

### PAN eNEWS

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## Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists

#### LESS THAN 20 DAYS!



The Pan Spring Coin Show We have 68 dealers and 80 tables sold. There are a couple of corner spots left and about 18 straight tables left. Show chairman, Blaine Shiff is fielding calls every day. We have a chance at a sellout and that is very good considering that some of our

regular dealers are participating in the ANA National Money Show in New Orleans.

Our signature yellow post cards are prepared to be sent out May 1st. We are expecting a large



crowd since we have doubled our advertising budget and have had a great deal of positive feedback from members, collectors, and dealers

regarding our efforts to increase our exposure. **DEALER NOTES:** PAN has a **room block** at the Doubletree Hotel

with a savings of \$25 per night. If did not get the discount, then email us and we will make sure you are included. pancoins@gmail.com

A **security room** is in place at the Doubletree Hotel next to the convention center in the Clarion Meeting Room, available from Wednesday May 8th 3:00 pm until 8:00 am Thursday May 9th. All future shows will have security on the bourse floor the evening before the show.

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PAN Coin Show - May 9, 10, 11, 2013

Bourse Chairman, Blaine Shiff CYBERCOINS.net 412-531-4100 2925 West Liberty Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15216



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CLUB MEETINGS, avoiding a calamity: Many of us belong to local coin clubs and part of the meeting is devoted to a talk or presentation of a numismatic items that are displayed or passed around. On some very rare occasions something ends up missing or misplaced and often is not noticed until hours or days later.



We had such an occurrence recently at a local dinner meeting. PAN president, Tom Uram suggested a designated person or the last club member to leave the room should take a walk through and check under tables, chairs, table napkins, display table etc, to notice if anything is left behind. It is very easy to forget to put away something you brought in to speak about and as the meeting is breaking up, for a brief moment of distraction, someone hands you something or has a last minute club matter to discuss and you momentarily set down the coins you were about to pack up only to have a quick look at something unrelated. Your last recollection is that you were sure that you placed your prized coin in your pocket

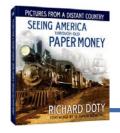
or brief case only to find out when you arrive home that it is not there.

Tom has suggested that each club should have, in the spirit of baseball, a clean up hitter. This person would be prepared if called to be able to say exactly the condition of the room before he or she left. We have consistently done this when we break down the PAN shows and check the empty bourse floor a couple of times to make sure no one has left something behind. This process could be treated the same as the reading of the minutes, treasurer report, or any other important order of club business. Tell us what you think and have a good meeting!

PAN WEBSITE, a web of intrigue: This is a story that many numismatic clubs and organizations may want to learn from through our own misfortune. PAN has had a web presence for the past 12 years. Our domain name has always been the same, *pancoins.org*, through this time period until March 27<sup>th</sup> 2013 when the bottom fell out. We started getting some emails informing us that our site was a blank white page. The hope was that our web master was making some updates and thought that after a few hours or a day that we would be back up and running. This was not to be. After contacting our host server we were informed that our *pancoins.org* domain name had expired after a ten year run. None of us recall being notified of the expiration nor ever thought that it was in danger. After some searching and many phone calls along with some web browsing research on name ownership, we found that our domain name was in the hands of an anonymous domain name reseller.

The solution was to not fret about it, realize our error and just buy it back. We unfortunately learned that we could not transfer it back to us without the original authorization code and no one could recall it. Our site was down for many days and the next solution was to acquire a new domain name, <a href="www.pancoin.org">www.pancoin.org</a> It is very close to the old one and we have a simple temporary website set up and currently running now until our professionally built site is ready to launch. We had the idea of a new web site in our future plans anyway so this debacle only fast tracked our schedule.

A word of caution, there are many numismatic organizations that are operating websites at no cost because of the generosity of a shared host server. Please ask your webmasters or member volunteers to check your domain expiration date and the details of domain name ownership. Don't let your organizations operation be disrupted.



