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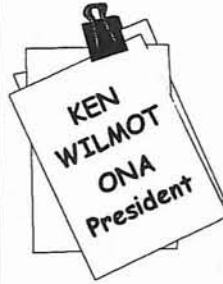
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## P R E S I D E N T ' S M E S S A G E

It seems like I was elected as your President just a short time ago, rather than nearly 2 years ago. It is amazing how quickly two years can go by when you are having fun!

Much has been accomplished during the past 2 years. My personal favourites were the fantastic Conventions hosted by the Windsor and City of Ottawa Coin Clubs; the exhibits at last year's Convention; the content of the ONA Numismatist by the newly appointed Editor that has received excellent reviews from all quarters; the support we have received from advertisers that allowed us to drastically increase the size of the ONA Numismatist in this and the previous two issues; the profit our financial statement will show to assure our ongoing financial soundness; the solid plans being developed by the North York Coin Club for the Year 2000 Convention; the institution of a Recruiter of the Year Award as a reward to those that help us get new members; and the strengthening of our ties with the Royal Canadian Mint by appointing a special Liaison to handle matters on our behalf.

I will be welcoming delegates to the 1999 ONA Convention, including at the Banquet, Club Delegates meeting, General Membership meeting and one final Executive meeting. When I turn over the gavel of office to the incoming President at the conclusion of the Convention, I hope that you will extend the same support to the incoming executive as you have to me and the members of my Executive. As you know, there is a lot of new blood joining the Executive. They will bring with them their own ideas of how to increase the support to both clubs and individual members and to increase our presence to attract new members.

I would like to again remind you that the 1999 ONA Convention is approaching quickly. The January/February ONA Numismatist included 13 pages of Convention information, including a Registration Form. I hope that I will see you at the Convention, either as a registrant, a club delegate or just for a few hours. The Club Delegates meeting and the Banquet have lined up high-profile speakers from the Royal Canadian Mint and should be included in your agenda. Take a second look at the write-ups on these two functions as well as the information on the tour to McCrae House. If you have already sent in your Registration form and wish to participate in these events, just drop us a note or e-mail to tell us what additional tickets you want and they will be waiting for you upon your arrival at the Convention. Finally, don't forget to contact the College Inn if you require a room reservation and also let us know if you wish to reserve space for a one-case competitive display. It is also not too late to ask for additional Dream Vacation Draw tickets. See you at the Convention!

*Ken Wilmot  
ONA President*

# EDITOR'S MESSAGE

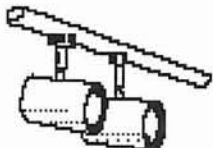


I had a full-page Editor's Message all ready to go, dealing mainly with the comments that we have received concerning my last two efforts of the ONA Numismatist. But when I saw how many pages I wanted to get in, I reduced it to just this brief introduction. I also eliminated some timeless content for now, so that I could concentrate on the ONA Convention, some CNA Convention teasers, an expanded Club News and some timely write-ups!

My efforts to obtain paid advertising, as you can tell by flipping through this and previous issues, proved quite successful. This allows us, with the approval of the President and the reluctance of the Treasurer that can only be overcome by handing him cheques from advertisers, to again go way over the 18 pages that I was committed to produce. As far as articles go, after the next (post-Convention) issue, we should be able to catch up on the articles we have on hand from Tom Kostaluk, Harry Eisenhower, Chris Boyer, Jerry Remick, Albert Kasman, Barry Uman and...you?

## SPOTLIGHT ON ELECTIONS

### WHY BOTHER WITH ELECTIONS?



*The following thought-provoking "message" from your Editor is intended to solicit feedback. All interesting responses will be published in a future issue of the ONA Numismatist. We are especially interested in hearing from long-time members of the executive of local coin clubs, as well as regular members who choose, time and again, not to let their name stand for an executive position.*

Most coin clubs held elections at their January meeting. I ask you: Why bother!

The majority of your current Executive would undoubtedly win length-of-service awards. They feel they are indispensable and the club cannot survive without them (and they may be right in a lot of instances!).

By far, the greatest majority of your members did not run for an Executive position. They do not wish to go up against the existing Executive member.

The only woman on your Executive will be asked to remain as Secretary...again.

There was only one nomination for most of the positions. None for the rest. And they will be the same people...again! And why not? Programs were interesting under the same executive in the past. Fun and fellowship was evident. Dealers did a reasonable amount of business. Their bulletin got out on time. In other words, they had all the right formula and ingredients for a successful operation. Why change things?

The Executive had run a very successful club for many years. The President has done a good job. Even though he and most other members of the executive let it be known that they would like to let others take over, no one came forward...again. So the Executive agreed to remain another year. And another. And another.

So what will happen one of these years? A number of the existing executive will force the issue by not running again. It was definitely time to move on! A few will spend 6 months out of the year in Florida and see that they can no longer serve the club year-round. Others will become too frail or ill to guarantee attending Executive meetings and regular monthly meetings. Someone might even pass away.

I realize that without the dedicated old-timers, half the clubs would have died long time ago. But the inevitable will happen when not enough new blood agrees to become involved and numerous members of the executive step down at the same time.

I am certainly not proposing the wholesale resignation of the existing members of the Executive. What I am proposing is that each year, at least one newer member be invited to join the Executive, even if more directors serve than the club's constitution calls for (they should only be so lucky!). Old blood may be an absolute necessity in assuring the success of a club, but the infusion of new blood will assure that it will continue as a successful club!

# 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.*

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Dear John:

Just received my January/February 1999 issue of the ONA Numismatist. What can I say; just a fabulous issue once again, and thank you for all your kind comments.

A wonderful tribute to our numismatic friend Al Bliman. He contributed greatly to the hobby over many years, and will be sadly missed by all those who knew him, and I have known and worked with him over the years since 1968.

*Harry M. Eisenhauer*

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*The following letter, from the ONA's 1997 Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Editor winner, was received a few months ago and offers a number of suggestions. In the meantime, ONA members have received another issue as well as the one you are reading now. Before I change the layout or offer my own comments, I would like to hear back from other members. Don't just agree with either my current layout or any of Paul's points if you have any other thoughts. Be frank what you think. This is your bulletin. Tell us what you want!*

To: ONA Editor

Congratulations on your excellent first issue of the "Ontario Numismatist." You have wisely established some standards, set some directions and, based on the advertising you have already attracted, turned it into a revenue generator for the ONA. The print quality is first rate and you are off to a good start in meeting your publishing deadlines. Onward and upward!

There is one area where I feel compelled to offer some constructive advice and that is on the subject of general layout. As I worked my way through the pages and got past pages one and two, I did not have the feeling I was reading a periodical or journal. Each page stands on its own too much. Many are ready to be taken from the publication and tacked up on a bulletin board. It seems disconnected and for me it fails to flow. It was not an easy read.

Now, getting on with the constructive advice, I have spent some considerable time thinking of readability while editing the North York Coin Club Bulletin. Here are some ideas in no particular order which I hope are useful to you and anyone else producing a publication:

- \* for a font we use Times New Roman 10 point, it is a serif font which is not too large and not too small at the 10 point size
- \* it is easier to read a column layout rather than across a full page... I have settled on a three column format
- \* the publication name, month and page number should appear on each page
- \* the layout should be in duplex so the even and odd number pages are a mirror image of each other
- \* don't center headings like it's an announcement--be creative
- \* do decide on the complete set of fonts you are going to use and use them in a consistent manner, even down to italics and bolding
- \* check out Macleans or Time magazines, you'll see where I get my ideas!

Oh, and a little bonus by using the above suggestions: you would have fit all the same material in about 4 fewer pages. It saves on mailing costs or makes space for more articles.

*Paul R. Petch  
President/Editor  
North York Coin Club*



## VOTING BY MEMBERS IN ELECTIONS AND AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Just prior to the call for general elections two years ago, the ONA Executive dealt with a few motions to reconfirm the voting with respect to a Husband & Wife membership and a Junior membership. The motions passed at that time are still in effect and, with the upcoming General membership meeting, we thought we would make all members aware of their right to vote in matters dealing with the ONA.

One of the motions dealt with whether a Husband & Wife membership should receive one or two votes. After all, it could be argued, since the second person only pays an additional \$2 which basically covers the cost of the second membership card, why would the two parties feel that they are entitled to two votes? On the other hand, by the same argument, the sheer fact that two membership cards are issued confirms that they are indeed 2 members. The only difference is that only one bulletin is mailed to them.

The Executive passed the motion that “a husband & wife membership is entitled to two votes.”

The second issue dealt with the voting rights of juniors. No political and legal jurisdiction in Canada gives young persons the right to cast a vote in elections. Robert’s Rules of Order, I believe, does not give juniors any say unless it is specifically spelled out in an organization’s Constitution & By-Laws.

The ONA Executive passed a motion that “the ONA respects full rights of Junior members in regard to all privileges in the ONA.” In other words, why treat any member as 2nd class and deny them the opportunity to participate fully, including in the running of the organization? Therefore, they also have a vote in ONA elections or at the annual general membership meeting.

We do not know of any other organization that has taken such an aggressive and progressive step to assure that indeed ALL members have the same rights and privileges as everyone else.

And while we are on the subject of voting, the Executive also passed a policy motion that, for the sake of uniformity of recording votes taken by the Executive, the Minutes would record only the fact that a motion was either carried, defeated, or deferred. Your Executive felt that once the case for or against a motion is made, they should be unified in their decision. In an attempt to add some humor (and to fill the remaining three lines to this page), we should point out that there is no record of how many voted for this motion, how many against, and how many abstained, only that the motion passed!

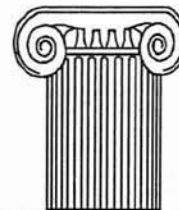


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# LOCAL COIN CLUB NEWS



## A Good Name:

It is wealth...that cannot be stolen.

It is fortune...that cannot be bought.

It is honor and character — impossible to imitate — impossible to cheapen.

It is Integrity.

*A club or association is no different from a person.*

It has pride..in itself, in its publication, in its GOOD NAME.

Let no one tell you that there is never an excuse for the loss of a good name.

Not cost — not the lure of temporary gain.

A good name is an obligation, an article of faith. The penalty for breaking that faith is quick and automatic. The reward for keeping it is long enduring.

A good name is a beacon.

