

Welcome to the C.N.A. E-Bulletin Number 12 – May 15, 2005:

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INTRODUCTION

In case you are wondering, I type this bulletin lying/sitting on a bed, laptop in my lap. It is one of those reclining Electromatic adjustable beds that was invented years ago in case someone invented a laptop computer. I always felt that I was quite productive doing this.

The new Dose Magazine included a column that reads, in part: "Don't bother getting out of bed if you want to have a good idea today. New research shows that we're more creative when lying down rather than standing up." It then told of psychologist Darren Lipnicki's research on the speed with which the participants completed anagrams. He found that people who got to recline while they unscrambled letters into words finished an average of 25-per-cent faster than when they were standing up.

I have been trying to convince my wife to let me stay in bed all day because, I told her, I can think better there than anywhere else, with the possible exception of the bathroom, but have been unable to convince her. I just hope that I can find a copy of the journal Cognitive Brain Research, where the complete article is being published, so I can show her that I was not just making excuses!

WE HAVE MAIL

From Mike Findlay: "I just wanted to communicate a humorous transaction at the recent TLC Show in Niagara. A collector pawed through my usual pile of Mint product. He pulled out one of those tin can issues by Canada Post that usually housed some stamps and the Millennium medallion. The stamps were missing, but there were three encapsulated quarter size medallions. He asked, "How much for these?" I replied, "\$5.00." He asked, "For each?" I then told him, "No, \$5.00 for all three." He then asked me, "Would you take \$10.00?" I rewarded his negotiating skills by saying "Sure!"

From Donald Carter: "I purchased one of those new beaver quarters and I noticed that on the Queen's right shoulder there is a very visible lump that you can see with your normal eye. You don't need a magnifying glass to see it. I went around and checked about 30 of them. I found about 50% with this same look. I am wondering, did the mint do something to the Queen's dress that would change her look." - Either it got swollen when she and Camilla got into a scrap during a visit to Buckingham Palace, or a die gouge did it. Maybe Alan Herbert can take a few minutes to give us a lesson how this happens. The explanation would be the same for any denomination in any year.

From Frank Fesco: "You are doing a great job with the new E-Bulletin. It is a breath of fresh air in a somewhat stolid area of numismatic media expression. Keep up the good work." - We asked in a previous E-Bulletin if anyone knew of anything similar. I assume from the silence that we are churning out a somewhat unique product. I apologize if we get too serious sometimes, but we feel an obligation to publish upcoming events, congratulations, people in the news and C.N.A. updates. This and the next issues also include details of the 2005 C.N.A. Convention.

From Chris Larrabee: "I read about your E-Bulletin service in the ANA Numismatist and would like to be placed on your mailing list." - Hardly a day goes by that we don't receive another request to include someone. When someone gets added, we have been e-mailing them all the back-issues, but the files were getting a bit too large lately. The good news is that we no longer

e-mail back-issues. The C.N.A. Associate Webmaster, Dan Gosling, has created a new link from the main C.N.A. Web page on www.canadian-numismatic.org to the E-Bulletins and all back-issues are now posted.

From Brad Woollven: "The last E-Bulletin that I received was No. 7 dated 20 March. By my reckoning, I am short 2 or more subsequent issues. Please let me know if there is something that I have omitted to do in order to keep getting the CNA E-Bulletin." From Joe Bojko, Jr.: "If possible, could you e-mail C.N.A. E-Bulletins No. 2 and No. 9. Did not receive these 2 E-bulletins.

Enjoy the C.N.A. E-Bulletin. Keep up the good work!" - We have heard from a few people that they have missed certain issues. I believe the problem to be the limit that is placed by the ISP on any message that is sent to the masses. We will have to divide some of the folders so that we do not exceed 150 in each address folder. If you are missing any issues, please go to www.canadian-numismatic.org/ebulletin and you will be able to download them from the Website, but we would appreciate you letting us know what you don't receive from us directly so that we can identify any further problems.

From Walter Lockhart: "I enjoy reading the bulletins, but for the second time we must not be connecting properly. This time I have not received Numbers 8 and 9. I've received all from #1 to #7, and #10. I would appreciate your sending me #8 and # 9. I don't want to miss any of your gems of mirth and wisdom!" - Mirth and wisdom? Mirth we hope and try for ("pleasure, joyfulness, gaiety, or merriment, esp. when characterized by laughter" - Webster). But did any wisdom accidentally creep in?

