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#### PAN WILL BE AT THE ANA SHOW



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Falk Library medical medals discovery

PAN is loading the wagon and heading off to the American Numismatic Association World's Fair of Money August 11-15 to be held at the Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, IL a suburb of Chicago. Our table location is #1957 in the club midway section. The ANA offers this area free to coin clubs that can send representatives to stay at their table. PAN has always had a good many members attending the ANA shows so table help has never been a problem. All of our members pay their own expenses so it does not cost the association to have a presence at a major show.

If you are attending the ANA then stop by and say hello. We will have info, member apps, show contracts, PAN pens, and more.

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#### PAN FALL COIN SHOWand CONVENTION

Mark your fall calendar for Oct. 22-24. If you are a current paid member of PAN you will be allowed ½ hr early entrance to the show floor. You must show your 2015 membership card.

PAN Fall Coin Show - Oct. 22, 23, 24

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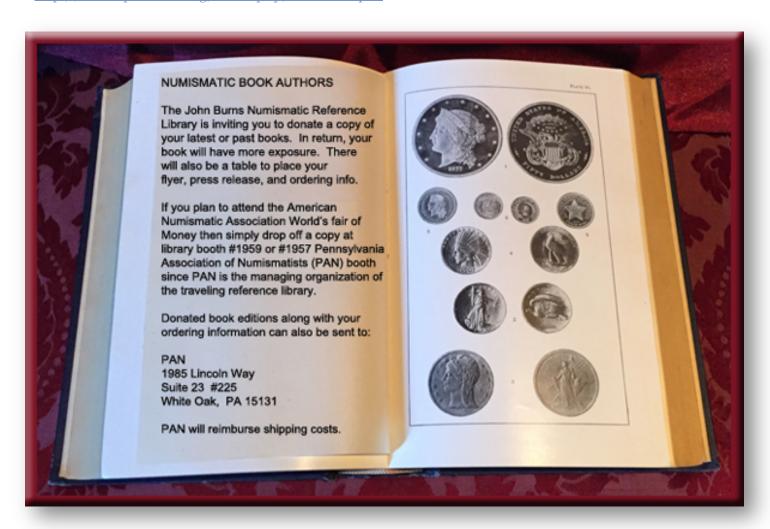


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The John Burns Memorial Reference Library will have its traveling debut at the American Numismatic Association's World's Fair of Money in Rosemont, Chicago, Illinois on August 11-15, 2015. It has been produced as a result of the remaining money in the John Burns Memorial Fund that was created upon the unexpected passing of the well-known numismatic book dealer on January 11th 2014. The purpose of the library is to provide a welcome area to relax and browse through the numismatic reference books on the shelves. The books are part of John's inventory along with additional book donations from friends and colleagues. Coin show attendees are welcome to use the books but are not permitted to take them off the show floor. All the borrowed books must be returned to the shelves before exiting the coin show. The library has been set up as a test run at the last two PAN coin shows and proved to be very popular with collectors, dealers, and exhibit judges. The Burns library will be transported to the World's Fair of Money to be set up at booth location #1959 on ANA show floor.

A **dedication ceremony** will take place at the library booth location on Thursday August 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. The invitation is open to anyone with interest. PAN is also in need of continued financial support and book donations to build this innovative new coin show feature. The goal is to garner monies through the John Burns Memorial Fund so that it can continue as a regular component at future ANA shows and other major and minor coin shows. PAN board members manage the Burns Memorial Fund and the library travel arrangements. Donations of money or books are needed to keep this idea a reality in the future. More information can be found on the PAN website on the *Donate to PAN* page.

