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The ANA WFM: Chicago, A Dream Come True



My wife dropped me off at 6:00am to catch that early flight to Chicago to attend the American Numismatic Association World's Fair of Money. The week was hectic and exhausting but I was still looking forward to these next three days. Check in went smoothly. I got my carry on stowed. I settled in at my window seat and opened a Patrick MacGill novel I had been reading and preceded through a couple paragraphs and with tired heavy eyes began toooo.....

As the shoreline of a great body of water grew larger with every minute of the strange mighty bird's smooth descent into one of the most densely populated places of the vast kingdom, I could not help but feel the nervous yet excited anticipation of what would lie beyond. This was not my first journey to this foreign land but yet the size and scope of what would lie ahead still captured one's emotions. The morning noise and movements of the **Cont'd p2**

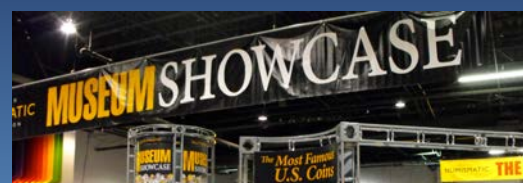
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DEALER NOTES: PAN 2014 Fall Coin Show Contracts are available and can be accessed on the **Dealer Info Page** by visiting the PAN website www.pancoins.org

The pay by credit card option is also available to pay your table fee. The 10% discount pricing is in effect until 9/15/14.

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enormous number of these giant majestic birds moving about in the vast field in this strange countryside was only a precursor to what would lie ahead.

The horse carriage moved closer to the Stephens Conclave Fortress. I could not help but notice the lined mass of humanity coming into view as it snaked around the high walls and appearing to lay siege to the villagers inside. Those on the outside were keenly aware of what fortune was to behold beyond those walls and were on alert to spot any breach that could present a little sliver of opportunity to change their lives. It was amazing to me that a man that has been deceased for the past fifty years could still have such a powerful effect on the common masses. I should not have been surprised as he did have a sort of insuperable golden connection to the commoners.



As the horseman drew the carriage to the gate, I reached to my leather purse for a shilling to dispense for his trouble. I began to enter the great hall and quickly remembered to reach into my pouch and drape the gold chain with the attached court amulet that would allow me past the sentries preceeding the others into the Great Hall. It was here that the wealth of the kingdom is housed. The castle gate had already been opened

earlier on the orders of Lord Walter and Lady Kim. I wish I had gotten even a fleeting glance.

All of the nobles and their manservants were in place and were engaged in such frenzied trading that my arrival had gone quite



unnoticed. I decided to make my way to the court throne where many of the kingdoms crown jewels were prominently displayed. My eyes feasted as my mind dreamed of these gold and silver objects that were so beautifully presented. It was here that I was hoping to get a glimpse of the kingdoms most distinguished inhabitants but alas it was not to be.

I thus made my walk through the bustling marketplace to our modest merchant stall. Much to my delight Tom, Knight of the Jousts and the other Tom, Earl of Shelties had all of our wares in place. Thank the almighty that no roadside



bandits interfered with their journey across the frontier. We embraced with kinship and relief that we were finally reunited once again. After a long day of haggling, we retired to cups of Meade and a feast of venison at Gibson's Tavern just beyond the wall. Those Scots do no how to have a mighty craic'.

At midday the following, a decree was sent forth across the land that all dispensing of wealth to the commoners was now revoked and ended.



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There were a few grumblings of revolt but the court guards would have none of it and the peasants were sent on their way. The nobles within the great hall appeared to be relieved. This grand gesture to placate the masses and shine a benevolent light upon the court was a grand idea but in the end created distrust and opposition within the court walls. We tipped our feathered hats to His Lordship's decision and the wisdom to end this chaotic discord that was fermenting with more intensity as each hour passed. An uprising would surely have spoiled the grandeur within.

The rest of our stay could now focus on the many sites of amazement and the recognitions bestowed on the nobles that have done their share to hold the kingdom together these many decades. There were some moments of sadness by those that



may have been overlooked this time in their quest to exhibit

their wares or to regale the knowledge they held with the hope of being noticed, but in such company the rise to nobility does not come easy and the dedicated work with due diligence was again demonstrated to those selected few within the kingdom. We now turned our attention to the philosophers and orators that housed the wisdom that so many of us came such long distances to seek. Their lectures were worth the sojourn tenfold. There was a rebirth of loyalty and enthusiasm that empowered us now.