A good name is a blessing...to him who has it...and to him who must put his trust in it.

A good name is a person's...or an association's...most valuable asset.

The Ontario Numismatic Association!

Are we also speaking about your club or association?

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**TIMMINS COIN CLUB** In the November/December issue of the ONA Numismatist, I mentioned that the North York Coin Club scheduled a meeting and bulletin around the theme of Halloween. I note that a number of clubs have had the same idea. For example, the Timmins Coin Club scheduled a Valentine's Day meeting at their February 14 meeting. A show and tell included such ideas as items that come in red boxes, paper notes depicting cherubs, medals, etc.

And speaking of the Timmins Coin Club, I no sooner finished copying the write-up by Tom Masters about the costs of running a coin club published in the Ingersoll Coin Club Bulletin for the next issue, than the Timmins Coin Club's January bulletin crossed my desk. A few things stood out: a) the City of Timmins has decided to start charging for the club's meeting room (does that sound familiar to other clubs?), b) the club charges \$15 annual membership and do not feel they can charge any more (does that sound familiar to other clubs?), and c) because of finances, the club will be issuing their bulletins quarterly (does that sound familiar to other clubs?).



I have always felt that a good program not only consists of the main speaker, but also the things that can be tied in to the speaker or slide presentation. For example, a recent program at the North York Coin Club was Norm Belsten, President of CAWMC. Norm spoke on...what else...wooden tokens. As an add-on, NYCC member Marvin Kay followed up the main presentation with a short talk on Medical & Dental Woods he has collected. Other ideas could be to ask members to bring out displays of wooden nickels (and who doesn't have some in their collection?) or include a number of woods in the door draws.



**Waterloo Coin Society** - The WCS recently featured an interesting "Secondary Hobby" Night. Topics covered by members were Brownie Cameras, gold ball markers (over 150 different), glass paper weights, cast iron bottle openers, post cards, guns, monogrammed golf balls (82 dozen), scabble games (13 foreign languages), Disney figures (circa 1930's, \$1500+), wood working, post card collecting, stamp collecting and growing roses (300 bushes). But I think Mike Hollingshead's hobby of bird watching is the most unusual because...Mike is colorblind. Wouldn't that make it a lot more difficult to identify the critters? Is that a red beak of the yellow-tailed warbler family, or a yellow beak of the red-tailed warbler family? How would he know if he is right? Is that why he takes Denna along?

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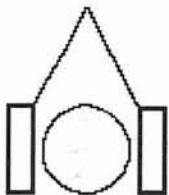
And while we are on WCS, their recent bulletin announced "the appointment by ONA President Ken Wilmot of John Regitko as editor of the ONA Numismatist. " They said that "he will bring fresh ideas and approaches to the newsletter." Is it working yet?



**Waterloo Coin Society's 1999 CNA Convention** - Most Ontario clubs don't promote the CNA much usually, because the ONA Convention is "local" while the CNA Convention can be a thousand miles away. Because there is room in my heart for love and affection for both the ONA and the CNA, I urge all coin club editors to go "all out" in promoting the upcoming CNA Convention. Our good friends at the Waterloo Coin Society are hosting it, with a number of active members of the ONA Executive, by virtue of their involvement with the host club, serving on the Planning Committee. Chris Boyer is General Chairman of the Convention (he serves the ONA as an Area Director and Incoming 2nd V.P.), Don Robb is Bourse Chairman (ONA's Chairman of the Award of Merit Committee), Mike Hollingshead is the Convention's Publicity Chairman (ONA's 1st Vice President and Incoming President), Bruce Raszmann fills the Treasurer's portfolio (also ONA's Treasurer) and John Regitko is the Souvenir Program Booklet Chairman (ONA's Editor and Club Services Chairman). John has also been given the go-ahead to provide all tickets, signs, registration kit boxes and labels, ribbons and more. It is because so many regular members and Executive members of the ONA are involved with the CNA Convention that I issue an appeal to all Ontario clubs to promote the CNA to the same degree that they would help us promote an ONA Convention.

Since the CNA Convention is scheduled for July 22-25, there is still plenty of time to make your club members aware of all the things planned for their enjoyment. For our part, the March/April 1999 issue of the *ONA Numismatist* will allocate major space to their Convention.

Question: With so many active ONA types involved in the running of the CNA Convention, will anyone notice a difference between an ONA Convention and the CNA Convention? Answer: Yes. It is understandable that, by its geography, any CNA Convention is bound to be bigger and longer. Although the ONA Conventions are well-known for their fun and fellowship, the CNA has its own unique character. Any ONA member that does not at least attend the CNA Convention for some of their activities will never know what they missed!



Received my first copy of the City of Ottawa Coin Club bulletin recently. I was impressed with the quality of their articles, edited by Sean Isaacs. It is refreshing to see a dealer take an active part in assisting in the work of running a club. Even the articles were contributed by dealers Graham Neale, Al Davies and Sean Isaacs. Sean runs a large organization in Ottawa dealing in numismatic and philatelic material and supplies, as well as a foreign exchange service. The 10 pages covered 1 page of club information, 1/3 page President's Message, 1 page auction results and the other 7-2/3 pages of educational articles. That's a nice ratio, and a nice educational investment for members! Will the ONA Editor ever be able to cut out the formal stuff and beat that ratio of articles to other contents?



**Waterloo Coin Society** - At a recent meeting, it was announced that junior member Matthew Fleck has completed the twelve chapters of the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course with an 85% average. He received a framed certificate for his efforts.

Here's an idea: Why not have your club sponsor a junior or two for the course. It is cheap enough, at only \$35 for a CNA member, \$45 for non-member if they send in each completed chapter for marking. An alternative is to get them a cerlox bound copy at \$40, but that won't entitle them to a certificate of completion.

Chris Boyer gave me a great idea of how I can supplement my annual income by \$2,000. He stated in the WCS bulletin that an insurance policy exists with a "\$2,500 Counterfeit Money Indemnity." If the insured accepts currency and discovers that it is counterfeit, the insurance company will redeem it. The limit for claims is \$2,500 in any policy year. I figure I can buy \$2,500 worth of counterfeit bills for no more than \$500, leaving me with a nice \$2,000 just for making a phone call to the insurance company. I also hope that the \$2,000 is enough to post bail so I can visit Boyer and tell him what went wrong with the scheme.

# LOCAL COIN CLUB NEWS CONTINUED



The London Numismatic Society is holding their annual banquet meeting on Tuesday, April 6 at the Harmony Grand Buffet, 304 Talbot Street (at York St.), London. The festivities start at 6:30 p.m.. Three members of the LNS who have attained 25 years membership in the club will be honored: Jeff Wenn, ONA member Ross Blakey and former ONA member Grant Monck, best known to us for his work on the CNA Young Numismatist Committee. If you can make it to the banquet, call Bill Clarke at (519) 455-2815 for reservations. Tickets are \$16.00 each.

Unfortunately, Grant will only be able to receive his certificate at the LNS Fall 1999 show because he is unable to leave his home in Vancouver, B.C., to attend.

I note from their last bulletin that they have just held meeting #577. We're curious which club has more. Does anyone know of other clubs that are over 500? To save you the trouble of figuring out how long it would take to hold 577 monthly meetings, the club held its first meeting on Friday, April 27, 1951.



In the January/February ONA Numismatist, we reported under the "1998 Was An Interesting Year" column that the City of Ottawa Coin Club was credited for selling 118 books of Dream Vacation tickets and that Stratford, who usually is in first place thanks to the efforts mainly of Ken Wilmot, was second with 94 books. Ken Wilmot and Ray Desjardins had a bet on which club would sell the most books and Wilmot presented Ray with the prize of a 1998 Loon \$1 coin (cut out of a proof-like set, the only way it was available) which Ray donated to the City of Ottawa Coin Club for their donation auction. We understand that they have another bet going, this time for a 1999 Toonie...if they are struck. If the Mint does decide to issue a \$2 coin dated 1999, they would no doubt have a very, very low mintage, in which case this might become a rather high-stakes bet. In view of the fact that Stratford has been top seller for a lot of years...other than in 1998...the smart money has to be on Stratford. But the reason we are rooting for Ottawa is that they know they have to try harder, and ultimately the ONA will gain from the additional profits the Dream Vacation Draw will generate if you have two or more clubs fighting for the honors. How else are they expected to pay for these thick ONA Numismatists when all the budget allows are 18 pages?

Does any other club want to get in on the above bet? Maybe the ONA should offer a prize for the club that has the highest percentage increase over the past year or two?

## TIP OF THE MONTH



The more I think about it, the more I am in favor of publishing an auction list in advance. I cannot attend a lot of meetings because of time, distance and the demands of husbandly and ONA editorial duties. Not that long ago, I made it a point to attend a WCS meeting because they had a medal in the auction that I wanted enough to travel an hour each way (it was an unauthorized Canadian National Exhibition medal, using the copyrighted CNE's 100th anniversary logo, produced in the year when I obtained the rights, on behalf of the Toronto Coin Club, to the "official" CNE medal).

Publishing an auction list in advance places a great burden on the auction coordinator in accumulating material a month in advance, cataloguing it, keeping track of who the owners are, bringing the material to the next meeting, dispersing funds. This is made even more difficult if the owner of material does not show up for a few months to collect his money, or receive unsold lots back. We know of 3 clubs who do it: Don Robb for the Waterloo Coin Society, Ken Wilmot for the Stratford Coin Club and Tom Masters for the Ingersoll Coin Club. If there are others, we don't receive their bulletins to know about it!

But the more reason you give people to attend, the more likely they are to show up. Tell them about the program, but also tell them what auction material, draw prizes, displays (tied in to the program if possible), the prizes in the "on time" attendance draw, etc. Nobody that intends to come to a meeting will stay away because of what they see will happen at the next meeting, but it might just light a spark under a few people to try to attend.

# LOCAL COIN CLUB NEWS CONTINUED



I was going to ask which club plans programs ahead the most, to my knowledge, but the logo on the left is a give-away. The Waterloo Coin Society has sent me an ad to include in this bulletin outlining their programs until the end of the year (see page 48). Quite a mix of programs, including a curious title of "Back Door Specials" from the Mint." Somehow I don't think that it means that we can finally buy legitimately what used to get out of the back-door of the Royal Canadian Mint during the 60s! You might want to reserve June 8 to come to their meeting to find out what it's all about. I know I'll be there!

