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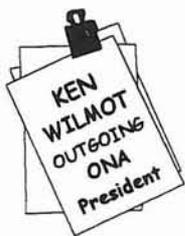
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## OUTGOING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



I received an e-mail from Editor John Regitko asking if I had a few words as outgoing ONA President. What John didn't know is that I had more than a few words.

The experience of acting as Convention Chairman for our recently completed show in Guelph made me think of all the co-operation I received leading up to and at the Convention. It was very satisfying to have had a part in such an important event as my last official duty as President.

I believe the Convention turned out so successful through the hard work of the Convention Committee. We had a core committee of Chris Boyer, Mike Hollingshead, Paul Petch, Bruce Raszmann and, last but not least, John Regitko. The Convention under their guidance ran smoothly and virtually problem free. Without their assistance this show could not have happened!

The support of many made the show enjoyable to all attending. Some of those working in the background were Monina Regitko, Denna Benn, Shirley Fletcher and Dorothy Mason who all made the Hospitality Suite truly Hospitable. Robert Zmija and Richard Johnson who put in long hours at the daily admissions table, Peter Becker who looked after the hourly draws, and Braden Jennings who was always ready to pitch in and help at the Convention. A very special thanks goes out to Ray Desjardines who acted as Liaison with the Royal Canadian Mint.

May I also thank all the Members that showed their support by attending!

Two years ago at the Convention in Windsor, the membership made a choice to have me act as President. I tried to do my best and certainly hope I have not disappointed you.

The ONA has witnessed several changes in its operation. Revised voting privileges, a new revitalized ONA Numismatist, many additional programs in the Audio Visual Lending Library, while maintaining both the membership rates and the insurance program at a reasonable level. I am pleased to leave the Presidency to Mike Hollingshead with a sound financial base.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank the whole Executive for their support over the past two years. Without it, I am sure I would not have been able to turn over the reigns of such a vital organization.

*Ken Wilmot*  
*Past President*

## INCOMING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Numismatists: GET READY TO RUMBLE!!

In our own numismatic way, of course. The path for the ONA will be to build on the successful programs initiated by Ken Wilmot. The path will also be to get out the napalm for those programs that have for many reasons, bombed!

What was a success? Let me give you three to start: 1) the rejuvenated "ONA Numismatist." 2) the liability insurance club program, and 3) the rejuvenated audio-visual lending library.

What bombed? Let me give you three to start: 1) the ONA book library (basically unused). 2) the ONA Awards Banquet (too formal and too pricey to attract crowds), and 3) convention registration (too pricey? or what's the point?)

Many programs that have been carried out the same way for too long are going to have to evolve into something useful. Unfortunately for some, you have a CEO that is short on "tradition" and long on spring cleaning. That is why we appoint an archivist, to grab up some of the things the President wants to throw away!

Look for more educational content to coin shows (the CNA/NESA's week-end courses have been highly successful!) and look for increased collaboration with commercial shows (it is hard to be a show organizer AND a collector, let's do either one or the other well).

In your next ONA Numismatist, I will announce some appointments to working positions within the ONA.

Get out and enjoy some shows!

*Michael Hollingshead*  
*ONA President*

# ON A EDITOR'S MESSAGE



When the November/December ONA Numismatist was mailed out, I felt a great relief. The strain of getting out a 28-page effort on reasonably short notice was finally behind me. My efforts to obtain advertising proved quite successful - the first time in at least 3 years that the ONA received any revenue from advertising.

I sat back with baited breath waiting to hear from somebody about the bulletin. Would members complain about the lack of educational articles, or would people understand that timely write-ups took up all the space? Would they complain about the 7-1/2 pages of advertising, or would they realize that the issue contained an additional 8 pages (26 pages plus the membership forms instead of the normal target of 18)? Would they accept my style or would they be critical of the layout and content? Would they find all kinds of mistakes? Would they wonder what happened to Mint press releases and book reviews that I won't usually include because they can be read in other places? So what happened? I received exactly 2 letters and 1 e-mail of praise, while the same e-mail made a number of suggestions...for change. Three out of 350 members! What does that mean? Were 347 members so disappointed they couldn't bear to comment? Or were they quite satisfied with the direction I am taking? Could it be that they just didn't care? Did they figure that other people would write with the same thoughts they had? Maybe they didn't even read it? At least I didn't receive all kinds of complaints!

Then the January/February issue was mailed out. The President...with the reluctance of the Treasurer that can only be overcome by handing him cheques from advertisers...had again agreed to exceed the committed 18 pages. Thirty-four pages this time! Between the ONA Convention, the publicity that the upcoming CNA Convention in Kitchener/Waterloo deserves, the CNA/NESA Educational Course near Toronto and a lot of other timely columns, it still did not allow us to include the quantity of articles we had hoped for. With around 10 pages of advertising and a lot of timely things, the pages got gobbled up pretty quickly. The March/April issue was again a whopping 36 pages, with a lot of advertising, ONA Convention news and other timely things.

After the mailing of the March/April issue, I drafted up a questionnaire asking the membership about the contents of my three efforts, what they thought about other ideas that I want to incorporate in future issues, and what other types of ideas they wanted to see included. The detailed 3-page questionnaire was going to be included in the upcoming issue, space permitting.

I thought I would bring up the point at the Annual ONA General Membership meeting, thinking that if no one responded to the questionnaire, at least I would have the opinion of some of the most active members of the ONA, those that took the time and trouble to be at the annual meeting of their organization. The answer to my question about what they wanted from their bulletin was a resounding: "Don't change a thing!" I mentioned to the group that after I received Paul Petch's e-mail making what I thought were some excellent suggestions, I consulted some students of graphic art and creative writing courses at York University and the President of a Computer software company specializing in graphics programs. They unanimously supported some of Petch's recommendations (i.e. 2 columns on a page rather than typing all the way across, suggestions dealing with the size and type styles in the headings, size of type of the body of articles, layout and content of the front page). Voices at the General Membership meeting rose again in unison, this time more loudly: "DON'T CHANGE A THING!"

Regardless of what the textbooks teach and what the graphic artists learn at school, I have been given a clear and unanimous mandate by those that took the time and effort to attend their annual meeting: DON'T CHANGE A THING! The voices were so strong and unanimous at the meeting that I will not be publishing the questionnaire because I dare not change a thing! Now all I have to do is try to publish some articles.

*John Regitko*  
*ONA Editor*



# TREASURER'S REPORT

The ONA Treasurer's Annual Report, as presented at the General Membership Meeting at the ONA Convention by Bruce Raszmann, is reproduced on the following 3 pages.

## ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

For the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998

### GENERAL ACCOUNT

Petty Cash @ January 1, 1998	\$ 37.79	
Bank Balance @ January 1, 1998 (General Fund)	2,995.84	
Bank Balance @ January 1, 1998 (Library)	<u>29.84</u>	
	\$ 3,063.47	\$ 3,063.47

### RECEIPTS

Memberships (Regular, Junior & Club)	\$ 4,753.00	
O.N.A. Convention Draw	1,533.94	
1998 Convention Net Profit	688.10	
Club Ticket Rebate	74.00	
Premium U.S.A. Money	52.49	
Donation Auction & Donations	160.00	
Penny Draw Tickets	23.40	
Return of Convention Advance (1998)	350.00	
Advertising - "Ontario Numismatist"	135.00	
Medals	75.45	
Convention Woods	<u>34.33</u>	
	\$ 7,879.71	\$ 7,879.71

### EXPENSES

O.N.A. Publication "Ontario Numismatist"	\$ 4,924.33	
Postage & Secretary	219.87	
Printing & Photocopying	550.77	
P.O. & Safety Deposit Box Rental	205.98	
C.N.A. & A.N.A. Dues	81.73	
Office Supplies & Expenses	280.11	
Telephone	215.18	
Honorariums	225.00	
Convention Woods	50.31	
C.N.A. Delegates	25.00	
Best Bulletin	50.00	
Award of Merit - Banquet Tickets & Frames	152.73	
Award Medals	52.12	
Numismatic Network	99.00	
Convention Co-ordinator - St. Catharines	101.00	
Mileage - President	38.00	
Club Services - Postage	<u>81.85</u>	
	\$ 7,352.98	\$ 7,352.98

Excess Receipts Over Expenses		\$ 526.73
Petty Cash @ December 31, 1998	16.21	
Bank Balance @ December 31, 1998	<u>3,573.99</u>	
	3,590.20	\$ 3,590.20

### GENERAL ACCOUNT - BANK RECONCILIATION

Bank Pass Book Balance @ December 31, 1998	\$ 3,708.99
1 Outstanding Cheque	135.00
Statement Bank Balance @ December 31, 1998	\$ 3,573.99

**TREASURER'S REPORT - CONTINUED**

For the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998

**CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT**

Bank Balance @ January 1, 1998		\$ 2,692.39
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Interest Guaranteed Investment Certificates	\$ 878.66	
Interest Cashable Savings Certificate	126.62	
Matured Cashable Savings Certificate	4,500.00	
Matured Guaranteed Investment Certificate	<u>5,000.00</u>	
	\$ 10,505.28	\$ 10,505.28
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Cashable Savings Certificates	\$ 7,000.00	
Guaranteed Investment Certificate	<u>3,000.00</u>	
	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Excess Receipts Over Expenses		\$ 505.28
Bank Balance @ December 31, 1998		\$ 3,197.67
<u><b>CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT ASSETS</b></u>		
Guaranteed Investment Certificates	\$ 14,000.00	
Cashable Savings Certificates	7,000.00	

**INSURANCE ACCOUNT**

Bank Balance @ January 1, 1998		\$ 978.04
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
4 (1998) Club Premiums @ 35.00 each	\$ 140.00	
4 (1998) Club Premiums @ 45.00 each	180.00	
3 (1998) Additional Named @ \$10.00 each	30.00	
26 (1999) Club Premiums @ \$35.00 each	910.00	
Interest Cashable Savings Certificate	92.60	
Matured Cashable Saving Certificate	3,200.00	
Canadian Numismatic Association Premium	<u>901.80</u>	
	\$ 5,454.40	\$ 5,454.40
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Cashable Savings Certificate	\$ 4,000.00	
Insurance Premium	1,441.80	
Photocopies & Postage	<u>29.61</u>	
	\$ 5,471.41	\$ 5,471.41
Excess Receipts Over Expenses		\$ - 17.01
Bank Balance @ December 31, 1998		\$ 961.03
<u><b>INSURANCE ACCOUNT ASSETS</b></u>		
Cashable Savings Certificate	\$ 4,000.00	

**CASH ASSET SUMMARY @ DECEMBER 31, 1998**

Cash & Bank Balance - General Account	\$ 3,590.20	
Bank Balance - Contingency Account	3,197.67	
Guaranteed Investment Certificates - Contingency	14,000.00	
Cashable Savings Certificates - Contingency	7,000.00	
Bank Balance - Insurance Account	961.03	
Cashable Savings Certificate - Insurance Account	<u>4,000.00</u>	
	32,748.90	\$ 32,748.90
Cash Assets (1997)		\$ 30,433.90
Increase In Cash Assets		<u>\$ 2,315.00</u>