That evening the trumpets sounded. Everyone that was of the noble peerage was in full regalia and became part of the grand feast that occurs each year. Knighthoods were granted. Fallen Knights were remembered. The legends of old were recounted. Toasts of fine drink were offered. Promises of friendship and alliances were sealed. "The future has yet to be won!" was the call as we were discharged to return to our lands and holdings with the promise to convene one year hence. Fare thee well kind travelers until our paths cross again.

I was startled by three dings and the crackling sound of the captain's voice over the plane's speaker system. As I regained my senses I heard, "please raise your seats to the upright position and stow all loose items as we make our decent into Chicago air space. It is sunny and 77 degrees this morning. Thank you for flying United." I thought that was quick and easy. I can't wait to get to the coin show.

Editor's note: The photos above show Tom Corey (Knight of the Jousts) receiving his second place award from ANA Governor Greg Lyon for "Silver Cobs of the Major Spanish American Mints." The next Photo is a kneeling prankster and coin designer Jami Franki bestowed with a recognition for his just completed lecture on his work creating the ANA Convention Medal highlighting the Columbian Exposition. It is the third in a series of four. The page 2 photo is a Brasher Doubloon with many other amazing coins at the ANA Money Museum display.

PAN GROWTH	11/25/12	2/27/13	5/28/13	7/28/13	10/28/13	1/28/14	5/28/14	8/31/14
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PANeNEWS SUBSCRIBERS	536	574	720	728	756	815	898	984
PAN MEMBERSHIP				522	607		540	552
MAILING LIST				2,659	2,674		2,946	3,237
SHOW ATTENDANCE			1,206		1,399		1,291	



The National Battlefield Coin Show

PAN will have a table set up at the Gettysburg coin show on September 20 – 21 at the Eisenhower Hotel and Event Complex. An offer to participate with no cost to PAN by show promoter and dealer Mike Dixon was graciously accepted by the PAN Board. This new show venue presents an ideal opportunity for us to reach central and eastern Pennsylvania to attract new members and make collectors aware of the many numismatic activities PAN produces. It is a significant historical location to hold a coin show and an

unprecedented part of Pennsylvania's and our nation's history. Please try to attend and stop by and introduce yourself to us. For more show information contact Mike Dixon at mike@dixonshows.com or go to <http://www.battlefieldcoinshow.com/>

PANeGRADE This coin has an interesting history. One of the peculiar features that you will notice is the month included with the year it was struck. Take a look and give us your opinion as to the grade, denomination and why they were created by emailing back at pancoins@gmail.com or click on an enlargement link that will take you to Flickr and leave a comment. This will be a fun piece to critique and reveal the historical significances in the next issue of the PANeNEWS.



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In God We Trust medal is the latest PAN project that is continuing with great enthusiasm. PAN president Tom Uram developed the idea as a result of the National Motto 150th Anniversary. They are for sale on the PAN website www.pancoins.org with payment by credit card. Part of the proceeds of the medal sale is donated to PAN.

The key players in having the motto placed on our coinage were U.S. Mint Director and later 13th Governor of PA, James Pollock, Salmon P. Chase Treasury Secretary under Abraham Lincoln and Reverend Mark R. Watkinson.

Each medal is housed in a folder that explains the idea of a National Motto and each man's role in the process of an Act of Congress to have In God We Trust placed on the two-cent piece of 1864.

The likeness of these famous men is beautifully done by the skill of U.S. Mint sculptor and engraver Don Everhart. These medals make a great gift along with an historic story.

PAN LAPEL PIN PAN president, Tom Uram, had beautiful lapel pins made as a thank you gifts to be sent to anyone that donates \$100 or more to PAN. The design is based on our 3" logo medal. The difference is that the white metal gives an appearance of silver rather than of our 3" bronze logo medal. It is set off very nicely with the black enamel.

We are always in need of kind donations to help us promote the hobby. All of our work is targeted in this direction. We do not have paid staff. Our travel costs to the various coin shows are at our officers and members own expense. They receive no reimbursement from PAN. Please go to the PAN Donation Page on our website and use the convenient donate button.

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PAN DEALER CORNER

WHY DO TABLE HELPERS OR SPOUSES HAVE TO BE PAN MEMBERS? This was a question that was asked by one of our dealers. We understand that this issue seems petty and that the \$5 associates' dues can be considered just another annoyance and a tactic to make more money.