I hope that a number of other clubs start to plan well ahead, so that we can make everyone aware of the program at upcoming meetings and hopefully a few new faces will turn out at your club meetings as a result. The only problem is timing of the ONA Numismatist. With a bulletin going out only every 2 months, you will have to really plan ahead to get it in on time. You don't even have to pay for an ad like WCS. We promise to publish it for free.



The South Wellington Coin Society has decided to schedule 2 meetings per month. At different locations. In different towns yet. One of the newest clubs in Ontario therefore becomes the first club in Canada to boast two meetings each month in two locations. Club directors have decided to host a meeting in the Rockmosa Community Library in Rockwood on the first Wednesday of each month and another meeting with an entirely different program at the Colonel John McCrae Legion, 919 York Rd., Guelph on the third Tuesday of each month.

One newsletter will be sent to members prior to the Rockwood meeting outlining the programs at each location, a report of previous meetings and a 20 lot auction list for each location.

President of the newly invigorated club is Scott Douglas, Membership Secretary/Treasurer is Bob Zmija, Newsletter Coordinators are Bruno Kerkhof and Tony Zmija and Programming Committee is Chris Boyer and Mike Hollingshead. Membership fees remain at \$10 for regular members and \$12 for a family membership.

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# C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S

*A column announcing major lifestyle milestones of ONA members*

## MAJOR MARRIAGE MILESTONES REACHED

Over 25 years ago, Lucille Colson attended a meeting of the North York Coin Club at the North York Community Hall. She "volunteered" as Recording Secretary, a position she kept when the building was torn down and the club moved, first to the lower level of the new North York City Hall Complex and then to the current location at the Edithvale Community Centre. Her minutes, which she reads with much gusto at meetings and the Editor publishes in their award-winning bulletin.

Lucille and her husband, Jim, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Good friends of Ontario numismatics, Stephen and Beulah Taylor, also celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently. They have attended a number of ONA Conventions and also show up at CNA Conventions. Steve's work with young collectors is well known, as is his involvement with the ANA. His reputation throughout Ontario...and the rest of Canada...is such that the Chairman of the CNA's Education Committee has invited him to participate in the Educational Seminar at the 1999 CNA Convention as one of the 3 speakers.



# B E S T W I S H E S

Best wishes are extended to John Curtis who has been in hospital for some time. Also, we wish ONA Area Director Ray Desjardin's mother-in-law well. Johnnie Johnson from Ottawa is convalescing. So is retired coin dealer Dick Lockwood who had his leg amputated recently. What we didn't mention before is that Joyce Armstrong had triple bypass surgery last year. We understand she is doing fine and that we will see her behind the bourse table at the ONA Convention.

# M A J O R M I L E S T O N E S



A number of members have reached personal milestones over the past while. The problem is that, having just recently taken over as Editor, I did not keep a running record of major personal events in members' lives.

I did receive a nice wooden commemorative nickel from ONA member Norm Belsten who turned 65 on August 28. A survey I conducted of people that didn't know his age concluded that he must be around 50. Maybe it's the

collecting of woods, rather than the high price, high pressure numismatics, that keeps one young?

Another milestone was reached on October 30, when ONA member Albert Kasman retired from Canada Post. We have not been able to establish if this will make the mails slower...or faster.



# C O N D O L E N C E S

Our sincere condolences are extended to the family of Walter Loudon of Mascouche Heights, P.Q. He passed away just a few days shy of his 100th birthday. Also to ONA members Albert Kasman and Ian Graham on the recent passing of their mothers. It has just been brought to our attention that coin dealer Wes Ham of Huntsville passed away 3 months ago.

# SHOW TIME

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



## **CAND'S FIRST WINTER SHOW IN HAMILTON A SUCCESS IN SPITE OF RECORD SNOWFALL**

The Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers (CAND) held their first Winter Snow...sorry, Winter Show...in Hamilton on January 16 & 17. Although a few major conventions have been held across the street at the Royal Connaught Hotel, your Editor cannot recall ever having set foot into the Ramada Inn before. The spacious bourse room was filled to capacity by dealers. A few things stood out at the show.

There was good support by CAND members (just because it was a CAND-sponsored event does not automatically mean that all CAND dealers would embrace it). Virtually all CAND members were present, with the exception of those known to spend January in Florida and a few from out-of-town who heard that we got a little bit more snow than in previous years. Since the dealers that had an empty table beside them were happy to spread out, every inch of table space was filled with numismatic material.

I don't know how the table location selection process worked, but it was obvious that the CAND Executive did not pull rank. CAND President Michael Walsh had his table in the middle of the back row. CAND Executive Secretary/Treasurer Joanne Simpson and her husband Rick (operating as R & S Coins) had their table in the midst of things half way down the room. Show Chairman Terry McHugh of Terry's Coins also had his table half-way down from the entrance. It sits well that they did not reserve prime locations for themselves. It also speaks well for the ONA that the three people mentioned above are not only members of the ONA but are also advertisers in the ONA Numismatist.

In pre-show publicity, the CAND Winter Show flyer, as well as information published in Canadian Coin News and the ONA Numismatist, highlighted a "Junior Table" that they claimed would contain merchandise at special prices. Well, I wish I was a junior! Good quality 20-pocket pages for 2x2's (with metal reinforced holes yet) were selling for 5 cents each, binders to hold the pages at 10 cents, Whitman blue books at 5 cents, a fantastic selection of foreign coins at 10 cents each or 12 for \$1. Coin holders, PL sets, a large variety of coins, foreign paper money and much more were offered at equally low pricing. On top of all that, young numismatists got into the show free. Terry McHugh said that the turnout to the table by junior collectors was phenomenal. Virtually all CAND dealers (and others) donated to the YN table. When ONA member Harry Eisenhauer read that CAND was planning a special Young Numismatists Table, he sent a quantity of material to Show Chairman Terry McHugh. Harry and ONA member Jim Charlton are, without doubt, the largest donors to coin clubs in Ontario. They do it quietly and normally do not get public recognition.

The Royal Canadian Mint had an excellent presence. ONA Member Ian Graham, who is the Mint's Sales Manager - Canada, answered a lot of questions about the Mint's latest offerings, including the new 25-cent coins. The hit at the Mint booth...and probably at the whole show...definitely were the uncirculated rolls of the January quarters that were being sold for face-value.

The Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club (CTCCC) and the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors (CAWMC) held meetings in a spacious meeting room adjoining the bourse room.

With the unpredictability of winter weather, why would CAND risk having their parade rained (snowed?) on? From a commercial point of view, taking this risk makes good business sense. The coin business is a 9-month business for those dealers that do not have a store location (which is the majority). By scheduling a major show in the middle of Winter, it opens up the numismatic business all year round. Hamilton was a good choice since it is well within an hour's drive of the huge Metro Toronto and Southern Ontario markets and within 30 minutes of Toronto International Airport. We predict that the CAND Winter Show will become a common fixture in the Ontario show circuit.

# SHOW TIME - UPCOMING

*A column intended to entice ONA members to attend each others shows*



The Cambridge Coin Show will be presenting their 8th annual show on Saturday, March 20 at the Cambridge Newfoundland Club, 1500 Dunbar Road, Cambridge-Galt. Open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the show will feature over 40 bourse tables of coins, tokens, paper money, trade dollars, CTC coupons and militaria, as well as sports cards, post cards and more. Contact Jim Pemberton (519) 621-1140 or Vincent Nevidon (519) 622-6625 for further information.

Proceeds are earmarked to a charitable organization. That is probably the reason the Cambridge Newfoundland Club is donating the hall for the show.



The Hamilton Coin Club has scheduled their semi-annual coin show for April 10 at the upper level of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 58, 1180 Barton St. East, Hamilton.

Open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., admission is only \$1.00 which includes a draw ticket. There is a lunch counter on the premises. If you want to take a break from the coin show, Hamilton's Center Mall is located right across the street.

Information can be obtained from Ken Lord, 60 Rice Street, Hamilton, Ont. L9C 7S3. He can also be reached at (905) 383-3742.



The Kent Coin Club is hosting their 31st annual Spring Coin Show on Sunday, April 11 at the Wheels Inn Resort and Conference Centre, 615 Richmond Street, Chatham.

Open to the public 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the show will feature 25 bourse tables. Free parking and free admission help make it even more attractive.

If you want additional information, contact Lou Wagenaar, 109 King Street West, Chatham, Ont. N7M 1E2, or call him during business hours at Lou's Coin & Stationery at (519) 352-4150.



Although we presented detailed information on the ONA's own annual convention in the last issue, we cannot ignore it in this column. It is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, April 16 to 18 at the College Inn, 716 Stone Rd., Guelph.

A Registrants/Dealer reception is planned for Friday evening starting at 9:00 p.m. (the Reception is open to all Registrants, Dealers and anyone else acquiring a ticket in advance). Bourse set-up will take place on Friday evening and Saturday morning. Exhibits will be set up Saturday morning. Meetings of CATC, CTCCC and CAWMC are also planned for Saturday, as is a tour to the McCrae House Museum and the ONA

Banquet. On Sunday, the ONA Club Delegates Meeting and the General Membership Meeting will take place.

For our members' convenience, we are repeating the Convention Registration Form in this issue. Be sure to consider coming to your convention. If you cannot attend in person, consider ordering the low-production official convention medals and Dream Vacation Draw tickets. We will even send you a Registration Kit if you are unable to pick it up yourself.



The Peterborough Coin Club is hosting their annual Coin Show on Saturday, May 1 at the Portage Place Mall, 1154 Chemong Rd, Peterborough.

Open to the public 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the show usually has plenty of room in the center of the mall. Free parking and free admission help make it even more attractive.

If you want additional information, contact Evelyn Robinson, 36 Stewart Place, Peterborough, Ont. K9L 3L9, or call her at (705) 745-5050.

# SHOW TIME - UPCOMING - CONTINUED



The Windsor Coin Club's Spring Coin and Stamp Show will take place at the Caboto Club, 2175 Parent St., Windsor. Hours are 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is only \$1.00 for adults. Anyone 12 years old or younger gets in free.

Most ONA members have not been back to Windsor since the 1998 ONA Convention. This might be a good time to revisit, with a side tour to the Casino (strictly to obtain some casino tokens for one's collection, of course).