# T R E A S U R E R ' S   R E P O R T   C O N T I N U E D

For the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT

Bank Balance @ January 1, 1998		\$ 1,057.17
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Life Memberships	\$ 740.00	
Interest Guaranteed Investment Certificates	502.25	
Matured Guaranteed Investment Certificates	<u>6,000.00</u>	
	\$ 7,242.25	\$ 7,242.25
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Cashable Savings Certificate	\$ 1,600.00	
Guaranteed Investment Certificate	5,000.00	
Membership Dues (1998) @ \$15.00 each	<u>1,140.00</u>	
	\$ 7,740.00	7,740.00
Excess Receipts Over Expenses		\$ - 497.75
Bank Balance @ December 31, 1998		\$ 559.42
<b><u>LIFE MEMBERSHIP ASSETS</u></b>		
Guaranteed Investment Certificates	\$ 7,700.00	
Cashable Savings Certificate	1,600.00	

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

*Bruce Raszmann*  
Treasurer

# M E M B E R S H I P   R E P O R T

## W E L C O M E

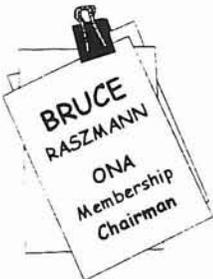
The applications for membership which appeared in the last issue of the ONA Numismatist have been accepted. We welcome Frank Costello, Howard Kalef and Mr. & Mrs. Regitko to membership.

## N E W   A P P L I C A T I O N S

The following applications for membership have been received. If there are no objections by June 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).

- #1684 John G. Boshart, Kitchener, Ont. (Recruiter: Bruce Raszmann)
- #1685 Serge Pelletier, Kingston, Ont. (Recruiter: Ray Desjardins\*)
- #1686 Melvin Kyle, Wyoming, Ont. (Recruiter: Kenneth Wilmot)
- #1687 Peter Besler, Toronto, Ont. (Recruiter: Kenneth Wilmot)
- #1688 & 1689 Brian & Lyan See, Hamilton, Ont. (Recruiter: John Regitko)
- #1690 Jeff Rusk, Guelph, Ont. (Recruiter: Kenneth Wilmot)
- #1691 Rudy Sauro, Hamilton, Ont. (Recruiter: Terry McHugh\*)
- #1692 Brock Colley, Guelph, Ont.

*Bruce Raszmann*  
Membership Chairman



# ELECTION CHAIRMAN REPORT



I am pleased to announce that the following members were installed at the recent ONA Convention and will lead the Ontario Numismatic Association for the next two years. They were all nominated prior to the close of nominations on December 16, 1998 and confirmed their agreement to let their name stand. No nominations were received from the floor of the General Membership Meeting at the Convention for the positions for which no nominations were previously received.

There being no further nominations, I then declared nominations closed and declared all those nominated previously as being elected by acclamation (vacant positions will be filled by appointment by the Executive). It gives me great pleasure to announce your Executive for the 1999 - 2001 term:

- President: Mike Hollingshead
- First Vice-President: Paul Petch
- Second Vice-President: Chris Boyer
- Treasurer: Bruce Raszmann
- Recording Secretary: Monina Regitko
- Regional Directors:
  - Area 1 (Essex,, Kent, Lambton): Ron Binder  
(includes Windsor, Sarnia, Watford and Kent (Chatham) coin clubs)
  - Area 2 (Huron, Perth, Oxford, Elgin, Middlesex): Tom Rogers  
(includes London, St. Thomas, Stratford, Ingersoll, Tillsonburg and Woodstock coin clubs)
  - Area 3 (Niagara): Richard McClean  
(includes Niagara Falls, St. Catharines and Welland coin clubs)
  - Area 4 (Brant, Hamilton-Wentworth, Haldimand/Norfolk): Len Trakalo  
(includes Brantford and Hamilton coin clubs)
  - Area 5 (Waterloo, Wellington, Halton, Dufferin): Braden Jennings  
(includes Waterloo, Cambridge, South Wellington and Paisley Road coin clubs)
  - Area 6 (Bruce, Grey, Simcoe, Muskoka): No nomination  
(includes Orillia and Champlain coin clubs)
  - Area 7 (Metro Toronto, Peel and York): Albert Kasman  
(includes Toronto, North York, Scarborough, Mississauga, Thistletown and Oshawa coin clubs)
  - Area 8 (Victoria, Durham, Peterborough, Northumberland): No nomination  
(includes Peterborough and Kingston coin clubs)
  - Area 9 (All East of Hastings and Algonquin District): Ray Desjardins  
(includes Ottawa, Pembroke and Pt. Claire, P.Q. coin clubs)
  - Area 10 (All North of Muskoka, Haliburton, Hastings and Renfrew): William Waychison  
(includes Sudbury, Timmins, Nipissing (North Bay) and Lake Superior (Thunder Bay) coin clubs)

Since only one valid nomination was received for each elected position, all members of the incoming Executive were declared as elected "by acclamation" and no ballots were necessary to be mailed out to members.

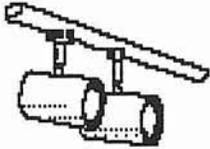
The incoming Executive was installed at the conclusion of the Annual General Membership meeting at the 1999 ONA Convention and have assumed office, along with the Immediate Past President, Ken Wilmot, at the conclusion of the Convention. All elected officers will hold office for two years from that time and until their successors have been duly elected and installed.

The Nominations/Election Committee appreciates the vote of confidence received at the General Membership Meeting in following the spirit of the ONA Constitution & Bylaws with respect to the election procedures. The Nominations/Election Committee also thanks the nominees and nominators for their participation.

*Mike Hollingshead*  
Elections Chairman

# SPOTLIGHT ON PEOPLE

*A column in praise of active Ontario collectors*



## MEET YOUR INCOMING ONA EXECUTIVE

*We thought you might like to know a bit of background on members of the Executive that will serve the Association for the next two years. Others will be included in future issues as space permits.*

### **Mike Hollingshead - President**

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

In 1986, he resurrected the Guelph Coin Club and was its main driving force for a number of years. He was the instigator to have the South Wellington Numismatic Society hold a bi-monthly meeting in Guelph, as well as continuing to meet in Rockwood. He has served the Waterloo Coin Society in various capacities, including as President and Program Director, and is currently their Auctioneer.

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

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

### **Ken Wilmot - Immediate Past President**

Ken has served on the ONA Executive since 1973. As ONA First Vice-President, he was asked to take over the Presidency in 1986 when then-President, Roy Hollingshead, became ill. He was elected ONA President for 4 out of the past 6 two-year terms, namely 1987-1989, 1989-1991, 1995-1997 and 1997-1999. He was instrumental in getting the ONA Insurance Policy set up, which is beneficial to every ONA-member club.

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

He has been Chairman of 6 annual ONA Conventions, namely 1975, 1985, 1992, 1993, 1995 and 1999. Ken received the ONA Award of Merit in 1981 for his outstanding contributions to the hobby in Ontario. He boasts to purchasing his first colour TV from profits out of the silver melt of 1968.

Ken is a strong advocate to better communication, both with dealers and collectors, and with members and non-members. One of the things he did to assist in that goal is to hook up to the Internet. He even admits to having mastered the art of e-mailing recently.

### **Paul Petch - First Vice-President**

Paul has been a coin collector since 1960 and has been a member of the North York Coin Club since 1962. He has served as their Secretary, Director, 1st Vice-President and is currently both the President and bulletin Editor. Their bulletin has won, under his editorship, both the CNA's and ONA's best bulletin awards for 1997. Since the ONA also places special emphasis on the Editor of award-winning bulletins, he was presented with the ONA's Best Local Coin Club Bulletin Editor award for 1997.

## S P O T L I G H T   O N   P E O P L E   C O N T I N U E D

Paul is also a member of the Toronto Coin Club where he is in his second term as Treasurer.

He is a life member of the CNA, a 30-year member of the ANA and, since 1990, a member of the Numismatic Bibliomania Society. Holding a Life Membership in the ONA, he was recently elected by acclamation to serve as the ONA's 1st Vice President for the 1999-2001 term. He has also been appointed General Chairman of the ONA 2000 Annual Convention by the North York Coin Club, host to the Convention.

Serving on the CNA Education and Library Committee, he was a member of the Core Committee which developed the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course. He authored two of its chapters on Canadian decimals and is a presenter on Canadian Coins and Commemoratives for the CNA Canadian Numismatic Course held at Humber College, Rexdale, Ont. He will also be one of the presenters at the CNA Education Forum at the 1999 CNA Convention on Saturday, July 24, at the Four Points Sheraton in Kitchener. He is seeking the Ontario South-West Area Directorship in the upcoming CNA Elections.

Professionally, Paul has worked at Humber College, located just outside Toronto in Rexdale, for over 30 years where he has managed the Computer Centre, actively served for 7 years on province-wide Human Resources committees and currently holds responsibilities in Information Technology Planning. Paul is married with four young adults ranging from 13 to 21 years of age and makes his home in Northwest Toronto.

### **Christopher Boyer - Second Vice-President**

Chris became interested in coin collecting in the early seventies, and started to become heavily involved in numismatics in the early 1990s. He joined the Waterloo Coin Society in 1992, became its Vice President in 1995 and President and Editor from 1997 to date. He joined the CNA in 1995 and has served as the Chairman of the CNA's Youth Committee from 1995 to April, 1999. He was appointed as an instructor for the CNA/NESA Educational Course held at both Humber College and for Royal Canadian Mint personnel in Ottawa, covering the subject of Canadian Paper Money.

Chris is the General Chairman of the 1999 CNA Convention which is being hosted by the Waterloo Coin Society. He formed the Taylor Evans Coin Society in 1995 and the Paisley Road Coin Club in 1997, both located at schools. A prolific exhibitor and writer, his articles have appeared in Canadian Coin News, CNA Journal, ONA Numismatist, Errorscope, TEC News, Talkin' Tokens and other numismatic publications.

He joined the ONA in 1995, earned a "Fellow of the ONA" award in 1996, and has served as an ONA Director for Area 5 from 1997 to April, 1999 when he was elected by acclamation to serve as its 2nd Vice President for the next two years. He served on the 1999 ONA Convention Committee as Exhibit Chairman, Local Publicity Chairman and Medal Design Coordinator.

### **Bruce Raszmann - Treasurer**

Bruce joined the Waterloo Coin Society in September of 1959, 6 months after it was founded. Bruce became the Treasurer the following January (he describes his 'appointment' as one of conscription rather than volunteering). He has capably held that vital position ever since, as well as Membership Chairman, during the club's relocations from the original location which became a library, to the Rink in the Park and to its current location. He boasts Life Membership #3 in the Waterloo Coin Society.

