cost-cutting measure. In addition, a mint mark on the obverse of all uncirculated coins will be applied to indicate which plant they originate. The mint mark will not be applied to circulated coins. Specimen and Proof Sets will continue to be manufactured at the Ottawa Plant and their finish will remain the same as in previous years.

CANADIAN BANKING HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF (BUT TODAY IT'S A BIG PROBLEM!)

by John Regitko

One of the biggest financial story to come out of Canada in recent years, if the number of lines in newspapers or the air time in both radio and TV is any indication, is the proposed merger between the Bank of Montreal and the Royal Bank. It appears that, if the media can be believed, the majority of Canadians are not just uncomfortable about the merger, but are downright dead against it. I don't believe they understand what the history of Canadian banking has been all about and how many mergers there have been in the past.

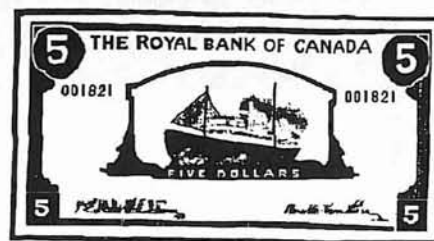
Although I am hardly known as a collector of Chartered Bank Notes (and I certainly have voiced my fair share of criticisms against the banks, their policies and there service charges), I know enough about the banking system to understand that if it was not for mergers over the past 160 years or so, that many investors would have lost money, or our banks might all be owned by foreigners. All major banks, including the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Imperial Bank of Canada, Bank of Nova Scotia and others, grew larger and larger as they participated in mergers to make them what they are today.



The oldest bank in Canada, now known as the Bank of Montreal, started business as the Montreal Bank in 1817, when nine merchants put up a total of \$150,000. It was set up to handle the financing for the export of wheat, timber and potash and for the fur trade. As the lucrative fur trade disappeared from the St. Lawrence Valley, the bank began to focus on water and rail transport projects. It became the federal government's official banker in 1867 and served in that capacity until the Bank of Canada was created in 1934. It became the Canadian Pacific Railway's major source of Canadian funding and opened branches as the railway expanded into the West to meet the needs of the railway construction teams.

The Bank of Montreal is currently the largest bank in Canada and the third-largest in North America, having achieved its prominence as a result of mergers with the Bank of Canada (in 1831), Bank of the People (1840), Exchange Bank of Yarmouth (1903), People's Bank of Halifax (1905), People's Bank of New Brunswick (1905), Ontario Bank (1906), Bank of British N.A. (1918), Merchants Bank of Canada (1922) and Molsons Bank (1925).

The Royal Bank of Canada got its start in 1864 when a group of Halifax merchants founded The Merchants' Bank of Halifax, to finance the fish and timber trade. As well, it saw opportunities in international financing, and assisted in the financing for the purchase of retail goods from Europe.



The Royal Bank absorbed a Cuban bank in 1904 and acquired the Union Bank of Halifax, Traders Bank of Canada, Quebec Bank, Northern Crown Bank and Union Bank of Canada, making the Royal Bank the largest bank in Canada by 1920. There were mergers before the Royal Bank got into the act. For example, the Crown Bank of Canada amalgamated with The Northern Bank to become The Northern Crown Bank which was, in turn, absorbed by The Royal Bank of Canada.

Other banks also merged. For example, The Bank of Toronto and The Dominion Bank merged in 1955 when only 9 banks operated in Canada. Somewhere in the quite recent past, the Royal Bank acquired Royal Trust and the Bank of Nova Scotia took over Montreal Trust and National Trust. I don't recall a hue and cry at that time!

Now we jump to 1998. All of a sudden it is a problem to have banks merging. I don't know if the merger will be good or bad for the average consumer, if it will be good for Canada, or if it will be good enough (via buy-out packages) for the employees that are bound to have to move on to other employment opportunities. But I wonder where our banking system, including the security we have enjoyed in the Canadian banking system (other than the odd bank gone sour such as the Home Bank), would be today if the people and the Governments took the same attitude in the past?

Is it that people are realizing that they cannot handle change very well, even though it has happened dozens and dozens of times before? Or is it that they cannot handle an industry's success?

Just wondering!



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ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
 TREASURER'S REPORT
 FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1997 TO DECEMBER 31, 1997

CASH ASSET SUMMARY @ DECEMBER 31, 1997

Cash & Bank Balance - General Account	\$ 3063.47	
Bank Balance - Contingency Account	\$ 2692.39	
Guaranteed Investment Certificates - Contingency	\$16000.00	
Cashable Savings Certificate - Contingency	\$ 4500.00	
Bank Balance - Insurance Account	\$ 978.04	
Cashable Savings Certificate - Insurance	\$ 3200.00	
	\$30433.90	\$30433.90
 Cash Assets (1996)		 \$29991.45
Increase In Cash Assets		\$ 442.45

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT

Bank Balance @ January 1, 1997 \$788.92

RECEIPTS

Life Memberships	\$290.00	
Interest Guaranteed Investment Certificates	\$708.25	
	\$998.25	\$998.25

EXPENSES

Membership Dues (1997)	\$730.00	\$730.00
Excess Receipts Over Expenses		\$268.25
Bank Balance @ December 31, 1997		\$1057.17

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ASSETS

Guaranteed Investment Certificates \$8700.00

The Bank Accounts are maintained at
 The Canada Trust, Belmont Branch
 Kitchener, Ontario

Treasurer Bruce A. Rasmann

ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
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CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT

Bank Balance @ January 1, 1997 \$2056.91

RECEIPTS

Interest Guaranteed Investment Certificates	\$1057.50	
Interest Cashable Savings Certificate	\$ 77.98	
Matured Cashable Savings Certificate	\$4500.00	
Matured Guaranteed Investment Certificate	\$6000.00	

	\$11635.48	\$11635.48

EXPENSES

Cashable Savings Certificate	\$4500.00	
Guaranteed Investment Certificate	\$6000.00	
Transferred To General Account	\$ 500.00	

	\$11000.00	\$11000.00

Excess Receipts Over Expenses \$ 635.48

Bank Balance @ December 31, 1997 \$2692.39

CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT ASSETS

Guaranteed Investment Certificates	\$16000.00
Cashable Savings Certificate	\$ 4500.00

INSURANCE ACCOUNT

Bank Balance @ January 1, 1997 \$3476.33

RECEIPTS

10 (1997) Club Premiums @ \$35.00 Each	\$ 350.00	
3 (1997) Club Premiums @ \$45.00 Each	\$ 135.00	
2 (1997) Additional Named @ \$10.00 Each	\$ 20.00	
23 (1998) Club Premiums @ \$35.00 Each	\$ 805.00	
Canadian Numismatic Association Premium	\$ 950.00	

	\$2260.00	\$ 2260.00

EXPENSES

Cashable Savings Certificate	\$3200.00	
Insurance Premium	\$1530.36	
Photocopies & Postage	\$ 27.93	

	\$4758.29	\$ 4758.29

Excess Receipts Over Expenses \$-2498.29

Bank Balance @ December 31, 1997 \$ 978.04

INSURANCE ACCOUNT ASSETS

Cashable Savings Certificate	\$3200.00
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ONTARIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1997 TO DECEMBER 31, 1997

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Petty Cash @ Jan. 1, 1997	\$ 11.78	
Bank Balance @ Jan. 1, 1997 (General Fund)	\$3916.59	
Bank Balance @ Jan. 1, 1997 (Library)	\$ 29.84	

	\$3958.21	\$3958.21

RECEIPTS

Memberships (Regular, Junior & Club)	\$4036.00	
O.N.A. Convention Draw	\$1264.27	
1997 Convention Net Profit	\$ 355.54	
Club Ticket Rebate	\$ 78.00	
Premium U.S.A. Money	\$ 27.60	
Donation Auction & Donations	\$ 316.00	
Display Case Rental	\$ 187.50	
Penny Draw Tickets	\$ 26.55	
Return of Convention Advance (1997)	\$ 350.00	
Advertising	\$ 50.00	
Medals (1996 & 1997)	\$ 60.00	
Use of Medal Die	\$ 10.00	
Transfer From Contingency Account	\$ 500.00	

	\$7261.46	\$7261.46

EXPENSES

O.N.A. Publication "ONTARIO NUMISMATIST"	\$4371.16	
Postage & Secretary	\$ 555.22	
Printing & Photocopying	\$ 274.78	
P.O. & Safety Deposit Box Rental	\$ 200.62	
Executive Breakfast	\$ 45.50	
C.N.A. & A.N.A. Dues	\$ 77.14	
Office Supplies & Expenses	\$ 561.36	
Telephone	\$ 304.77	
Honorariums	\$ 200.00	
Audio Visual	\$ 199.14	
C.N.A. Delegate	\$ 100.00	
Best Bulletin & Frames	\$ 62.05	
Award Merit Luncheon, Frames, Badges & Engraving	\$ 173.29	
O.N.A. Convention Advance (1998)	\$ 350.00	
Convention Co-Ordinators Travel - Ottawa	\$ 333.53	
Membership Drive	\$ 212.78	
Club Services	\$ 65.92	
Banquet Expenses - Windsor	\$ 68.94	

	\$8156.20	\$8156.20
Excess Receipts Over Expenses		\$-894.74
Petty Cash @ December 31, 1997		\$ 37.79
Bank Balance @ December 31, 1997 (General Fund)		\$2995.84
Bank Balance @ December 31, 1997 (Library)		\$ 29.84

		\$3063.47

GENERAL ACCOUNT - BANK RECONCILIATION

Bank Pass Book Balance @ December 31, 1997	\$3055.68
1 Outstanding Cheque	\$ 30.00
Statement Bank Balance @ December 31, 1997	\$3025.68

MY INVOLVEMENT WITH THE LATE SHELDON S. CARROLL

by John Regitko

There is hardly an ONA member (or any member of any other numismatic organization) that does not instantly recognize the numerous accomplishments of Sheldon S. Carroll. The main ones that come readily to mind are that he served as the very first President of the CNA, the general membership voted to bestow upon him the only Honorary President the CNA ever had, the man who spear-headed the building of the National Currency Collection that is now housed in its own Museum, Chairman of the prestigious J. Douglas Ferguson Memorial Committee, as well as being a frequent speaker at .

I would like to acknowledge how he touched my life, by writing about 3 incidences in which both he and I were involved:

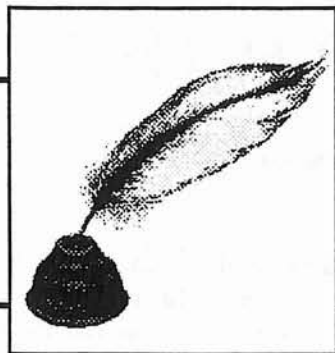
Sometime during the later part of 1978, the late Jack Veffer called me to ask what I was up to. It was an unusual and unexpected call, since I had dropped out of numismatics a few years earlier. I let my memberships in all numismatic organizations lapse and for all intents and purposes, I became a has-been to the hobby. I was therefore rather shocked for Jack to tell me that he was running for the Presidency of the Canadian Numismatic Association and that he wanted me to run as his First Vice-President. I had been a member of the national organization for a number of years, having served in a few minor capacities (I actually preferred the local coin club scene because you could mingle with fellow collectors at meetings). As far as Jack was concerned, I had made my reputation as the twice-winner of the CNA and the ANA Local Coin Club Bulletin Awards when I served as President, Editor and Program Director of the Toronto Coin Club all at the same time. I had also planned the activities of the Central Coin Club as Program Director for their WEEKLY meetings, was considered a driving force of the error hobby in Canada as First Vice-President and Editor of the Canadian Irregularity Association (CIAC), successor to the Canadian Numismatic Variety Collectors Association (CNVCA), and was involved in a host of other projects. I was a roll-up-my-sleeves-and-get-the-job-done type of a guy, Jack said.

"But I'm not even a member," I protested. He said I should apply for membership and leave the rest to him. A couple of issues of the CNA Journal later, I saw that I had been nominated...by no one less than Sheldon S. Carroll himself! He told me sometime later that he nominated me not because Jack asked him to, but out of his respect for what I had done for the hobby. I will never forget him for that!

A number of years later, I heard that he turned down two separate requests to speak at the Banquet of CNA Conventions. He had retired from the Bank of Canada by that time. I nevertheless decided to invite him to speak at a Banquet of the Toronto International Coin Fair. To my surprise, he not only accepted but refused to be compensated for his out-of-pocket expenses for travel, hotel accommodation and meals.

In 1991, the CNA's annual convention was hosted by the Toronto International Coin Fair. Anyone that ever attended TICF will have to agree that it was run for fun and fellowship. As owner/operator of TICF, I was made Chairman of the Convention. The registration kit contents were unprecedented. The draw prizes were phenomenal. The draw prizes at the banquet alone consisted of valuable prizes donated by well-known coin designers (a plaster of the new "Queen" design donated by Dora de Pedery-Hunt, an original water colour of an Olde Toronto Street Scene donated by Donald D. Paterson, an autographed collector plate of a hockey scene donated by Stewart Sherwood, and much more. Jack met Sheldon S. Carroll in the hall of the Westbury Hotel and proclaimed surprise to see him at the Convention since word had reached us that he would not be attending due to his wife's very serious illness. When I wondered out loud in Jack's presence about Sheldon's attendance, Jack told me that Sheldon had told him that the only reason he flew in from Ottawa on Saturday morning and flying out later that same night, was to present the gold Ferguson Medal on behalf of the CNA. Jack told me sometime later that he told Sheldon that even though I might not qualify under all the criteria that are usually considered for a potential recipient, I had done "roll-up-the-sleeves" work for the hobby over man years and that I should be given consideration for the award.

Little did Jack know that at that very moment Sheldon had the Ferguson Medal in his pocket....with my name engraved!



This & That

ONA membership keeps expanding

ONA Treasurer Bruce Raszmann wishes to report that the following applications for membership have been accepted: (Editor's Note: Due to space limitations in the March/April edition membership acceptance was not reported. Those accepted in March & April are included in this issue.) (1647) Horst Kahlmeier, Kitchener, Ontario; (J1648) Robert Logan, Beamsville, Ontario; (J1649) Deanna Coghlin, Guelph, Ontario; (J1650) Matt

Fleck, Guelph, Ontario; (J1651) David Lisk, Guelph Ontario; (J1652) Taylor Pratt, Guelph, Ontario; (J1653) Neb Zachariah, Guelph, Ontario; (1654) Harold Don Allen, Brossard, Quebec; (1655) Gary McDonald, Ottawa, Ontario; (1656) Robert Smith, Ottawa, Ontario; (1657); Dexter Butt, Richmond Hill, Ontario; (1658) W. McLeish, Gloucester, Ontario; (1659) J.K. Chang, New York, N.Y.; (1660) Eugene Touchette, Navan, Ontario; (1661) Patricia

Plowman, Ottawa, Ontario; (1662) Ron Rozeboom, Pembroke, Ontario; (F1663-1664) MacPhee-Galbreath family, Ottawa, Ontario; (J1665) Keegan McDonald, Stratford, Ontario; (1666) Leon Bessey, London, Ontario; (C115) Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers, c/o Rick Simpson, Box 10272 Winona P.O., Stoney Creek, Ontario, L8E 5R1. Terry Campbell of Oshawa, Ontario has been transferred from regular membership to Life Membership.

Bill Jarema wins "Dream Vacation"

Bill Jarema of Stratford, Ontario, was a winner both ways when his ticket was drawn in the ONA's Dream Vacation Draw. Not only did he win a "Dream Vacation", but because he sold the winning ticket to himself, he picked up an additional \$100 for the 'Sellers Prize'. Second prize in the draw - a \$100 (1998) Canadian Gold coin - was won by Joyce Armstrong of Owen Sound, Ontario. Five consolation prizes - 1998 Oh! Canada! Sets - went to: Kay Ayres, Barrie, Ontario; Jessie Boutilier, Shakespeare, Ontario; George White, Woodstock, Ontario; Lorne Proctor, Oakville, Ontario; and Gladys Burt, Ottawa, Ontario. The ONA would like to thank all of those who sold and bought tickets. The support enables the ONA to continue its many programs.

474 books sold

Overall, 474 books of Dream Vacation draw tickets were sold with the City of Ottawa Coin Club leading the way with 118. The Stratford Coin Club finished second with 90 while the Waterloo Coin Society was third with 54 books sold. Other sales included The Ingersoll Coin Club, 34; the Ontario Numismatic Association with 31; The Windsor Coin Club with 20; the Woodstock Coin Club with 12, the Peterborough Numismatic Society, 9; the Brantford Numismatic Society, the North York Coin Club and the South Wellington Coin Society with 8; the Scarborough Coin Club, 7; the Canadian Numismatic Association, the Lake Superior Coin Club, Nickel Belt Coin Club and the Oshawa & District Coin Club with 6 each; the London Numismatic Society and the Watford Coin Club with 5 each; the Cambridge Coin Club, the Timmins Coin

Club and the St. Thomas Numismatic Society with 4 each; the Thistleton Coin Club and the Tillsonburg Coin Club with 3 each; the Champlain Coin Club, the Hamilton Coin Club, the St. Catharines Coin Club, the Taylor Evans Coin Society and the Kent Coin Club with two each while single books were sold by the Paisley Road Coin Club, the Mississauga Coin Club, and the Toronto Coin Club. Sales for non ONA member clubs included four from the Huronia Numismatic Association and one each from the Bancroft Coin & Stamp Club and the Canadian Association Token Collectors. Rebates of \$2 a book will be paid to the Clubs for books credited to them.