From Jim Jeska: "Thank you for the CNA E-Bulletin. I have really enjoyed the past issues! It is a great complement to the CN Journal!" - Both the CN Journal and this bulletin have received compliments. Our offer of mailing you some complimentary copies of the CN Journal still stands to anyone that might wish to consider joining the C.N.A. A simple request to cnainfo@look.ca will do it.

From Murray Wheeler: "I would like to receive your complimentary news bulletin. I am Vice President of the Central Connecticut Coin Club" - Just a reminder to all the new subscribers that anything you read here, you may reprint in your club's bulletin, providing the usual credit is given.

From Jim Baxter: "I look forward to your every issue, thanks!" - I can't believe the number of people that took the time to drop us a quick note, most of which we don't intend to publish. We would appreciate if you included some humor or other items that you think others would enjoy reading when you contact us.

CUSTOMER OF THE WEEK/ PHONE CALL OF THE WEEK

By Tony Swicer

Another installment from a segment in my talks at the local club meeting called "customer of the week" or "phone call of the week." These are true stories of people who have called or come into the coin shop.

1. This guy comes in with a picture of a copper cent that is all beat up and looks like a 1948 penny, but the guy claims it is a 1943. Ray explains the characteristics of the 1943 cent with the 3 hanging 50% below the other digits. The guy says, "oh no this is how it looks, as he compares the 3 on a 1983 quarter with his coin. See they look the same".

2. We had a lady come in with proof and mint sets. We offered her \$750. She left. A couple of days later, she calls and says that another dealer offered her \$150. She called him back and told him what we offered. He said How can that be? They must have told you that for insurance purposes." I told her to bring in the sets and I will pay her \$750. She finally did. The other guy had offered her \$1.50 each for \$2 bills, telling her that they were not spendable.
3. A lady calls, "Do you pay a premium over Red Book?"
4. A guy comes in and wants to buy a gold bezel To put a penny in.
5. This couple asks me how much an 1800 silver dollar is worth. I tell them \$300-\$1000, I have to see it. They say, "Oh we would never sell it for that," as they proceed to show me a 1886 polished Morgan dollar.
6. A guy calls and asks, "You offered me \$28 for a coin 5 years ago, what is it worth now? I said what is it? He says a 1967 Kennedy half dollar. I said 60 cents.
7. A customer says "It's easier to buy a loaf of bread with a 1/10 oz or ¼ oz gold coin than a 1 oz gold." Ray says, "I just use a dollar bill."
8. A guy comes in. He just purchased 20, 20 franc gold coins out of the Wall Street Journal for \$102 each. We offered him the same thing for \$69.
9. A phone call: "I have an expensive collection of pennies, are you interested?" What dates are they? She says "1959 and up." I said "NO."
10. A lady calls: "I have heard that there is a rare nickel out there." I said that there was a 1913 V-nickel with an offer of \$1 million. She says "I have a 1978 nickel with Queen Elizabeth on one side and a beaver on the other, what is it worth?" I said 3 cents.
11. We get a call: "I have the 1913 V-nickel and your not getting it. My grandfather gave it to me in 1962, just before he went to prison for counterfeiting." OK!!
12. A guy comes in with a 1 oz gold eagle. Ray says, "I'll pay you \$410 and sell it for \$430." The guy says "How about \$425?" I busted out laughing because he wanted us to make only \$5 on a \$400 purchase.
13. A guy calls: "What are you paying for silver coins?" I said "The going rate, 4 times." He says "No, it's not" and hangs up.
14. Another call: "Do you grade coins?" I said yes. He comes in with a 2003 gold proof set and says, "Are they PR-69 or PR-70" I said, "I'm sorry sir, I grade coins, not bullion."
15. A customer comes in with a bunch of coins in cardboard 2X2s. All the coins were modern Kennedys, SBAs, etc. and every price on the 2X2 had an obvious extra digit on it. A 1971 Kennedy had a price of \$51 and so on. I just said "Not interested."

FIND THE WOODEN NICKEL – PART 1

Did you notice the huge wooden nickel in Men in Black II? The people that saw it with us got talking about it. Following our explanation that there are thousands of wooden nickels to collect, we think it turned a couple of them into wooden nickel collectors.

The first person that e-mails us at cnainfo@look.ca telling us where the wooden nickel is located in the movie will receive an assortment of 38 wooden nickels.

NEW CATALOGUE ON CANADIAN MUNICIPAL TRADE TOKENS OF ONTARIO

During the recent Ontario Numismatic Association Convention held in Sudbury, Ontario, Serge Pelletier of Eligi Consultants unveiled the second edition of volume 4 on "Municipal Trade Tokens of Ontario."