Bruce began working for the Mutual Life Company of Canada in 1954. He was appointed senior payroll clerk for agents and managers in 1992 and recently retired from the Company. Bruce is also a member of the Stratford Coin Club, the Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club (CTCCC), the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors (CAWMC) and the "Third Tuesday" club for Mutual Life retirees.

He is also the founding treasurer of the Ontario Numismatic Association, and has held that position continuously since October, 1961. He was also a member of the ONA's founding convention committee in 1962 which was hosted by the Waterloo Coin Society.

*Other elected members of the ONA Executive will be featured in the July/Agustus issue of the ONA Numismatist. The appointed members of the Executive will also be featured in future issues.*

# LOCAL COIN CLUB NEWS



Just a reminder that if your club does not publish a bulletin, someone should make the ONA Editor aware of where the club meets, the day of the month, doors opening time, meeting start time, whether they meet in the Summer, mailing address, possibly a contact name/phone number/e-mail address. This will enable us to list your club meetings in the summary that will be published in these pages shortly. We were going to publish a club meeting date/location/contact listing so that it will be in your hands in time for the Fall season, but it is so incomplete that I wonder about the quality of the Executive of some clubs. Because they have had ample opportunity to place us on their mailing list or give

us the information if they do not publish a bulletin, we can only assume that they don't want the free publicity. We will, therefore, be drafting up the pages listing those clubs that have provided the necessary information. Don't be left out. We will include this club meeting information soon...with or without some clubs!

In previous issues, we mentioned that the South Wellington



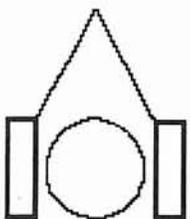
Coin Society (SWCS) has issued two different medals in the past two years, with extremely low mintages. The design was the work of one of the driving forces within the club (they actually have a few of them). Bob Zmija, a tool and die maker for most of his

life, takes art and designing very, very seriously. He not only designed the club's logo which also forms the obverse of the club's medals, but also the two reverses. Not content to just create beautiful artwork for the medals, he took his skills one step further - he made up a certificate that is presented to all purchasers of the silver medals attesting to the fact that only 35 of these limited edition medals exist.



What drew our attention to the certificate when we attended a SWCS meeting recently was the fact that it is printed in beautiful colour. The scroll work of the border (not exactly as shown since it was computer-generated for the purposes of the above illustration) is in shades of green. The club logo is in full colour: brown, red, grey, yellow, green and shades thereof. The obverse and reverse of the 1997 medal, looks like the silver medal that it represents (it is hard to tell if it was printed in just shades of black, but it looks like silver...a beautiful effect). Full marks for eye appeal. Full marks for layout.

The black-and-white reproduction of the certificate shown above hardly does it justice, but until we can find a wealthy benefactor to cover the cost of printing in colour, you will just have to use your imagination.



If you have been reading this column and paying attention, you will remember that Ken Wilmot (for the Stratford Coin Club) and Ray Desjardins (for the City of Ottawa Coin Club) had a friendly bet going about which club could sell the most books of Dream Vacation tickets. Stratford was the habitual winner, while Ottawa had the advantage of hosting the 1998 ONA Convention. Little did Ken realize at the time that when he lost, he would have to cut out the coin from a proof-like set, thanks to the Royal Canadian Mint not striking the object of the bet any other way.



A similar bet was made between the two for 1999. If you refer to the Dream Vacation Chairman's Report in this issue, you will note that Stratford is credited with 73 books, while Ottawa had a total of 98. Proof that it's not the location of the convention that makes the difference, but the effort of the members, Ken. Looks like your members...and every other club...will have to try harder next year to beat out Ottawa.

# LOCAL COIN CLUB NEWS - CONTINUED



We recently went through a little situation between the Toronto School Board and the teachers' unions that affected those coin clubs that hold their meetings at a school or in a building that is under the control of a school board. One of the people that rose to the occasion and should be complimented is Rick Craig, a staunch member of the Toronto Coin Club. When it was obvious that the labor situation would not be resolved in time for the club's March meeting, he offered the boardroom of his office for the meeting on short notice.

With the simplicity of e-mail, a mass mailing could be sent to a lot of club members in less than 10% of the time it would take to pick up the telephone and call everyone, one at a time.

I know for fact that the club had every member's e-mail address in the Editor's computer, because they have been sending out their bulletins to me via e-mail for a few months now.



While we are on the subject of e-mailing club bulletins, the Brantford Coin Club is also sending me their bulletin via e-mail. Len Trakalo is using electronic mail for any member that has an e-mail on file with the club. The club offers a snail mail copy of the bulletin to anyone that wants it mailed.

This is certainly one way of keeping a club's costs down. No postage expense, no envelope cost and no printing bill. Since the bulletin is already in the computer so as to be able to generate an original hard copy, it can easily be sent out at no cost. At a cost of about \$10 per year for the cost of printing and distributing a club's monthly bulletin, I bet this is definitely the way a lot of clubs are going to go. Nothing is lost, because illustrations can be sent as easy as ordinary type. If the recipient wants a hard copy, it is no problem hitting the computer's "print" button.



The Executive of the Waterloo Coin Society sure has been busy at work adding the finishing touches to all the plans for the upcoming CNA Convention. Having attended their planning committee meetings, I know first-hand that a lot of time and talent has been expended to bring you a fantastic convention. Even though we have given the Convention major coverage in this issue, a lot of details have not been covered. Here are a few of my own predictions:

- The Royal Canadian Mint is hosting an Oktoberfest activity that will become the highlight of the Convention.
- Another much talked-about subject will certainly be who will win the contested positions in the CNA Elections before the winners are announced, and why people won or lost after the winners are announced.
- Another highlight of the Convention will be the presentation by Reverend McComb at the Banquet. I had the fortune of listening to the Reverend/Police Officer/School Principal (yes, 3 jobs at once) on two previous occasions and he had me in stitches one minute (ever notice how uncontrollable laughter hurts in the stomach?) and bringing tears to my eyes a minute later. His presentation touched even someone who normally laughs and cries only on the inside. I wanted to bet the President of the CNA, who approves the selection of the speaker at the CNA Banquet, that Reverend McComb would have him laughing and crying. If I lost, I would pay for his wife's banquet ticket. If I won, I expected him to buy Monina's. Since he felt I had the advantage of knowing what to expect, he passed. Does anyone else want to take me up on the bet?
- If plans pan out, the Bureau of Engraving and Printings display will be a big hit. As a matter of fact, about a million worth of big hit!
- A display of presentation medals and awards by CNA Past-President Earl Salterio entitled "A Tribute to Jack Veffler," although only a couple of cases, will bring back memories to those whose life Jack touched.
- I will be sitting in the audience at the CNA Club Delegates Breakfast Meeting, reminiscing about the time I spent as CNA Club Services Chairman before I resigned, acquiring about 25 new VCR programs for the CNA Audio Visual Lending Library. I found it necessary to resign when I took on the Editorship of the ONA Numismatist so as to free time to do justice to this bulletin and still be able to spend time on personal pursuits and family life. The pressure of getting so much material into print and keeping in touch with everyone so as to have my finger on the pulse of Ontario numismatics simply does not leave much free time!



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July 13, 1999 - CNA Collectibles and Related Items

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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

**Annual Coin Show November 20 at Wing 404, R.C.A.F. Assn., 510 Dutton Drive, Waterloo**

**The WCS is the host to the 1999 CNA Convention July 22 - 25 at the Four Points Sheraton in Kitchener**

For Additional information: Waterloo Coin Society, Box 40044, Waterloo Square P.O.

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

*This column is intended to announce a personal happening in the life of an active ONA member*

**PAUL JOHNSON'S DAUGHTER'S PHOTO IN NEWSPAPER**



A while ago, ONA life member Paul Johnson and his wife, Mary-Ellen, decided to adopt a baby. They looked towards the Orient. After a long, long wait, the call came in: come to China and pick up your daughter! After a long flight, check-in to a hotel and last-minute checks by bureaucrats to assure suitability of all the couples, they finally met the latest member of their family.

John Regitko still remembers vividly the day Paul and Mary-Ellen were married. He agreed to pick up a few people at the airport that were invited to the wedding: Stephen Taylor from Dover, Delaware, Stan Clute from Calgary, Alta. and Grant Monk from London, Ontario. It was the hottest day of the year. They were packed into John's car and the air conditioning broke down. With everybody in a tie and suit on their way to the wedding, they did more sweating than a bride on her wedding night, as the saying goes.

Most people at the time thought that Paul was a confirmed bachelor, but the bug hit him. He was the Young Numismatist no more! They bought a house. They adopted a dog. They adopted Laura.

This past summer, Paul and Mary-Ellen were at a picnic. As any proud father, he took out his camera and photographed Laura and two of her friends in a wagon. As any proud mother, she sent the photograph in to the Toronto Star, Canada's largest newspaper, where it was eventually published in the "Have your Say" section of the Sunday Star. At press time, no rumor has been heard about Paul issuing another wooden nickel to commemorate the event.



## ON THE MOVE

### SEAN ISAACS LEAVES OTTAWA DEALERSHIP

After an 11-year association with Arctic Coin (Ottawa) Inc., Sean Isaacs has moved on to pursue other opportunities. Sean is an active member of the City of Ottawa Coin Club (COCC), serving as Editor until recently. Although he wished to retire from the Editorship over a year ago due to time restraints, he agreed to continue for an additional year when no one stepped forward to fill his shoes. He also wrote numerous articles for the club's bulletin.

### RICHARD GIEDROYC LEAVES COIN WORLD



Richard Giedroyc has resigned his position as International Editor for *Coin World* of Sidney Ohio, to form a partnership with Joel Anderson of California. Anderson has been a coin dealer since 1970, specializing in world coins. They will be operating as *Giedroyc-Anderson Interesting World Coins*, a cross-continental business tied in through the Internet. They recently participated in their 8th internet auction through Numismatists Online, featuring modestly priced coins (under \$150). They have also published a fixed price list on high-quality ancient coins.

Richard has also undertaken to write a column and to answer letters for Numismatists Online, and is also writing for Krause Publications. He recently had a primer on ancient coin collecting published in *World Coins*, with a history of the Canadian Silver Dollar going to press shortly.

Anyone wishing to get in touch with Giedroyc can write to him at P.O. Box 4154, Sidney, Ohio, U.S.A. 45365 or via e-mail at [giedroyc@bright.net](mailto:giedroyc@bright.net). Check out their webpage for articles: [www.interestingcoins.com](http://www.interestingcoins.com).

## BEST WISHES



To coin dealer Ron Osaduke of Kitchener, who was hobbling around the ONA Convention with a cast around his whole leg. Black ice can be very dangerous. Men should not have to put out the garbage!