THE KING IS DEAD. LONG LIVE THE KING!

In an astounding performance, the City of Ottawa Coin Club deposed the Stratford Coin Club as the top selling club of vacation tickets by selling 118 books to Stratford's 90. When Stratford learned of the news, members uttered that time honoured phrase: "Wait until Next Year." Members also wished to remind the Ottawa club that "Cream always rises to the top!"

Rumours persist that ONA President Ken Wilmot will be eating crow at the Executive Meeting in June and that he'll have to pay off a debt with Ray Desjardins. It seems that Desjardins bet Ken a 'Loonie' that the COCC would outsell Stratford.

THE OFFICIAL 1998 ONA CONVENTION WOODS

The 1998 ONA Convention issued 6 official wooden tokens for use in the Main Registration Kits or as souvenirs for various Convention functions. They were struck on 1-3/4" blanks by Canada Wide Woods of Stratford.

Three of the woods were issued to registrants that committed to attend the ONA Banquet and the Club Delegates Breakfast meeting and participate in the spousal tour. No admission tickets were used for these functions and the woods acted as confirmation to the registrants that they had prepaid for these events.

Canada Wide Woods agreed to absorb the cost of making up 3 of the reverse dies involved on the assumption that if no specific date is shown, it can be reused for future conventions. A date on the woods was unnecessary since the common obverse showed the dates of the convention, in the souvenir program booklet as well as the ONA Numismatist and other publicity releases stated the exact timing of each function.



The ONA Convention Tour wood was originally intended to be used in conjunction with the special Spousal Tour that was part of the Spousal Registration Package. Since the minimum pre-convention commitment was not met, the spousal tour had to be cancelled. Instead, this wood was handed out to anyone that attended the tour organized by the Royal Canadian Mint that took participants onto the floor of the production facility.

Canada Wide Woods created a die for the ONA Convention Chairman's wood. They were all signed by John Verity. One was included with each Main Registration Kit. To avoid the problems associated with the availability of both signed and unsigned copies and their listing in the wooden token catalogues, it should be noted that all pieces were signed by the Chairman.

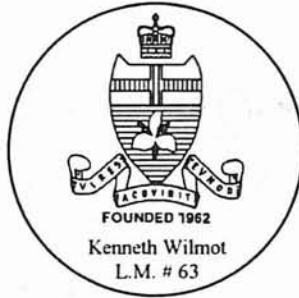


OBVERSE

REVERSE

Another official Convention wood, also included in each Main Registration Kit, was the ONA President's wood, similar to the one illustrated to the left.

Finally, a wood was struck consisting of the Convention logo on one side and the ONA logo on the other, illustrated below.



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REVERSE

Approximately 50 sets of these 6 "official" 1998 ONA Convention wooden tokens were made up over-and-above those used at the Convention, and are being offered for sale at \$5.00 per set of 6 postpaid.

Orders (along with cheques made payable to the ONA) should be sent to the ONA, P.O. Box 40033, Waterloo Square P.O., 76 King St. South, Waterloo, Ont. N2J 4V1



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NEW BUSINESS

Convention Medals: A set of the 1998 ONA Convention medals, consisting of a bronze, silver and gold-plate medal, was presented to the ONA for their archives.

By-Lay Change: A motion was made by John Regitko to have the County of Durham (presently, the Oshawa Coin Club) moved from the responsibility of the Area 8 ONA Director, to Area 7. Seconded by Albert Kasman. John explained that at present, the Area Director does not attend Oshawa meetings because of distance. However, Oshawa is quite close to the Metro Toronto Area where the Area Director can more easily attend meetings. He also stated that the motion has to be approved now for it to be effective for the elections coming up next year. Ken Wilmot then asked for a vote on the motion. Carried.

Attendance at Meeting: The point was made by John Regitko that if you remove the ONA Executive from the meeting, just a handful people would be at the ONA General Membership meeting. He reasoned that possibly the membership feels that the Executive is doing a terrific job (as opposed to not caring).

The consensus was that the elected Executive has been given a mandate and they are fulfilling it. Ken Wilmot did some fast arithmetic of the people at the meeting as a percentage of our total membership. He then compared it to the attendance at an annual shareholder meeting of Bell Canada, and we have a fantastically better ratio than they do.

Gary Oblinsky made the suggestion that rather than giving away the hundreds of books and other prizes at the ONA Club Delegates Breakfast meeting to both clubs and individuals attending that meeting, that the give-aways to individuals take place at the General Membership meeting. If this fact is promoted in advance, a number of additional members might be moved to attend.

A discussion also took place on the possibility of increasing attendance by moving the General Membership meeting to Saturday. It was concluded that any such move, although possible, would disrupt the meetings of the specialty collecting groups that have been in place for some years on Saturday. Further, when the General Membership meetings were held on a Saturday some years ago, no increase in attendance was experienced. The consensus was to leave it in the current time slot, namely on Sunday morning.

ADJOURNMENT

Ken Wilmot announced that the next ONA General Membership & Election meeting would take place at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, April 18, 1999 at the College Inn in Guelph.

Having no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Monina Regitko,
ONA Recording Secretary

This represented a decrease of 4 members from last year's report. Bruce indicated that he is aware of a number of new members that have signed up at the Convention. John Regitko stated that he has on hand 7 new memberships obtained from the General Admission Table at the Convention that will be turned over to Bruce shortly.

CLUB SERVICES REPORT

John Regitko, ONA Club Services Chairman, reported that during the past year, he had obtained a number of VCR tapes that are deemed a bit on the longer side than a normal coin club meeting. It was, therefore, decided that these would be available for borrowing by any individual member of the ONA for personal viewing at home. He hoped that a number of numismatic friends would be invited to attend the showing, over coffee and donuts. A list of these longer programs was published in the ONA Numismatist.

John further stated that Ken Koch would not turn down anyone from borrowing even shorter programs whose availability has also been published on 6 pages in the ONA Numismatist, so as to make them available to members that do not have a coin club within reasonable driving distance. He encouraged everyone to borrow them for just the price of postage.

AWARD OF MERIT COMMITTEE REPORT

In the absence of the Chairman of the ONA Award of Merit Committee, Ken Wilmot made the general membership attendees aware that at the Banquet the previous evening, Don Robb presented the ONA's highest award, the ONA Award of Merit, to Frank Fesco of Ottawa. The ONA "Fellow of the ONA" Award was presented to Ray Desjardins, also of Ottawa.

Ken asked John Regitko, a member of the ONA Award of Merit Committee, to say a few words. John made everyone aware that each year a "long list" of potential recipients for both awards is reviewed and a short list is created. Last year's carry-overs, by sheer coincidence, happen to be from the Ottawa area. He wanted everyone to know that the fact that the ONA Convention was being held in Ottawa had absolutely no bearing on the decision of the judges to honour 2 people from the Ottawa area.

Ken commented on the very detailed write-up on the background on Frank Fesco that was forwarded with the recommendation to honour him with an award.

He stated that some changes would be made to the composition of the ONA Award of Merit Committee and that an announcement would be forthcoming shortly.

CONVENTION 99

Ken Wilmot invited everyone to attend the 1999 ONA Convention scheduled for April 17 & 18 at the College Inn, Guelph. He feels that a successful convention is expected, in view of the previous successes that have taken place there.

LIBRARY REPORT

Tom Masters, ONA Librarian, reported on the usage of books in the ONA Book Library. He stated that the number of books available from the library has expanded greatly over the past year. Shipping a book from the Library to a member costs approximately \$4.00 each way.

A motion was made by Gary Oblinsky to put a listing of the books available from the library and the constitution on the ONA web pages on Numismatic Network Canada website on the Internet. Seconded by Ron Zelk. An amendment to the motion was made by John Regitko which called for the motion to be presented to the Executive at an Executive meeting for further consideration. Seconded by Dick Dunn. The amendment was voted on and carried.

MINUTES OF THE ONA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING HELD ON APRIL 19, 1998 AT THE ONA CONVENTION IN OTTAWA, ONT.

INTRODUCTION

The 1998 ONA General Membership meeting convened at approximately 10:30 a.m. at the Citadel Hotel in Ottawa. It was established that a quorum was present.

Ken Wilmot, ONA President, chaired the meeting. He welcomed a number of regular members as well as members of his elected and appointed Executive. He expressed a desire to see more regular members at the General Membership meeting, but stated that it is every member's prerogative whether to attend the meeting or not.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Minutes of the 1997 ONA General Membership Meeting held in Windsor were circulated. It was moved by Ron Binder to accept the Minutes of the ONA General Membership Meeting for April 20, 1997. Seconded by Ray Desjardins. Carried.

Ken Wilmot asked if there was any business arising out of the Minutes. Since no one responded, he declared that there was no business carried forward.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Bruce Raszmann, ONA Treasurer, tabled the financial report. He made a motion to have it accepted. Seconded by Ron Zerk.

John Regitko asked about the amount being transferred from the Life Membership account each year for every life member. He wondered, in view of the recent increase in dues, if a higher amount will be transferred from the special Life Membership account to the general operating account. Bruce stated that up until now, an amount of \$10 for each of the 74 life member was transferred, but since the cash amount in the account was not high enough (the majority of the life membership funds are in debentures), the amount has not been increased at this time.

Ken Wilmot complimented Bruce for the outstanding job he has done....again. Ken then stated that although there was an increase in cash assets of \$442.45, there might be a decrease in cash assets in 1998 if we don't keep a close eye on expenses. In spite of the fact that we increased the membership dues, the bulletin as well as our advertising and promotions are costing us more. There is one saving factor in the finances for this year, namely the apparent financial success of this year's ONA Convention hosted by the City of Ottawa Coin Club, but we will have to wait to see the bottom line.

Ken then asked for a vote of the original motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Carried.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Bruce Raszmann reported the ONA membership as follows:

184	Regular
7	Junior
21	Husband & Wife
74	Life members
42	Clubs
328	Total Membership



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Regular membership - \$15 yr.

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Mint strikes Canada's largest ever silver coin

It's a good thing that the Royal Canadian Mint didn't replace the \$50 bill with its new \$50 coin, otherwise high rollers might be walking around with their pants down around their ankles.

Billed as Canada's largest coin, the Mint has released a 10 ounce Silver Maple Leaf coin in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Silver Maple Leaf bullion coin. At 10 times the weight of the conventional Maple Leaf coin introduced in 1988, this is the largest coin Canada has ever produced.

The new coin is 65 mm in diameter and 11 mm thick. It has a legal tender face value of \$50 and is made from .9999 pure silver. Featuring the traditional Maple Leaf design found on the series of bullion investment coins, the coin is

struck in a reverse proof finish. The edge bears the inscription 10th Anniversary / 10e anniversaire. The coin is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity in the form of a sterling silver plaque engraved by Mint engravers. The obverse side features a contemporary effigy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II by artist Dora de Pédery-Hunt.



Canada's largest coin - the new \$20 Maple Leaf and its sterling silver authenticity plaque.

The coin comes in a black leather display case lined with black ultra-suede. Only 25,000 coins have been struck and are available for \$199.99 (Can.) or \$148.45 (U.S.) through Mint distributors or directly through the Mint by calling 1-800-267-1871 in Canada or 1-800-268-6468 in the U.S.

SHOW & BOURSE

AUGUST 9 - SOUTH WESTERN ONTARIO NUMISMATICS - PARIS

At the Convention Centre, Paris Fair Grounds, 139 Silver St., Paris. Hours: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Admission is \$1 and includes a ticket on a gold coin. This is a collectable show with sports cards, jewelry, militaria, post cards and artifacts included with coins, tokens and paper money. For further information contact Ted Bailey at (519) 442-3474. Lunch available.

AUGUST 15, 1998 - COLLINGWOOD COIN & STAMP CLUB

At the Leisure Time Centre, 100 Minnesota St., Collingwood. Hours: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. This is a coin and stamp show. Free parking, snack bar available. For information, contact bourse chairman Brad Green at (705) 444-1580 (afternoons), at (705) 445-3972 evenings (between 6:30 - 8 p.m. or at tbg@bconnex.net)

SEPTEMBER 13, 1998 - WOODSTOCK

At the CAW Hall, Beale St., Woodstock. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$1. Stamps and coins, door prizes, displays and free parking. For information contact the Woodstock Coin Club, c/o 549 Grace St., Woodstock, Ont., (519) 539-5926.

SEPTEMBER 20, 1998 - LONDON

At Ramada Inn, 817 Exeter Road (off Highway 401), London. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Displays and dealers for coins, medals and tokens. Admission \$1. For further information contact the London Numismatic Society at (519) 472-9679.

OCTOBER 3, 1998 - NORTH YORK

At the Edithvale Community Centre - in the gym, 7 Edithvale Dr., North York (near Yonge & Finch). Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Coins, tokens, medals, bank notes, Canadian Tire money and wooden money. Free parking and free admission - hourly draws. For information contact Ron Zelk, bourse chairman (416) 633-4383 Ext. 222 or write to: The North York Coin Club, P.O. Box 58508 Corner Plaza P.O., 197 Sheppard Ave., E., North York, Ont., M2N 6R7.

OCTOBER 25, 1998 - STRATFORD

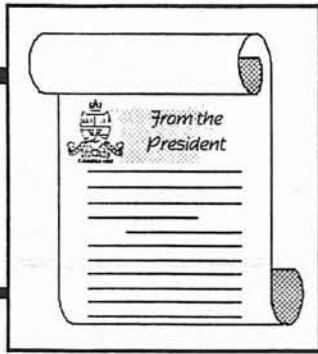
At the Kiwanis Community Centre, Lakeside Drive, Stratford. Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Club's 36th annual show, free admission, lunch counter, silent auction and more. For information contact Ken Wilmot, Stratford Coin Club, R.P.O. Box 21031, Stratford, Ont., N5A 7V4.

NOVEMBER 21, 1998 - WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY

At the RCAF Association 404 Wing, 510 Dutton Drive, Waterloo Ont. Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Free parking, free admission and "Penny Draws". For information call: Don Robb, Box 22062, Westmount P.O. Waterloo, Ontario, N2L 6J7 or call (519) 888-9655.

JANUARY 16 & 17, 1999 - CAND SHOW - HAMILTON

At the Ramada Inn, 150 King St. E., Hamilton, Ont. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday. Daily admission \$3, \$2 for Seniors, under 16 free. Evening auction sessions and exclusive kids table with special bargains. Ramada has a special room rate of \$69 per night. For information contact T. McHugh, Show Chairman, P.O. Box 61538 Fennell P.O., Hamilton, Ont. L8T 5A1, Fax: (905) 643-6329, email: rscoins@netaccess.on.ca



President's Message

Summer a time to relax and attend coin shows

Hot!. That is the only way to describe the past month or so. In my area, this has been accompanied by very severe lack of rain which followed a late frost. In some ways it could be a blessing in disguise as there is no reason to stay home and watch the grass grow, (it isn't) and you sure don't have to cut it. This gives all serious collectors a chance to visit a coin show in August.

A couple that come to mind is the coin show in Paris (Ontario, that is) on August 9 and the Collingwood Show on August 15. The Paris Show, held at the Fair Grounds, boasts 50 bourse tables. The Collingwood Show, at the Leisure Time Club, provides an excellent opportunity for a weekend getaway.

While I do not usually comment on illness, I feel it is important to mention this one. Around the middle of June, Tom Masters suffered a heart attack. Tom is a long time member of the ONA Executive and has, over the past number of years, been our editor, and currently our librarian. When I visited him in hospital in London, he was in good spirits and looking forward to a complete recovery. I know all of our members wish Tom well and if you are in the London area, give him a call at (519) 438-2402. I know he would welcome the call.

John Regitko, our Club Services Director, mentioned to me that we should keep the 1999 convention on view with regular announcements. As mentioned in the last edition, the executive announced that the College Inn in Guelph will host the 1999 ONA convention, April 16 - 18. We hope you make plans to attend.

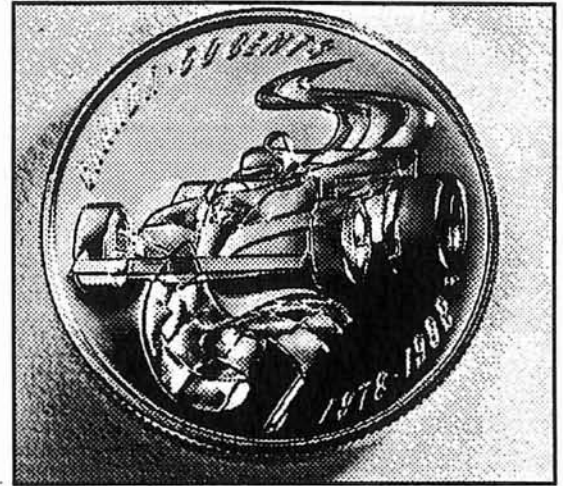
In addition, we have decided to have competitive exhibits. There will be significant changes to the format as exhibits will only be accepted in one-case due to space limitations and a desire to open the exhibits up to as many as possible. Displays will be judged on completeness to a theme and information, eye appeal, etc. This could be as simple as "The Queens of Great Britain" or "Transportation on Canadian Coins". The problem will be to make the topic fit in one display case. While the idea was born out of necessity, the challenge should prove interesting.