"It lists more than 380 municipal trade tokens issued across Ontario since 1959," said Pelletier, "many are not only beautiful but extremely interesting."

A second version of the book contains a CD-ROM with an electronic copy which features color photographs. The electronic copy is in pdf format. The books are available directly from the publisher, Eligi Consultants, Box 11447, Station H, Ottawa, ON K2H 7V1, Canada.

Standard Catalogue of Canadian Municipal Trade Tokens, Vol. 4 – Ontario, book only version is priced at \$31.94, postpaid for Canada, \$29.20 for the United States and \$42.45 for overseas. The version with the CD-ROM is \$41.24 postpaid for Canada, \$39.20 for the United States and \$52.45 overseas.

Most collectors we know have a small quantity of municipal trade tokens either in their collection, or have accumulated a number of them over the years. This book is a wonderful addition to your numismatic library, even if you don't collect them. It contains a brief history of each city in Ontario that has issued these tokens and, what we really like about the catalogue, is highly illustrated so one can enjoy it without having any of the actual pieces. Having purchased my own copy at the ONA Convention, your editor has spent a number of enjoyable hours learning about the history of the many cities covered, as well as the very interesting introduction on this facet of the hobby.

It deserves to sit in your library!

AUDIENCE WINS \$50 NOTES ON JIMMY KIMMEL SHOW

A recent Jimmy Kimmel Show featured a quiz by Super Dave Osborne. A gentleman not only got the name of the song right from 4 notes played on a piano, but he had to recite the words. Good thing the song turned out to be "Old McDonald Had a Farm" which probably everybody in North America knows. The \$50 bill that every member of the audience won was flashed on the screen and it turned out to be one of those phony U.S. bills that had Super Dave Osborne's picture on it, like the Elvis Presley or Bill Clinton notes.

This leads us to a question: how many different phony notes of all denominations have been printed where the real Presidents' faces have been replaced by other well-known people's faces? Does anyone collect these and has a check-list to pass along to us at cnanews@look.ca?

DEDICATED TO ALL COIN COLLECTORS' WIVES

Matt Nickels has this posted on www.limunltd.com/numismatica/humor/coin-wives.html. Although he found this poem by Author Unknown typed up in some 25 year old numismatic papers, it could have just as easily been written by the C.N.A. E-Bulletin Editor's wife...or probably every male collector's wife!

Here's saying that you have all heard before, I think,
"Water, water everywhere, but not a drop to drink."
Shipwrecked people shout it, as they drift upon the sea,
It sure is bad, but the saddest cry I've heard in my whole life
Is the one you hear, when you lend an ear, to the Coin Collector's Wife.

Money, money everywhere, but not a dime to spend;
If this keeps up, our marriage is coming to an end.
Money in every dresser drawer and money on the shelf,
But there isn't one thin dime to spend upon myself.
Lincoln cents and Mercury dimes, and Washington quarters, too!
Some of them are old and worn, and some of them are new.

I wish my husband cared as much about the way I look....
The paycheque that he gets doesn't seem to mean a thing to me,
'Cause hubby needs a 1909-S Lincoln VDB.
As soon as he gets the coin, he'll be looking for some other,
I think I'd be better off if I went on home to mother.
One day in desperation, I took half a dollar,
He said it was a commemorative, and you should have heard him holler!
Another time I took a coin that he said was a "proof."
When I told him I spent it, I thought he'd raise the roof!
With all that money 'round the house, we're really very poor;
I'm getting sick and tired of it, of that I'm really sure!
So, I advise you, single girls, if you want a happy life;
Don't marry a coin collector and be a Coin Collector's Wife,
Shouting, "Money, money, everywhere and not a dime to spend,"
Don't ever let a coin collector be more than just a friend.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK – PART 1

By Mike Hollingshead, a past President of the Ontario Numismatic Association, as published in Canadian Coin News of St. Catharines, Ontario.

"Obviously, nothing can take place at a meeting without participants behind the scenes, the movers and shakers that make it happen, If you tried a club, but weren't thrilled with the experience, get involved and change it. Be a contributor, not drain. Life is too short to surround yourself with negativity. Be a force in your hobby. The hobby will only grow if more people actively participate. Make a positive change for 2005. Get clubbed!"

NOW YOU HAVE ANOTHER REASON TO GO TO THE CASINO

"Coins" Magazine from Krause Publications publishes "Coin Finds" letters by its readers. A letter from J. Wallace recently made us aware that when he lived in Reno, Nevada for 11 years, he always had lunch at the same casino. One day he received two wheat cents in change and to his surprise, they were a 1914-D and a 1931-S cent. Another time he obtained a \$100 note with a blank back as well as many silver half dollars out of the machines.