To Lyan See of Hamilton, who was walking around the ONA Convention in a neck brace. Her and her husband, coin dealer Brian See, were involved in a car accident on their way to a meeting of the Scarborough Coin Club.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ross and Doreen Irvin who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 8. Congratulations to Bob and Carole Dowsett whose daughter (who lives in Toronto) has announced her engagement to Justine Ground of Aurora, a town just north of Toronto. They are planning on getting married on October 23. Hey, isn't that the Torex week-end?

## CONDOLENCES

To the family of John Curtis, best known as a collector of Canadian wooden nickels. He authored numerous articles dealing with wooden nickels. He was a regular at meetings of the North York Coin Club and Southern Ontario Chapter of CAWMC until the passage of time confined him to a Seniors Home.

To the family of Dick Lockwood, a long-time coin dealer. Well respected for his fairness and charming personality, he ran the Arcade Coin Shop in downtown Toronto for a number of years before retiring.

To coin dealer Bill Merkley of London, on the passing of his father.

To Bret Evans, Editor of Canadian Coin News, on the passing of his father.

Belated condolences to coin dealer Andy Greco of St. Catharines, on the passing of his mother.



## SHOW TIME

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

### **ONE OF THE FEW FEMALE COIN DEALERS RUNS SUCCESSFUL COIN SHOWS IN BURLINGTON**

*In a hobby very much dominated by males, we thought members might like to know a bit of background on one of the few shows operated by a female coin dealer who did not start up or operate the business in conjunction with a male spouse (the other prominent female dealer/show operator is Ingrid Smith, operating Torex, who will be covered in a future ONA Numismatist).*

On May 8, your Editor took a drive to Burlington, Ontario to attend the Burlington International Spring Coin Show at the Brant Hills Community Centre. I had never attended the show before even though I had seen it promoted since 1991 when she first started it up, simply because one cannot attend every show and the timing just didn't pan out before. This time, I made it a point to attend to interview her about the changes that have come about in her life recently.

When I arrived, even though there must have been at least 100 cars in the parking lot, there was still plenty of free parking space available. I was surprised that there was no admission charge, one of the few coin shows that does not try to offset some of the costs of operating and promoting a show in this fashion. The only thing offered at the entrance were draw tickets at a very reasonable 50 cents each or 3 for a dollar. With the prizes offered, I doubt that any profit can be made, especially since you do not have to be present for the draw to claim your prize and there will be shipping costs involved. I also noticed a snack bar right near the entrance. All very nice bonuses to put visitors in the right frame of mind!

The large room was filled with over 50 of the large 8' tables full of numismatic merchandise. As I had stated previously about the Michigan State Show and also saw at Torex and other recent coin shows, the material was mainly numismatic-related. Although a few sports cards and a bit of jewellery was present, the majority of material by far was coins, tokens, RCM collector material, foreign coinage of all description and quite a heavy sprinkling of paper money, both chartered banks and more recent varieties (signatures, serial numbers, replacement notes). The emphasis was definitely on numismatics!

It was also nice to see so many collectors from out of town, including Jim Charlton. Young collectors were also very much in evidence. Present was a large sprinkling of dealers that are seen around the Ontario coin show circuit, as well as a few unfamiliar faces. One of the unknown (to me) people was Keith Hinton of Keith G. Hinton Coins & Collectables of Port Stanley, Ont., who had a multi-colour Canadian wooden token, hand-painted by Gary Littrell of Amarillo, Texas, in his junk box. Although marked at a reasonable \$2.00, he would not take anything for it, pointing out that it came from his collection and he wanted to give it to me, seeing how I expressed an interest in it. The dealer, never having met me before, had no idea who I was and certainly had no idea that his little good deed would be publicly acknowledged to 350 ONA members.

So who is Nancy Meredith with a "705" telephone exchange operating a coin show in Burlington? She started collecting coins when she was 9 years old, thanks to her father's interest in the hobby. I first got to know Nancy when she attended my Toronto International Coin Show (TICF) in the 1980s. She was known then as Nancy Kanerva, a coin dealer and show operator that she is still today.

With her recent marriage to Harold Meredith came a name change...and a change in address. She now resides in Huntsville, a 3-hour drive north of Burlington. She intends to continue to operate the show in Burlington since she is obviously having fun at it - and do a lot of fishing in between. I asked her, facetiously, when she is going to start the Huntsville International Coin Show. She told me that she was thinking about it, although it would have to be the Huntsville International Summer Coin Show (Huntsville's population increases from something like 18,000 to around 50,000 during the Summer).

If you wish information on her next Burlington International Coin Show on October 16, wait till we promote it in the ONA Numismatist, or call Nancy at (705) 788-3159 for more information.

# SHOW TIME - UPCOMING

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



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. Also see ad in this issue.



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).



The Brantford Numismatic Society is holding their 39th Anniversary Coin Show on Sunday, June 13 at the Woodman community Centre, 491 Grey St., Brantford. Open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Free admission, free parking. Hourly draw tickets available. They have a great lunch counter and a lunch room that takes you away from the hustle and bustle of the bourse room if you want some peace and quiet.

Information from the Brantford Numismatic Society, P.O. Box 28015, North Park Plaza, Brantford, Ont. N3R 7K5, or call Ed at (519) 759-3688 evenings.



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).



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

Be sure to attend the CNA general membership meeting, Banquet, CNA Club Delegates meeting, RCM Oktoberfest Festivities, Educational Seminars, Youth Seminar, Spousal Activities, CPMS Luncheon and meetings of CATC, CTCCC and CAWMC.

See the extensive write-ups in this issue that this major Ontario show deserves, including the program of events, registration form, hotel room reservation information and more.



ONA member dealer Ted Bailey is holding his South Western Ontario Numismatics Coin and Collectable Show on August 8 at the Convention Centre, Paris Fair Grounds, 139 Silver Street, Paris. Public hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.. Over 50 bourse tables are expected. In addition to the usual coins, tokens and paper money, the show flyer mentions that sports cards, jewellery, militaria, post cards and artifacts will also be available from a number of bourse tables.

Bourse inquires and other information can be obtained from Bailey at (519) 442-3474. Also see half-page ad in this issue.



## CLASSIFIED ADS

*A free buy/sell/trade listing service for members. Ads must use member's name and address and cannot include a business name (with the exception of the promotion of books, shows & conventions and material owned by coin clubs). Material advertised must be numismatically-related. 100 words maximum per ad per issue. Count does not include name, address, postal code or punctuation. Number counts as one if numeric.*

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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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**Paper money trade notes for sale.** Owen Sound 1987 \$3 note unc. \$3.95; Manitoulin 1985 to 1993 notes unc. \$3.95 each; Antarctic paper dollar 1996 unc. \$2.95; St. Jean \$2 specimen note \$5.95; Fremont, P.Q. \$2 note 1995 \$3.95. Write Robert St. Cyr, 481 John Street, Thunder Bay, Ont. P7B 1X9.

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**Scarborough Coin Club woods for sale:** From 1980 5th anniversary to 1998 23rd anniversary with the exception of the 6th, 20th, 21st and 22nd anniversary which are sold out; includes 3 special woods issued in 1984, 1985 and 1986, plus 2 coin show woods of 1997 and 1998; total one of each at \$11.00 postage included; minimum order of 6 woods your choice at \$4.00 postage included, with each additional wood at 50 cents. Make cheque payable to the Scarborough Coin Club and send to P.O. Box 562, Pickering, Ont. L1V 2R7. Anyone attending club meetings can also pick them up at the meeting.

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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 overprint), 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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**Blank Planchets for sale.** Guaranteed genuine Royal Canadian Mint type 2 blank copper planchets (with upturned rim) used for striking the 1994 war commemorative series medals. Proceeds will be used to duplicate new slide sets for the ONA Audio Visual Lending Library. \$5.00 for one, \$8 for two, \$10 for three. Includes postage and any applicable taxes. Make cheque payable to the ONA and send it along with your order to ONA, 4936 Yonge Street, Suite 235, North York, Ont. M2N 6S3. If you pick it up at the 1999 CNA Convention, deduct \$2.00 per order.

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**Your Editor is wondering:** Why do more people not take advantage of free classified ads? Surely everyone has something they want to sell. Surely everybody wants to add that elusive item to their collection. Why not do it for free? Next deadline is end of June. Write, fax, phone or e-mail the Editor!

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### DISPLAY ADVERTISING RATES IN THE ONA NUMISMATIST FOR MEMBERS

Although above Classified Ads (up to 100 words) are complimentary, one ad per member per issue, the following prices apply for display ads: Commercial ads at \$60 full page, \$40 half page.

Coin clubs, non-profit numismatic associations, coin show ads and ads featuring books and publications at \$50 full page for one insertion, \$30 half page for one insertion, \$75 half page for three consecutive insertions or quarter page at \$45 for three consecutive insertions.

# WHO SHOULD RUN A COLLECTOR ORGANIZATION?

A dedicated and active group of collectors have decided to seek office in the upcoming CNA Elections. They want to represent you, the members, and maintain a balanced collectors' view in all CNA business. After all, over 95% of CNA members are collectors themselves! Next month, you will receive a ballot if you are a member of the CNA. We encourage you to vote for the following:

## **For President: Serge Pelletier**

*"I will use the experience I gained as President of another numismatic group - when membership increased from 70 to 200 - to drastically increase the membership of the CNA!"*

Serge has been interested in numismatics since he was 7 years old. He has been honored by the Numismatic Literary Guild for his writings, as well as by Numismatics International and the CNA. He has contributed articles to the CNA Journal, Canadian Coin News, Insight, Coin World, CoinAge and Les Monnaies, just to name a few. He was also editor of the Le Numismate, the award-winning publication of the ANFC. He has served on the Executive of the Societe Numismatique de Quebec and other groups, and was involved in the planning of the 1989 and 1997 CNA Conventions. He also served as President of the ANFC. Major Pelletier is a Logistics Officer in the Canadian Army, being awarded the Canadian Forces Decoration, the United States Meritorious Service Medal and the United States Joint Service Commendation Medal.

## **For 2nd Vice President: Ray Desjardins**

*"My greatest assets are enthusiasm, ability and energy. I will combine the sales, marketing and administrative skills that I have perfected in my 35-year career with the federal government and apply them to help move the CNA forward into the 21st Century!"*

Ray's interests in numismatics dates back to the early 1950s, serving on the Executive of local coin clubs in various positions. Ray has been a member of the CNA since 1966 and served on its Executive as an Area Director in 1995-96. He has served the ONA as an Area Director since 1994 and is currently ONA Liaison to the Royal Canadian Mint. He was a major player with the 1998 ONA Convention. He is an executive member of his Legion Branch, his church and the Church Extension Investment Fund (which manages assets of over \$50 million). Ray's responsibilities in the Foreign Service took him to numerous countries and broadened his outlook. He was also involved with the Public Service, including as a specialist in tourism marketing.