For more information, contact Ron Binder, 2279 Hall Ave., Windsor, Ont. N8W 2L8

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The Burlington International Spring Coin Show will be held at the Brant Hills community Centre, 2300 Doncaster Dr., Burlington. Parking is off Brant between Upper Middle Rd. and #5 Hwy.

Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Free admission. Contact Nancy Meredith at (705) 788-3159.

Here is a question for you. Who is Nancy Meredith? With a "705" area code? Running a coin show in Burlington? Answers in the next ONA Numismatist.

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Our friends at B.C. Coins and Ian Ward Promotions have announced the Stratford 1st Annual Spring Coin Show for Sunday, May 30 at the Stratford Knights of Columbus Community Centre, 151 Lorne Ave. East, Stratford.

Open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., it will feature over 50 bourse tables. Admission is \$2 (children under 12 free if accompanied by an adult). Door draws. Free parking. For information on bourse tables or other show information, contact either Bob Dowsett at (519) 271-8884 or Ian Ward at (519) 426-8875.

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The Scarborough Coin Club is holding their 3rd Annual Coin Show on Saturday, June 5 at the Cedarbrook Community Centre, 91 Eastpark Blvd., Scarborough. Open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Free admission, free draws and free parking. Lunch and refreshments are provided by the Gallaway after school program.

Information can be obtained from the Scarborough Coin Club, P.O. Box 562, Pickering, Ont. L1V 2R7, or e-mail President David Bawcutt at [jbawcutt@sprint.ca](mailto:jbawcutt@sprint.ca) or Secretary Rick Craig at [rmcraig@total.net](mailto:rmcraig@total.net).

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Torex is holding their next show on June 26 - 27 at the Primrose Hotel, 111 Carlton St., Toronto. The bourse is open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. Auctions are scheduled for both Friday evening and Saturday. Admission is \$5.00 daily. The CTCCC, CATC and CMNS meet there.

For bourse table space or other information, contact Torex owner/operator Ingrid K. Smith at (416) 260-9070 or e-mail [ingrid@torex.net](mailto:ingrid@torex.net). You can also obtain information on the internet at [www.torex.net](http://www.torex.net).

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The Waterloo Coin Society is hosting the 1999 CNA Convention on July 22 - 25 at the Four Points Sheraton, 105 King St. East, Kitchener.

Information on program of events, bourse, registration, medals, hotel room reservations, educational seminars, spousal and young numismatist activities, exhibits, CNA general membership meeting, CNA Banquet, CNA Club Delegates meeting, Royal Canadian Mint involvement and more will be presented in the next ONA Numismatist. If you can't wait, call one of the numbers or e-mail addresses listed in the ad on page 61.

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

## WELCOME

The applications for membership which appeared in the last issue of the ONA Numismatist have been accepted. We welcome Gord Nichols, Nancy Meredith, Tom Rogers, James Collins, Peter DeGraaf and John Boutilier!



## TRANSFER TO LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The following members have been transferred from regular membership to life membership:

#LM107 Sean Isaacs, Ottawa, Ont. (from #1635)

## NEW APPLICATIONS

The following applications for membership have been received. If there are no objections by April 15, they will be accepted into ONA membership and their acceptance published in the next bulletin. Recruiters eligible for the ONA Recruiter of the Year Award are identified with an asterisk (no asterisk designates that they are not eligible for the award because of their position within the ONA Executive).

- #1680 Frank Costello, North College Hill, Ohio
- #1681 Howard Kalef, North York, Ont. (Recruiter: John Regitko)
- #1682 John Regitko (Sr.), Toronto, Ont. (Recruiter: John Regitko)
- #1683 Magdalene Regitko, Toronto, Ont. (Recruiter: John Regitko)

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- April 13, 1999 - Numismatics and Philatelics
- May 11, 1999 - Annual Banquet at Tien Hoa, Waterloo (tickets required)
- June 8, 1999 - "Back Door Specials" from the Mint
- July 13, 1999 - CNA Collectibles and Related Items
- August 10, 1999 - Joint Meeting with KW Philatelic Society
- September 14, 1999 - Computers in Numismatics
- October 12, 1999 - Members' Night--New Acquisitions
- November 9, 1999 - Canadian Numismatics and World War
- December 14, 1999 - Annual Christmas Program & Gift Exchange

**May meeting is the Annual Banquet at Tien Hoa Buffet Restaurant - purchase tickets at meetings**

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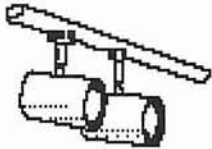
For Additional information: Waterloo Coin Society, Box 40044, Waterloo Square P.O.  
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## A "MESSAGE" FROM TOM MASTERS

(PUBLISHED IN THE INGERSOLL COIN CLUB BULLETIN)

*The following "President's Message & Editorial" column appeared in a recent issue of the Ingersoll Coin Club bulletin. We thought we would share it with members of the ONA and ask for feedback. All interesting responses will be published in a future issue of the ONA Numismatist. We are especially interested in hearing from dealers, both part-time and full-time, that set up at local coin club meetings, annual coin shows run by coin clubs, commercially-owned coin shows, collectible shows and genuine antique shows.*

We have approached the end of 1998. Being unable to attend most of our area shows this past year, I have to rely on the reports of those who did attend. While most if not all shows, showed a financial profit, their attendance was down from former years. The profits for these shows come from the bourse dealers who purchase space to sell their wares. With attendance down, many have said that sales were down also. If this problem continues, we will soon find fewer dealers at each show.

So, where do we go from here? I have asked the following questions on several occasions: Are there too many coin shows in our area today? Are we selling too many bourse spaces for the number of collectors who come to these shows? Are area clubs supporting nearby shows? Should we not charge an admission fee and take a smaller profit? Are we giving enough door prizes? Or is the bottom line...profit...spelling a doom to some of these shows.

I have attended meetings where the decline in attendance was discussed and in most cases none of the above questions were brought forward. One of the points I overheard was that there are too many commercial shows, but when you take a close look at our club shows they are commercial too.

Back in the early 60s, in the Spring and Fall, one could attend a coin show almost every week-end. During the 70s, many of those shows disappeared. Clinton, Ingersoll, Kitchener, Simcoe, Sarnia, St. Thomas, to name a few in my immediate area. Along with the disappearance of the shows, some of the above clubs disappeared also. Let's hope we don't repeat ourselves again. Club members back then used to attend many other club meetings and shows. We have to try and revive this practice again, but as I hear some say...the cost of travel becomes a problem. Up until this summer, I attended as many meetings and shows as possible. You met people from all walks of life, and in many cases knew what they collected and what they needed. Today, we rarely find any vest pocket dealing and trading. Will the big bucks be the final nail in some of our clubs and shows? I congratulate those clubs who do host a very successful show each year. Is it just possible that those clubs who believe their shows are in danger could get together with the Executive of the successful shows to find out their secret.



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**Bank of Toronto Notes wanted for my personal collection.** 1887 \$5 (no overprint); 1890 \$5 (no overprint, London overprint, New York imprint), also Brantford and Sudbury overprints. 1887 \$10 (no overprint); 1892 \$10 (no overprint and Cartwright overprint); 1906 \$10 (Point St. Charles overprint). Harry M. Eisenhauer, ONA LM19, P.O. Box 3826, Station "B", Saint John, N.B. E2M 5C2.

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**Stratford Coin Club Royal Visit wooden flats for sale.** Face value of \$1.00 and \$2.00. The Stratford Coin Club is making its remainder available to ONA members, on a first come, first served basis, at the original issue price of \$3.00, plus 50 cents postage. Only 20 sets available. Make cheque payable to the Stratford Coin Club and send to P.O. Box 21031, Stratford, Ont. N5A 7V4.

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## ON THE MOVE

### CCN'S COOPER MOVES TO COLLECTIBLES DISTRIBUTOR

As we stated in the "Club News" column of the January/February ONA Numismatist, Clark Cooper has left Canadian Coin News at Trajan Publications, St. Catharines.

He has joined the Portfolio Plus Division of N.C. Cameron & Sons, who is reputed to be Canada's largest collectibles company. They distribute such popular items as Cherries Teddies, Precious Moments, Hummels and prints of Trisha Romance, James Lumber, Chantal Poulin, Christine Marshall, Mia Lane and Shirley Daville. They are known as a progressive company, routinely signing up new artists and distributing new collectibles. One of the products that they also distribute that will make him remember the time spent within numismatics: the limited edition prints by Brent Townsend, the designer of the \$2.00 coin.

After spending the past 3-1/2 years dealing with customers over the telephone, he longed to be out on the road again so as to meet his customers face-to-face. His new responsibilities will enable him to build up a more personal relationship with them. Although he did meet coin dealers in person at coin shows, he will now devote virtually 100% of his time on the road meeting and greeting customers on a one-on-one basis. The travelling will certainly be extensive. Cooper's territory covers a sizable chunk of Ontario, from Lake Ontario in the South to Parry Sound in the North, and from Toronto to Kingston in the East. Any coin dealer with a retail location within that area that also handles other collectibles such as figurines or limited edition prints can contact him at N.C. Cameron, 7550 Tranmere Dr., Mississauga, Ont. L5S 1S6, telephone (905) 673-9200.

"It has been an absolute pleasure dealing with the people in the numismatic industry and I'll miss them," he stated. "The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence, and I think I'll find that once I get entrenched in my new opportunities, I will miss the laid-back attitude of the people in the numismatic business versus the intensity of the art industry. I'll certainly miss the joking around with everybody! There is a camaraderie here, whereas in the other industry it is more dog-eat-dog."

Replacing Cooper is Ian Macallum. Although he does not have a background in numismatics, he brings with him 8 years of commercial sales experience. Your ONA Editor had the opportunity to interview him...on his first day on the job, when he was thrust behind Canada Coin News' information booth at the CAND Winter Show in Hamilton! Macallum admits that he has a lot to learn. The thing that initially impressed him is that the industry is a lot larger than he ever expected it to be and he looks forward to speaking with the many contacts that his predecessor has developed as well as others within the industry.