We always tried to tell the spouse that, one day, good will come out of going gambling. Now we finally have a good reason. But will she buy it?

C.N.A. PRESIDENT FEATURED IN WORLD COIN NEWS ARTICLE

A recent interview with Charles "Chuck" Moore, current President of the C.N.A., was published recently in World Coin News. Written by Doug Andrews, it covers Moore's start in the hobby, his transition to becoming a dealer and the people that assisted him along the way.

It mentions that he has the distinction of serving as President of the C.N.A. as well as the Canadian Paper Money Society (CPMS) and the Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers (CAND).

Featured prominently in the article are his accomplishments since taking over the helm of the C.N.A., such as increased membership and putting the Association on a sound financial footing. Also mentioned are the things that he is continuing to work on for the benefit of the hobby and the C.N.A., as well as a "wish list" that includes a permanent headquarters building and the possibility of a joint CNA-ANA Convention in Canada if or when the Goods and Services Tax

issue is resolved (the first major convention he attended was the joint CNA-ANA Convention in Detroit in 1962).

NUMISMATIC NEWS MAGAZINE FEATURES C.N.A. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Thanks to an interview conducted by well-known California collector Michael "Stan" Turrini, the Executive Secretary of the C.N.A., John Regitko, was recently featured in a full page write-up in Numismatic News. The headline of the story "Hobby all about fun an fellowship for Regitko" pretty well sums up the attitude that John is all about. The article, based on an interview conducted at the 2004 C.N.A. Convention in Toronto, features the extensive background on Regitko.

The same issue of Numismatic News contains a 16-page pull-out bonus supplement entitled "Canadian Coins & Currency" which includes a half-page ad about the C.N.A. on the front inside cover. The same bonus supplement with the same C.N.A. ad in the prominent position was also included in a recent issue of World Coin News and Bank Note Reporter. All three publications are published by Krause Publications.

SO WHAT DO YOU COLLECT

According to an interview by Michael "Stan" Turrini published in Numismatic News, what is it that Dr. Walter Ostromecki collects: "You cannot grade them nor mount them in a 2x2, but I have about 300 of them."

Answer: Numismatic friends!

THE ROYAL CANADIAN MINT WEBSITE

In surfing the Internet, I noticed that the RCM has completely revamped its website? If you haven't been to www.mint.ca lately, check it out. They have changed a lot of things. The best place to start from probably is the site map at:

www.mint.ca/royalcanadianmintpublic/index.aspx?RequestedPath=/en-CA/Home/default.htm.

ROYAL CANADIAN MINT PAYS TRIBUTE TO CANADIAN HEROES

We have run across full-page ads that the Royal Canadian Mint is running in newspapers on the various collector coins issued by the RCM to celebrate the Year of the Veteran and the 60th Anniversary of the World War II Allied victory involving VE Day. The ads, under the banner "Canada Celebrates Peace," has certainly caught the attention of people in my neighborhood, many that have had family involved with the war and the recent celebrations. If you want to see some wonderful designs, you can catch them at www.mint.ca/ve/home.asp.

"Sixty years ago, thousands of young Canadians fought for world peace and freedom and their collective accomplishments brought honour and respect to our country," said David C. Dingwall, President and CEO of the Royal Canadian Mint. "They deserve to be forever thanked and remembered." The Mint has issued a five-cent sterling silver coin and medallion set for the VE Day Celebrations, which includes a five-cent coin with the 1945 Victory Nickel design struck in sterling silver and double-dated (1945-2005) to highlight this special anniversary year (the Victory Nickel features the late King George VI on the obverse - the first time a non-reigning monarch appears on coinage). They have also issued a five-dollar silver coin and a 50-cent sterling silver six-coin set to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the End of the Second World War. Further, they have introduced a brilliant uncirculated coin set for the "60 Years of Liberation: The Netherlands and Canada" to pay tribute to our Canadian heroes in the liberation of the Netherlands that was completed on May 5, 1945.

BEFORE THE COURTS

LEAST PROFITABLE ROBBERY - Intending to steal cash from a supermarket, a thief employed a unique tactic to divert the cashier's attention. He would take a few items to her and put down a \$20 bill in payment. She would, naturally, open the till, at which time he would snatch the contents and run. He arrived at the cash desk and put down the \$20 bill. She took it and opened the till. The thief grabbed all the bills and fled, leaving the cashier with his \$20 bill still in her hand. Because the cashier had received a lot of large bills previously, she had turned them all over to the head cashier who had not yet returned with small bills. The thief got away with \$8, therefore losing \$12 in the process.