The bourse has been completely sold out and due to realignment of the exhibit area, we will be able to accommodate an additional seven tables. For information contact me, Ken Wilmot at: Box 76, Sebringville, Ontario N0K 1X0. Phone (519) 393-6694.

In closing, I wish everyone "Good coining and a great summer."

Ken Wilmot
President

RCM ISSUES A PLETHORA OF DIVERSIFIED COINS



The Royal Canadian Mint is hard at work producing a raft of new collector coins for the year 1998 and beyond.

Sure to be a hit with sports fans is the new 50-cent sterling silver coin series featuring some of Canada's most popular sports. Four coins will be issued in 1998, followed by four more in 1999 and four more in the year 2000. The series commemorates important dates in the history of sports that remain very popular with Canadians and others worldwide.

The 1998 designs include:

Coin 1 - Inscribed with the dates 1888-1998, the design celebrates the *First Official Amateur Figure Skating Championship of 1888*. The superimposed images of three speed and figure skaters indicate the expansion of these

sports in our time.

Coin 2 - Struck with the dates 1898-1998, this coin integrates figures of the *First Canadian Ski Running and Ski Jumping Championships* of 1898 and contemporary ski racing, suggesting growth and development of these winter sports.

Coin 3 - Commemorates the *First Overseas Canadian Soccer Tour of 1888* in an image of three super imposed soccer players, surrounded by the dates 1888-1998. By depicting action characteristics of the sport rather than the historic detail, the artist reflects the continuity of the sport in the 20th century.

Coin 4 - Recalls the victory of Gilles Villeneuve in the Grand Prix of Canada for F1 Auto Racing (1978). Features of the winning car are interwo-

ven with symbolic tracks of the racing circuit.

The artist responsible for the reverse of each coin is Friedrich G. Peter, RCA. Among his other achievements is the design the *Calgary Olympic* coins, several *Canadian postage stamps, murals and medals*. The obverse features the effigy of Queen Elizabeth II by Dora de Pédry-Hunt.

The coins are available for

Pictured are two of the four new coins of the sports series were issue in June - the race car of Gilles Villeneuve and the second a tribute to soccer.

\$19.95 (Can.) and \$14.65 (U.S.) and can be ordered by using the information available at the end of this article.

Two new coins grace aviation series

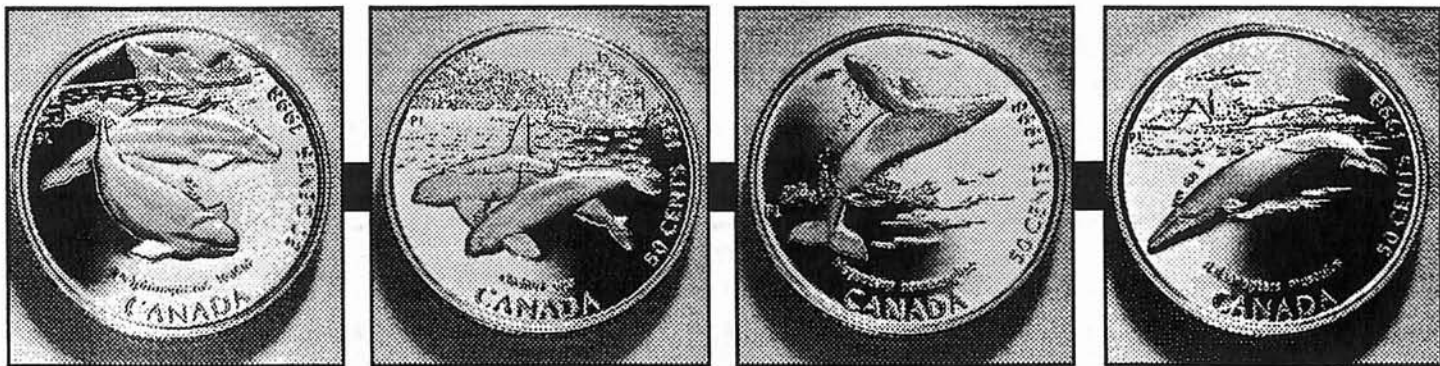
Two new aviation coins that have guarded Canada against danger and disaster have just been released by the Mint.

Coins 7 & 8 of the second set of 10 coins - the 1998 \$20 sterling silver Canadair CP-107 Argus and the \$20 sterling silver Canadair CL-215 Waterbomber, were recently added to the second series of 10 coins that is entitled "Powered Flight in Canada Beyond WWII". The two final coins in

See Whale, Pg. 5



New aviation issue boast waterbomber and anti-submarine planes



A whale of a series

this series will be announced in 1999. An earlier a 10-coin Aviation Series featuring planes for the first 50 years was released in 1990 and completed in 1994.

The Argus was an anti-submarine plane that first took to the skies in 1957 and entered the Canadian Air Force the following year. It's sophisticated equipment and superior design made it one of the most advanced ASW aircraft of its day. The Argus flew its last mission in 1981.

Design features of the coin include a close-up of the Argus and a cameo of William Sydney Longhurst and crew who made the first test flight from Cartierville Québec in 1957.

The water-bomber came along in 1967 and is the only aircraft in the world designed to fight forest fires. The plane is equipped with probes that scoop up 5455 litres of water from a lake in 10 seconds while skimming along the surface at 110 km/hr. The plane can normally make 75 trips a day, refuelling once, against a fire 160 k.m. from its base.

The coin features a close up of the waterbomber while the

cameo features a portrait of Paul Gagnon of Québec City, who spent over 45 years as a pilot. He was involved in the 1962 development and launching of the CL-215 Waterbomber.

Both coins feature 24 carat gold-covered cameos and are available for \$57.95 (Can.) or \$42.95 (U.S.), each.

Ocean giants featured on new series

Another new series of coins issued by the mint is entitled "Canada's Ocean Giants.

The 50 cent sterling coins

the Humpback Whale, commonly seen off the coast of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland in the summer.

The Beluga is featured on Coin three. It is found in Canada's Arctic, in Hudson's Bay and in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. It is recognizable by its white colour.

The final coin in the series is the Blue Whale, the largest mammal the earth has ever known. It is best spotted in and around Sept-Iles, Que.

All reverse designs were created by artist Pierre Leduc. The obverse features the effigy

the latest addition to the platinum wildlife series begun the by Mint in 1995.

The platinum set consists of a 1/10 ounce \$30 coin, a 1/4 ounce \$75 coin, a 1/2 ounce \$150 coin and a one ounce \$300 coin. The coins feature a close up of a wolf's head on the 1/10 ounce; a lone wolf on the 1/4 ounce, two cubs at play on the 1/2 ounce and a mother with her cubs on the one ounce.

All reverse designs were created by Canadian Wildlife artist Kerri Burnett. The obverse features the effigy of Queen Elizabeth II by Dora de Pédery-Hunt.

The platinum coin set is available for \$2,095 Canadian (\$1,552.45 U.S.) or the 1/2 and 1/10 ounce coins are available individually at \$599.95 Canadian (\$441.45 U.S.) and \$179.95 Canadian (\$133.45 U.S.), respectively.

All coins in this article are available worldwide through the Royal Canadian Mint Network of dealers and distributors. In North America the coins can be ordered directly from the Mint by calling 1-800-267-1871 in Canada or 1-800-268-6468 in the U.S.



feature the Killer, Humpback, Beluga and Blue whales.

The first coin features the Killer Whale, most common to Canada's west coast and known as a highly social species nearly always seen in schools.

The second coin portrays

of Queen Elizabeth II by Dora de Pédery-Hunt.

Gray Wolf on Platinum Coins

The Gray Wolf, largest member of the wild dog family is

TRADE DOLLARS

By Jerry Remick

International Plowing Match show near Kingston strikes second token

The committee in charge of the 1998 International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show hosted near Kingston, Sept. 16-19, 1998, has issued a second striking of their \$2.00 Kingston municipal token.

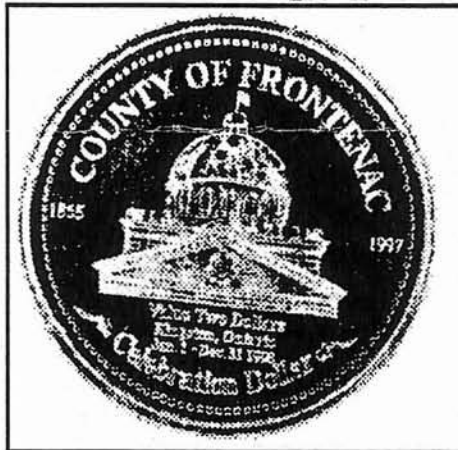
The token, issued in bonded steel with a "II" below Machinery on the reverse side, is devoted to two separate events. The reverse side, which pictures a plough with the year '98 at its right, commemorates the 85th International Plowing Match & Farm Machinery Show, that will be held in Sunbury, Ontario (10 km outside of Kingston) in the township of Storrington, which was formerly part of Frontenac County.

The obverse side of the token marks the fact that Frontenac County, incorporated in 1865, ceased to exist as a corporation on Dec. 31, 1997, due to the amalgamation of Kingston Township and Pittsburgh Township. This created a new city of Kingston with a population of 150,000 people.

The reverse stylized sketch has the words International Plowing Match / & Farm Equipment Show inscribed at the top, and Promoting Agriculture Since 1913 at the bottom. As previously stated, a small "II" is inscribed below "Machinery".

The upper part of the Frontenac County Court House is depicted on the Obverse side with 1865 on its left and 1997 on the right. The inscription below the court house reads: Value Two Dollars / Kingston, Ontario, Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1998 / Celebration Dollar with a small plough on either side of these two words. The designs were created by Neil McCallum and Ken Keyes of Kingston.

In 1997, Lawrence Medallie Art of Mississauga, Ontario struck the first issue on 33 mm milled-edged blanks featuring a mintage of 9,500 in nickel bonded steel;



200 in 24 carat gold plated NBS; and 100 each in antiqued silver plated NBS, antiqued copper plated NBS and Pure Silver. The second striking consisted of 5,000 NBS tokens.

The NBS token, with or without the "II", is available post paid for \$3.50. The following formats without "II" sell for \$15.50 each for the gold, silver or copper NBS and \$39.50 for pure silver. They are available from Ray Desjardin, P.O. Box 11447, Station H, Nepean, Ontario; phone or fax (613) 823-3844. Ontario residents add 8% PST. MasterCard and VISA accepted.

A large turnout of more than 10,000

people at the 1998 event is expected. For more information on the show, contact the 1998 International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show, P.O. Box 20027, Kingston Ontario, K7P 2T6 or phone (888) 291-1998, (613) 544-8767 or fax (613) 544-8747.

Kincardine issues special trade note

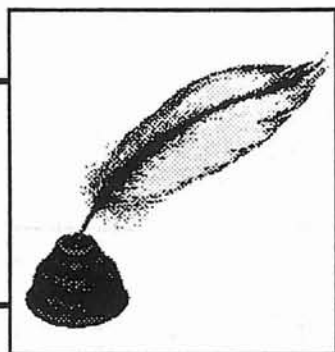
Two, very special events have been commemorated by the town of Kincardine with the issue of a multi-colour 1998 \$3 trade note.

The front side of the note commemorates the founding of the town in 1848 while the reverse side honours the Kincardine Scottish Pipe Band, which was founded 90 years ago in 1908. This band has played every Saturday night of the summer since 1948.

Portraits of two of Kincardine's founding fathers - Alan Cameron and William Withers appear on the front side of the note along with the inscriptions: "Kincardine Sesquicentennial"; "1848 - 1998"; "10th Annual Old Boys and Girls reunion"; "July 30 to Aug. 3, 1998"; "Legal Tender - \$3 Dollar Value at all Kincardine businesses and banks until Aug. 6, 1998" and "Three 3 Dollars". The note is signed by Kincardine's mayor and the chair person of the Sesquicentennial program.

On the reverse, is a multi-colour photograph of the Kincardine Scottish Pipe Band, marching down a street with spectators on both sides. The logo for the 10th Reunion of the Old Boys and Old Girls is in the upper left corner. The Sesquicentennial logo is in the upper right corner. "Kincardine 1848 - 1998" is at the top. Near the bottom of the note has the following inscribed: "Where

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This & That

THE WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY runs an interesting feature each month entitled "Did you know..." Last month's was quite interesting: "The 1998 Guinness Book of Records reports that the largest collection of valid credit cards to date is one of 1,397 (all different) by Walter Cavanagh of Santa Clara, CA. The cost of acquisition for "Mr. Plastic Fantastic", was zero. He keeps the cards in the world's longest wallet - 250 feet long. It weighs 38 lbs., 8 ozs. and contains cards worth more than \$1.65 million in credit.

THE ROYAL CANADIAN MINT has mailed out "Create a Centsation" contest entry blanks to every Canadian Household in an effort to involve Canadians in an ambitious coin design project.

Twelve commemorative 25-cent pieces will be issued in 1999, which reflect Canadian events from the past 1,000 years. Canadian culture, history, exploration, adventure and discoveries in science and technology are all possible themes. A panel of art students will select 12 winning designs by midnight, August 31, 1998.

A further 12 commemorative 25-cent pieces will be released to celebrate the new millennium in the year 2000. These designs will reflect Canadian views of the future millennium in terms of the future of exploration, communication, and science.

Again the winning designs will be selected by a panel of art students from the entries received before midnight, June 30, 1999. For both coin series of coins, the winning entries will feature the designer's initials. For further information contact the Mint at 1-800-671-2327 or by visiting www.centsation.com. Entries can be mailed to: Royal Canadian Mint, "Create a Centsation" contest, Box 9060, Station T, Ottawa, Ont., K1G 3T8.

MEMBERSHIP - The applications for membership which appeared in the May-June issue of the Ontario Numismatist have been accepted. The following applications for membership have been received and acceptance will appear in the next issue: 1667, Paul R. Petch, Etobicoke, Ont.; 1668, Robert Bigras, Hull, P.Q. The following have been transferred from regular membership to Life Membership: LM 103, Dr. Harold Don Allen, Brossard, P.Q.; LM 104, John Horne, Windsor, Ont.

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Wanted: Numismatic pen pals to correspond with young collectors aged eight to 12 years. Please state collecting preferences. Mr. Chris Boyer, Paisley Road Coin Club, 406 Paisley Road, Guelph, Ontario, N1H 2R3.

Canadian Novelty Coins - Specializing in Canadian Medallions, municipal tokens, scrip, etc., is offering "Rock Dollars", custom made for clubs, organizations, municipalites, etc. Inexpensive, made of real rock. must be seen. Samples only \$7.50 ppd., P.O. Box 2111, Stn A, Sudbury, Ont., Canada, P3A 4R8, (705) 566-3545 or fax 705-566-2025, email: jfern@cyberbeach.net.

NEWFOUNDLAND: ITS MONEY AND ITS STORY

By WALTER GRIGGS,
Chedoke Numismatic Society

One might argue that every serious collector and student of the paper money of what now is Canada owes it to himself sometime early in his collecting career to pick up good specimens of the currency issues of the island province of Newfoundland.

The notes one would cite would include broken bank bills of two 19th century banks of issue, a few of the interesting and unusual denominations of Public Works Cash Notes of Edwardian vintage, the Newfoundland Government Cash Notes of the next decade, and the familiar \$1 and \$2 Government of Newfoundland paper money issues of 1920. To round off the picture, there might be some specimens of the emergency money of the time of the Great Fire of St. John's, July, 1892.

The only problem would be that the new collector, in attempting to acquire this bare minimum of representative currency of an interesting and historic British Colony, could have set himself a blatantly impossible task.

For Newfoundland paper money, what little of it there ever was, virtually has ceased to exist. The few truly prized specimens that grace leading collections hardly ever change hands. The later note issues, even in the commonest denominations, rarely turn up and when they do, they are not usually in very good

condition.

Yet, they merit collecting, and painstaking preservation. For Newfoundland paper money reflects Newfoundland's history and personality, and what is lacking in crispness perhaps is compensated for the story these tatters could tell. Newfoundland's numismatic history has never been set down on paper and the facts are obscure.

Newfoundland, a deeply indented triangle of land in the North Atlantic at the Gulf of St. Lawrence, is one of those corners of the world which, while little endowed by Nature, has been chosen by history to play an important part in the larger perspective of changing times. For though the Grand Banks are rich in the produce of the sea, the shores of the island are rocky and barren, the meagre soil little suited to farming, save the river valleys of the west, the forest cover broken and skimpy.

Yet Newfoundland, "The Gibraltar of North America", "The Watchdog of the St. Lawrence", has played a part of history disproportionate to its limited

resources, and continues to do so. This 20th century, as did many previous centuries,

looks upon Newfoundland as a crossroads of the world.