**Pictures from a Distant Country** by Richard Doty, senior curator of the Smithsonian's National Numismatic Collection.

What do the designs and images on these notes tell us about the United States of the 1800's? How did we Americans view women, children, family, the workplace, minorities, new technology? Can these obsolete bank notes serve as "pictures from a distant country" — snapshots from the United States of yesteryear? <a href="https://www.whitman.com/Inventory/Browse/Currency-Books">https://www.whitman.com/Inventory/Browse/Currency-Books</a>

## DEALERS ATTENDING PAN SPRING COIN SHOW

The list below are the dealers, many from out of state, that will be set up for business at the May show. More are being added daily but this is current as of this issue.

There will be a May issue of the PAN eNEWS that will include a full listing of dealers, the PAN KidZone schedule, and the PAN Lecture Series schedule.

It will also include a Bourse Floor Plan with dealer names and table numbers.



A E Johnbrier Coins	Al Johnbrier	Bowie	MD	Kas Koins	Ken Sholder	Coraopolis	PA
ACE Coins	Don Keopple	Moline	IL	Ken Cooper		Carnegie	PA
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American Coin Rarities	Stephen Laschon	Coraopolis	PA	Letchworth Coins	Terry Bogert	Perry	NY
ANACS - Paul Joseph	Paul Joseph	Dudley	MA	Market Harmony LLC	Michael Arvay	Freeport	PA
Bill & Walts Hobby Shop	David Thomas	White Oak	PA	Matt DeRoma Rare Coins Inc.	1000 C 90 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	Somers	CT
Bob & Ken ( Robert Liddell )	Robert Liddell, Ken Cooper	Cranberry Twp.	PA	MCO Consultants Numismatics	Mike Olson	Springfield	VA
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Carat Coin Collectibles	Val Holmes	North Olmsted	ОН	Nickel Trader	Al Stricker	McMurray	PA
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Ernie Mix / Branch Mint	Ernie Mix	Libertyville	IL	Rod Burress		Cincinnati	ОН
Ernie Schwab		Lower Burrell	PA	Ron Rittenburg - Collectors' World		Midland	MI
Executive Coin Company	David Miholer	Stow	ОН	Sam Deep		Mars	PA
First Light Numismatics	Fred Knust	Mason	MI	Tom Reynolds		Omaha	NE
Fred's Coins	Fred A. Brawdy	Munhall	PA	Tomahawk Coin & Antique Co.	Victor W. Baker	Scottdale	PA
Gerald T. Krupa - Numismatist		Lemont	PA	Treasure Hunt (Coins Inc.)	John R. Meredith	Pittsburgh	PA
Harold B. Weitz Inc. / Laurel Mountain Coin		Pittsburgh	PA	U.S. Collector's Advocates	David S. Siebert	Mifflinburg	PA
Iron City Coin Co.	Jay Woodward	Wendel	PA		Jon Watson	Fairmont	wv
J Foot 13 Coins and More	Ken Viets	Wethersfield	CT	Watson's Coins			PA
James J. Spirik R.C.		Oakdale	PA	Westmoreland Rare Coins	Richard Jaffee	Murrysville	5555
John Burns BOOKS		N. Huntingdon	PA	Workingman's Rare Coins	Dan Moore	Monroe	MI
Juskewycz Wholesale Company SUPPLIES	Michael Juskewycz	Erie	PA	Young's Jewelry / Coins	Ted Young	Rochester	PA



There happens to be two major national coin shows taking place within weeks of each other. The ANA National Money Show May 9 - 11 and the Central States Numismatic Society 74<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Convention April 24 - 27.

Pan president Tom Uram will be making the trip to Schaumburg IL for the Central States Show. His trip is duel purposed. He is taking material to promote PAN and will also be entering an exhibit, Morse code on Money.

The CSNS show is one of the premier shows for competitive collector exhibits and they award very good prizes to the winners. Good luck Tom!