## **For S.W. Ontario Director: Paul Petch**

*"My involvement with both Information Technology and Human Resources will allow me to promote CNA innovation while maintaining the human touch!"*

Paul R. Petch, a coin collector since 1960, has held many positions at the local coin club level, including President and award-winning Editor (from both the ONA and CNA). He is a life member of the ONA and CNA and a 30-year member of the ANA. Serving on the CNA Education and Library Committee, he was a member of the Core Committee which developed the CNA/NESA Numismatic Correspondence Course, authored two chapters on Canadian decimals and is a presenter on the subject for the CNA Canadian Numismatic Course and at the Education Forum at the 1999 CNA Convention. He was elected to serve as the ONA's 1st Vice President for the 1999-2001 term and appointed General Chairman of the ONA 2000 Annual Convention. Paul is responsible for Information Technology Planning at Humber College, Rexdale, where he also served for 7 years on province-wide Human Resources committees.

## **VOTE FOR CHANGE! VOTE FOR PROGRESS!**

Paid for by the Committee to Elect Collectors to the CNA Executive

## 1999 ONA CONVENTION COMMITTEE

The Committee responsible for both the planning prior to the opening of the Convention as well as those responsible for the execution at the Convention received praise for the way things went. Although most members of the planning committee were previously named, a number of additional committee members came forward and volunteered for various duties. We are pleased to acknowledge everyone that had a hand in bringing the 1999 ONA Convention to fruition. So as to recognize those people that were involved in more than one area, we have broken it down by specific titles.

General Chairman:	Ken Wilmot
Bourse Chairman:	Ken Wilmot
Treasurer:	Bruce Raszmann
Registration Chairman:	Bruce Raszmann
Exhibit Chairman:	Chris Boyer
Publicity Chairman - Local:	Chris Boyer
Publicity Chairman - Numismatic:	John Regitko
Property Chairman - Bourse:	Mike Hollingshead
Signage and Tickets Creation:	John Regitko
Program of Events Chairman:	Paul Petch
Registration Kit Assembly:	Students of Paisley Road School
Souvenir Program Booklet Editor:	John Regitko
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Hospitality Suite Chairman:	Monina Regitko
Hospitality Suite Assistants:	Denna Benn, Shirley Fletcher, Dorothy Mason
Tour Organizing Committee Chairman:	Chris Boyer
Banquet Chairman & M.C.:	Mike Hollingshead
Banquet Keynote Speaker:	Pierre Morin, Royal Canadian Mint, Ottawa
Head Judge:	Paul Johnson
Competitive Exhibit Judges:	Marvin Kay, Don Robb, William McDonald
Dream Vacation Draw Chairman:	Bruce Raszmann
Hourly Draw Chairman:	Peter Becker
ONA Awards Committee Chairman:	Don Robb
ONA Awards Committee Members:	Mike Hollingshead, Paul Johnson, John Regitko & Ken Wilmot
Club Delegates Meeting Chairman:	John Regitko
Club Delegates Meeting Keynote Speaker:	Ian Graham, Royal Canadian Mint, Ottawa
Convention Medal Design Coordinator:	Chris Boyer
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Daily Admission Committee Members:	Bruce Raszmann, Richard Johnson, Peter Becker
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With special thanks:

The excellent and ever-so-professional and helpful staff of the College Inn, the curators and staff of the McCrae House Museum, Canadian Coin News, Club Delegates, CATC, CTCCC, CAWMC, CNA, the dealers and visitors who participated in the Convention

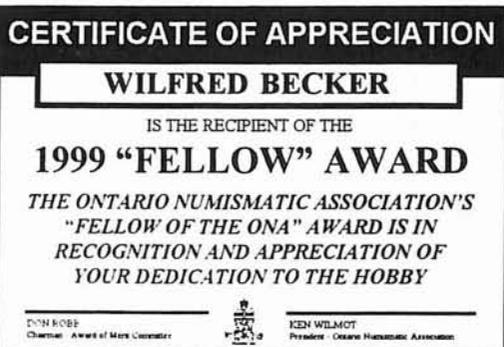
## BANQUET HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDED SPEAKER, DRAWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS OF AWARDS & EXHIBIT WINNERS

The Banquet featured numerous highlights that were enjoyed by the more than 40 members and guests that attended the Saturday evening festivities:

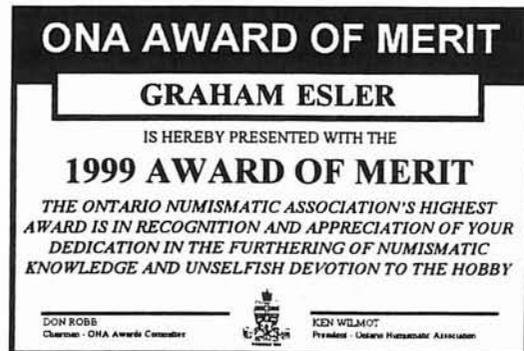
- The all-you-can-eat buffet of roast beef, roast pork and chicken was followed by a dessert table that included a wide variety of delicious dessert eloquently laid out by the College Inn's catering staff.
- Mike Hollingshead did an outstanding job as Master of Ceremonies, keeping things moving and adding comic relief in-between the serious portions of the gathering.
- Pierre Morin, the Mint's Communication Advisor responsible for media relations (including the ONA), delivered the keynote address covering "The Millennium Coin Contest: the Project, the Public Response and an Insiders View of the Project." He gave some background that took place behind-the-scenes during the planning and execution of this major undertaking that is drawing a lot of attention towards the coin collecting hobby in the minds of Canadians.



- Mike Hollingshead gave a moving speech praising the Royal Canadian Mint for their programs that are making people take a second look at their coinage, putting a variety of coins away that they obtained for face value in change and, hopefully, turn more than a few of them not just into coin collectors but numismatists.
- Don Robb, Chairman of the ONA Awards Committee, announced



the recipient of the ONA Award of Merit (Graham Esler) and the "Fellow of the ONA" Award (Wilfred Becker). He presented winners with suitably engraved sterling silver medals and framed 8-1/2" x 11" certificates (as illustrated).



- Paul Johnson, ONA Head Judge, revealed the winning exhibits in the competitive displays that were chosen by him and the three judges (Marvin Kay, William McDonald and Don Robb) earlier in the day. The exhibit winners were:

- Best of Show: Bill Kamb, Powell, Ont. "Tokens of Newfoundland" (engraved sterling silver medal and \$100)
- 1st Runner-up: Chris Boyer, Waterloo, Ont. "Look-alikes: Coins and Stamps" (engraved gold-plate medal and \$50)
- 2nd Runner-up: Tom Kostaluk, London, Ont. "City of Brantford Sesquicentennial" (engraved nickel-silver medal and \$25 cash)
- Honorable Mention: Jessica Wardell, Guelph, Ont. "Horses on Coins" (engraved nickel-silver medal)
- Honorable Mention: Lou Vesh, West Guilford, Ont. "Birds of My Garden" (engraved nickel-silver medal)

- A number of draw prizes were offered, including donations from the Royal Canadian Mint, Charlton Press, William McDonald and Marlcourt Books, J. Douglas Ferguson Memorial Research Foundation and Trajan Publications (publishers of Canadian Coin News).
- Ken Wilmot took the podium, thanked everyone for attending and presented the M.C., Mike Hollingshead, with a uniface medal in appreciation for organizing the banquet and acting as its Master of Ceremonies.
- Ken Wilmot's invitation for everyone to attend the "ONA President's Reception" immediately following the close of the banquet received a round of applause.



# DREAM VACATION DRAW CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

*We are pleased to publish the winners' names in the ONA Dream Vacation Draw that was conducted by Bruce Raszmann, Draw Chairman, at the conclusion of the ONA Convention*

## DRAW WINNERS

**FIRST PRIZE** (a dream vacation travel ticket for \$1,250, good through any travel agent in Ontario, for anywhere you want to go, or \$1,000 in cash): Clive Cresswell (Holland Landing, Ont.)

**SECOND PRIZE** (Canadian \$100 gold coin): Ray Desjardins (Nepean, Ont.)

**FIVE CONSOLATION PRIZES** (1999 sterling silver Proof 25 Cent coin): Doreen Linton (Pointe Claire, P.Q.), Stella Shewchuk (Woodbridge, Ont.), Tom Rogers (London, Ont.), Delvin Rusaw (Norwood, Ont.) and Francis Bzdel (Val Caron, Ont.)

**SELLER OF FIRST PRIZE TICKET** (\$100 cash): Bruce Raszmann (Waterloo, Ont.)

The ONA would like to thank all those who sold tickets or purchased them. Your support enables us to carry out our many programs.



## TICKET SALES BY CLUBS

For every book sold, the seller could specify the name of an ONA member club which would receive \$2. A total of 418 books were so designated. Following is a breakdown of the recipient clubs, in alphabetic order, along with the number of books credited to each one:

Brantford Numismatic Society	4	Scarborough Coin Club	7
Cambridge Coin Club	6	South Wellington Coin Society	3
City of Ottawa Coin Club	98	St. Catharines Coin Club	6
Champlain Coin Club	2	St. Thomas Numismatic Association	5
Hamilton Coin Club	5	Stratford Coin club	73
Ingersoll Coin Club	16	Tillsonburg Coin Club	5
Kent Coin Club	2	Timmings Coin Club	3
Lakeshore Coin Club	3	Waterloo Coin Society	59
Lake Superior Coin Club	7	Watford Coin Club	5
London Numismatic Society	7	Windsor Coin Club	11
Niagara Falls Coin Club	1	Woodstock Coin Club	6
Nickel Belt Coin Club	10	<i>Non-ONA Member Clubs:</i>	
North York Coin Club	15	Bancroft Coin Club	1
Ontario Numismatic Association	47	Canadian Assn. of Token Collectors	1
Oshawa & District Coin Club	4	Classical & Medieval Numis. Assn.	<u>1</u>
Peterborough Numismatic Society	5	<b>Total Book Sales</b>	<b>418</b>

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

Bruce Raszmann  
Draw Chairman

## CLUB DELEGATES MEETING FEATURES SPEAKER, ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CLUB EDITORIAL AWARDS



After a number of years of not scheduling a speaker at the Club Delegates meeting, the ONA Executive decided that rather than presenting club reports and reports by members of the Executive, that a prominent speaker would be a nice change. Ian Graham, Sales Manager - Canada for the Royal Canadian Mint, gave an interesting presentation entitled "Both Sides of the Coin: The Royal Canadian Mint and I." It focused on some personal thoughts on being a collector and working for the Mint. He was introduced by John Regitko, ONA Club Services Chairman, and was thanked by Ken Wilmot, ONA President.

Attendance consisted of a number of official delegates from local coin clubs, representatives from national specialty groups that are members of the ONA, a quantity of both outgoing and incoming members of the ONA Executive and a number of members that wished to observe the proceedings.