John Cabot returned to Bristol,

England in 1497 with tales of a "new-found-lande", around which the waters were teeming with fish. Sir Humphrey Gilbert took possession of the island in the name of Elizabeth of England in 1583, which makes NFLD the oldest of British Colonies and a "cornerstone" of the Commonwealth.

The Grand Banks, that broad submerged shelf of the continent, attracted sailors of many nations to NFLD's bleak coastline, but there were few settlers. The fishing fleets would sail from British ports every spring, and would hasten back in autumn having dried their great catches from the Grand Banks on NFLD's shores.

By 1800 there were a few attempts



First monetary system appears in NFLD 1855

to colonize, but in the words of a contemporary British parliamentarian: "The Island of NFLD has been considered... as a great ship moored near the Banks during the fishing season, for the convenience of English fishermen. The Governor was considered as the ship's captain, and those who were concerned in the fishery business as his crew, and subject to naval discipline while there, and expected to return to England when the season was over".

Responsible government came to NFLD in 1855. A long struggle then ensued as the shift from English fishing interests to colonial rights occurred. It is significant to note that with the granting of self-government, the first monetary system began to appear. The hodgepodge of diverse forms that had filled the meagre tills of the island can be best left to the imagination, save to note that both the currencies of France and England would likely have been well represented seeing that both had conflicting claims to parts of the surrounding territories. Other countries fishing the Grand Banks, including fishermen from the New England states, also would have used their coinage.

The first actual NFLD money appears to have been token issues, copper pieces struck for a firm in St. John's and Harbour Grace in the 1840s.

One or two other issues were produced over 20 years that preceded regular government coinage, most of which were rather similar to pieces struck for other British North America merchants at this time. The few specimens available to be seen, evidence long circulation and probably served as official NFLD coinage for many years.

In 1836, the Bank of British North America became the first bank to open in NFLD, but the fate of this institution is not known, for standard banking references do



not include it. While it presumably constituted a bank of issue, the writer hasn't seen any of its currency and assumes that it either failed or later merged with two later banks, both of which subsequently failed. It's worthy of note that in 1836, NFLD had a population of 73,705. In the next 40 years it more than doubled.

The first paper money was introduced in the 1850s, following the token era. The island's two recognized banks - The Union Bank of Newfoundland, and the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland, date from 1854 and 1857, respectively. Their first bank bills appear to have been produced in England and are denominated in Sterling. Both of these banks persisted honorably throughout most of the remainder of the century, until engulfed in financial chaos following the St. John's fire. Both failed in 1894.

Good, well-struck decimal coinage from London's Tower Mint, dates from 1865, when NFLD switched to dollars and cents money and ordered its first official coinage. The pleasing large copper cents, half-dime size silver fives, silver tens and twenties, and gold dollars are familiar to most collectors.

The series begin in 1865 and were issued regularly in quantities to meet actual demand. The big, immensely popular 50-cent coin dates from 1870. Newfoundlanders, wary after note losses in the bank failures of 1894, took to hoarding their savings, and thousands of dollars in large silver pieces were tucked away. As a result, NFLD was out-issuing Canada in 50-cent pieces at the turn of the century

and it also explains why large groupings occasionally turn up so well persevered today. As for the gold coins, their life proved short and few remained in the colony. Canada, for example, had yet to strike a gold coin.

Newfoundland's H-mint-mark Heaton Mint coins, like Canada's, no doubt arose from the Tower Mint. In peak periods subcontracting was done by the Birmingham Mint. Newfoundland's rarities are not minor varieties though, they simply represent years where the coin may have been "out of stock", and only slightly in demand.

It bears emphasizing that NFLD's coinage series reflects the traditionalism of the region. For example, the series of small silver fives, abandoned by the United States and Canada decades earlier, persisted in NFLD to the very end. The large cent continued to 1936, the 20 cent coin (called a "fifth") until 1912. In 1917, a small issue of 25 cent pieces was introduced.

By 1891, NFLD's population had edged past 200,000, a homogenous people of British origin, largely concentrated in the Avalon Peninsula in the south-east. The failure of NFLD's banks left the colony wide open for expansion of Canada's banks. The Bank of Montreal became the government's official bankers and thus introduced Canadian currency which circulated alongside the NFLD currency for decades to come. It is significant to note that NFLD's broken bank issues, while extremely scarce, bear searching for, just for their beauty alone. Produced first in England, then later in New York, the colorful \$20, \$50 and \$100 notes are a true reflection of the colony. There is also reason to believe, that some sort of emergency currency existed after the banks failures in 1894, possibly a series of vouchers, but

First currency to appear in Newfoundland was tokens

First NFLD paper money had strange denominations

Canadian currency soon removed this need.

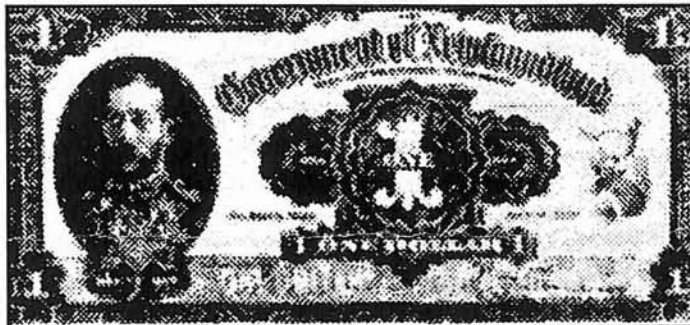
Currency issues of the NFLD government were of three types. First there were Newfoundland Government Cash Notes (Department of Public Works). These were simple, well-produced bills, printed in black on white paper, with red dates 1901 through 1909.

This unusual money reached circulation by being paid out to workers on Public Works construction projects, or used to pay poor relief, or for like purposes. The denominations may seem unusual: 25¢, 40¢, 50¢, 80¢, \$1 and \$5, 1901 to 1909 inclusive.

A second type of cash note was introduced in 1910 of more elaborate engraving, though of the same old large dimensions - 7" by 31/4". Those notes were dated according to fiscal years and were inscribed "1910-11", "1911-12", "1912-13" and "1914-14", the latter said to be the scarcest type.

All values bear on the face

a small oval picture of a waterfall, bordered by evergreens. The inscriptions allude to the Bank of Montreal as Government Bankers, stating that the notes, like the Public Works bills, were payable on presentation at the St. John's Branch of the bank. The frac-



tional notes have red as a background color while higher denominations were believed to have used different colors in the background.

Both these cash note series are found from time to time with apparently random quarter-inch holes punched in the upper or lower extremes. These are cancellations, and such a note would not be redeemed. Cancelled notes are not unfa-

miliar to the collecting fraternity, but are a menace as their cancellation suggests unintentional mutilation, another matter indeed.

The third type of government paper money was the \$1 and \$2 issues dated Jan. 2, 1920, which apparently persist-

are becoming quite scarce.

On April 1, 1949, Newfoundland became Canada's 10th province following two referenda in which the people voted to suspend its constitution and any attempt at self-government and to join Canada.

History, so vividly recalled on the Colony's postage stamps, still continues to watch over this lonely island. But the cold Labrador current still chills the island and the menacing mountains of ice that claimed many ships, including The Titanic, yet drift from Polar seas, exactly as they did when the first settlers arrived, when the first tokens circulated, and when the crisp new bank bills won unquestioned acceptance and were quoted in the exchange centres of the world.

Walter Griggs is the Ontario Director of the CNA. This article was reprinted from the Scarborough Coin Club Newsletter. It has been edited in some areas for space considerations.

Kincardine

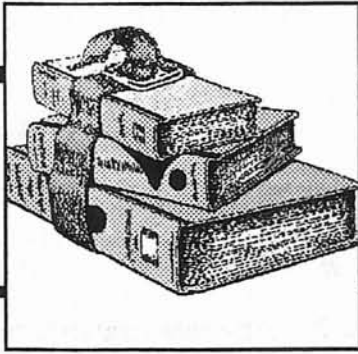
You're A Stranger Only Once" with "90th Anniversary Of The Kincardine Scottish" right below.

Jacque Reaume of Dive Graphics looked after the graphic and artwork while Chris Cover of Kincardine took the photo of the Scottish Pipe Band. The notes were printed on white paper with alternating lines in red or black by J.S. Deschamps of Beauport Quebec. They are about the size of a Canadian Bank Note.

A total of 15,000, 1998, \$3.00 notes were printed with three differing serial numbers. The initial run or regular numbers runs to 13,800. KS 1000 to KS 1999 (1,000 notes) standing for the Scottish Pipe Band, and KIN150 (200 notes) standing for Kincardine 150 Years, completes the run.

Kincardine officials cannot fill mail orders, so Ray Desjardins, P.O. Box 11447, Station H, Nepean, Ontario; phone or fax (613) 823-3844, has been asked to do so. Prices are \$4.50 for the regular note, \$6.50 for the KS series and \$12.50 for the KIN series. Ontario residents add 8% PST. MasterCard and VISA accepted.





Book Reviews

1998 Official Canadian Coin Guide: Dealers' Buying Prices for Canadian Provincial Coinage, Tokens and Paper Money and United States Coins, published by the Unitrade Press, April 1998, 191 pages.

A review by Jerry Remick

This catalog presents a single valuation for each catalogued piece (in average condition) that most dealers will pay for the piece.

Coins catalogued include: Canadian decimal, collector's issues, Gold Sovereigns, Pre-Confederation provincial coinage, tokens of British North America, official commemorative medals, paper money of Canada and United States decimal and commemorative coins. Mintage figures accompany Canadian decimal, Gold Sovereigns, provincial coins and collector's issues. Photos are given for most types of Canadian decimal, tokens, collector's issues and U.S. coins. There is a seven-page glossary at the end of the book.

The soft cover version of the 4" x 6 1/4" book sells for \$5.95 in English or French. It is available for \$8.50 p.p. from The Unitrade Press, 99 Floral Parkway, Toronto, Ontario, M6L 2C4, phone (416) 242-5900.

Dictionary of Canadian Medalists, by the late Robert C. Willey, edited by Ronald Greene, Published by the Canadian Numismatic Research Society, June 1998. 180 Pages including 10 pages of photographs.

A review by Jerry Remick

In this book, the late Robert C. Willey attempts to provide information on every person or firm from any country that has designed, engraved, struck or manufactured any coins, tokens and/or medals relating to Canada or Colonial Canada, its provinces and territories. Data on municipal and personal issues is also included.

A list of initials, followed by the full name, appearing on Canadian numismatic pieces, is given at the beginning of the section for each letter of the alphabet. A four-page bibliography and 10 pages of clear photos of Canadian coins, tokens and medals concludes the book.

The data contained in this book was first published in serial form in the "Transactions of the Canadian Numismatic Research Society" between 1978 and 1982. Robert Willey had been revising this work at the time of his death in 1993. Willey's manuscript has been com-

pleted and updated over the past few years by Ronald Greene, Secretary of the Canadian Numismatic Research Society, with aid from several other Society members.

The book is printed on fine quality paper and is available in either hard or soft cover. The first edition is limited to 500 copies (50 hard cover) and goes for \$26.95 (Can), \$21.95 (U.S.) for soft cover versions or \$38.95 (Can) or \$33 (U.S.) for hard cover. Orders should be sent to The Canadian Numismatic Research Society, Ronald Greene, P.O. Box 1351, Victoria, B.C., V8W 2W7.

Money Talk - Slang an Unofficial Terms and Expressions Used for Money in North America, by Jerry Remick

A review by Jeff Fournier

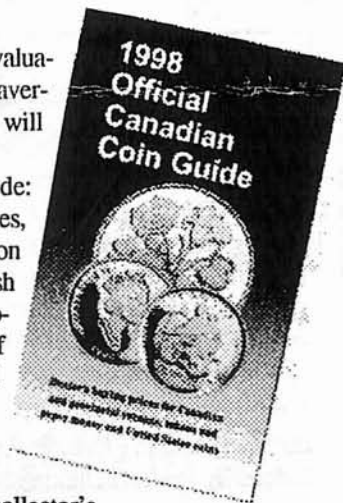
"Queer as a \$3 bill", "Money doesn't grow on trees", "Cowboy Dollar", "Yankee Dime", "Shinplaster", "Booty", "Bread", "Jack", "Penny Dreadful", "two bits", "Dixie", "Hog Money", "Stella", "Penny-ante", "Penny Press", "Nickelodeon", "Goddess Coin", "Canoe Dollar", "Keeps turning like a bad penny", "Do you think I can spit nickels", "He doesn't have two cents to rub together", "that costs an arm and a leg", "Pennies from heaven"...and many more.

Money is part of our everyday lives and, not surprisingly, has become part of our everyday speech as well. Hundreds of terms and expressions relating to money are used daily in North America, some, in fact have been expressed for hundreds of years.

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The spiral bound book is set up for easy reading and includes such topics as the Spanish-American dollar, terms pertaining to the U.S. and Canadian dollars, expressions used in Canada and the U.S. involving currency, humorous sayings, proverbs and much more, all relating to money. Of special interest is a section devoted to French terms and expressions used in Quebec for money. *Money Talk* is a pleasure to read and will evoke memories for senior readers and invite questions from younger readers.

Money Talk is available for \$11.99 (Can) ppd., or \$9.99 (U.S.), ppd. Cheques or money orders should be sent to "Canadian Novelty Coins", P.O. Box 2111, Stn A, Sudbury, Ont., Canada, P3A 4R8, email:jferm@cyberbeach.net, phone (705) 566-3545, fax (705) 566-2025.





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Waterloo Coin Society Floats Overprint of 75th Anniversary CTC 5 Cent Issue

by Mike Hollingshead

In advance of the 1999 Canadian Numismatic Association annual convention to be held in Kitchener, Ontario, July 22-25, the Waterloo Coin Society has taken a cue from some older issues of CTC coupons that featured overprints. The popular southern Ontario club commissioned a printer to overprint a number of CTC coupons.

The face of the coupon features an overprint that advises the bearer to "See Reverse", and has the denomination counters "X"ed out. The back of the coupon is overprinted with "Redeemable for 10 cents only on the bourse floor of the Canadian Numismatic Association Annual Convention at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel, Kitchener, Ontario, held July 22-25, 1999. Sponsored by the Waterloo Coin Society". All the faces were overprinted in black, the backs, however, had a printing of 199 in red and 299 in black. Persons that pre-register at the 1998 CNA in Edmonton will find a black-backed coupon in their kit. The dealers registered at the CNA have a red-backed coupon in their registration kit.

An additional, special, limited edition printing consisted of two replacement coupons (one in black and one in red), three "printer's proof" notes that are only back overprinted (one set red and one set black), and two sets (one in red, one in black) consisting of 5, 10, 25, 50 cent, \$1, and \$2 overprinted coupons. The special issues will be sold, as seven lots, at the CTCCC mailbid/floor auction to be held in conjunction with the ONA convention in Guelph, Ontario, in April 1999 to allow a chance for interested collectors to obtain the special issues. The plates used to produce the issue were destroyed following the printing.

CTCCC club members (*and others*) may obtain (while supplies last!) a regular, red & black, set of two 5 cent coupons for \$5.00, postpaid, by writing to the Waterloo Coin Society, P.O. Box 40044, Waterloo Square P.O., Waterloo, Ontario, N2J 4V1. Make cheques payable to Waterloo Coin Society. Payment may also be made in CTC coupons!

Holders of overprinted coupons are encouraged to visit the 1999 CNA, even if they don't intend to redeem their coupons.

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July 22-25, 1999
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Hosted by the Waterloo Coin Society

Located in the heart of Mennonite country in Southern Ontario, Kitchener-Waterloo is just one hour west of Toronto. Kitchener-Waterloo is also the home of the world's second-largest Oktoberfest, after Munich, Germany.

Some of the events the convention plans to offer are:

--educational seminars and activities for young numismatists

--40 bourse tables

--tours of Mennonite country, the Canadian Clay and Glass Museum, and a nostalgic ride on the Fifties Streamliner

--an Oktoberfest Night and activities

--AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

Come celebrate the Waterloo Coin Society's 40th anniversary with us! For more information, write: Waterloo Coin Society, P.O. Box 40044, Waterloo Square P.O., Waterloo, Ontario, N2J 4V1, or visit our homepage at www.angelfire.com/tx/wcshomepage/index.html.

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Buffalo coin latest in series

The Royal Canadian Mint has issued a \$200 face value Legend of the White Buffalo gold coin as the second in a four-year series on Canadian Native Cultures and Traditions.

The coin, introduced at the 107th American Numismatic Association's World Fair of Money in August, was designed by Canadian Native artist Alex Janvier, who was born on the Cold Lake First Nations Reserve near Cold Lake, Alberta. Raised in the Chippewyan tradition, he spoke the Dene Soun i ini language until he was eight years old before entering the Blue Quill Residential School. After high school, Janvier attended the Alberta College of Art and in 1971 decided to devote himself to art on a full-time basis. In addition to the White Buffalo coin, one of his major commissions was the domed ceiling of the Canadian Museum of Civilization where his mural spans over 4,500 square feet. His painting

"The Seasons" is also housed at the museum.