The answer is through the course of hosting PAN coin shows since the late 1970's; all sorts of problems or situations have come up over the years. Occasionally a dispute between a buyer and seller occurs. Sometimes it can escalate to the point of requiring security to remove a person from the show floor. That person could be a PAN member who objects on the basis of his membership. We have heard the argument that a said dealer or helper is not even a PAN member and should be removed instead. It is our policy to have every dealer and helper as part of our membership. You then as a dealer are now invested and partnered with what PAN does. You are part of the organization that is providing the venue and as such, are in an equal position when we have to mediate a dispute. Granted it is a rare occasion but it has happened. Thanks for your understanding.

PAN FALL SHOW TABLE WINNER At each PAN Show we have a dealer drawing. It is called the PAN TABLE GAMES. Decks of playing cards are made up with each table holder's name. They are placed in a container until Saturday at noon. The cards are then removed, cut, and shuffled. The previous winner is asked to draw a single card from the deck and that cardholder is given a free, no strings attached, table at the next PAN show. This past May show's previous winner, Al Stricker "The Nickel Trader" drew Terry Bogert "Letchworth Coins". Congrats to Terry and we look forward to the next winner in October.

PAN CONVENTION HOTEL Please note that the discount room rate of \$89 per night expires on October 1st. The hotel is very strict about the date so try to make your room reservation early. There are many hotels in the area but the convention hotel is just across the parking lot from the Monroeville Convention Center. For all the details go to our website DEALER INFO page <http://www.pancoins.org/index.php/dealer-info>

10% TABLE FEE DISCOUNT EXPIRES SEPT. 15TH Dealers, note the table discount expires in two weeks on September 15th. You can go to the DEALER INFO page on our website and pay by credit card. *Link above*

WEDNESDAY DEALER SET-UP is available from 3pm – 7pm October 22nd. Set up at your table and conduct dealer-to-dealer business. We will have our hot appetizer buffet set up as we did at the last fall show, compliments of the PAN Board.

PAN DEALER BADGES We have made personalized dealer badges including badges for table helpers. If you have any new helpers please let us know so that we can have them ready.





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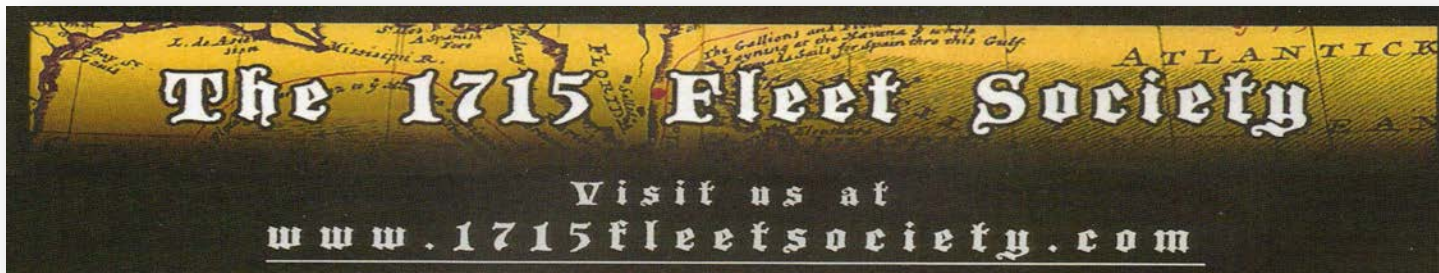
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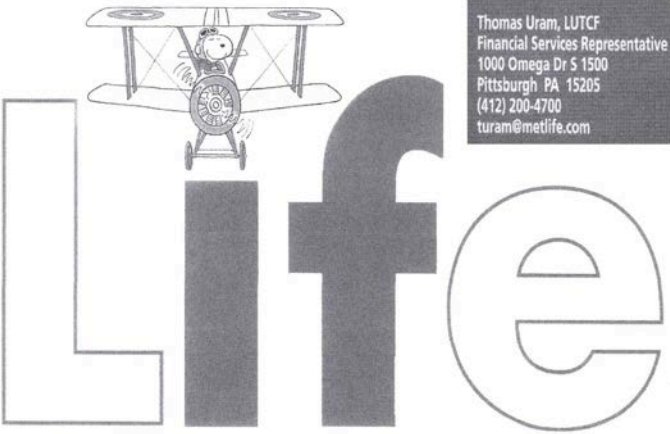


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