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# C L U B   S E R V I C E S   R E P O R T



## REVISED RULES FOR BEST LOCAL COIN CLUB BULLETIN AND EDITOR AWARDS

Back in the late 1970's, the Toronto Coin Club won the Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Award from the CNA (those were the days before computerized coin club bulletins and the editors had to do a lot of manual typing, cutting and pasting). The following year, the Toronto Coin Club again received the award from the CNA, as it did the year after that. No club had ever been honored three years in a row.

While the CNA was selecting the Toronto Coin Club bulletins over all other entries, the ANA also gave the nod to the Toronto Coin Club bulletin over all submissions from around the world...again, for three years in a row. No club had ever been so honored by the ANA either!

Ever since the first ONA Best Local Coin Club Bulletin award was presented, the ONA had a rule that no club could win the award more than once in a 3-year period. If a club won it in one year, it was not eligible for the next 2 years. I don't know what the original framers had in mind when they came up with that criteria, but I assume it was to spread the honor around rather than having the same club win it year after year.

At the January 10 meeting of the ONA Executive, I made the following motion:

"I move that in future, the standing policy of disqualifying for 2 subsequent years, the winner of the 'Best Local Coin Club Bulletin' Award and the 'Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Editor' Award, be removed from the criteria."

I felt that what we have done is to take the best bulletin and disqualify it so as to give 2nd best, and even third best in the following year, the opportunity to win. What this could amount to is that we are allowing even a mediocre bulletin the opportunity to win, rather than forcing it to improve. We should be doing just the opposite: we should encourage people to produce better bulletins by forcing them to compete with the ones that have previously been judged better than theirs, rather than disqualifying the best.

As ONA Club Services Chairman, I felt that we should treat all member clubs equally...each and every year, and not relegate some because they are acknowledged as having been better the previous year. Imagine if the ANA had a similar rule in place. The top bulletin award would not have been brought to Canada in record-setting numbers.

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No criteria has ever been published for the selection of the ONA's Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Award and Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Editor Award. Quite frankly, any written listing would limit the criteria, or things would be left out. By not having a rigid written criteria, it allowed the judges the flexibility of judging each club's bulletins on its own merit. For example, one club might have terrific layout and therefore eye-appeal, but a bit short on content (club meeting information, articles). Another club might have terrific articles written by club members and report club news, but their layout leaves something to be desired and therefore it does not encourage readers to read it from beginning to end.

As far as I am concerned, the loose criteria is this: a good bulletin should pass information on to members of what happened at the last meeting of the club that they were unable to attend, what is planned for the next meeting, should contain educational articles, make members aware of what is happening in numismatics generally, be light-hearted and be presented in a very eye-appealing manner. Above all, it must be a "fun" read so as to encourage members to read it from front to back.

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*John Regitko*  
*Club Services Chairman*

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# SOUTH OF THE BORDER



## CANADA WELL REPRESENTED AT MICHIGAN STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION FALL SHOW

My wife and I visited Dearborn, Michigan over the U.S. Thanksgiving week-end to attend the Fall edition of the Michigan State Numismatic Association Show.

A number of Canadian dealers are always present. ONA Life Member Christina Smith had her usual table, as did member Michael Findlay. Member Peter DeGraaf, a member of the ONA Founding Executive in 1962, was also manning his usual table. Another member, Bill Popynick, had an array of Canadian coins on his table. In addition, numerous U.S. dealers had a good sprinkling of Canadian coins and paper money on their tables. Two other dealers that had an Ontario "presence" in the past (attended TICF and ONA and CNA Conventions over the years), David Harrison and Craig Whitmore, were also there.

The Canadian dealer travelling the greatest distance to attend was Michael Walsh of Vancouver, B.C. His Ontario presence during 1999 include conducting an auction at the CAND Show in Hamilton over the January 15-17 week-end and bourse space at Torex and at the ONA and CNA Conventions.

Raymond W. Dillard set up his elongated coin manufacturing machine. Elongated cent collecting has not caught on in Canada, but because of their more liberal counterfeit laws, is quite popular in the U.S. (surely any country that lets you burn its flag as a form of freedom of expression will certainly not concern itself with the defacing of a few coins). Dillard always creates a die commemorating the show. In return for the donation of elongated cents struck on Canadian 1 cent coins for the Young Numismatist registration kits at the 1999 ONA Convention, I promised that I would include his address for anyone that wishes to contact him for a price list (Raymond W. Dillard, Elongated Coins, P.O. Box 161, Fenton, Mi., U.S.A. 48430, or telephone (810) 629-3041). Because I left my Canadian change behind, Peter DeGraaf donated the Canadian coins for making the elongated cents.



For the first time in the 43-year history of the MSNA shows, the Royal Canadian Mint had a booth featuring a full selection of numismatic products and RCM watches. The booth was manned by RCM employee Brad Boyko who, although Canadian-born and living in Toronto, covers the vast U.S. market for numismatic collectible material. He was assisted by Jerry Morgan of Scotsman Numismatics, one of the major U.S. distributors. They handed out to visitors souvenir pins featuring a miniaturized design of the RCMP \$1 coin.

The biggest surprise at the show, featuring over 300 dealers, was the type of material on display. I have been attending the MSNA Fall Show for a number of years (always on the U.S. Thanksgiving week-end). The drastic ever-so-noticeable change was that the emphasis had drastically changed from bullion coinage to collectors coinage. A few years ago, about 90% of the material were stack after stack of precious metal bullion coins, private mint wafers, gold & silver bars, even gold jewellery. However, this time, well over 90% of the material consisted of collectors coins. U.S. coins, understandably, were in the majority, followed by U.S. paper money, Canadian coins, foreign silver coins, foreign paper money, ancient coins, emergency monies, U.S. colonial paper, primitive and ancient. One dealer had beautiful color paintings of the central design of old U.S. paper money, along with the actual note mounted in a frame about 3' wide x 2' high.

Charlton catalogues were displayed on a number of tables that featured numismatic catalogues and books. Jewellery, sports cards, watches and other items usually found at coin shows were virtually non-existent. I noticed a similar trend at Torex. Looks like "numismatics" has come back to numismatic shows.

Exhibits, always a major part of the MSNA show, were excellent. My personal favorite display was the only non-competitive entry, consisting of dozens of cases of gold and silver coins of...foil wrapped chocolates.

Two ONA members were missing: Chuck Moore, who I had seen there in the past and Paul Johnson. Paul didn't attend this time so that he could live up to his responsibilities as a Dad to both an adopted daughter as well as a puppy-turning-monster who insists on his daily walks.

# T H E N A T I O N A L S C E N E



## CNA AND NESA SCHEDULE NUMISMATIC COURSE AT ONTARIO'S HUMBER COLLEGE

The Canadian Numismatic Association (CNA) and the Numismatic Educational Services Association (NESA) are again hosting an educational course at Humber College, located just outside Toronto, on Saturday, May 15.

Close to 200 collectors have taken the course previously, both at Humber College and in Ottawa (for employees of the Royal Canadian Mint). They have had nothing but high praise for the course contents, with every instructor receiving high marks in the past-course questionnaire.

Registration is \$35.00 for CNA members, \$45.00 for non-CNA members and \$25.00 for Juniors (under the age of 18). The fee also includes a Certificate of Participation, handouts and free parking. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for complimentary coffee and donuts. The course is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with a break for lunch (participants are responsible for their own lunch, available in the College's cafeteria). Since space is limited, we encourage all ONA members to act promptly if they wish to participate in the course.

Paul Johnson, Chairman of the CNA Education Committee, is again organizing the course. He can certainly be proud of his accomplishment of overseeing the planning of this course (he was also responsible in overseeing the planning of the CNA/NESA Correspondence Course, the creation of the "CNA Club Organizational Handbook" and the "CNA Exhibits and Judging in Numismatics Handbook." He has served the ONA as Chairman of the prestigious ONA Award of Merit Committee and currently serves as the ONA's Head Judge. Johnson has again brought 7 instructors together to make the presentations at Humber College:

Paul Petch's presentation on "Canadian Coins and Commemoratives" will cover the decimal coins of Canada, from pre-Confederation coins to the most recent strikings from the Royal Canadian Mint. Included will be an examination of how Canadian money has changed in design, appearance and metal content through the years.

John Regitko's presentation on "Coin Striking and Coin Errors" will center around the process of minting coins at the Royal Canadian Mint: how strips of metal are reduced to proper thickness, how blanks are cut out from the strips of metal, how each blank planchet is "treated" before winding up in the minting press, an explanation of the die placement in the minting press, and an explanation of the minting press (feeding of the blanks, striking and ejection). A series of slides will explain how error coins occur during each of these stages.

Chris Boyer's presentation on "Canadian Paper Money" will cover the Bank of Canada series of notes, including the issues of 1937, 1954, 1967, the multi-colored issued of 1969-1975, the issue of 1979, and the present day "Bird" series. The popular 25 cent fractional notes (known as "shinplasters"), Dominion of Canada notes and the chartered banknotes of Canadian banks prior to 1935 will also be discussed.

Rick Craig's presentation on "Canadian Tokens" will include pre-confederation tokens (prior to 1867), including bank tokens, semi-regal tokens and communion tokens, while post-Confederation tokens will cover merchant tokens, milk and bread tokens, hotel and advertising tokens, transportation tokens and more. The presentation will review the tokens issued to fill a need created by the War of 1812 and compare those to the tokens issued in Nova Scotia and Upper and Lower Canada. Why they were issued and their impact and pertinence to the economic system will also be covered.

Marvin Kay's presentation on "Collecting Strategies" will suggest over 50 new and different collecting topics to stimulate your interest in numismatics. In addition to collecting by date, denomination or by specific monarchs, he will discuss the advantages of collecting by specialized subjects, also known as topical collecting. Some of these topics include women on coins, unusual denominations, animals and methods of travel such as trains and automobiles. Another area of numismatics which has almost endless collecting possibilities is the field of medals: military, artistic medals (like those sculpted by Dora de Pedery-Hunt), those issued by numismatic associations such as the Canadian Numismatic Association and historical medals of all descriptions.

# THE NATIONAL SCENE - CONTINUED

Susan Maltby's presentation on "Coin and Paper Money Preservation" will discuss all aspects of coin, token and paper money conservation, including components of a good coin/bill holder, how to choose a good holder, materials and holders to avoid, environmental requirements for different kinds of collections (i.e. paper, metal, wood, "exotic" materials) and general tips on good care and handling. After all, collections can deteriorate over time if not housed safely and drastically affect its value. Her presentation will include hands-on demonstrations, including the Beilstein Test, a chemical test used to determine whether a plastic contains PVC or polyvinylidene chloride. Participants are urged to bring along problem coins or paper money as well as material used for housing more expensive material, for examination and recommendations.