Janvier, who designed the reverse of the coin, depicts a White Buffalo rearing up on his hind legs. White buffaloes are extremely rare and legend maintains that a period of healing, unity and regeneration accompanies their birth. The buffalo is a powerful symbol in the Plains



Indian culture and past generations looked to the buffalo for both spiritual guidance and the necessities of life. The obverse of the coin depicts Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II by Canadian artist Dora de Pédery-Hunt surrounded by the inscription 200 DOLLARS, CANADA,

1998 ELIZABETH II.

The coin has a purity of 22 karat or (91.67%) gold and 8.33% silver and weighs 17.135 grams. It has a diameter of 29 mm and a thickness of 2 mm. The edge is reeded and a total of 25,000 were minted.

The Legend of the White Buffalo coin is available in a no frills shipper at \$409.95 Canadian (\$303.95 U.S.) or encapsulated in a metal trimmed case and protective box at \$414.95 (\$307.45 U.S.). A special native collector box to house the entire series (when completed in 2000) is also available at \$79.95 Canadian (\$59.45 U.S.). The coins are available from any of the mint's global network of dealers and distributors or by calling 1-800-267-1871 (Canada) or 1-800-268-6468 (U.S.).

The first coin in this series was Art of the Haida from the West Coast of Canada in 1997. Following the White Buffalo, Native Art from eastern Canada (1999) and The art of the Inuit (2000) will be forthcoming.

SHOW & BOURSE

OCTOBER 3, 1998 - NORTH YORK

At the Edithvale Community Centre - in the gym, 7 Edithvale Dr., North York (near Yonge & Finch). Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Coins, tokens, medals, bank notes, Canadian Tire money and wooden money. Free parking and free admission - hourly draws. For information contact Ron Zelk, bourse chairman (416) 633-4383 Ext. 222 or write to: The North York Coin Club, P.O. Box 58508 Corner Plaza P.O., 197 Sheppard Ave., E., North York, Ont., M2N 6R7.

OCTOBER 10, 1998 - PICKERING - Hosted by the Oshawa and District Coin Club

At the Pickering Town Centre, Hwy 401 and Liverpool Rd., east of Toronto and west of Oshawa. The show is called Durham Coin 1998 and will feature coins, tokens and paper money. For further information contact Earl or Sharon MacLean at 905-728-1352.

OCTOBER 25, 1998 - STRATFORD

At the Kiwanis Community Centre, Lakeside Drive, Stratford. Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Club's 36th annual show, free admission, lunch counter, silent auction and more. For information contact Ken Wilmot, Stratford Coin Club, R.P.O. Box 21031, Stratford, Ont., N5A 7V4.

NOVEMBER 21, 1998 - WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY

At the RCAF Association 404 Wing, 510 Dutton Drive, Waterloo Ont. Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Free parking, free admission and "Penny Draws". For information call: Don Robb, Box 22062, Westmount P.O. Waterloo, Ontario, N2L 6J7 or call (519) 888-9655.

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At Our Lady of Peace Hall, 6944 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls, Ont. Hours 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Free Parking, admission \$1. Free Gold Draw! More than 40 dealers with coins, stamps, cards, jewelry, paper money, tokens, medals, etc. For information contact NICF at (905) 356-5006.

JANUARY 16 & 17, 1999 - CAND SHOW - HAMILTON

At the Ramada Inn, 150 King St. E., Hamilton, Ont. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday. Daily admission \$3, \$2 for Seniors, under 16 free. Evening auction sessions and exclusive kids table with special bargains. Ramada has a special room rate of \$69 per night. For information contact T. McHugh, Show Chairman, P.O. Box 61538 Fennell P.O., Hamilton, On. L8T 5A1, Fax: (905) 643-6329, email: rscoins@netaccess.on.ca

From the
President

President's Message



KEN WILMOT SAYS HE'S "GONE FISHIN" THIS MONTH, BUT HE WILL BE BACK NEXT ISSUE WITH A WHOPPER OF A TALE TO TELL. TOO BAD HE HAD TO GO TO BURGER KING TO FIND A "WHOPPER".

ONA CONVENTION NEWS

1999 ONA CONVENTION DATE, LOCATION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED

OVERVIEW

After reviewing a number of locations in various cities, the ONA Executive has confirmed the College Inn, 716 Stone Rd., in Guelph, Ontario, as the location for the 1999 ONA Convention. The dealers surveyed have given the location their stamp of approval because of the brisk business generally reported at previous shows held at the same hotel, and comments from both dealers and collectors helped the Executive make the decision to again take it to Guelph. It is scheduled for the week-end of April 16, 17 & 18, 1999.

The College Inn, host of a number of previous ONA Conventions, has a lot going for it. With Guelph centrally located, it is easily accessible via Highway 401 and Highway 8. The convention site is within an hour's drive a number of major population centers and the Toronto International Airport is less than an hour's drive away.

THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

The ONA Executive is pleased to confirm the appointment of Ken Wilmot, currently ONA's President, as General Chairman for the 1999 ONA Convention. He is also serving as Bourse Chairman, and has already proven his worth by selling out the bourse space for the Convention a full year in advance, at the 1998 ONA Convention in Ottawa.

Wilmot has chaired a number of previous ONA Conventions. He knows that putting together a successful convention requires a good committee whose members should have a proven track record as well as some new blood to propose new ideas. The following appointments to the 1999 ONA Convention's Planning Committee have been announced to date:

Bruce Raszmann has been appointed Convention Treasurer and Pre-Registration Chairman. It will be his responsibility to assure that Convention funds are properly recorded in line with accepted accounting principles, that invoices are processed for payment and income is duly deposited and recorded. He is charged with the responsibility of assuring that all committee members adhere to the budget approved by the ONA Executive. Bruce certainly needs no introduction to members of the ONA, having served as its Treasurer for many years, as well as being active on the Executive of local coin clubs.

Mike Hollingshead heads up the important portfolio of Property Chairman. He is responsible for assuring that when bourse dealers and exhibitors arrive at the Convention, that the required display cases, lamps, extension cords and other equipment is in place. He has already promised that such overlooked items as Windex and paper toweling for display cases, as well as spare extension cords and light bulbs, will be on hand. Ice water in the bourse room at all times, for both dealers and collectors, is also on his wish list.

John Regitko, as Publicity Chairman - Numismatics, is charged with the responsibility of assuring that word about the Convention gets out to as many people as possible. Since he currently serves as Club Services Chairman for both the ONA and CNA, and is the ONA's representative on the Numismatic Network Canada Committee, he is in an ideal position to assure that all avenues of promotion are covered.

Chris Boyer, other than looking after local publicity (radio, TV, local press, mall flyers, etc.), has agreed to serve as Exhibit Chairman. He has served as President at the local coin club level and has been involved with the organizing of local coin club's annual shows. He has also been the founder and motivator for coin clubs at two schools, has motivated numerous young numismatists to create exhibits for showing at coin club meetings and annual coin shows, and has consistently brought exhibits to local coin clubs. As someone very much dedicated to the educational aspects of the hobby, he will use his enthusiasm to his advantage in motivating collectors to create prize-winning exhibits, including from the students of school coin clubs. (Exhibit information will be forthcoming in a future issue of the ONA Numismatist.)

Paul Petch was invited to sit in on meetings of the Planning Committee so that he, as Chairman of the Year 2000 ONA Convention Committee, can take some of the best ideas of this committee and implement them at the following year's convention. During the founding meeting of the upcoming Convention's Planning Committee, he agreed to the appointment of Program of Events Chairman. He will be responsible for assuring that normally scheduled events are fitted into acceptable time slots, and that all groups that wish to schedule meetings at the convention are accommodated without time and room conflicts. He will be in touch with all numismatic specialty groups that normally schedule meetings in conjunction with ONA Conventions to determine their requirements.

The Chairman has consented to also act as Bourse Chairman. He has already proven his worth by selling out the bourse space for the Convention a full year in advance, at the 1998 ONA Convention in Ottawa.

Additional appointments will be announced shortly.

PROGRAM PLANNING

The core committee established a few guidelines to set the course for the Convention. There would be lots to do at the Convention for everyone. Meetings involving different collecting specialties, a well-stocked hospitality suite, tours, hourly draws, registration kits that represent good value, special registration kits for spouses and young numismatists, low-mintage souvenir convention medals, low daily admission charge and fun and fellowship are just some of the objectives on the agenda.

One of the unanimous decisions made was to continue with competitive exhibits that were re-introduced last year in Ottawa by the 1998 Convention Committee. Regardless of whether it was the hard work by the Ottawa committee or the fact that no exhibits had been included in the planning of ONA Conventions for most of the last 6 or 7 conventions, the quantity and quality of exhibits at last year's convention convinced the committee to allocate space to accommodate a number of exhibits.

Young collectors would not be forgotten, with a special Young Numismatist Registration Kit being made available at special pricing and an Exhibitor Award. A number of other ideas are being developed by Braden Jennings, Chairman of Young Numismatist Activities, especially for young collectors.

Dealers would also be pampered, with the availability of complimentary coffee and snacks from the hospitality suite just the start.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

1999 ONA CONVENTION - APRIL 16/17/18

College Inn, 716 Stone Rd. (at Gordon Street), Guelph, Ont.

Future issues of the ONA Numismatist will contain information on the following:

- Registration kit contents of the main and spousal kits, as well as a registration form
- Rules & regulations of competitive exhibits, as well as an exhibit application form
- Hotel room rates and room reservation information
- Program of events, listing all meeting times and location
- Details of meetings of all specialty collector groups
- Banquet details, such as the main program, meal, draws, awards presentations, etc.
- Information on the selection and judging process for the Award of Merit recipient, the ONA "Fellow" award and the competitive exhibit awards
- And lots, lots more!

IF YOU ENJOY FUN & FELLOWSHIP, BE THERE!

The history of the \$2 note

By DOUG SHAND
APNA #M792

Prior to Confederacy, and for many years after, banks and governments in this country, engaged in a struggle for the lucrative right to issue paper currency.

At first, the banks succeeded in keeping the various governments pretty well shut out. This was fortunate because notes of the reputable charter banks represented cash while government issues often represented a lack of it.

Bank notes were generally redeemable in gold or silver, while governments often backed their notes only by securities based on land, (of which there was an almost inexhaustible supply), or by the promise of anticipated revenues.

The Province of Canada succeeded in making a major intrusion into banks prerogative in 1866. From that point on, the government continuously nibbled note-issuing privileges away until 1945, when it became illegal for banks to issue anymore of their notes for circulation in Canada.

The first government \$2 note was issued by the Province of Canada in 1866. It entered circulation only months before confederation



1914 Connaught issue

aboard ship. Instead of the notes being domiciled, these notes were dated at Ottawa for general use.

Ten years passed before another \$2 bill was issued in 1897. While the face of the bill still used a green and black tint, a brown tint was added on the reverse. On the left of the bill is a portrait of Edward, Prince of Wales. Following the death of Queen Victoria in 1901, Edward VII reigned as King from 1901-1910. The central vignette shows a typical dory of the day with its oil-skilled crew busy gaffing cod from the nets. On the back of the note is a grain-harvesting scene. The note was printed on plancheted paper (tiny embedded discs of coloured paper) as an additional security device.

In 1914, a new \$2 note appeared with portraits of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. The Duke served as Governor General of Canada from 1911-1916. The face tints consist of black, brown and olive. The back portrays the Canadian Coat of Arms surrounded by the provincial shields and is done in olive green.

The Prince of Wales, in the uniform of the Welsh guards, adorns the centre of the 1923 issue. The Prince, who would later become Edward VIII in 1936, abdicated the throne a short time after his coronation. The Dominion Coat of Arms graced the reverse. Both the face and the back are an overall olive tint with the face receiving an extra black tint to highlight the portrait.

The 1923 issue was the last that the government circulated as Dominion Notes in the large format. In 1933 the Bank of Canada was formed and as a cost saving measure, its first issue in 1935 was downsized to current Canadian standards. It remained that way until the final issue of the \$2 note in 1986.

This article was reprinted from the Scarborough Coin Club newsletter. It has been edited for space considerations.

counters and "Province of Canada".

Unlike the notes of today, these notes were "domiciled", that is to say they were to be made payable at certain cities in the Dominion. The 1866 \$2 note was payable at Montreal and Toronto. (Toronto notes may exist with an overprint "Payable at St. John, New Brunswick, but this has not been confirmed).

The next \$2 note, issued in 1870, by the then Dominion of Canada, has a portrait of General Wolfe on the left and General Montcalm on the right, both of whom were killed on the Plains of Abraham in 1759. The centre vignette called "civilization" or "Nor West" shows an Indian seated on a bluff watching a train passing below. The reverse contains lathe work and counters. These notes were also domiciled and the particular city's name also appears on the reverse as "Payable at". The notes were printed in green and black tint, as were all Dominion notes up until 1898.

The next \$2 bill came in 1878. This partic-



Face side with portrait at right



Back with Canadian scene

ular note features a centre portrait of Earl of Dufferin, the then Governor General of Canada (1872-1878). The reverse is similar to the previous issue. This was the last issue to be domiciled. These notes were extensively counterfeited leading to the retirement of the Dufferin \$2 note after 1887.

All denomination notes in this issue were printed with "Canadian Bank Note Printing Ink" which at the time was a patented green ink that was considered foolproof against photographic counterfeiting. This was considered by some at the time to be a major development in bank note security.

The obverse of the note consists of an Indian girl/seated Britannia with two allegorical women and boys, with a train and trestle in background, a sailor holding flag and a lion. The reverse design consists of lathe work,

In hopes of deterring counterfeiting, the 1887 note had the reverse printing done in two separate runs. This required two different plates, making it more difficult for the note to be counterfeited. Portraits of the Marquis and the Marchioness of Lansdowne appear on the face of the note. The Marquis served as Governor General of Canada from 1883-1888. The reverse contains the vignette "Quebec", which shows Jacques Cartier and his crew

TRADE DOLLARS

By Jerry Remick

Secret mark on K-W tokens

There is prize of \$500 in Trimark Mutual Funds up for grabs if you are one of the three lucky winners in the Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario Oktoberfest tokens contest.

For the third consecutive year, the KW Oktoberfest \$2 tokens have a secret mint mark. However, there's a catch, only 200 of the 25,000 tokens struck will contain the special mark. If you happen to have one of the special tokens (the mint mark will be revealed on Nov. 13), you can redeem it for a prize and enter the token in a draw for the three special prizes of \$500 each in Trimark Mutual Funds at any time up to Nov. 30. All tokens will be returned to their owners following the draw.

The idea of having a special mint mark and having the token redeemable for prizes, began in 1996 when a beer stein was used instead of a clock face in the right hand position of the Heritage Clock Tower. In 1997, the secret marking was two small lines on each end of the scroll which bears \$2 in the centre. The scroll is on the obverse side of the token just below the portrait of Onkel Hans and his large hunting horn.

Tokens with secret mint markings are a major die variety and are quite scarce as very few people ever turn them in for prizes. One reason may be that many are purchased by visitors who probably do not know of the secret marking. But, whatever the case, only five tokens were redeemed in 1997.

The 1998 \$2 municipal token issued to mark the annual Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest (Oct. 9-17) is now available and will be until October 31. The 1998 token is the 26th consecutive annual issue dating back to 1973. Previously, medals were struck from 1969-71, but for some reason no token or medal was issued in 1972. All previous medals and tokens are still available at the Oktoberfest offices for purchase.

The obverse side of the 1998 token features Onkel Hans, the mascot of Oktoberfest, hoisting a beer stein in his right hand to

proclaim that Oktoberfest is "Wunderbar" (wonderful). October/1998 is at the left side while Expires Oct. 31 1998 is on

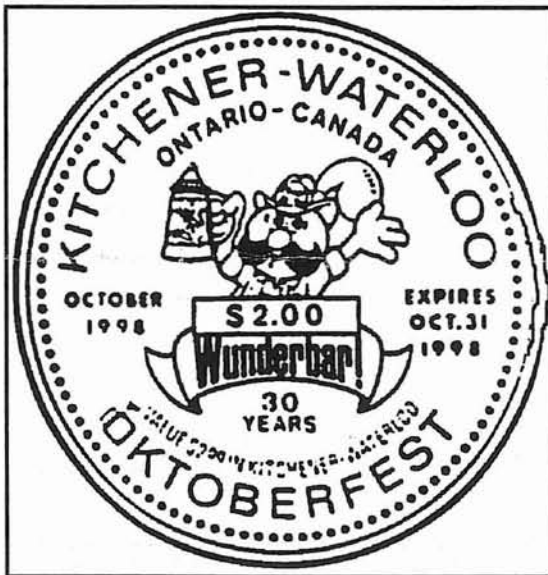
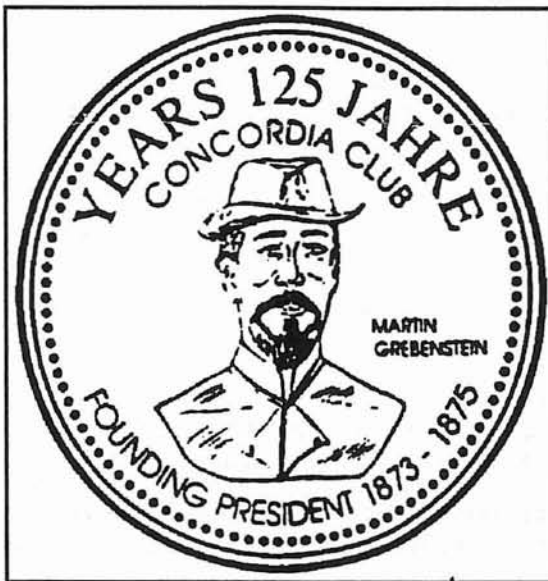
the right. \$2.00, Wunderbar, 30 years in just below Onkel Hans. Value \$2 in Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest is at the bottom while Kitchener-Waterloo Ontario Canada is at the top.