The Club Services Chairman, John Regitko, reported that additional VCR programs will be announced shortly. Instead of including the information in separate releases to the club mailing list, future announcements involving club services will be announced through the pages of the ONA Numismatist. Highlights of written reports from local coin club representatives on the club's activities will also be published in the next issue of the ONA Numismatist.



ONA President, Ken Wilmot, announced the winners of the Best Club Bulletin and Best Club Bulletin Editor to the Club Delegates at the Meeting. They were the Waterloo Coin Society and Chris Boyer, its Editor.

In previous ONA Numismatists, appeals were made to local coin clubs to send their 1998 club bulletins to the ONA Club Services Chairman, either monthly as the bulletins are published, or at once at year-end. The judging committee, consisting of Ken Wilmot, President and John Regitko, ONA Editor and Club Services Chairman, unanimously selected the winners from among a number of worthwhile entries. A

framed certificate was presented to both the Editor and the club.

The eligibility of a club having their bulletin judged was very simple: if a club operating in Ontario is a member of the ONA and sends their bulletins to the Editor, it is eligible for the award! If a club does not send in their bulletins, obviously it cannot be eligible. The only exception is the rule that the winners in the previous two years were not eligible, which eliminated the London Coin Club and the North York Coin Club, winners for 1996 and 1997, respectively (this rule has been eliminated for future years).

The criteria for judging was based on common sense as to what a bulletin should accomplish. Simply put, it should make all members aware of the goings-on of the club. This should include, but not be limited to, explaining what transpired at the previous meeting, make members aware of the plans for the next meeting as an enticement for them to want to attend, publish "worthwhile" editorials and President's messages, make members aware of numismatic activities in their area, promote the collecting of diversified numismatic material, publish educational articles (preferably original material and preferably written by members of the club), publish news about members, publish a financial report at least annually, make members aware of decisions reached at Executive meetings affecting the membership, should have eye appeal to make members want to read it from beginning to end, and any other content the judges see fit to include in this criteria.

Details of other business that was carried out at the Club Delegates Meetings will be published under "Minutes of the ONA Club Delegates Meeting" in the next issue.



**BILL KAMB WINS BEST OF SHOW IN COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS**



In the non-category judging system used to judge competitive exhibits that pitted every exhibit against each other, the following winners were selected by Paul Johnson (ONA Head Judge), Marvin Kay, William McDonald and Don Robb:

Bill Kamb won Best of Show for his display of "Tokens of Newfoundland," for which he received a uniface sterling silver convention medal, suitably engraved, and \$100.

Chris Boyer received the first runner-up nod for his display of "Look-alikes." He received a uniface gold-plate convention medal, suitably engraved, and \$50.

Second runner-up was Tom Kostaluk for his display of "City of Brantford Sesquicentennial Tokens," receiving a uniface nickel-silver convention medal and \$25.

In addition to the above winners, young numismatist Jessica Wardell received Honorable Mention for her display of "Horses on Coins." Lou Vesh, well-known for the series of woods he manufactures, including cutting and sanding of his own blanks, hot-stamping them in various colors of foil and spending countless hours hand-painting the limited-edition woods, also received Honorable Mention for his series of wooden nickels entitled "Birds of My Garden" which the ONA Editor called "the most colorful wooden nickels ever manufactured, even beating out the ones produced by father-and-son team of Glen and Gary Littrell."

One fact that stands out about the exhibits is that a number of young collectors took the time to make up an exhibit, including Kara Lee Blok on "Old Coins," Michelle Camelford on "A Sampling of Caribbean Cash from Barbados and some of her Neighbors," Matthew Fleck on "My Birthyear 1987," Braden Jennings on "Plattsburgh, NY" and Dylan Cunningham on "The Bluenose."

Rather than exhibitors attempting to display a complete collection, exhibitors built an exhibit around a "theme" in single-case displays. Because of the limited amount of exhibit space available, this enabled every exhibitor to be accommodated at the Convention. The judging point system reflected the 1-case limit. For example, "completeness" was not a factor in judging. Also, the idea that one must own the rare pieces in a series to win was not a factor, since no points were awarded for completeness and the points allocated for rarity were minimal. What was considered of paramount importance was the amount of information about a numismatic object or a representative selection of material of a grouping, eye appeal and any original ideas incorporated in a one-case display.



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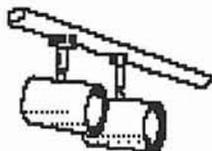
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# SPOTLIGHT ON PEOPLE

*A column in praise of active Ontario collectors*



## **GRAHAM ESLER RECIPIENT OF HIGHEST ONA AWARD**

*We thought members might like to know a bit of background on the recipient of the 1999 ONA Award of Merit. He accepted the award at the 1999 ONA Convention's banquet in Guelph.*

Graham Esler was born and educated in London, Ontario, graduating from the University of Western Ontario. He taught Latin for 24 years at the secondary school level.

Graham is a Past President of both the Canadian Paper Money Society (CPMS) and the Canadian Numismatic Research Society (CNRS) and has contributed articles to those publications. He is also a Past President of the London Numismatic Society and served for many years on their executive in various capacities dating back to the late 1950s. He served as General Chairman for the 1978 CNA Convention in London. His involvement with the organization of local coin club shows in London also dates back many years. He was instrumental in many educational programs at the local meetings of the London Numismatic Society.

He has published several numismatic articles including "The Otterville Hoard," "A Pioneer Ottawa Numismatist" and (with William. N. Clarke) "The History of the Bank of London in Canada." His paper "The So-Called English Issues of the Bank of Montreal" appeared in "Canada's Money," the proceeding of the American Numismatic Society's Coinage of the Americas Conference in 1992. He also contributed an article titled "Banknotes of London" to the London Numismatic Society's 35th anniversary publication in 1986.

Graham has been Ontario Director of the CNA and was Banquet Speaker at the 1986 CNA Convention. He was also Banquet Speaker for the ONA in 1998 as well as Head Judge. Over the past 30 years, he has spoken to many local coin clubs. He is a Life Member of the CNA, the CPMS and the London Numismatic Society. He is on the Board of Governors of the Classical and Medieval Numismatic Society (CMNS). A governor of the J. Douglas Ferguson Historical Research Foundation, Graham is Chairman of its Grants and Awards Committee. He has served on this committee for more than 15 years.

In addition, Graham has served as a display judge at the local, provincial, national and international level during the past number of years. He has also exhibited at various coin shows and conventions in past years. He has been awarded the prestigious J. Douglas Ferguson gold medal for distinguished service to Canadian Numismatics and the Royal Canadian Mint medal for contributions to numismatic education.

In February, 1981, Graham was appointed Assistant Curator of the National Currency Collection and in December, 1983, was named the Chief Curator and Head of Museum, Bank of Canada. He has been appointed General Chairman for the CNA Convention in 2000 in Ottawa.



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## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

A good mix of ONA members attended the Annual ONA General Membership Meeting on Sunday morning - club delegates, outgoing ONA Executive, incoming ONA Executive and regular members.

The following items were brought up for discussion and/or voting:

- The financial report covering calendar year 1998 was distributed by Bruce Raszmann, ONA Treasurer (the report is published on pages 74 through 76).
- The Outgoing President's Report was presented by Ken Wilmot (see his Outgoing President's Message on page 72).
- The final report by the Chairman of the Election Committee, Mike Hollingshead and final call for nominations for the positions of Directors for Areas 5 and 7 that had not been previously filled (see his final report on page 77).
- A motion by ONA Member John Regitko, concerning the proposed change to the Constitution as published in the January/February 1999 ONA Numismatist on moving the Treasurer and Recording Secretary from the slate of elected officers to the appointed positions.
- Incoming President's Comments by Mike Hollingshead (see his Incoming President's Message on page 72).

The Annual General Membership meeting represents the best opportunity to give feedback officially to your Executive on your thoughts - what changes you would like to see made and which actions by the Executive you support. The official Minutes of the General Membership Meeting will be published in the next bulletin.

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## HOSPITALITY SUITE RECEIVES HIGH PRAISE



One of the most traveled areas at the convention...other than the bourse room...was Suite 103. It housed the Hospitality Suite that was open to all registrants, dealers, daily admissions and everyone's spouse, family and friends.

If one were to use only one word to sum up the "hospitality" in the Hospitality Suite it would have to be: Fantastic! If one were to use only one word to sum up the snacks and other items that were served in the Hospitality Suite...all at no charge to all convention-goers...it would have to be: Fantastic!

Room 103 was first used for the Friday Registrants/Dealer Reception. The room opened to a waiting group of dealers and registrants at 9:00 p.m. What greeted them was coffee, tea, milk, hot chocolate, orange juice (the real, non-reconstituted kind), name-brand soft drinks of all descriptions, potato chips, Cheesies, rolls and a good variety of cold cuts. In addition, fresh mango salad, Thai noodles, pickled hot mango, pickled hot lime and rice cakes, home-cooked by Monina Regitko, were also served.

When the Hospitality Suite opened its doors on Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m., a similar array of "goodies" greeted everyone. Sandwiches filled with coldcuts, egg salad and tuna salad were available over lunch time, as well as cold noodles, chocolate chip pound cake, assorted muffins, banana bread, carrot loaf and other goodies baked by Monina.

Similar offerings were made on Sunday, including the addition of various baked goods, which again saw a quantity of dealers leave their bourse tables to take advantage of the generosity of the Convention organizers.

What made all this so fantastic is that there was no charge to convention-goers for anything served, since the 1999 ONA Convention Planning Committee had budgeted a sizable amount in the financial forecast. It was difficult to estimate the number of people that took advantage of the hospitality, since there was a steady stream coming and going, including a lot of repeaters. Needless to say, the Hospitality Suite hostesses were exhausted by the 3:00 p.m. shut-down.

The fact that by the time closing of the Hospitality Suite came around and every scrap of food had been consumed, was a compliment to those involved with the preparation and serving of the variety of offerings. The Hospitality Suite Chairman, Monina Regitko, and the hostesses (Denna Benn, Shirley Fletcher and Dorothy Mason) are to be congratulated for manning a location where so many people could throw their feet up and relax and enjoy the hospitality!

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Tom has served on the CNA Executive since 1989: S.W. Ontario Director (1989-95), Club Services Chairman (1989-93), 2nd Vice President (1995-97), 1st Vice President (1997-99), Membership and Editorial Committee (1995 to date). His hard work and devotion was recognized by the CNA when it named him a "Fellow of the CNA" in 1996. He is a Life Member of the CNA.

He has also served on the Board of the Numismatic Educational Services Association (NESA) since 1989. His involvement with CNA Conventions (including as Chairman) has given him good background in looking after the needs of the collector.

He has served on the ONA Executive for 16 years, including 8 years as Convention Coordinator where he has worked closely with dealers in assuring that their needs are met.