Brian Cornwell's presentation on "Coin Grading and Counterfeit Detection" will reveal that grading coins and tokens is an art, not a science. This simply means that different graders can and do have differing opinions of a coin's grade. Furthermore, it is human nature for a coin seller to have a tendency to overgrade a coin, whereas a buyer of that coin has a built-in bias to undergrade. This course will help students with some of the confusing real-life issues. The presentation will focus on the three fundamentals of accurate and consistent grading: knowledge, technique and objectivity. Slides of the Victorian half dollar series are used for a detailed discussion of the fine points that distinguish one grade from another. The role of and proper use of third party grading companies will also be covered. His presentation concludes with a hands-on look at "coin problems," specifically those that are cleaned, altered or counterfeited. Many physical examples will be available for students to examine directly along with pointers on how best to identify and avoid them at a future date.

If you wish a copy of the brochure showing greater details on the course, contact the Executive Secretary of the CNA at the address, telephone number or e-mail address shown in the Registration form to the right

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If you wish to contact Ken Prophet, Executive Secretary of the Canadian Numismatic Association, he can be reached at the above address or at:

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## WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY TO HOST 1999 CNA CONVENTION ON JULY 22 TO 25

### INTRODUCTION

The Canadian Numismatic Association has awarded the 1999 CNA Convention to the Waterloo Coin Society (WCS), one of the most active coin clubs in Ontario...and Canada. The club has won a number of prestigious awards, and a number of their Executive have also been honored by the CNA and ONA (after 40 years of existence, they must be doing something right). Although we suggest that you wait until the next issue of the ONA Numismatist for detailed information on the Convention (such as a complete Program of Events, Bourse Dealer listing, Registration Form and information on activities such as the Banquet, tour and registration), you can obtain more information by writing to the Waterloo Coin Society, P.O. Box 40044, 75 King Street South, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada N2J 4V1. You can also visit their website at <http://www.angelfire.com/tx/wcshomepage/index.html> or e-mail any of the committee members listed below.

### THE CONVENTION SITE

The Convention will take place at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel, located in the heart of Kitchener, adjacent to the Kitchener Farmers' Market and to downtown shops. Kitchener-Waterloo is located in the heart of Mennonite country, less than an hour west of the Toronto International Airport. A bus service leaves the Airport regularly and drops passengers off right at the door of the hotel. It is easily accessible by car since a number of highways connect it to the millions of people living within an hour's drive of the convention site. It is also the home of the world's second-largest Oktoberfest celebration after Munich, Germany.

The special 1999 CNA Convention rate is \$90 single occupancy or \$95 double occupancy (Canadian funds). Reservations can be made by calling the hotel's advance reservation desk at 1-800-744-1314, telephone (519) 744-4141, Fax (519) 744-1314, or by writing to the Four Points Sheraton Hotel, 105 King Street East, Kitchener, Ont. N2G 2K8. You can also contact them through their website at <http://www.fourpoints.com>.

### THE COMMITTEE

Chris Boyer, currently WCS President, has been appointed General Chairman of the Convention ([coinman@sympatico.ca](mailto:coinman@sympatico.ca)). He has assembled a committee that combines experience and new thoughts.

Mike Hollingshead is Publicity Chairman ([cholling@uoguelph.ca](mailto:cholling@uoguelph.ca)); Don Robb is Bourse Chairman ([donrobb@ionline.net](mailto:donrobb@ionline.net)); Robb McPherson is Security Chairman ([robb4359@home.com](mailto:robb4359@home.com)); Braden Jennings is Youth Activities Chairman ([jennings@golden.net](mailto:jennings@golden.net)); John Regitko is Souvenir Program Booklet Chairman ([cna99ads@idirect.ca](mailto:cna99ads@idirect.ca)); Bruce Raszmann is Treasurer and Registration Chairman; Peter Becker is Tour Chairman and Hourly Draw Chairman; Jim McHugh is Registration Chairman.

### THE PARTICIPANTS

Numerous groups have scheduled meetings in conjunction with the Convention. The CNA itself will hold their Annual General Meeting and Awards, the CNA Club Delegates Meeting and the CNA Banquet.

Meetings are also scheduled by the Canadian Association of Token Collectors (CATC), Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors (CAWMC), Canadian Paper Money Society (CPMS), Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club (CTCCC) and Classical and Medieval Numismatic Society (CMNS). In addition, the following organizations will be holding closed-door Executive Committee meetings: J.D. Ferguson Historical and Research Foundation, Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers (CAND), Canadian Numismatic Research Society (CNRS), CPMS Executive and members of the Committee of Numismatic Network Canada (NNC). As well, both the ONA and CNA have scheduled Executive meetings (both groups invite observers to sit in on meetings to observe proceedings).

**THE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

In addition to the above meetings, the CNA has scheduled an interesting educational forum. The presentations will consist of Alan Herbert on "The Impact of Computers on Numismatics," Paul Petch on "The Evolution of Canadian Coinage" and Angus Sutherland on "Canadian Communion Tokens."

There will also be a special Youth Exhibit Seminar presented by former ANA President Stephen Taylor of Dover, Delaware.

Major space has been allocated for competitive and educational numismatic exhibits. The sold-out bourse will feature over 40 dealer tables.

**THE NON-NUMISMATIC ACTIVITIES**

A tour has been arranged on "The 50's Streamliner" to St. Jacobs and the Canadian Clay and Glass Museum. There will also be a spousal craft session as part of the Spousal Welcome Get-together.

One of the highlights of any CNA Convention is the Royal Canadian Mint Reception, and this year will be no different. A traditional Oktoberfest Night celebration will feature an "umpapa" band, traditional dancers, keg tapping ceremony and bratwurst and sauerkraut as only authentic European farmers can produce.

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**THE REGISTRATION KITS**

Three registration kits will be available. The main registration kit, a spousal registration kit and a young numismatist registration kit. The contents will be detailed in the May/June ONA Numismatist, as will other information.



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# EXECUTIVE DECISIONS



## ONA HEAD JUDGE ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES FOR 1999 ONA CONVENTION

The ONA Head Judge, Paul Johnson, has announced the appointment of the competitive exhibit judges for the 1999 ONA Convention. They are Marvin Kay, Don Robb and William McDonald. Their numismatic biographies show their outstanding accomplishments:

### **MARVIN KAY, M.D.**

A Past President of the Canadian Numismatic Association, Dr. Marvin Kay is an accomplished writer on numismatic subjects. He was a member of the core committee in the development of the highly successful CNA / NESAs Numismatic Correspondence Course and is a frequent speaker at coin club meetings. Marvin has won a number of prestigious awards for his numismatic research, writing and speaking, including those awarded by the Canadian Numismatic Association.

He was recipient of the 1996 ONA Award of Merit, the highest award of the ONA.

### **WILLIAM H. McDONALD**

William H. McDonald has served as the Founding Chairman of the Board of the J. Douglas Ferguson Historical Research Foundation since 1971. He served as CPMS Founding President from 1964 to 1969, the Editor of the CPMS Journal from 1970 to 1973, and was made their Honourary President in 1982. In 1990, he was instrumental in the formation of the Classical & Medieval Numismatic Society, and in 1992 became co-editor/publisher of the Society's annual journal, *The Picus*. He also serves them as their Executive Secretary and Treasurer, positions he has held since CMNS founding. From 1974 until 1978 he was First Vice President of the International Banknote Society. He also served as President of Numismatic Network Canada (NNC) in 1997-1998.

In 1972, he was Co-Chairman of the joint CPMS-CNA's Annual Convention in Toronto and in 1981, was appointed General Chairman of the International Paper Money Congress & Exhibition (Interpam '81), the world's first international paper money convention and exhibition (23 countries were represented).

Bill was recipient of the 1994 J. Douglas Ferguson gold medal, the highest award of the Canadian Numismatic Association. He was also the recipient of the 1993 ONA Award of Merit.

### **DON ROBB**

Don Robb 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 1990 (the year the club hosted the ONA annual convention) and is the club's Auction Coordinator.

Don was elected President of CAWMC (for 1979-1980) and has been a member of the CAWMC Board of Governors since 1981. He was appointed Secretary-Treasurer and Membership Chairman of CTCCC in 1990, positions he still holds today. He served as a Governor of the J. Douglas Ferguson Historical Research Foundation from 1990 to 1996.

Don was the Ontario Director of the CNA from 1985 to 1987 and is 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 became Chairman of the Committee. He was presented the ONA Award of Merit in 1990.

The above judges, under the supervision of Paul Johnson, ONA Head Judge, are responsible for selecting the Best of Show as well as 3 runners-up, from the competitive exhibits at the 1999 ONA Convention, based on a non-category system single-case exhibits. The Head Judge, Paul Johnson, whose extensive numismatic biography was published in the January/February ONA Numismatist, will announce the winners at the ONA Banquet.

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## REGISTRATION KITS CONTAIN EXCELLENT VALUE



The Registration Form in the last ONA Numismatist mentioned the contents of the Main, Spousal and Young Numismatist registration kits. Because of the worthwhile contents, each kit represented excellent value for the price charged.

We are pleased to announce that, thanks to a donation from the Royal Canadian Mint, the following additional content will be included in the kits:

**MAIN REGISTRATION KIT:** the Royal Canadian Mint's CD; RCM "Time Traveler" medallion; RCM pin of the Ottawa Mint building; set of 2 post cards featuring the Ottawa and Winnipeg Mints.

**YOUNG NUMISMATIST KIT:** the Royal Canadian Mint's CD; RCM pin of the 1972 hockey coin; RCM pin of the Bethune coin; Time Traveler medallions; RCM pin of the Ottawa Mint building; set of 2 post cards featuring the Ottawa and Winnipeg Mints.

With only 60 main registration kits and 35 young numismatist registration kits available, it is expected that they will be sold out, especially when you take into account the fact that competitive exhibitors, who can win sizable cash prizes in addition to presentation medals and certificates, must be registered.

In view of the fact that a number of additional worthwhile items have been added to the registration kits, members that were not convinced to register for the Convention may wish to reconsider. We have, therefore, reprinted the Registration Form in this bulletin.