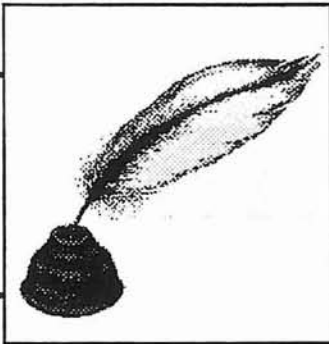
The reverse side shows a frontal portrait of Martin Grebenstein, founding president of the Concordia Club, which celebrates its 125th anniversary in 1998. Grebenstein, who is considered one of the founding fathers of Waterloo County, has his name inscribed at the right of the portrait. Founding President 1873-1875 is below the portrait while 125 Jahre Concordia Club is at the top.

The artwork for both sides of the token was designed by the staff of K-W Oktoberfest Inc. The purpose of "The Hansie" (named after Onkel Hans), is to represent and preserve the heritage and culture of the various ethnic groups, cultural landmarks and organizations in the Kitchener-Waterloo area.

Lawrence Medallie Art of Etobicoke struck 25,000 tokens on 33 mm blanks in nickel bonded steel and 26 in pure silver. Specimens are available postpaid as follows: NBS at \$3 and pure silver at \$33. They can be obtained from K-W. Oktoberfest Inc., P.O. Box 1053, Kitchener, Ont., N2G 4G1, (519) 570-4267. A price list of previous tokens and medals and a brochure outlining the activities at Oktoberfest 1998 can also be obtained at the same time.

This is the 30th year for K-W's Oktoberfest and more than 600,000 visitors are expected to attend the events taking place in more than 20 accredited "Festehalls. Each hall has its own unique Bavarian atmosphere including bands, folk dancers, beer, food and the warm spirit of "Gemutlichkeit". There are more than 45 family, cultural and sports events which all go to benefit some 70 local charities.





This & That

MEMBERSHIP - The applications for membership which appeared in the July/Aug. issue of the Ontario Numismatist have been accepted. They include: 1667, Paul R. Petch, Etobicoke, Ont.; 1668 and Robert Bigras, Hull, P.Q.

1999 CNA CONVENTION - The 1999 CNA Convention is coming back to Ontario July 22-25 and will be hosted by the Waterloo Coin Society. Plans are underway to conduct educational seminars and activities for young numismatics, have 40 bourse tables, host an Oktoberfest Night and offer tours of Mennonite country, the Canadian Clay and Glass Museum and a nostalgic ride on the Fifties Streamliner. The 1999 CNA Convention committee includes: Chris Boyer - chairman; Don Robb - bourse; Braden Jennings - youth; Robb McPherson - internet; Peter Becker - tours; Mike Hollingshead - publicity; Bruce Raszmann - treasurer; John Regitko - program; Jim McHugh, registration and Keith Wright - security.

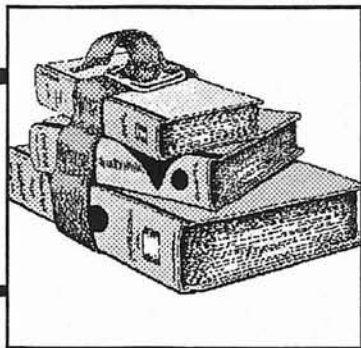
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EDITOR'S NOTE - In order to provide and interesting and informative Ontario Numismatist, I need your help. This publication needs knowledgeable articles on a wide variety of subjects, but unfortunately not many of the people who have the knowledge, and the ability to put in down on paper ,have been submitting material. I know everyone has a busy schedule, but if just one or two writers take the time each month to submit and article with illustrations, all numismatists will benefit. Thanks, I hope to read a new article soon.

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Book Reviews

By Jerry Remick

1999 edition of world coin catalog 1901 to present

The 1999 Standard Catalog of World Coins, 26th edition, 1872 pages, 1901-Present, by Chester L. Krause and Clifford Mishler, edited by Colin R. Bruce II, issued May 1998, \$47.95 U.S., retail, published by Krause Publications.

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For each country there is an index map and a few paragraphs on the country's history, geography, population, resources and exports. The catalog contains numerous charts and aids to assist world coin collectors including: an illustrated instant identifier, a standard international numeral systems chart, a guide to grading terminology and abbreviations, a glossary of legend abbreviations, a chart of intrinsic weights of coins, a date conversion chart, an illustrated guide to Arabic mint names on coins, a mint index, coin denominations listings, a chart of coin sizes, a listing of foreign exchange rates and a cross-referenced country index. A user's guide and a grading guide are also included.

"The 1999 Standard Catalog of World Coins, 26th edition 1901 to Present," is available from Krause Publications, Dept. NLR8, 700 East State St., Iola, Wisconsin 54990-0001, (715) 445-2214. Postal orders add \$3.25 within the U.S. or \$10 outside of the U.S. Credit card orders available at 1-800-258-0929. A free copy of Krause Publications' illustrated catalogue of books and

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A short historical and descriptive text and an index map are situated at the top of the page for each country in the catalog. Photos of both sides of almost all of the notes are given. Included for each note description are: a catalog number, denomination, issue date(s), color(s), description of the main design, printer's name (when known) and three valuations in three conditions. Signatures and other varied are also cataloged. Signature charts are also included when necessary.

There is a lot of useful information in the introductory section of this book including a country index, issuer and bank index, grading guide, charts for international grading, terminology and abbreviations, paper money security devices, data conversion chart, foreign exchange rates and standard individual numeral systems chart.

For coverage of bank notes from 1750 to 1960, the Standard Catalog of World Paper Money, General Issues, Vol 2, 8th edition, by Albert Pick is also available from Krause at \$55 U.S.

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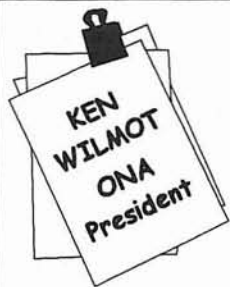
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It gives me great pleasure to announce the following:

New Editor Appointment - I am pleased to appoint John Regitko as Editor of the ONA Numismatist. You will see much change as far as the content of this publication is concerned. When he was asked to make a recommendation to the Executive of his plans for the Numismatist, everyone at the meeting saw the enthusiasm that he obviously has for taking on this challenging assignment. A lot of these proposed changes are already evident in this issue. John has issued a call to be placed on all club mailing lists as he promised to use the information culled from club bulletins. I know that he would very much appreciate if every member would consider writing an article or two over the next year.

Nominations Chairman Appointment - It also gives me pleasure to appoint Mike Hollingshead as the Nominations Chairman for the upcoming elections. Details are published elsewhere in this issue, but you should be aware that the close of nominations is December 20, 1998. Nominations will be published in the January/February 1999 ONA Numismatist. Mike is looking forward to hearing from you with nominations and the required written acceptances.

Royal Canadian Mint Liaison Appointment - I would also like to announce the appointment of Ray Desjardins to the position of ONA Liaison to the Royal Canadian Mint. In the past, various people have been contacting Mint personnel for bourse table space at conventions, draw prizes for the Dream Vacation Draw, ads in the souvenir program booklet, donations for registration kits, and now solicitation of ads for the ONA Numismatist. All contact emanating from various ONA committees will now be channeled through Ray so that no duplication of effort is made and no confusion exists among Mint personnel.

Included in this bulletin are a number of requests that we ask everyone to follow through on: Membership renewals are included (the club renewals were already sent out in a separate mailing). Please act on them immediately. Details on the Dream Vacation Draw tickets that are included with this bulletin appear elsewhere in this issue. In the past, the membership has actively participated in the draw by selling all tickets or purchasing them for themselves, even asking for more books.

I would be remiss if I did not thank the outgoing Editor for getting the ONA Numismatist into the hands of members. Don Atanasoff is in the process of moving and starting up a new business venture that will consume a lot of his time. Under these conditions, it is best not to interfere with his livelihood. We wish Don much luck in his new business venture!

Ken Wilmot
ONA President

EDITOR'S MESSAGE



Over some period of years, I had been approached by a number of people about taking on the Editorship of the ONA. After all, I had won an unprecedented 3 consecutive Best Local Coin Club Bulletin awards...from both the CNA and ANA. Also, they knew that my love was with the ONA, having played no small part in signing up the majority of new members in the past 3-1/2 years as well as serving as ONA Club Services Chairman. I have introduced numerous new VCR tape programs on numismatics for loan to clubs and directly to individual members. I made numerous motions at Executive meetings. All in all, I am a very active player that had the finger on the pulse of Ontario numismatics. But there was one big reason for turning down previous requests to become Editor: I wasn't ready! To undertake the creation of a minimum of 18 pages every two months should not be taken lightly.

Eighteen pages doesn't sound like much if you have never been involved with the editing and publishing of a newsletter. Everyone should try it for a few issues to see how long it takes before the well runs dry. Ask any editor and they will tell you to be prepared to write most of it yourself. Just ask Tom Masters for one, who writes most (sometimes all) of the Ingersoll Coin Club Bulletin each month, and has been doing it for many, many years! However, having previously edited over 3 years of Toronto Coin Club bulletins that rivaled the size of the ONA Numismatist and having edited the employee newsletter for the company I used to work for, I knew what I would be in for. Nevertheless, I decided to accept the assignment. Because now I am ready! Since I accepted this assignment on an open-ended basis, you might be stuck with me for a long, long time!

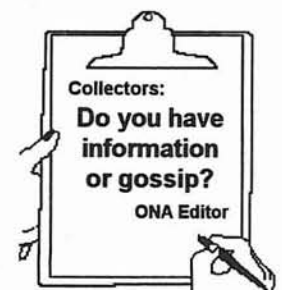
One big difference I see in my style over Don Atanasoff's (or Jeff Fournier before him) is that I tend to "tighten up" my contents (less white space). I can promise you something like 25% more content per issue and still stay at the 18 pages that I am committed to produce for each issue (anything over 9 sheets puts us into a higher postage rate). This, my first effort, contains 26 pages plus a sheet of ONA membership application forms because the book of Dream Vacation Draw tickets put us into the next postage rate anyway.

When your Executive and I discussed the possibility of my taking over as Editor, I made a number of recommendations concerning the content. Some of them are already included in this issue. A number of other ideas will be incorporated into future issues. The only important thing missing here are articles, but after the President and others reviewed my draft, they agreed that timely columns must take precedence over items that can be put off for an issue or two.

My goal is to produce an "award winning" bulletin for the ONA, same as I did for the Toronto Coin Club when I, as its Editor, received 3 consecutive CNA "Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Editor" awards as well as 3 consecutive ANA "Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Editor" awards.

John Regitko
ONA Editor

REMINDERS TO ALL MEMBERS AND CLUB ORGANIZERS



ELECTION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



As required by the ONA's Constitution and By-Laws, the President has made a call for nominations of elected officers and has appointed me Chairman of the Election Committee.

- Nominations must be made in writing, signed by a member in good standing or by an officer of a member club that is in good standing, and sent to me. All nominations must be accompanied by a written acceptance from the nominee or a declaration signed by the nominators stating that the nominee shall stand for office if elected.
- Nominations shall close on December 16, 1998.
- The elected officers of the Association shall be: the President, the First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Regional Directors, and there shall be at least one director from each area. The areas served by the Directors is published on the following page.
- The duties of the elected officers shall be to conduct the affairs of the Association in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws. The duties are more specifically detailed in the By-Laws of the Association.
- The governing body of the Association shall be elected and appointed officers as well as the immediate Past-President and shall be known as the Executive. Each member of the Executive shall have full voting rights.
- The duties of the elected officers shall include, but are not limited to, the following: to appoint officers, bi-annually or at such other times as the offices may be vacant, to fill the following offices: Editor, Librarian, Archivist, and such offices as the Executive may deem advisable.
- Duties of the Executive shall include, but are not limited to, the following: to decide on the time and place for holding the General Meeting; to rule on the admission of applicants against whom objections have been raised; to rule on the disposition of formal charges brought against a member of the Association; to fix advertising rates for space in the official publication and set rules and regulations in connection therewith; to fix the compensation paid to any officers to whom such compensation is paid; to prescribe which elected and appointed officers shall be bonded and to fix the amounts thereof; to remove from office any elected or appointed officer who does not or cannot meet the requirements of the office; to carry on and direct the affairs of the Association generally.
- Any Life Member or Regular Member who has been in good standing for two years or longer shall be eligible to hold office in the Association. In the event that no eligible member is nominated to any position, the Executive shall have the authority to appoint any member in good standing by a majority vote of the Executive.
- No member shall be elected for or appointed to the office of President until he has served a full two-year term as an elected or appointed officer of the Executive.
- The names of the nominees will be published in the January/February issue of the ONA Numismatist.

Election Procedures if more than one person is nominated for any elected position:

- If more than one person is nominated for any position, the names of all nominees will be printed on official ballots and one ballot mailed to each member in good standing around mid-February, together with an envelope marked "Official Ballot" and an envelope addressed to the Chairman of the Election Committee.
- The unopened envelopes, containing the marked ballots, shall be taken by me to the Annual Convention where they shall be opened on the first day of the Convention, by the Chairman in the presence of at least one other member of the Committee and the ballots counted. In the event of a tie, the matter shall be reported to the President, who shall call for a vote from the floor of the Annual General Meeting to break the tie. The results of the election shall be announced by the Chairman of the Election Committee at the meeting.
- Any office for which no nominations have been received shall be filled by the following procedure: nominations from the floor at the Annual General Meeting, then voted on at the meeting. If no nominations are received from the floor, then filled by the elected officers at a regular executive meeting.
- All elected officers shall assume their duties at the end of the General Meeting and shall hold office for two years.
- Since the current President has served for two consecutive terms, he is not eligible to run for the position of the President during this election.
- No member shall stand for election for more than one office.

ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT - CONT

The Area Directors for which nominations are being accepted would represent the following counties:

- Area 1** - Essex, Kent, Elgin, Lambton, Middlesex (includes Windsor, Chatham, Sarnia, St. Thomas)
- Area 2** - Huron, Perth Oxford (includes Stratford, Ingersoll, Tillsonburg, Woodstock)
- Area 3** - Niagara (includes Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, Welland)
- Area 4** - Brant, Hamilton-Wentworth, Haldimand/Norfolk (includes Brantford, Hamilton)
- Area 5** - Waterloo, Wellington, Halton, Dufferin (includes Waterloo, Cambridge, South Wellington)
- Area 6** - Bruce, Grey, Simcoe, Muskoka (includes Barrie, Champlain)
- Area 7** - Metro Toronto, Peel and York (includes Toronto, North York, Scarborough, Mississauga, Thistletown, Oshawa, Richmond Hill)
- Area 8** - Victoria, Durham, Peterborough, Northumberland (includes Peterborough, Kingston, Victoria-Simcoe)
- Area 9** - All East of Hastings and Algonquin District (includes Ottawa, Pembroke, Pt. Claire, PQ)
- Area 10** - All North of Muskoka, Haliburton, Hastings and Renfrew (includes Sudbury, Nipissing, Thunder Bay)

In addition to any duties spelled out in the ONA Constitution and By-Laws for Area Directors, I believe that anyone that is approached to run as an Area Director should agree to the following objectives and conditions:

- Is available to attend ONA Executive meetings when they are held; that there is no ongoing commitment on Saturdays or Sundays that would preclude them from attending approximately 7 meetings a year.
- Attend meetings of clubs in his/her area, on a regular basis; attend local coin shows to promote the ONA.
- Agrees to submit reports to the President if they are unable to attend an Executive meeting.
- Is willing and able to dialogue with individuals and at club meetings about the benefits of belonging to the ONA; attempt to sign up new members; follow-up with delinquent members.
- Believes that membership in the ONA represents good "value" (psychological, fun & fellowship).
- Is able and willing to attend the ONA's annual convention and agrees to attend the annual general membership meeting, the club delegates meeting, the executive meeting and the Banquet.
- Should also be willing to contribute, from time-to-time, "worthwhile" write-ups and original articles for publication in the ONA Numismatist.

A number of these points also apply to the 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents, who should also express a willingness to move up the ranks in future elections.

In addition to receiving nominations from members, I will be in touch with a number of people encouraging them to let their names stand.