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# Medical and Scientific Medals at Falk Library, University of Pittsburgh

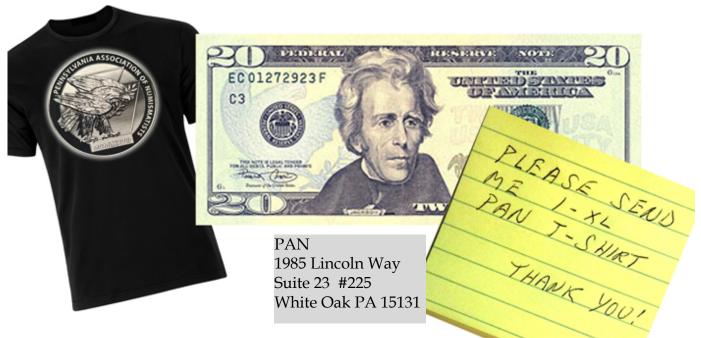
The provenance of the small numismatic collection held at Falk Library is unknown. Who collected it, who donated it to the library

and how it ended up in the library's offsite storage remains a mystery to uncover. The collection consists mostly of bronze commemorative medals, with several tokens and one coin, dated between 1466 and 1936, with the



majority of the medals belonging to the 19th century. While most numismatic pieces are related to medicine or science, there are a few items that celebrate political events rather than health related subjects. The online exhibit *Medical and Scientific Medals at Falk Library* presents them all, including the outliers.

The following link allows the viewing of the entire collection of medals from different angles. The link also has an interview with Malgorzata Fort, PhD MLIS, and director of digital resource development at the Falk Library. http://hsls.pitt.edu/about/rarebook/medals



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A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM The evening of July 15, 2015 proved to be a treat for PAN President Tom Uram and Treasurer Pat McBride. It was the official opening of the Smithsonian *The Value of Money* exhibition. The event started with a pleasant gathering of many notable numismatists with the sounds of a jazz quartet, food, and drink. There was a definite excitement in the air that was put in motion by the imposing vault door that acts as the entrance to the exhibit.

The newly elected ANA President Jeff Garret made some opening remarks

about the concept and creation of this wonderful exhibit. Jeff was one of the driving forces to see that the

project was funded and carried to completion. His tireless effort was evident in the finished product. The official ribbon cutting was lead by the Treasurer of the United States Rosie Rios whose signature is present on all of our modern paper money today.

The theme of the numismatic material in the exhibit is the history of money from the early beginnings as feature by a Yap stone primitive money to the modern bit coin. Many may remember the past numismatic display of the Eli Lily gold coin collection. This exhibit is a little bit smaller and focuses on the evolvement of money through time. One very nice feature is the lighted pull drawers beneath the display cabinets that contain some delightful



numismatic pieces. It is a very clever use of space and provides that sense of surprise when opening the drawer.

The collection includes coins but also paper money, rare numismatic literature, and ephemera. The objects on display are not just from the Smithsonian collection but include donations and loaned items from individuals, coin firms, and banks. Continued p5





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A few of the goodies in the Smithsonian exhibit are shown at the photo at right. How many can you identify? The identification chart is below. Take notice of the various donors.

The numismatic exhibit is located in the Museum of American History building first floor and is not difficult to locate.



- 1 Dollar Die Trial Coin, United States, 1794 Donated by Norman & Harvey G. Stack
- 10. Copper Coin, Colonial America, 1788

  Donated by the Stack family
- 11. 1 Shilling Coin, Colonial America, 1667–74
   Donated by Emery May Holden Norweb
- 12. 1/2 Cent Coin, United States, 1794 Transfer from U.S. Mint
- 13. 10 Dollar Coin, United States, 1797
  Donated by Estate of Josiah K. Lilly Jr.
- 14. 1 Dollar Coin, United States, 1802
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- 15. 1 Cent Coin, United States, 1857 Transfer from U.S. Mint
- 16. 1 Cent Coin, United States, 1857
  Donated by The Chase Manhattan Bank

A last word about the vault door: Vault Structures, Inc. of Fort Meyers, FL built it. The door is a replica and is not functional as a swinging door and lock. The purpose is for visual impact and that is what it certainly achieves. The photo shows company CEO Kevin McNamara with Sara Cheney, head of design and development at right. Their company is the only company left in the world that still manufactures a round vault door. They were very proud to be part of this project.