When the convention's planning committee first envisioned the contents of the registration kits and set the pricing, they could only hope that the kits would contain such outstanding value. Thanks to the above additions, registration kits are expected to be sold out by convention time.

The above donations are in addition to major donations made by Bill Cross, owner/manager of Charlton Press, that were previously announced. For example, donations for the main and the young numismatist registration kits from Charlton Press include "The Charlton Standard Catalogue of First World War Canadian Corps Badges" retailing at \$24.95 and the CD "The Charlton Candian Numismatic Library - 1998," containing The Charlton Standard Catalogues of Canadian Coins and Canadian Government Paper Money" retailing at \$24.95 when first released. The Spousal Kit will contain copies of "The Charlton Standard Catalogue of Canadian Country Store Collectables" retailing at \$19.95 and "The Charlton Standard Catalogue of Wade: Decorative Ware" retailing at \$24.95.



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## TOUR OF McCRAE HOUSE MUSEUM TO INCLUDE VIEWING OF MEDALS, SLIDE PRESENTATION, TEA AND MUFFINS



In the last ONA Numismatist, we mentioned that one of the most historical buildings in the Guelph area, the McCrae House Museum, has been selected to grace the center of the official souvenir medal of the 1999 ONA Convention. Two major reasons for this decision is that the McCrae House Museum is one of the destinations of choice by a large quantity of visitors to the Guelph area and that the John McCrae medals auctioned off at last year's Torex would be on display.

Collectors who purchased tickets for the McCrae House tour will gather in the convention lobby of the College Inn at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 17. They will board a bus for the short drive to the Museum where they will be treated to a tour of John McCrae House Museum, a visit through the gardens, a slide presentation on John McCrae, his house and his medals. Tea, shortbread, date squares and lemon squares will also be provided. Souvenir medals of the McCrae House will also be on sale at the museum (it is also recommended that official convention souvenir medals, featuring the McCrae House museum, be acquired by convention-goers).

Because the museum has set a limit of 25 people maximum for the tour, it is recommended that you commit to the tour via the 1999 ONA Convention Registration Form included in the last ONA Numismatist so as to avoid disappointment. The cost is \$10.00 per person, which includes transportation to the museum, admission, viewing of the world-famous McCrae medals, an audio visual presentation, refreshments, return transportation and all applicable taxes. The group is expected to return to the convention at 12:30 p.m.

The drawing of McCrae House used on the 1999 ONA Convention medal was first used on a poster for the L.A.C.A.C. conference held in Guelph in 1990. The artist, Nan Hogg, has given us permission to use her drawing (illustrated above) for the central theme of the official convention medal.

## CONVENTION MEDAL TO FEATURE NAN HOGG'S DRAWING OF HISTORICAL McCRAE HOUSE AS CENTRAL THEME



As announced in the last ONA Numismatist, Guelph historian Nan Hogg's drawing of McCrae house has been selected for the central theme of the official 1999 ONA Convention medal.

A limited quantity only of the medal will be struck in bronze and sterling silver so as to assure a sell-out at the Convention so that the ONA is not involved in the after-market. Based on historical statistics, only 50 bronze and 35 sterling silver (.999 fine) medals will be struck for sale. They are available, on a first come, first served basis, through the Registration Form included with the last and also this bulletin or at the Convention, at \$10 for the bronze and \$35 for the sterling silver. It is expected that all medals will be sold out by the end of the Convention.

In addition to the above medals, a quantity of 60 gold-plated medals will also be struck. These can only be obtained as part of the Main Registration Kit available for \$35. In addition to the special gold-plate medal, the registration kit also contains a number of catalogues, numismatic CDs, admission to the Registrants Reception, admission to bourse, Dream Vacation draw ticket and more.

## ROYAL CANADIAN MINT'S IAN GRAHAM TO BE KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT CLUB DELEGATES MEETING



Ian Graham, Sales Manager - Canada for the Royal Canadian Mint, has consented to present the keynote address to the delegates and guests at the ONA Club Delegates meeting starting at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, April 18. In making the announcement, John Regitko, Chairman of the ONA Club Delegates meeting, stated that he is pleased that such a high-profile individual has agreed to address the group. Graham's presentation, entitled "Both Sides of the Coin: The Royal Canadian Mint and I," will focus on some personal thoughts on being a collector and working for the Mint. Fellow collectors may find this presentation interesting, in that it will be coming from someone who has been a collector for most of his life. During previous interviews, your Editor was told that at one time, the Mint had a policy of virtual discrimination against hiring coin collectors.

Graham has been employed at the Mint for 5 years and is responsible for such prestigious national accounts as Canada Post, Royal Bank, Hudson's Bay, Zellers/Club Z and The Shopping Channel. Between managing his prestigious accounts, developing new sales and marketing opportunities and attending trade/coin shows, he still finds time to spend with his wife, Sherry and their two children.

Graham has been a coin collector for over 25 years, collecting Atlantic Provinces historical medals, tokens and scrip, as well as Hudson's Bay material, Canadian financial home savings banks and college currency. He has been a member of the Fredericton Numismatic Society since 1976 and has served them as President. He has also served as Vice-President and President of the Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Association (APNA) and has been a life member since 1977. He also boasts membership in the CNA since 1979. He is a former Vice-Chairman of the Canadian Numismatic Association's Young Numismatists Committee, and received the CNA Young Numismatist of the Year Award in 1980. He is also a recipient of the APNA Award of Merit (1991) and has received numerous awards for his competitive exhibits. He recently joined the ONA.

Every coin club is asked to appoint a Delegate to the Convention, who should also attend the Club Delegates meeting. Although it is suggested that the President should represent his club, any other member of the Executive (or a regular member) can be appointed. If one of the people planning to attend anyway were asked to represent the club, no additional expense would be incurred.

Various ONA Chairmen will present brief reports on the status of their area of involvement. For example, news will be reported on the status of audio visual programs from the ONA Audio Visual Lending Library, recent developments from the Club Services Chairman and a report on the ongoing benefits of the ONA's Insurance Policy will be discussed.

Representatives of each club are asked to bring a written report on the club's activities to the Chairman, who will arrange to publish highlights from each report in the subsequent issue of the ONA Numismatist.

The Registration Form included in the last issue contains a line requesting that anyone representing a club at the convention and at the Club Delegates Meeting should write the club's name on the line. This will enable us to prepare a registration name tag with the appropriate ribbon identifying the registrant as a club delegate. As has been the case over the past few years, it is expected that we again will have a supply of give-aways for all official club delegates that make us aware, via the registration form, that they have been so appointed.

The ONA's "Best Local Coin Club Bulletin" and "Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Editor" awards will be announced at the meeting. It would be nice if the President and Editor of each club is present for a photo opportunity.

Since the convention is held in a central location, let us attempt to have each and every club represented. With an expected high attendance by members of both the outgoing and incoming ONA Executive and other convention goers, we hope to set a modern-day attendance record for the meeting.

## ROYAL CANADIAN MINT'S PIERRE MORIN TO DELIVER KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT ONA BANQUET



The Royal Canadian Mint has appointed Pierre Morin, the Mint's Communication Advisor for the past 4 years, to deliver the keynote address at the ONA Banquet on Saturday, April 17. His presentation will cover "The Millennium Coin Contest: the project, the public response and an insiders view of the project."

A media relations and communications consultant for the past 14 years, Morin has worked in the private, non-profit and public sectors. He has provided media relations, event planning and strategic communications services for clients such as Rolls-Royce, McDonnell Douglas, Vickers, Reference Canada, Fitness and Amateur Sports, Smithklines, Le Droit newspaper and the United Way. He joined the Royal Canadian Mint in March of 1995 and is currently responsible for media relations as well as relations with the various numismatic associations, including the Ontario Numismatic Association.

Born and raised in Ottawa, Pierre completed studies in Social Sciences and Psychology at Ottawa University and Communications and Business Studies at Laval University (Quebec).

He is a collector of curios and bizarre objects and demonstrates an interest for coin collecting. His hobbies include reading, sailing, windsurfing and photography. He is also interested in cinema and has a fondness for mysteries. Married for more than 9 years, he is the proud father of a 4 year old daughter. Mr. Morin has worked as a volunteer for a number of non-profit organizations, including the Volunteer Bureau of Ottawa, le Richelieu and Community Day.

In addition to a full-course dinner and the above speaker, a number of other events will also be featured. Don Robb, Chairman of the ONA Awards Committee, will announce the recipients of the ONA Award of Merit and the "Fellow of the ONA" Awards. Paul Johnson, ONA Head Judge, will reveal the winning exhibits in the competitive displays, including best of show. Mike Hollingshead is Master of Ceremonies.

A number of draw prizes will be awarded, including donations from the Royal Canadian Mint, Charlton Press and Trajan Publications (publishers of Canadian Coin News).

The outgoing ONA President, Ken Wilmot, will turn the gavel of office over to the incoming President, Mike Hollingshead. Hollingshead will introduce his Executive that will lead the organization for the next 2 years.

### 1999 ONA CONVENTION COMMITTEE

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| • General Chairman: Ken Wilmot                        | • Souvenir Program Booklet: John Regitko        |
| • Exhibit Chairman: Chris Boyer                       | • Hourly Door Draws: Peter Becker               |
| • Bourse Chairman: Ken Wilmot                         | • Head Judge: Paul Johnson                      |
| • Program of Events Planning: Paul Petch              | • Hospitality Suite Chairman: Monina Regitko    |
| • Treasurer and Registration Chairman: Bruce Raszmann | • Banquet Chairman: Mike Hollingshead           |
| • Property Chairman: Mike Hollingshead                | • Awards Committee Chairman: Don Robb           |
| • Medal Design Committee: Chris Boyer                 | • Club Delegates Meeting Chairman: John Regitko |
| • Youth Activities: Braden Jennings                   | • Dream Vacation Draw Chair: Bruce Raszmann     |

### WATCH FOR THE FOLLOWING POST-CONVENTION NEWS IN THE NEXT ISSUE:

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| • Dream Vacation Draw winners & ticket sellers      | • Award of Merit recipient                 |
| • Top club sellers of Dream Vacation Draw books     | • "Fellow" of the ONA recipient(s)         |
| • Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Award winner        | • ONA Treasurer's Report                   |
| • Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Editor Award winner | • Highlights of the Club Delegates Meeting |
| • Numismatic resumes on the incoming ONA Executive  | • Final Report by the Election Chairman    |

# ON A C O N V E N T I O N N E W S

## APPEAL TO ATTEND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Once the ONA membership elects their Executive for a 2-year term, usually their only contact with the Executive flows in one direction - from the association to the member, via the ONA Numismatist. Although the flow can be reversed - for example, by writing, phoning or e-mailing a member of the Executive - very, very few members do so.