Mike Hollingshead
Elections Chairman

OFFICIAL CALL FOR ELECTIONS

As per the ONA Constitution and By-Laws, I am pleased to:

- a) appoint Mike Hollingshead as Elections Chairman
- b) call for nominations for all elected positions outlined in the ONA Constitution and By-Laws
- c) announce the closing for acceptance of nominations to be December 16, 1998

Please send your nominations, along with a written letter of acceptance from the nominee, to:

Mike Hollingshead - ONA Elections Chairman
Box 1000, ARKELL, ON. N0B 1C0

Ken Wilmot
ONA President

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



All letters addressed to the ONA Editor are assumed to have automatic approval to be published in the ONA Numismatist. If you do not wish to have your name included if it is published, please state so in your letter. You must, however, provide us with your name, otherwise we will not respond to it in any way whatsoever. We reserve the right to edit letters, or remove irrelevant items, providing it does not change the point made.

An open letter to the ONA Executive:

I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the confidence and support the members of the ONA Executive have shown me by giving me the opportunity to serve the ONA as its Editor.

In my proposal to the Executive, I laid out some of my thoughts about the contents of the ONA Numismatist, including bringing it back to its roots by concentrating heavily on the goings-on in Ontario and publishing articles about numismatics of Ontario. Now I will have the opportunity to implement my ideas.

John Regitko - ONA Editor

To: onaclubs@idirect.com

I have been trying to identify a coin but have hit a brick wall. I am hoping someone in your organization can help me. I have been through all the catalogues but have been unable to find it.

It's a large copper coin about the size of an old British penny. On the face in the center is what I think is a large star of David with a "t" or an anvil (my guess) in the middle. Under the star is the date A.D. 1797. Around the outside of the coin are the words "Ancient Frontenac and Catarqui Chapter No1 G.R.C. Kingston."

On the reverse in the center is another smaller star of David with the same "t" or altar on the middle surrounded by the words "holiness to the lord and sunbeams." Outside of this are the words "They received every man One penny" with what appears to be two small picks and hammers. It is AU or at least EF.

If you could give me any help on identifying this coin I would appreciate it greatly.

*Jeff - St Antoine Abbe Quebec
Via the Internet*



1999 ONA CONVENTION

April 16, 17 & 18, 1999

College Inn, 716 Stone Rd., Guelph, Ontario

**Bourse - Exhibits - Banquet - Educational Meetings
Club Delegates Meeting - Registrants Reception
General Membership Meeting - And Lots More**

Note: Bourse completely sold out!

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ON A D R E A M V A C A T I O N C H A I R M A N ' S M E S S A G E



Enclosed with this issue is a book of tickets for the ONA Dream Vacation Draw. We would appreciate if you could sell them to friends, relatives, other collectors...or to yourself. If you require more tickets, either pick them up at a local coin club meeting (each club will obtain a quantity of books through their ONA Area Director), or contact me directly.

It certainly pays for you to participate, for the following reasons:

- For every 5 tickets you sell out of the book at \$2 each, you get one free ticket.
- For every book you sell, the club you specify will receive \$2.
- For every ticket you sell (either to someone else or to yourself), your name will be added to the draw for the "sellers" prize of \$100.

You and the other people that obtained tickets will have the opportunity of winning the following prizes:

- Grand Prize: A dream vacation ticket for \$1,250, good through any travel agent in Ontario, for anywhere you want to go, or \$1,000 in cash
- 1st Runner-up: \$100 gold coin
- 5 additional consolation prizes



Absolutely 100% of the profits of the Dream Vacation Draw will benefit the ONA and its membership. The funds will be used for ongoing programs that cannot be covered fully by membership dues. This includes the ONA Numismatist, new audio visual programs and other projects.

Draws will take place on Sunday afternoon on April 18 at the 1999 ONA Convention in Guelph.

Winners' names of the 7 draw prizes, the winning seller's name and a listing of the amounts each club will receive as a result of your sales, will be published in the ONA Numismatist following the draw (May/June issue).

BruceRaszmann
Draw Chairman

M E M B E R S H I P R E P O R T

N E W A P P L I C A T I O N S



The following applications for membership have been received. If there are no objections by the deadline of the next ONA Numismatist, they will be accepted into ONA membership and their acceptance published in the next bulletin.

- #1669 Ian Graham, Islandview, N.B.
- #1670 James R. Bakes, Toronto, ON.
- #1671 Peter Tshu, Orangeville, ON.
- #1672 Peter Clarkson, Orangeville, ON.
- #1673 Gary McCormack, Kincardine, ON.

Bruce Raszmann
Membership Chairman

A W A R D S C O M M I T T E E R E P O R T



APPEAL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 1998 ONA AWARDS

The Ontario Numismatic Association, to recognize numismatists who have made contributions towards the advancement of numismatics, either throughout Ontario or at the local level, bestow two distinct awards annually. The awards are in the form of a silver medal, a suitably inscribed certificate, an engraved metallic name plate identifying the bearer as a recipient of the awards, a one-year membership in the ONA (not awarded to Life Members) and an admission ticket for the ONA Banquet where the presentations will take place.

The ONA Awards Committee is requesting nominations for the "Award of Merit" and the "Fellow of the ONA" Award. Please submit the name(s) of residents of Ontario you consider worthy of being recognized at the ONA Banquet at the annual ONA Convention, as having contributed to the success of numismatics at the local or provincial levels. Whether the summary of accomplishments of the nominee is hand-written or printed, or in point form, does not matter.

Your submission should outline your candidate's qualifications for these awards, based on the following criteria:

Nominees should be well-rounded in all phases of numismatics. The judging committee will review the following areas:

- 1) local coin club work: involvement with special events; Executive positions held at the local club level & length of service; contributions to overall club success; give specific example of each.
- 2) local community work: organizing a numismatic displays in libraries, malls or other public locations; other examples relating to the promotion of numismatics.
- 3) numismatic education: writing, research; published articles and/or books; exhibiting at coin shows, mall promotions or other events; list achievements.
- 4) Regional involvement: involvement with the hobby on a regional/national level; involvement with organizing coin conventions (list positions held); involvement with exhibiting and educational seminars at conventions.
- 5) any other achievements or contributions to numismatics in Ontario, as well as listing achievements nationally and internationally.

To assure that the ONA Awards Committee is fully apprised of your nominees' contributions, a summary of numismatic achievements and contributions must be included with your nominations.

Closing date for submissions is March 16, 1999. Recipients will be announced at the ONA Banquet on April 17, 1999 at the College Inn in Guelph, Ontario.

The ONA Awards Committee, charged with the responsibility of selecting a winner from the nominations, consists of four well-known numismatists and the President of the ONA. Currently, the Committee consists of Don Robb (Chairman), Paul Johnson (Past-Chairman), Ken Wilmot (ONA President), Mike Hollingshead and John Regitko. It is entirely up to this Committee to determine, without any outside influences other than receiving nominations, who should receive the Award of Merit, and how many (up to a maximum of 3) should receive the "Fellow of the ONA" award annually.

Written submissions, signed by the nominee and including the nominee's ONA membership number and mailing address, should be mailed to:

Don Robb, Chairman, ONA Awards Committee
P.O. Box 40033, Waterloo Square P.O.
WATERLOO, Ont. N2J 4V1

For the first time in the history of the ONA, submissions can also be made via the Internet. Send nominations, including your name and ONA membership number to donrobb@ionline.net.

ON A EXECUTIVE NEWS

A regular column highlighting the decisions of the ONA Executive



RECRUITER OF THE YEAR AWARD ANNOUNCED

At the last ONA Executive meeting, a Policy Motion was made to have the ONA implement a "Recruiter of the Year" Award, effective for the calendar year 1999. The Executive passed the motion, on the following basis:

- The total numeric count will consist of all new membership applications published and approved between January 1 and December 31, 1999. Any applications received prior to December 31, 1999 but only published in the January issue, will also be eligible towards the count.
- Application forms will include an additional line reading: "Recruiter/Proposed by: _____"
- The recruiter must be a member of the ONA in good standing as of December 31, 1999 to qualify, and the recruiter's name must be included on the original application form.
- The recruiter's name will be published at the same time as the membership applicant's name.
- The "Recruiter of the Year" recipient will be announced at an appropriate venue at the annual ONA Convention, such as at the General Membership meeting or the Banquet.
- The winner will receive a suitably engraved silver medal containing the ONA logo on the obverse, and the name of the recipient, name of award and year on the reverse.
- An update on the standing will be published in the ONA Numismatist from time-to-time.
- The intention of the award is to motivate the general membership. Therefore, members of the ONA Executive normally involved with the responsibility of recruiting new members are exempt from participating. This includes the President, Membership Chairman, Publicity Chairman, Club Services Chairman, Editor and the ONA Website Coordinator.



OBVERSE



REVERSE

Two copies of the ONA membership application form are included on the last page. I know that every member of the ONA has the opportunity to sign up a number of people if they would only give it a try. If you need more application forms, please run off a few photocopies. We will publish year-to-date results of the top contenders in the recruiter race from time-to-time.

Based on the above rules, anyone in a more favorable position to sign up members is disqualified for the award. Therefore, everyone else has an equal chance to win the special silver medal. Don't wait. Start recruiting now.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL RETURNS REQUESTED

Enclosed with this bulletin is your membership renewal notice if you are a regular member, husband & wife member or junior member (club memberships were mailed out separately).

We would appreciate if you would fill in the form and return it, with your remittance, as soon as possible. Cheques should be made payable to the Ontario Numismatic Association.

*Bruce Raszmann
Membership Chairman*

LOCAL COIN CLUB NEWS



I have always been impressed with the amount of words that a local coin club's editor had to churn out during a typical one year term - and chances are an editor is not a one-year term. Some bulletins go into great detail about the last club meeting, details on upcoming programs, feature major original articles and use it to promote their library, coin show, annual dinner meeting or Christmas meeting plans. Other clubs have chosen, most likely for reasons of economy because of their small membership and bank account, to simply notify members about the upcoming meeting: date, time, location...and very little else. This introductory message will not attempt to compare the two types of approaches, but rather to point out that every local coin club bulletin that is made up by an editor, is stuffed into an envelope and mailed by somebody, carries a message of interest to your ONA Numismatist Editor. It covers the basics of meeting information, gives details about a club's upcoming show, or publishes an article that is worth sharing with 350 ONA members. Either way, we want you to go to have your club send us your bulletins. We will take information from it (club meetings and show information as a minimum; news about individual members and articles hopefully as well). We will promote your club. Chances are that the active members of the Executive of your clubs are known to others outside your area and if not, I expect they will be if they do something worthwhile. But we must have your bulletin. So here is the deal:

Put the ONA Editor on your complimentary mailing list and we guarantee that you will receive free publicity (including the all-important promotion of your club meeting dates and location plus any annual show information). Do not send us your bulletin and we can equally guarantee that you will miss out on listings and publicity. The copy of the bulletin will also serve the purpose of being reviewed by the ONA Club Services Committee for the judging of the ONA's "Best Local Coin Club Bulletin" award as well as the best editor award. Hopefully, these promised rewards will entice you to immediately place the ONA Editor on your mailing list. Enough said, let's get on with the real intention of this monthly column:

North York Coin Club - Under the current editorship of the club's president, Paul Petch, the NYCC bulletin has improved dramatically, so much so that the club and its Editor have won the ONA's Best Local Coin Club Bulletin and Best Editor awards for 1997 because of its content and layout.



What is not known to many people is that I, as CNA Club Services Chairman, had the responsibility to review all bulletins published by CNA-member clubs nationally and pick the most outstanding. I was pleased to have selected the NYCC bulletin for 1997. My personal congratulations are added to those already expressed by the ONA and CNA Executives when the awards were handed out at their annual Conventions. And congratulations to Paul Petch, their Editor. The only reason that I, as Club Services Chairman, was not responsible for judging the best bulletin for the ONA was because the Editor was supposed to receive club bulletins for other purposes anyway, he would be in the best position to do the judging. That has now changed. As both Club Services Chairman and Editor, clubs had best make sure I am on their mailing list or they will miss out on a lot!

One of the things that was started by Paul in the NYCC bulletin is a monthly Quiz, whereby he asks questions about numismatics one month, announces the answer at the subsequent club meetings and then also publishes the answer for anybody that missed the meeting. The questions and answers are always entertaining, sometimes a lengthy discussion takes place at a meeting about the right answer (or alternate answers), but they are always educational. I expect to receive permission to publish a selection in the ONA Numismatist from time-to-time.

I have just reviewed the NYCC's latest effort. I think it is one of their best ones yet. If they keeps this up, how can they help not being in contention for the best bulletin award...again? If you contact Paul Petch, I am sure that he will be pleased to send you a sample. He can be reached by telephone at (416) 745-3067, e-mail to petchp@ican.net, or by writing to him at the club address: North York Coin Club, P.O. Box 58508, Corner Plaza P.O., 197 Sheppard Avenue East, North York, ON. M2N 6R7.



Waterloo Coin Society - The WCS includes a business card-size card with their bulletin towards the beginning of each year, containing their whole year's meeting dates, annual show information and dinner meeting information. It tucks away nicely in a member's wallet, in their business card file, or pins discretely to any bulletin board. My copy is pinned on a bulletin board.



Waterloo Coin Society
Box 40044, Waterloo Square P.O.
75 King St. W., Waterloo, Ont. N2J 4V1

Meetings start at 8:00 p.m. (doors open at 7:00 p.m.)
Wing 404 R.C.A.F.A., Rotary Adult Centre
510 Dutton Drive, Waterloo, Ont.

1998 MEETING DATES
April 22 July 14 Sept. 8 Nov. 10
June 9 August 11 October 13 December 8
ANNUAL BANQUET MAY 12
COIN SHOW NOV. 21 Everyone Welcome!



Scarborough Coin Club - This popular club lists their meeting dates, annual coin show date, meeting address and mailing address on a letter-size sheet. I have my copy of this hanging on the same bulletin board. If I find these listings useful (rather than waiting for the next bulletin to show up to remind me of the meeting), then maybe others do also.

Scarborough Coin Club
(Founded December 1975)

Meets 1st Wednesday
Each Month at 8:00 p.m.
Cedarbrook Community Centre
91 Eastpark Blvd., Scarborough, Ontario

Meeting Dates For 1999:

January 6	July 7
February 3	August 4
March 3	September 1
April 7	October 6
May 5	November 3
June 2	December 1

Mailing Address:

Scarborough Coin Club
P.O. Box 562,
Pickering, Ont. L1V 2R7

Coin Show: June 5th, 1999
Cedarbrook Community Centre
Hours: 9 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Free admission, draws & parking

Thistletown Coin Club - One of the smallest clubs in Ontario, they meet in a recently refurbished recreation hall of a local church. Bob Porter is their President. Little did Porter realize that when he agreed to becoming their President, that it would be a life-time appointment, just like with some other clubs (Ingersoll and Huronia come to mind, although the club in Barrie is taking a sabbatical). They promote meetings by printing up both a business card-size promo of their meetings, as well as a 5" x 4" invitation. Both items list their year's meeting dates, address and contact name & phone number. By circulating it at other local coin club meetings, they gained a few additional faces at meetings.

TIP OF THE DAY



Meeting Dates Summary - Why am I mentioning the fact that some clubs publish convenient promos of meeting dates? The beginning of the year is coming up. Every Club should publish a summary for the convenience of their members. The December or January issue is a perfect time to include a listing in your local club bulletin. With the busy schedule that most people that I know have inflicted on themselves, everyone of us has forgotten about a meeting or two that they would have liked to attend. I have personally found these handy reminders, which I have posted on my bulletin board, a very convenient way of remembering meetings well in advance. I promise you one thing: if you publish a summary and you meet within a 250 km radius of my home base, it will wind up on my bulletin board. Surely I would not be the only one!



Waterloo Coin Society - The WCS has held over 425 meetings. No wonder the CNA gave the club an award at the last CNA Convention for 35 years of continuous membership in the CNA! Not too many clubs have received it. We will try to obtain a listing from the CNA Executive Secretary, Ken Prophet, of how many other Ontario clubs have received it. Can't be too many.

And speaking of the WCS, if you attend a meeting and Wib Moser is there and you see him buying draw tickets, be sure to buy a double load for yourself. According to their bulletin, it seems that he keeps winning rather regularly. If you buy at least 2 strips, it will reduce his chances and increase yours.



South Wellington Coin Society - If you collect coin club medals, better get hold of Robert Zmija, their Treasurer, who is working on a club medal featuring their crest. The final design hasn't been chosen yet but already more than 25 orders have been received. Contact him at Box 61, R.R. 4, Rockwood, Ont. N0B 2K0 for pricing and to be put on his reservation list. Incidentally, I believe that this club is Ontario's newest and you should attend sometime. They meet in a nice room in a nice Community building. Meeting information on the club...and all other clubs that send the ONA Editor their bulletin...will appear in the next issue.

SHOW TIME

A column intended to entice ONA members to attend shows throughout Ontario



CAND TO HOLD CONVENTION IN HAMILTON ON JANUARY 16 & 17

The Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers (CAND) is holding a Convention in Hamilton on January 16 & 17, 1999, according to Show Chairman and ONA member Terry McHugh.

To be held at the Ramada Inn, 150 King St. East, in Hamilton, Ontario, it will feature three major auctions, meetings of 2 national collector groups, major draws and special considerations for junior collectors.