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE We had a 2,500 piece mailing sent during March. Our paid membership increased from 335 to an impressive 460 and we are still receiving new members every day. EMAIL LIST has increased from 574 in February to 665 today. TWITTER FOLLOWERS have increased from 488 in February to 546 today. FACEBOOK LIKES have increased from 248 in February to 274 today. NEW WEBSITE is now being built by Stafford Technologies from VA. Our old domain name pancoins.org with the site content is gone and our new domain name is <a href="https://www.pancoin.org">www.pancoin.org</a>

It is very close to our old one. There is no "s" or pancoin is singular not plural. We will have social media links, a page for membership, a page for coin show info, a page for clubs, a page for dealers, links on all the pages, donate, pay your dues, bourse fees, etc. NEW TABLE SIGNS are being made for the dealers at our coin shows. SECURITY ROOM is in place for our out of town dealers, see page 1. PROMOTIONAL ITEMS have been made to give away at our shows. We are making a strong effort to keep the enthusiasm high. We welcome your suggestions and input. Please email us back at pancoins@gmail.com

PAN eGRADE: In the last issue an ancient coin was the subject. The task was not only to grade it but to also identify it. We had a few responses. The best came from *Penndave2001* and writes:

The ruler is Caligula and ruled from 37-41 AD. His real name was Julius Caesar Germanicus (see writing on obverse of coin) and was the great-grandson of Mark Anthony. He got his nickname, Caligula, from the tiny military boots or "caligae" he wore as a young child during his father's campaigns in Germany. His parents were Germanicus and Agrippina Senior. At first he was a decent ruler but went insane toward the end of his rule and was assassinated. He was known for his excessive





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behavior and debaucheries. There was a film produced by Playboy, I believe, in mid 80s or early 90s that showed the debauchery!

This coin I would grade F but know many dealers would call it VF. I believe there is a scratch on obv portrait (ancient coin dealers have in past described all grading factors of coin such as scratches porosity etc but notice over last couple of years are doing it less relying or my interpretation hoping scans will show the coin and you will miss problems!). There I believe (again without coin in hand hard to tell) is encrustation on obv. On rev either encrustation or porosity. The coin is copper and of As standard. The obv is portrait of Caligula and C CAESAR AVG GERMANICVS PON M TR POT written on it. Rev is Vesta seated L, holding patera and sceptre with VESTA and SC on it (forgot what SC stood for believe it is a title issued to ruler and they put it on the coin when achieved or given to self). It is a very interesting coin especially due to the tainted past of Caligula's reign. This is RIC 38 or Sears 1803 (re sears



book, Roman Coins and Their Values, published in 2001). The book value of an F coin is \$160. I am finding with price increases in last 4-5 years that coins are now really selling for what is published in the book. If it is a really nice example they go higher than book now.

At left is a high grade example that shows the detail that has worn from the coin above. (photo courtesy of CNG)

PAN eGRADE Try grading this 1854 gold dollar. Click the link below the photo of the coin to view it on Flickr and leave your grading opinion in the comment box. Another option is to just email back at <a href="mailto:pancoins@gmail.com">pancoins@gmail.com</a> and leave an opinion. This coin has an interesting characteristic on the reverse. Do you know what it is?

We will give the results in the next issue and talk about the characteristics and coin grade.





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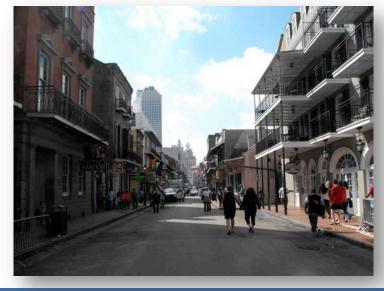
ANA NATIONAL MONEY SHOW The American Numismatic Association is holding a major coin show in New Orleans, LA on May 9th – 11th 2013. If you have never attended a large national show then this would be a very good opportunity. The city has never looked better. They did a beautiful job before the Super Bowl to make sure that everything was in top shape for the throngs of fans that traveled to the Big Easy.