**PAN DEALER CORNER** The PAN Fall Coin Show and Convention will be coming up quickly. Please try to get your table applications in the mail soon. The contracts can be printed from the DEALER INFO tab on our website

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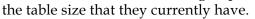
Most importantly, please book your room reservation soon at the DoubleTree by Hilton. PAN has a special room rate of \$89 per night as part of the PAN room block. Even though we increase the room block number each time we always seem to sell out. There is a convenient *Book Now* link on our website.

We have arranged for the Visit Monroeville shuttle van to cruise the parking lot to help our customers get from their cars to the show entrance.

As many of you know, one of the popular and fun features of the PAN Shows is our free table



drawing. Each table contract holder's name is placed on a playing card. The cards are shuffled and cut so that the previous winner can draw out the winner. That business has their next show table free of charge equaling



This past spring Jim Morgan from Coinologist, Enron OH pulled Ohio coin dealer Tom Priebe of TJ Coins. The Ohio dealers seemed to have the edge these last couple of times.

PAN makes every effort possible to keep our dealers happy. If you have any suggestions, comments, or criticisms regarding our shows please email us at <a href="mailto:pancoins@gmail.com">pancoins@gmail.com</a>. We are always looking to improve and are not interested in letting the moss grow under our feet.

At left are Tom Priebe, fall table winner and PAN treasurer Pat McBride.



#### ANA SUMMER SEMINAR PAN President

Tom Uram took some time off this summer to attend the summer seminar hosted by the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs, CO. Tom signed up for the first level grading class and came back with a plethora of knowledge that he never realized he needed. He reports that one could easily take the same course twice and still come away with more valuable information.



We have all heard time and again that knowledge is power and the ANA makes it a lot of fun also. The sessions were first class with premiere instruction from the best people in the industry. The days and

evenings are filled with a full slate of activities that make the time pass by very quickly. It is the most delightful way to make new acquaintances and see some old friends again in a very relaxed environment.

The photos are just a collage taken during a lunch break to capture the relaxed mood and are in no particular order.

| PAN GROWTH           | 11/25/12 | 5/28/13 | 7/28/13 | 10/28/13 | 1/28/14 | 5/28/14 | 10/17/14 | 5/10/15 | 6/6/15 |
|----------------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|--------|
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| SHOW ATTENDANCE      | 1        | 1,206   |         | 1,399    |         | 1,291   | 1,297    | 1,089   |        |



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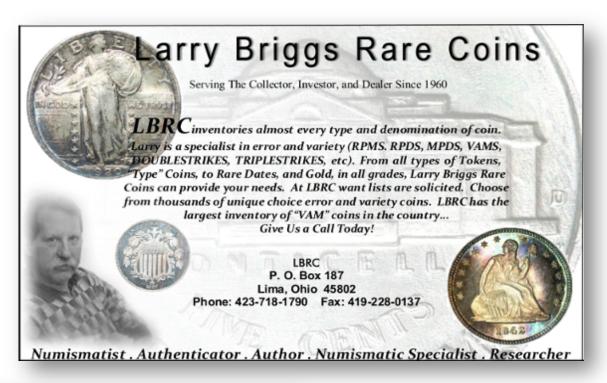
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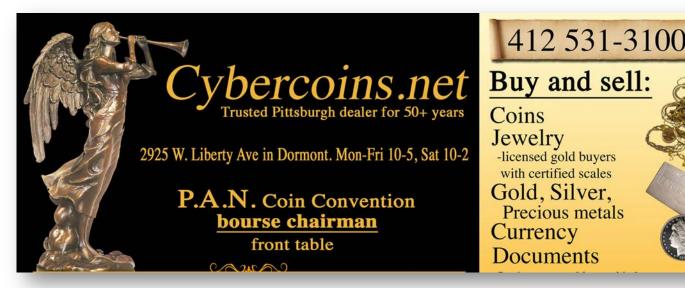






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