It sounds like a large show, with 47 bourse tables already sold at press time and about 10 still left. You do not have to be a member of CAND to participate, either in the bourse or the number of collector activities planned for the event.

The show is open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, and from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Daily admission is \$3.00 per person, with a \$1.00 discount for Seniors. Young Numismatists are free.

Two well-known and respected dealers have been awarded the contracts to hold three separate auctions in conjunction with the show. ONA member Serge Laramée, operating under both Le Groupe Trans-Quebec and North American Numismatics, will conduct the first session starting at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 15. Another ONA member, Michael Walsh, will start Session 2 at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 16, while Serge Laramée will conduct Session 3 on Sunday, starting at 1:00 p.m.

The Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club (CTCCC) and the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors (CAWMC) have accepted the generous offer from CAND for complimentary meeting space and have scheduled meetings from 10:00 a.m. to noon for CTCCC and from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. for CAWMC. These two groups have always had a good portion of their membership attend meetings whenever they meet. Guests are also encouraged to attend and participate in the educational aspects of the meeting as well as auctions and to find out what each organization offers their members.

CAND has not held conventions for a number of years. For the upcoming show, they selected a period of the year that has habitually been passed over because of the uncertainty of the winter conditions. We cannot recall a large show running between early December and the end of February. From a commercial point of view, taking this risk makes sense since it spreads the show circuit over the full year rather than eliminating 25% of the year. Anyway, since the huge Metro Toronto and Southern Ontario markets are within an hour's drive of Hamilton, a little bit of snow will keep only a few people away.

One idea that CAND is incorporating into the show is a "Young Numismatists Bourse Table." Members of CAND are being asked to donate numismatic material of all descriptions and values, for sale only to juniors at a special bourse table. All material will be sold to young collectors at a drastically reduced price. The profits from the sale at this table will be used to further CAND's efforts involving the development of ideas to bring more young collectors into the hobby...and keeping them in.

The Ramada Inn, located in downtown Hamilton and within 30 minutes of Toronto International Airport and the huge Toronto and South Western Ontario markets, has consented to a special room rate of \$69 per room. Reservations should be made directly with the hotel at 1-800-603-0602.

For information on obtaining bourse space, contact Terry McHugh, P.O. Box 61538, Fennell P.O., Hamilton, Ont. L8T 5A1. He can also be contacted at (905) 318-6458, fax (905) 643-6329, or through e-mail at rscoins@netaccess.on.ca.

SHOW TIME - CONTINUED



NOVEMBER 21 - WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY SHOW

The Waterloo Coin Society's annual coin show is scheduled for the 404 Wing, R.C.A.F. Association, 510 Dutton Dr., Waterloo. It is always well planned, well executed and well attended. Free parking. Free admission. A number of ONA members are involved, including a number of members of the ONA Executive. Contact ONA member Don Robb at Box 22062, Westmount P.O., Waterloo, ON N2L 6J7 for further information, or call him at (519) 888-9655. He can also be reached via e-mail at donrobb@ionline.net. Refer to the half-page advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

NOVEMBER 28 - NIAGARA FALLS COIN-A-RAMA SHOW

The Niagara International Coin Fair will be held at Our Lady Of Peace Hall, 6944 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls, Ontario. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Over 40 bourse tables containing coins, paper money, tokens, medals, stamps, cards, jewellery and more are available for an admission charge of only \$1.00. This includes free parking and a draw ticket for a gold coin. The draw will take place around 4:00 p.m. and the good thing is that you do not have to be present at the time of the draw to win - the major prize, as well as a number of worthwhile subsidiary prizes will be mailed to winners following the show.

This show is operated by ONA Life Member Peter Kostyk and his wife, Barbara. If you wish further information on the show, they can be reached at 7581 Dorchester Rd., Niagara Falls, ON, L2G 7G4. Their phone number is (905) 356-5006. Refer to the half-page advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

NOVEMBER 29 - SIMCOE COIN AND SPORTS CARD SHOW

The Simcoe Coin and Sports Card Show will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Junior Farmers Building at the Simcoe Fairgrounds, 172 South Dr., Simcoe, Ontario. Over 35 tables of coins, paper money, trade dollars and tokens, plus 35 tables of sports and non-sports cards, magic and memorabilia. Admission is \$2, children under age 12 admitted free. Lunch counter on premises. Contact Ian Ward, 26 Kennedy Rd., Simcoe, ON, N3Y 5A6 for further details, or call him at (519) 426-8875.

JANUARY 16-17 - CAND SHOW IN HAMILTON



The first show hosted by the Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers in a number of years. ONA member Terry McHugh is organizing this major event. See previous page for full details. An ad also appears elsewhere in this issue.

APRIL 10 - HAMILTON COIN CLUB SHOW



The Hamilton Coin Club's Semi-Annual Coin Show will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the upper level of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 58, 1180 Barton Street East, Hamilton. Non-collecting spouses can take a side trip to the Centre Mall which is located right across the street. Admission is only \$1.00, which includes a draw ticket. A lunch counter is located right on the premises.

APRIL 16-18 - ONA CONVENTION IN GUELPH



The Ontario Numismatic Association's annual convention will be held at the College Inn in Guelph. Full details on our Convention will be published in the January/February issue of the ONA Numismatist. It will include full particulars on Program of Events, Registration, souvenir medal pricing and availability, bourse, etc.

MAY 8 - BURLINGTON COIN SHOW

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Contributions for this column are solicited. If you know of anyone that might be cheered up by a brief "best wishes" here or cards and letters from fellow members, let the Editor know.

Our best wishes to ONA member Thomas Masters of London for continued recovery from his recent bypass surgery following 3 heart attacks. He has given us some food for thought in his comments published in the Ingersoll Coin Club bulletin: the most precious thing we have in this world is not that numismatic object that we are proud of, but rather our health.

He says that you never know what tomorrow has in store for you. "No more racing here and there, watch my diet, little or no fat foods. After the experience I went through, to give up many of the things that caused it all...yes, life is worth it all!"

Condolences are extended to the family of Jeffrey Hoare who died on Sunday, October 25 after losing a long fight with cancer. He was a long-time fixture in the numismatic community, as former owner of the London Coin Center, and lately as the official auctioneer of Torex Auctions.

Condolences to Bob Pittman, a driving force of the Woodstock Coin Club (Vice President, Secretary and Editor) on the recent passing of his mother.

Best wishes to Barry Uman for full recovery from recent surgery.

Best wishes also to Bruce Raszmann's sister who is recovering from surgery in St. Joseph's Hospital, London.

Finally, a driver recently mistook the driveway of Bob and Shirley Fletcher's new home as a road. The only thing hurt, fortunately, was some brickwork that the vehicle plowed into.

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ONA CONVENTION

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THE NATIONAL SCENE

A look at what is happening beyond Ontario's border



CNA CONVENTION SCHEDULED FOR ONTARIO

As a compliment to the Ontario numismatic scene, the CNA has accepted the Waterloo Coin Society's offer to host the 1999 CNA Convention. Slated for the Four Points Sheridan, 105 King St. East in Kitchener on July 22 to 25, it promises to be a good convention. Thanks to the active ONA members that are involved both in the planning and execution, many activities are being planned for the enjoyment of numismatists and their families.

Five of the key Planning Committee people serve on the ONA Executive (Chris Boyer as General Chairman, Don Robb as Bourse Chairman, Mike Hollingshead as Publicity Chairman, Bruce Raszmann as Treasurer and John Regitko as Souvenir Program Booklet Chairman and provider of admission tickets and signs). Other ONA members on the CNA Convention Committee are Robb McPherson and Jim McHugh. All are members of the Waterloo Coin Society, host of the 1999 CNA Convention.

CNA ANNOUNCES MAJOR PRIZE IN MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ONA GIVES NEW CNA APPLICANTS OPPORTUNITY TO WIN \$100 GOLD COIN

The CNA is offering a \$100 gold coin, donated to them by the Royal Canadian Mint, for a membership drive. If you are not now a member of the CNA, chances are you have absolutely no chance of winning it. By the time you make application, get accepted and start a recruitment drive, what are the odds of you recruiting enough new members to win? Since you don't have much of a chance on your own, we are giving you the opportunity to participate in a draw for the gold coin. Here is the deal:

If you are planning to join the CNA...incidentally, before the price of membership goes up...and you don't know who to put down as a recruiter, put "John Regitko" down in the appropriate place on the CNA Membership Application Form.

When the membership drive is over and he wins the \$100 gold coin, we will place all of the names of members that used my name as recruiter in a draw. Imagine your odds! If 10 ONA members join the CNA this way (and I think that is all it might take to win the prize), each person has a full 10% chance to win a \$100 gold coin that sells for about \$275.00. You don't have to buy a raffle ticket. You don't have to notify me or anyone else, because I will pick up the information when your name is published in the CNA Journal and I show up as the "recruiter."

All you have to do is fill in the CNA Membership Application Form that appears on the next page (see how easy we make it for you!), write out a cheque for the appropriate amount (it varies depending if you join as a regular member, family membership or junior), and mail it in.

Is this ethical? I am not doing this for personal gain, since I don't have a chance of keeping the gold coin, as only the new CNA applicants using my name as sponsor will be included in the draw. I'm just helping them get new members.

Should the CNA care? The CNA depends on the success of a membership drive through the resources of existing members. I - a life member and a Past President of the CNA - am using the resources of the ONA (who is a club member of the CNA) to promote them and attempt to obtain new members for them. They shouldn't care who wins the prize, as long as they get lots of new members.

And once a person wins the grand prize in any contest they choose to run, they shouldn't care what happens to the prize. I can give it away if I want. So, the CNA wins in that we get them members. The new members gain a bonus in that they have a chance of winning a very worthwhile prize. Even the ONA wins - we will have the prestige of being responsible for getting more members for the CNA than anybody else!

CNA/NESA HOLDS ADVANCED NUMISMATIC COURSE

ONA member Paul Johnson can chalk up another successful event that he organized. As Chairman of the CNA Education Committee, he was responsible, along with ONA members Brian Cornwell, Paul Petch, Marvin Kay and John Regitko, in organizing a one-day advanced numismatic course at Humber College located in the outskirts of Toronto.

Brian Cornwell, assisted by his son, Scott, covered grading and altered or counterfeit coins. John Regitko explained how to identify genuine from fake errors. Another ONA member, Paul Petch, was responsible for procuring the premises and the audio visual equipment.

One unusual thing we learned at the course: Curators consider "an agent of deterioration" to be...theft.

CNA TO HOST ITS OWN CONVENTION IN YEAR 2000

In a somewhat unusual move for the CNA, they will be hosting their own Convention in Ottawa in the year 2000.

The City of Ottawa Coin Club made no secret of the fact that it was their intention to host the 1998 ONA Convention as sort of a dry run as a training ground for the national organization's annual convention in the year 2000. Whatever happened, the City of Ottawa Coin Club will not officially be involved in hosting the Convention, at their request. It was then decided by the CNA Executive at their meeting in Edmonton in July to host their own Convention, at the same location in Ottawa.

Too Bad! The Ottawa club did an outstanding job running the ONA Convention. We can only hope that some of the same people will agree to "serve" the CNA in some capacity on the Convention Committee!



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POLICY ON COMPLIMENTARY CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING IN THE ONA NUMISMATIST

The ONA Executive recently re-examined the policy of advertising in the Numismatist. Based on their examination of all the factors involving potential income, printing costs and other factors, the following policy was established:

Free classified ads will be published in the ONA Numismatist under certain conditions. The criteria for acceptance of complimentary ads for trading, buying or selling is as follows:

- The first 70 words of a member's ad will be published complimentary in each issue, with 10 cents charged for each additional word (100 words maximum per classified ad).
- The material must be numismatic in nature or tie into the hobby in some fashion.
- Complimentary ads will be accepted only from current members. Ads must contain the member's name and mailing address and must not direct orders to someone else. Under this offer, it cannot contain or make reference to a business name.
- All ads submitted must be legibly printed or typed so as to avoid errors in transcription.
- The ONA, its elected and appointed executive, nor any member assumes any responsibility for accuracy of content of an ad, including grading, rarity, potential future value or any other claims made by the advertiser.
- Ads will be inserted in the first available issue following receipt unless the sender asks for it to be held for a specific upcoming issue.
- All ads (accompanied by cheques payable to the Ontario Numismatic Association if a cost is involved) should be sent to the editor of the ONA Numismatist for processing.

Any existing policy of providing complimentary advertising space to members was either not promoted sufficiently in the past, or was simply not being used by other than 1 or 2 members.

Will the policy of more vigorously promoting free classified ads affect income? Since no advertising revenue has been generated by the ONA Numismatist in the past 3 years, nothing can be lost, except to provide another benefit to members. It must be noted that this policy is intended for collector members to dispose of some of their duplicate material and therefore cannot contain any reference to a numismatic business.

DISPLAY ADVERTISING RATES

At the same time, the following costs for member display ads in the ONA Numismatist were confirmed (non-members please add \$10 per ad, or join the ONA). These prices include any applicable taxes.

- Full Page – \$50.00 for single insertion (\$120.00 for three consecutive insertions)
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COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS AT CONVENTIONS

In the hay-days of numismatics, ONA Conventions had a reasonably large area reserved for displays. Many collectors were known as regular exhibitors. It was not unusual to see 40 or 50 display cases filled with material and information in 20 or 30 separate competitive entries belonging to 15 or 20 different exhibitors.

When exhibits were plentiful, the rules of exhibiting included a breakdown of 7 or 8 categories, with each category being awarded a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place convention medal, suitably engraved. There was emphasis on U.S. coins and paper money by removing them from the "foreign" categories. Juniors and Juveniles qualified for their own categories. Canadian coins were separated from paper money and medals & tokens.

However, times change. In the past number of years, displays were eliminated because of lack of sufficient space, as well as the fact that it became virtually impossible to muster up enough exhibits. With very few entries, as long as the category system remained, everybody won a medal. The lack of 3 entries in each category also meant wasted money on unused presentation medals.

The ONA Executive passed a motion to change the display rules to allow for two competitive categories. One would be for all adult entries, the second category is reserved strictly for Young Numismatists. Both categories would, if in the opinion of the judges is warranted, be awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons and medals, with the winner in either group qualifying for Best of Show. A special award could be made, at the judges' discretion, if an exhibit did not place in the top three in either category but warranted special consideration for some outstanding or unique idea.

The City of Ottawa Coin Club, host of the 1998 ONA Convention, was adamant that they wanted exhibits. Space was available, and they had major commitments for both competitive and non-competitive displays. Ottawa proved that, given the will to go after exhibits, they will come. The number of cases of exhibits was unprecedented in something like the past 20 years of ONA Conventions.

The 1999 ONA Convention Planning Committee has a major problem: space! To sacrifice 4 or 5 bourse tables at the back of the bourse room and the income from what is already a somewhat limited amount of bourse space did not make any financial sense. Instead, the committee decided to place the displays front and center, right into the registration/admission area of the convention so that no one could avoid walking past the exhibits to get to the bourse room. Again, with a view of limited space available, they made the decision to give as many people as possible the opportunity to exhibit by restricting each person to one case. There is a large active contingents of junior collectors in the vicinity and it would not make for good public relations if any of them (or anyone else for that matter) had to be turned away because 3 or 4 exhibitors decided to reserve maximum display space. With the emphasis in the judging point system on information and eye-appeal, rarity and completeness take a back-seat to education. It will be interesting to see what ingenuity exhibitors will use to make their one case somewhat special to all the other entries!

The other decision the 1999 ONA Convention Planning Committee made was to stay with the "no category" system so that every display is judged against each other. Up for grabs is the Best of Show silver medal along with a \$100 prize, and three runners-up with appropriate medals and cash awards. Exhibit rules & regulations, judging point system breakdown and an exhibitor application form will be included in the next bulletin.

Incidentally, it was decided to do away with a "People's Choice" category. Previous conventions that did have convention-goers casting a ballot most often would choose the same Best of Show exhibit that the judges did. Therefore, it pretty well just became another award for the same exhibit the judges chose for best of show.

Creating an exhibit is fun. Showing it off to the public is fun. Sharing your collecting interest with others in this fashion is fun. Having the opportunity to win a unique convention medal and a cash award is fun. Come have some fun at the 1999 ONA Convention!

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THE WALL OF SHAME

A column about numismatically-related items with which we don't necessarily agree

There have been a number of things that are being reported in the numismatic press that bugs us to no end. On occasion, we voiced our opinion through the Letters to the Editor column in Canadian Coin News or the CNA Journal. But chances are we didn't bother writing. If we did, it did not get published because of limited space or that it was not of earth-shattering national significance. Canadian Coin News, I note, publishes one letter in a typical issue. The CNA seldom publishes more than 1 or 2. It might be that people are shy in writing, but with the Internet so common and popular, even I have gotten around to letter-writing...at least to the people that have an e-mail address.

Now you have your very own column to state what bugs you, to vent your frustration and anger over something you like to see changed or outright eliminated. Use it or lose it!

But I must warn you. The Editor reserves the right to either agree and add ammunition to your point, or take the opposing position to create some controversy. But please don't take it too seriously.

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