We at PAN have always supported the ANA and will continue to do so. Our PAN show falls on the same weekend and some of our regular national dealers will be in New Orleans for the ANA show. This slight gaffe was unavoidable and we understand and

encourage anyone, collector or dealer, to attend an ANA event. There is nothing that compares to the scope and numismatic depth that is offered by the ANA. Our position is if you can't find it at Macy's then we would recommend Gimbels and if it works

for "Kris Kringle" from *Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street* then who are we to think otherwise. Let's face it; no one wants to keep a serious collector from finding the coin of a lifetime.







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April 25, 2013 Thursday Coin and Currency Auction Tues. 6:00 p.m. Preview at 5:00 p.m.

New Stanton Firemen's Hall, Main St. New Stanton, PA John P. Sabota Auctioneer <a href="www.johnpsabotaauctioneer.com">www.johnpsabotaauctioneer.com</a>

April 24 - 27, 2013 Central States Numismatic Society 74th Anniversary Convention

Location: Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel, Schaumburg IL 60173

Contact: Jerry Lebo Phone: 574-753-2489 <a href="http://www.centralstates.info/index.html">http://www.centralstates.info/index.html</a>

May 9 - 11, 2013 Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists PAN Spring Coin Show and Convention

Bourse Info: Blaine Shiff Phone: 412-531-4100 Email: <a href="mailto:pancoins@gmail.com">pancoins@gmail.com</a> Website: <a href="www.pancoin.org">www.pancoin.org</a>
Location: Monroeville Convention Center, Monroeville, PA <a href="http://www.monroevilleconventioncenter.com/us/">http://www.monroevilleconventioncenter.com/us/</a>

May 9 - 11, 2013 American Numismatic Association National Money Show

Contact: www.money.org

Location: Ernest N. Morial Convention Center New Orleans, LA





SCOUT MERIT BADGE COUNSLER: We want to establish a program so that boy and girl scouts can earn the coin collecting badge as part of the PAN Coin Shows. We are looking for a person that is familiar with scouting and coins that would be able to conduct a meeting and check off the requirements as listed in the badge book. They would need to register as a badge counsler. PAN

can provide the space and gear some of our talks and PAN KidZone program to satisfy the necessary requirements. We would want to make it a regular event each spring and fall. PAN has already established contact with the Boy Scout Advancement Director and

they are supportive of the idea. We are looking for someone that is willing to give some time and run the program. Many of you have seen the great job Sam Deep has done for the KidsZone and we are seeking some person with equal enthusiasm.

Who is that famous person that looks so familiar in the photo (page 6 of the scout book)? The Girl Scouts have a commem this year also. The time is right and we know the right person is out there. Email us at <a href="mailto:pancoins@gmail.com">pancoins@gmail.com</a>





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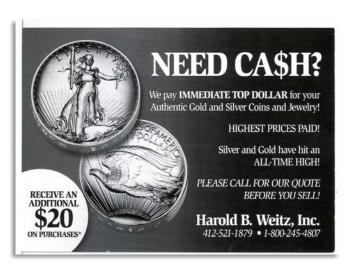
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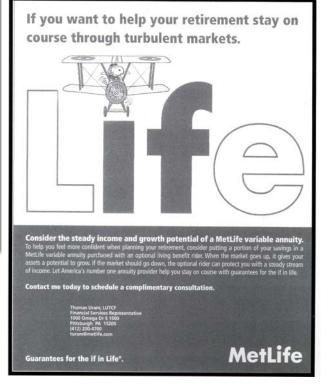


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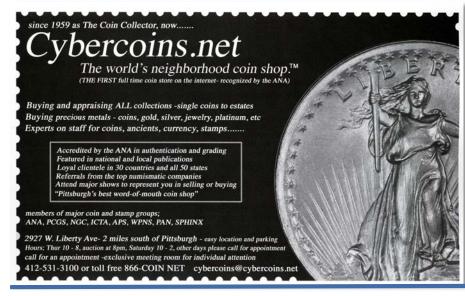
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