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# NATIONAL NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION LISTINGS



*A free listing of national associations' services provided, membership fees and addresses, published periodically. To have your association included and to enable us to pick up items of interest to ONA members, please arrange to have your Association bulletin sent to the Editor, ONA Numismatist, 4936 Yonge St., Suite 235, North York, ON M2N 6S3. We will arrange to cull the necessary information for this and other columns (i.e. annual show listing).*

**Free write-up for numismatic associations.** The following free listings will be published from time-to-time (usually near the beginning and end of a calendar year to tie in with annual memberships). Every national numismatic group will receive free listings as well as free publicity in the ONA Numismatist if they place the ONA Editor on their mailing list, a small price to pay for the benefits of having us promote their organization. So far, the CNA, CTCCC, CPMS and CMNS have included him on their mailing list.



**CNA** - The Canadian Numismatic Association is our national umbrella organization. Unlike all other national groups that specialize in a specific area of the hobby, the CNA encompasses all numismatic collectible interests. Their publication, "The Journal," is published 9 times a year and usually runs 48 pages per issue. All articles and columns are in English, but the columns written by the President and Editor and a few of the articles are also published in French, as you might expect from a truly national organization. The limited amount of French amongst the more than 400 pages annually should not be a deterrent for any ONA member that does not speak French.

Each issue contains articles on a wide variety of numismatic subjects as well as the usual Executive reports, advertisements, annual convention news, details about new collectors issues from the Royal Canadian Mint, a national "Coming Events" column and much more. The CNA holds an annual convention each year (the 1999 Convention is being hosted by the Waterloo Coin Society in Kitchener on July 22 to 25). Members also have access to the CNA's huge book lending library. Clubs can borrow slide sets and VCR tape programs.

Regular membership is \$33, Juniors (under 18 years of age) \$16.50, Family (one Journal) \$44. They offer Life Memberships after 1 year of regular membership at \$495, as well as Corporate memberships for clubs, societies, libraries and other non-profit organizations at \$33 per year. Contact ONA Life Member Ken Prophet, their Executive Secretary, at P.O. Box 226, Barrie, Ont. L4M 4T2 for a sample Journal and a membership application at no obligation. He can also be reached at (705) 737-0845 (leave your name and address if not answered live), fax at (705) 737-0293, or e-mail at [cdn.numismatic@on.aibn.com](mailto:cdn.numismatic@on.aibn.com).



**CAWMC** - The Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors meets at various times of the year in conjunction with other major groups such as ONA and CNA Conventions. Their monthly bulletin, "Timber Talk," lists new wooden issues, articles about wooden nickels, members news and a free "Wood of the Month." The woods alone make membership worthwhile! Membership is \$10 per year, Youths 16 & under only \$5. Send membership dues to Al Munro, Box 2643, Station "M", Calgary, Alberta T2P 3C1. Contact ONA member

Ross Kingdon, Editor, 69 Dorchester Dr., Bramalea, Ontario L6T 3E5, for a complimentary sample bulletin.

A small group of wooden money collectors, billing themselves as the Southern Ontario Chapter of CAWMC, meet the third Tuesday of the month at a member's home in the Toronto vicinity. Meetings are very informal. There is no admission fee. There is no membership fee. The only thing that they ask is that you belong to the national CAWMC. If you throw a buck and a wooden nickel into the pot at a meeting, you will get a draw ticket for the woods. The dollar pays for the coffee and donuts. If you contact ONA member Norm Belsten at (416) 247-7676 or e-mail at [nbelsten@aol.com](mailto:nbelsten@aol.com), he will tell you where the next meeting will be held. Don't be shy about calling!



# ASSOCIATION LISTINGS - CONTINUED



**CTCCC** - The Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club is the newest specialty national group to come along. Right from the start they were considered a runaway success. Everyone has a few pieces of Canadian Tire "money" shoved in a drawer and has seen Mr. McTire disappear in favor of new designs, but unless and until you are a member of CTCCC, you will never know of the huge varieties that exist. Other than the sheer fun of collecting, some are definitely worth keeping. Just like the paper money collectors, Canadian Tire Coupon collectors have to contend with overall design changes, signatures, asterisk replacement notes, misprints, serial number variations, overprints, cash bonus coupons, single-store promotional coupons and more. New discoveries, free ads, mail bid auctions and auction results are regular features of the newsletter.

The ONA's President, Mike Hollingshead, is their Immediate Past President, Secretary-Treasurer and Membership Chairman. ONA member Roger Fox is their President. The ONA's Chairman of the Awards Committee, Don Robb, is their Vice-President. The annual membership fee of \$10 should be sent to Mike Hollingshead, P.O. Box 1000, Arkell, Ont. N0B 1C0, or e-mail [cholling@uoguelph.ca](mailto:cholling@uoguelph.ca) for an application form and a sample copy of their bulletin.



**CATC** - The Canadian Association of Token Collectors covers a wide and varied field of numismatic collectibles. Other than the CNA, most other groups are quite specific, specializing usually in only one major area of collecting such as paper money, ancient coinage, wooden tokens or Canadian Tire coupons. CATC has the widest amount of numismatic collectibles on their plate. They cover transportation token & tickets, advertising tokens and coupons of all descriptions, milk tokens, gasoline & grocery store coupons, parking tokens, casino tokens, gambling casino tokens, Canadian Tire coupons...we could probably fill the rest of this page with a breakdown of all the categories.

They hold meetings at ONA and CNA conventions. Their President is ONA member Harry James. Their Secretary/Treasurer, ONA member Gord Nichols, will accept your membership at \$15 annually, or contact him for a sample copy of their excellent bulletin at Box 28039, 600 Ontario Street, St. Catharines, ON. L2N 7P8.



**CPMS** - The Canadian Paper Money Society publishes the thickest quarterly bulletins of all organizations. Their quarterly newsletters run around 52 pages, while their annual journal is in the neighborhood of 50 to 60 pages. And it's only \$25.00 a year. As a member of CPMS, you also have access to the huge book lending library of the Canadian Numismatic Association (that's not a misprint, they made a deal with the CNA to allow access of all CPMS members to the CNA library).

Dick Dunn, a member of the ONA, will be pleased to send you a sample newsletter (or just send him your membership fee). He can be reached at Box 562, Pickering, ON. L1V 2R7, at by e-mail at [cpms@idirect.com](mailto:cpms@idirect.com).



**CMNS** - The Classical and Medieval Numismatic Society issues their 18-page "The Anvil" four times a year, and an annual journal, "The Picus," that is just under 200 pages, bound. The annual membership fee of \$25.00 for regular membership, \$15.00 for students, represents excellent value.



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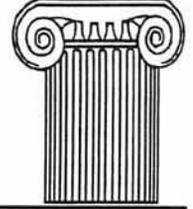
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# CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS



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**Sunday, July 25, 8:00 a.m. start**

**Tickets must be purchased in advance for this Breakfast meeting - \$15.00 each**

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## 1999 CNA CONVENTION SELECTS MEDAL DESIGN



### INTRODUCTION

The 1999 CNA Convention committee has been hard at work over the past 6 months to select a design for the souvenir medal, which will also form the logo for the convention. The Convention Committee, members of the Waterloo Coin Society and young collectors from the Paisley Road Coin Club made submissions for the design. At a meeting of the Convention Committee, a vote was taken of all the designs submitted. The design selected was a scene featuring a Mennonite couple and their son in a buggy being pulled by a horse.

Chris Boyer proposed the winning design from a photograph published in the book "My Old Order Mennonite Heritage" by Mary Ann Horst. The b&w photograph, "Sunday Morning," was taken by photographer David L. Hunsberger a few decades ago (he was a well-known photographer in the Kitchener-Waterloo area and did most of the photography for her books).

### THE DESIGN

The Committee unanimously selected the photograph from Horst's book. The Royal Canadian Mint endorsed it. The final design, including the wording and its location around the medal, was submitted to Tim Henderson, Chairman of the CNA Awards and Medals Committee, and the CNA Executive for final approval. This was obtained once the word "wagon" was changed to "buggy" and the initials were removed.

### THE ARTIST'S BACKGROUND

Mary Ann Horst grew up in the Alma and Floradale areas and came to Kitchener as a young girl to work at the Kitchener-Waterloo Hospital. She joined a church of the more progressive Mennonite Conference of Eastern Canada when she was 17. She was 23 when she decided to return to school and entered Grade 10 at Rockway Mennonite High School where she spent three years. She has been a member of the First Mennonite Church in Kitchener for over 40 years. The women in her church no longer wear prayer caps or cape dresses (still required in the Old Order) and two of the associate pastors are women.

After a few years working at her sister's rest home, she and her late sister, Susannah, decided to open a craft shop in their house. The business was so successful that they moved three years later to a shop at 678 King St. W. where they stayed for 21 years until the late 1980s. There was great interest in Pennsylvania Dutch crafts, she found. Many are made in Waterloo County, others are imported from Pennsylvania where they made a tour before opening their own shop.

They also rented a stall at the Kitchener Farmers Market for 36 years. The market was a happy highlight of her week, though she admits she wasn't always too enthusiastic about getting out of bed at 4:30 on a Saturday morning.

She lived with her sister, Sarah, in a century-old house in Kitchener. Their house was built on land bought by her great-great-grandfather, Abraham Weber, when he traveled here by Conestoga wagon from Pennsylvania to begin homesteading. Mary Ann has been writing since she was nine years old. For 20 years she wrote for Mennonite church publications.

A 1998 appointment calendar book published in Charlottetown, P.E.I., entitled "Portraits," celebrates the achievements of Canadian women. The introduction states that the calendar, in its 5th year, "gathered 24 women who personify activism. From coast-to-coast, they labor on behalf of their communities - and succeed in touching the lives of many." Featured among the 24 women is a photograph of Mary Ann Horst with her sister, Sarah.

Horst has become a successful writer by following the creed of choosing a subject she knows well: all five of her published books are linked to her Mennonite background.

## THE ARTIST'S BOOKS

As a result of questions about people at the Kitchener Farmers' Market and her shop, Horst ventured into the publishing business. Her first book, *"My Old Order Mennonite Heritage,"* was published in 1970. She not only describes life in an Old Order family, but also the changes which have split the church into about 20 different sects in Ontario. She left the Old Order faith more than 20 years ago - a story she tells with warmth and nostalgia in the book. The 43-page book was warmly received and became a best-seller. It was used by the National Film Board of Canada as a resource for a film on Waterloo County Mennonites. The book includes a Kitchener Record photographer's back view of her father and aunt watching a wagon driven by Mennonites go down King Street in Waterloo. Her father, like many Old Order Mennonites today, shunned having his photograph taken since the Bible refers to "no graven images" and he thought it could lead to the sin of pride. Her mother, who lived 20 years after he died, was less strict and there are many pictures of her by her grandchildren. The book has now gone through a total of 12 printings and has sold over 50,000 copies. Color was added in the reprints. The 1992 printing of the book added a chapter entitled "Moving on: Twenty-two Years later." In this chapter, she acknowledges many changes that have occurred in the Old Order Mennonites community since her book was first published. Over 75% of her readers are tourists visiting Waterloo Region. Other fans include local residents and members of the Mennonite community.