Most members of the Executive attend the annual convention. Members can meet them socially through the 2-day convention. In addition, on Sunday, April 18 at 10:30 a.m. in Suite 105, every member will have the opportunity to meet formally with their Executive at the Annual General Membership meeting. The following items are already scheduled to be discussed:

- The financial report covering calendar year 1998 by Bruce Raszmann, ONA Treasurer.
- Outgoing President's Report by Ken Wilmot.
- The official report by the Election Chairman, Mike Hollingshead; a call for nominations and voting for the positions of Directors for Areas 5 and 7.
- A motion by ONA Member John Regitko, concerning the proposed change to the Constitution as published in the January/February 1999 ONA Numismatist.
- Incoming President's Comments by Mike Hollingshead.

The Annual General Membership meeting represents the best opportunity to give your Executive feedback on your thoughts about how you rate them, what changes you would like to see made and which actions by the Executive you support.

Your elected officers undertook an obligation when they accepted to stand for office. What responsibility does a member have if not to attend the Annual General Membership meeting to express his/her views?

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## REGISTRANT/DEALER RECEPTION AND HOSPITALITY SUITE TO INCLUDE PLENTY OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP



The Friday evening Reception, slated for a 9:00 p.m. start in Suite 103, will feature light snacks and refreshments. All Main, Spousal and YN Registrants will receive an admission ticket to the Reception in their registration kits. All people not registered may purchase an admission ticket for \$10, which entitle them to 2 complimentary drinks and unlimited snacks. Additional tickets will be available at the Reception.

In their dedication to provide excellent "service" to all convention-goers, the convention committee has announced that absolutely everyone attending the convention is welcome to the Hospitality Suite (Suite 103), which will operate from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, and from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

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## DREAM VACATION DRAW TICKETS RETURN REQUESTED



All members received a book of tickets with their November/December ONA Numismatist (clubs received a supply as a separate mailing). We were hoping that you would sell the book of tickets (you get one ticket free for your trouble for each book you sell) or you could purchase the book yourself and get the extra ticket for free also.

Unless it is your intention to bring the stubs and payment to the convention, be sure to mail them back to Bruce Raszmann, ONA Treasurer, so that they are received before the start of the Convention. He will place your stubs into the draw drum at the Convention. You do not have to be present to win.

It would also be appreciated if any unsold tickets are returned so that they can be turned over to other sellers before the Convention, or sold at the Convention.

## PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Refer to the "Program of Events" published in the January/February issue of the ONA Numismatist for details.

### FRIDAY - APRIL 16

- 6:00 p.m. Security commences
- 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Dealer Set-up
- 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Registration table open for pick-up of registration kits, medals, banquet tickets
- 9:00 p.m. - Reception for registrants and dealers (ticket required)

### SATURDAY - APRIL 17

- 7:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. CNA Executive meeting
- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Set-up only for dealers and exhibitors
- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration table open
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Registrant preview of bourse for those registered for the convention
- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club (CTCCC) meeting
- 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Hospitality Suite open for convention attendees for complimentary coffee & donuts
- 10:00 a.m. Official Opening in the Convention lobby (complimentary draws for \$50 vouchers)
- 10:05 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Bourse floor open to public
- 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 noon Tour of John McCrae House Museum - including visit through gardens, presentation on history of John McCrae and his Medals, tea and shortbread (ticket required)
- 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Canadian Association of Token Collectors (CATC) meeting
- 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Southern Ontario Chapter of CAWMC meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Bourse and exhibit close
- 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Pre-Banquet Reception and cash bar - open only to holders of banquet tickets
- 7:00 p.m. ONA Banquet - keynote speaker from Royal Canadian Mint. Includes full-course dinner, draw prizes, awards presentations and more (ticket required)

### SUNDAY, APRIL 18

- 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. ONA Club Delegates Meeting - keynote speaker Ian Graham of RCM. Presentation of ONA best local coin club bulletin and editor awards
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Dealer set-up - dealers and their legitimate assistants may enter the bourse room
- 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Bourse floor open to the public
- 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. ONA Annual General Meeting - Treasurer & Membership Chairman reports; exhibit award winners announced; installation of incoming ONA Executive
- 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Hospitality Suite open
- 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. ONA Executive meeting - the incoming Executive will hold their first meeting
- 3:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. ONA Dream Vacation Draw - you do not have to be present to win
- 4:00 p.m. Bourse room closes. Exhibit tear-down begins
- 4:00 p.m. SHOW CLOSES (reopens April 14, 2000 at the Howard Johnson Skyline Hotel, Keele St. & Wilson Ave. [just north of Hwy. 401] in North York. Your host: North York Coin Club)

## HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS

at the College Inn, 716 Stone Rd., Guelph, Ontario

College Inn Toll-Free Room Reservation Number: 1-800-563-9240

Rates are \$77.00 per night single or \$80 per night double, plus 7% GST and 5% PST.

Please contact the College Inn directly and refer to Confirmation #852 to obtain these rates.

# 1999 ONA CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

QTY.	FUNCTION	PRICE	TOTAL
_____	Main Registration ..... <i>(Includes gold-plate souvenir convention medal, admission to Registrants Reception with 2 complimentary drinks, unlimited visits to Hospitality Suite, admission to bourse, souvenir program booklet, Dream Vacation draw ticket, hourly draw ticket, "The Charlton Canadian Numismatic Library" CD containing the Canadian Coins and Government Paper Money catalogues, "The Charlton Standard Catalogue of First World War Canadian Corps Badges," the RCM CD, RCM "time traveler" medallion, RCM souvenir pin and more.)</i>	\$35.00	_____
_____	Spousal "Add-On" Registration (a family member must be Main Registered) ..... <i>(Includes all of above with the exception of the gold-plate souvenir convention medal, catalogues and RCM items; in addition, it will include "The Charlton Standard Catalogue of Canadian Country Store Collectables" and "The Charlton Standard Catalogue of Wade Decorative Ware.")</i>	20.00	_____
_____	Young Numismatist Registration ..... <i>(Includes everything in the main registration kit with the exception of the gold-plate souvenir convention medal, complimentary drink tickets and the Canadian Corps Badges catalogue; in addition, it will include 2 hourly draw tickets, special YN registrant's draw ticket, and RCM pins of the Bethune and Hockey coins. It will include "The Charlton Canadian Numismatic Library" CD containing the Canadian Coins and Government Paper Money catalogues.)</i>	10.00	_____
_____	Additional Reception tickets (Friday 9:00 p.m.) ..... <i>(Although a ticket for the Reception is included with the Main and Spousal registration kits, anyone not registered must purchase a ticket. Includes admission, coffee, snacks and 2 complimentary drinks.)</i>	10.00	_____
_____	Tour of McCrae House Museum ..... <i>(Includes transportation, admission, tour of McCrae House and gardens, tea with date squares and shortbread, special slide presentation.)</i>	10.00	_____
_____	Banquet (Saturday 6:30 p.m. cash bar; 7:00 p.m. dinner) ..... <i>(Includes full-course dinner draw prize ticket and Pierre Morin of the RCM as keynote speaker; all banquet ticket holders will be invited to a special "President's Reception" immediately following the conclusion of the Banquet.)</i>	30.00	_____
_____	Dream Vacation Draw tickets (buy 5, get 1 free) .....	2.00	_____
_____	Official souvenir convention medals - bronze (only 50 struck) .....	10.00	_____
_____	Official souvenir convention medals - .999 Sterling silver (only 35 struck) .. <i>(Note that gold-plate convention medals are not available for sale - they are only included with the Main Registrations.)</i>	35.00	_____
<b>TOTAL</b> (please make cheque payable to the 1999 ONA Convention) .....			\$ _____

NAME OF MAIN OR YOUNG NUMISMATIST REGISTRANT: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SPOUSAL REGISTRANT (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have been appointed as a Delegate by a club, name club: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please complete this form and return it to the 1999 ONA Convention, P.O. Box 40033, Waterloo Square P.O., 75 King St. S., Waterloo, Ont. N2J 4V1*

# EXHIBIT APPLICATION FORM

I am interested in entering a competitive exhibit at the 1999 ONA Convention at the College Inn, Guelph. I am aware and accept the following:

- Exhibits consist of single-case displays.
- I do not have to be present when exhibit winners are announced at the banquet.
- If I am not present at the banquet to accept my award, I will receive it on Sunday sometime prior to tear-down. I understand that the following awards will be made:
  - Best of Show exhibitor will receive an engraved uniface sterling silver convention medal and \$100
  - The 1st runner-up will receive an engraved uniface gold-plate convention medal and \$50
  - The 2nd runner-up will receive an engraved uniface nickel-silver convention medal and \$25
  - The 3rd runner-up will receive an engraved uniface bronze convention medal and \$10
- To enter a competitive display, I must be registered for the Convention.
- Set-up is on Saturday, April 17, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the hotel's Convention Lobby.
- I understand that my exhibit will be carefully moved, under security, into the bourse room on Saturday evening so as to assure its safety overnight.
- Tear-down starts on Sunday, April 18, at 4:00 p.m.

I will supply my own display case and lock

I will require a display case and lock (inside measurements are 28-1/2" x 16-1/4")

Name of Exhibitor (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please contact the College Inn directly to make room reservations.

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## MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION FORM NOW

If you mail in your Registration Form prior to the Convention, it will enable us to computer-generate your personalized name tag. Your kit and all tickets and medals ordered will be waiting for you upon your arrival.

**We look forward to seeing you at the Convention!**

*Please complete this form and return it, along with a cheque payable to the 1999 ONA Convention, to:*  
1999 ONA Convention, Attn: Bruce Raszmann, Registration Chairman and Treasurer  
P.O. Box 40033, Waterloo Square P.O., 75 King St. S., Waterloo, Ont. N2J 4V1