She points out that one of the most significant changes occurred in 1989, when phones were allowed in the homes of all church members except the clergy, but they are still not allowed answering machines. Farming methods have also seen dramatic changes, as former labor-intensive techniques such as hand-milking, horse-drawn binding, and loading are now less frequently witnessed. Today, more modern techniques like milking machines and tractors are gaining wider acceptance in the community. Some rules have been reversed. When Horst was a young girl, smoking was permitted. Today, in face of the evidence that it harms the body, Old Order Mennonites who smoke are forbidden to take communion. Most still don't drive cars.

Her second book, *"Pennsylvania Dutch Fun, Folklore and Cooking,"* features Old Order Mennonite cooking. Its red-covered book with its appealing photographs of round-faced children and barn-raising is more than just a collection of recipes. The author has seasoned the pages with the gentle humor of the plain folk, drawing on her own memories of childhood as a pig-tailed Old Order Mennonite girl.

Her third book is entitled *"Our Wonderful Kitchener Farmers' Market"* and features black and white photographs of the people and stalls of this well-known local attraction.

Her fourth book, *"Amsey and Sarah of Waterloo County,"* is a coloring book and is out of print.

Her fifth book, *"Reminiscings of Mennonite Life in Waterloo County,"* is about the humor among the Old Order Mennonites. "They really are fun-loving people, but you have to know them to understand their humor," Mary Ann says. "For example, they have marvelous nicknames such as Big John or Short John."

She is currently working on a humorous booklet, "Pigtails and Pinafores," in which she shares some of the pranks and escapades she and her eight siblings were involved in growing up in an Old Order Mennonite home.

Ms. Horst has consented to make her books available to member of the ONA. Pricing is \$5.98 for *"My Old Order Mennonite Heritage,"* \$5.98 for *"Pennsylvania Dutch Fun, Folklore and Cooking"* and \$7.98 for *"Reminiscings of Mennonite Life in Waterloo County."* The book *"Our Wonderful Kitchener Farmers' Market,"* originally issued at \$13.95, is available for only \$2.99 while supplies last. Add \$2.00 for the first book and \$1.00 for each additional book for postage. Make cheques payable to Mary Ann Horst. Her address is Mary Ann Horst, 330 Park St., Kitchener, Ont. N2G 1N1.

If you are planning of attending the CNA Convention, you can contact Chris Boyer to let him know which books you want and he will turn them over to you at the convention, without anyone incurring postage cost. You can pay for the books at that time. Boyer can be reached at P.O. Box 40044, Waterloo Square P.O., 75 King St. South, Waterloo, Ont. N2J 4V1, e-mail at [coinman@sympatico.ca](mailto:coinman@sympatico.ca).

## PROGRAM OF EVENTS

*The following program of events schedule is being published for the benefit of ONA members that may wish to attend the CNA Convention. Note that this listing is subject to change by the CNA Convention Committee. Function rooms (shown in brackets at the end of each function description) are also subject to change. A registration application form is also published elsewhere.*

### WEDNESDAY - JULY 21

- 12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m. Registration Table open for registration kit pick-up and new registrants (Tower Lobby)
- 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. CNA Executive Meeting (Red Maple)
- 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Bourse room open to all registered dealers and legitimate assistants for set-up (Ballroom)
- 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Display room open for setting up of exhibits (Viking A&B)
- 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Hospitality Suite open to all Registrants, Dealers, etc. (Odin Suite)
- 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. CNA Past Presidents Dinner - admittance restricted to Past Presidents and their spouse or guest (Schatzl's Gallery)

### THURSDAY - JULY 22

- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Bourse set-up - admittance restricted to bourse dealers and assistants (Ballroom)
- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Display Area open for setting up of exhibits (Viking A&B)
- 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. CNA Judges Breakfast - admittance restricted to judges that have been invited to judge competitive exhibits (Red Maple)
- 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Spouses Welcome - admittance restricted to spouses of registrants (Odin Suite)
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Registrants Preview only - admittance restricted in bourse room to those that are registered for the 1999 CNA Convention (Ballroom)
- 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration Table open for registration kit pick-up and new registrants (Tower Lobby)
- 10:00 a.m. - 10:05 a.m. Official Opening (Tower Lobby)
- 10:05 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Bourse Room open to everyone that is registered or purchases a daily admission ticket (Ballroom)
- 10:05 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Display Area open to everyone for viewing of exhibits (Viking A & B)
- 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon CPMS Executive meeting (Red Maple)
- 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Hospitality Suite open to all registrants, bourse personnel, daily admissions and convention committee (Odin Suite)
- 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Auction Session #1 (Kitchener 3 & 4)
- 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Ferguson Foundation Meeting - admittance restricted to members of the Ferguson Foundation committee (Red Maple)
- 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Youth Display Seminar (Viking C)
- 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Royal Canadian Mint Oktoberfest Festivities (Trillium Suite and Poolside)

### FRIDAY - JULY 23

- 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. CAND Breakfast - restricted to members of the Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers (Schatzi's Gallery)
- 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration Table open for registration kit pick-up and new registrations (Tower Lobby)
- 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Bourse Room open to everyone that is registered or purchases a daily admission ticket (Ballroom)
- 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Display Area open to everyone for viewing of exhibits (Viking A & B)
- 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Hospitality Suite open to all Registrants, Dealers, etc. (Odin Suite)
- 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. CPMS Luncheon & General Meeting - attendance restricted to luncheon to ticket holders (Viking C)
- 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Auction Session #2 (Kitchener 3 & 4)
- 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CMNS Meeting - both members and non-members are invited to attend the meeting of the Classical & Medieval Numismatic Society (Red Maple)

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**SATURDAY - JULY 24**

- 8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. CNRS Breakfast Meeting - admittance restricted to members of the Canadian Numismatic Research Society that have purchased tickets in advance (Red Maple)
- 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. CNA Club Delegates Breakfast Meeting - admittance restricted to those who have purchased tickets in advance (Schatzi's Gallery)
- 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration Table open for registration kit pick-up and new registrants (Tower Lobby)
- 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Bourse Room open to everyone that is registered or purchases a daily admission ticket (Ballroom)
- 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Display Area open to everyone for viewing of exhibits (Viking A & B)
- 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. CNA General Membership Meeting & Awards Presentations - all CNA members are encouraged to attend their annual meeting (Kitchener 3 & 4)
- 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Hospitality Suite open to all Registrants, Dealers, etc. (Odin Suite)
- 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. Youth Session - all young numismatists are invited to attend this educational seminar (Viking C)
- 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. CATC Meeting - all members and non-members are invited to attend the meeting of the Canadian Association of Token Collectors featuring educational program, door draws, auction of token material and more (Kitchener 1)
- 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. NNC Meeting - restricted to the steering committee and representatives of member organizations of Numismatic Network Canada (Kitchener 2)
- 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Auction Session #3 (Kitchener 3 & 4)
- 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CNA Educational Forum - everyone is invited to attend this educational forum featuring (can I get names from Paul J.) (Kitchener 1)
- 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. CTCCC Meeting - all members and non-members are invited to attend the meeting of the Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club featuring educational program, door draws, auction of token material and more (Kitchener 2)
- 3:00 p.m. - 4:0 p.m. Display tear-down (Viking A & B)
- 5:00 p.m. Bourse closes to the public (Ballroom)
- 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Bourse tear-down (Ballroom)
- 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. CNA Banquet - restricted to those who have purchased tickets in advance (Viking Suite)

**SUNDAY - JULY 25**

- 8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. CAWMC Breakfast - every member and non-member is invited to attend the annual meeting of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors. however admittance is restricted to those who have purchased tickets in advance (Viking A)
- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon CNA Incoming Executive Meeting - winners in the CNA elections will have been announced at the Annual General Membership Meeting on Saturday. This is their first Executive meeting.
- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Hospitality Suite open to all registrants, bourse personnel, daily admissions and convention committee (Odin Suite)

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# CNA CONVENTION NEWS



## 1999 CNA Convention Registration Form

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If you need additional information: Bruce Raszmann, Treasurer/Pre-Registration Chairman: (519) 745-3104  
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Quantity	Activity	Total
_____	Main Registration Package @ \$30 ..... <i>(includes copper convention medal, convention ribbon, souvenir program, 3 days admission to bourse and exhibits, Royal Canadian Mint Oktoberfest Night, Hospitality Suite, souvenir program booklet, CD containing the Canadian coins and paper money catalogues and more)</i>	\$ _____
_____	Spousal Registration Package @ \$15 ..... <i>(includes ribbon, 3 days admission to bourse and exhibits, RCM Oktoberfest Night, Spousal Craft session, Hospitality Suite, souvenir program booklet, collectibles catalogues and more)</i>	_____
_____	Young Numismatist Package @ \$15 ..... <i>(includes copper convention medal, convention ribbon, souvenir program, 3 days admission to bourse and exhibits, Y.N. Forum Session, Hospitality Suite, CD containing the Canadian coins and paper money catalogues, special donations from the Royal Canadian Mint and more)</i>	_____
_____	Silver Convention Medal @ \$40 .....	_____
_____	Copper Convention Medal @ \$17 .....	_____
_____	Royal Canadian Mint Reception (Thurs. July 22) no charge .....	_____
_____	Tour @ \$18 (Thursday, July 22) ..... <i>(includes taxi from hotel to rail station, train trip to farmer's market and factory outlet, train trip to St. Jacobs shopping (optional lunch at own cost), train to Canadian Clay and Glass Museum and admission, return taxi trip to hotel)</i>	_____
_____	C.A.N.D. Breakfast (Friday, July 23) no charge* ..... <i>(*restricted to CAND members, spouses and/or assistants)</i>	_____
_____	C.P.M.S. Luncheon @ \$25 (Friday, July 23) .....	_____
_____	C.N.A. Delegates Breakfast @ \$15 (Sat. July 24) .....	_____
_____	C.N.R.S. Breakfast @ \$15 (Sat. July 24) * ..... <i>(*C.N.R.S. members only)</i>	_____
_____	C.N.A. Banquet and Post-Banquet Reception @ \$38 (Saturday, July 24) .....	_____
_____	C.A.W.M.C. Breakfast @ \$15 (Sunday, July 25) .....	_____
	<b>TOTAL</b> (make cheque or money order payable to the 1999 CNA Convention) .....	\$ _____

Prices include all charges, taxes, gratuities, transportation and admission where applicable. The Tour, if sufficiently pre-booked, will proceed although revisions may be made due to bad weather or other circumstances.

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