THE WORST GETAWAY - Two criminals parked their car a block away from the bank they were robbing in Detroit. When they rushed back out into the street, they found that their getaway car had been stolen.

THE LEAST SUCCESSFUL FRAUD - A Nigerian laborer explored new areas of fraudulent endeavor. While working on a building site in Lagos, he altered his pay cheque from £9-4s-0p to £697,000,090-4s. Guess what happened when he tried to cash it.

A BANK ROBBERY ALL FOR NAUGHT - Not wishing to attract attention to himself, a bank robber in 1969 at Portland, Oregon, wrote all his instructions on a piece of paper rather than shout. "This is a hold-up and I've got a gun, put all the money in a paper bag," he wrote and then held the paper up for the cashier to read. The cashier read it and then wrote on the bottom: "I don't have a paper bag," and passed it back. The robber fled.

CTCCC BULLETIN REVEALS LOW MINTAGE ITEM

An article published in a recent The Collector, official publication of the Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club (CTCCC) includes a brief article by Sandy Lipin. We thought we would pass along to you some of the information contained in the article that you might be able to benefit from.

Sandy reveals the fact that Canadian Tire Corporation is using serial numbers beginning with a "9" for its replacement notes. Anyone that either collects Canadian paper money or knows anything about Canadian paper money knows about the scarcity of replacement notes, and CTC replacement notes are no different.

So the next time you go to a CTC store, examine the notes that you get when making a purchase. If the serial number begins with a "9" save it. Go to www.ctccc.ca and e-mail any of the executive and they can guide you as to the value. As with paper money, condition is also a factor.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO US THAT COLLECT COUNTERFEIT TRANSPORTATION TICKETS?

Following our brush with attempting to pass off...unknowingly...a counterfeit \$10 bill at a Chinese Restaurant, we found out that 307 people were charged with 447 offences as millions of dollars of phony counterfeit Toronto Transit Commission tickets were seized, following a year-long investigation into a number of counterfeit rings. Among the people charged are those accused of knowingly purchasing heavily discounted counterfeit tickets, and those accused of selling the fakes, including variety stores. A system similar to a network used by drug dealers had been set up so the manufacturer was supplying tickets to a layer of distributors. The phony tickets ranged from photocopied fakes to sophisticated counterfeits.

Early last year, the TTC noticed a sharp increase in counterfeit tickets and the security department set up an eight-member unit to conduct an undercover investigation. The team purchased phony tickets in restaurants and bars. Further investigation led to a raid of a home last year, where they found a man testing a new piece of perforation equipment while sitting in his boxer shorts.

The TTC also launched an investigation after getting an anonymous tip that an employee of a video company producing a weekly television show was distributing counterfeit tickets. A special TTC constable began working undercover with the company, where thousands of fakes were bought. Tickets were also sold in bars, clubs and on the street for half price.

The transit system loses some \$7 million a year through fraud. The loss is about 1% of the system's total revenue, but it's a significant amount. "We could buy 14 buses with the money that's lost through fraud," said Rick Ducharme, the TTC's chief general manager. During a news conference, TTC security officials displayed some of the 20,000 phony tickets seized in the past year.

Howard Moscoe, chair of the TTC, said they are incorporating new features in tickets to prevent forgery but wouldn't be more specific. The TTC is also putting up posters at transit stations and notices on fare boxes telling riders they risk a criminal record if they are caught using a counterfeit ticket.

Two Scarborough twin brothers, 22, who were alleged to have run one of the other rings, were arrested in April on charges of counterfeiting tickets and remain before the courts.

Incidentally, the man found in his boxer shorts was sentenced to 15 months and placed on probation for 3 years after pleading guilty to fraud charges. Police said he netted around \$500,000 from the counterfeit operation before being caught. He had been deported from the Philippines after he was accused of running a \$25 million credit card racket there. He had just bought a \$5,000 color printer and sophisticated perforation machine and was believed to be "ramping up" his operation when he was arrested.

What all this tells us is a) those of you who collect transportation tickets should see a new series of tickets appearing soon with features that will try to keep ahead of sophisticated counterfeit systems, b) if you are offered some counterfeit tickets for your collection make sure you pay at least face value lest you be charged, c) don't pay too much for counterfeit tickets because it is obvious from the size of the operation that they should be considered common, and d) no matter what you pay, you can still be charged with possession.

One thing you will not see is a discontinuance of transportation tickets in favor of metal tokens, as more than one letter-writer suggested to the Toronto newspapers. While paper chits are available at different prices for student fares, senior fares and children's fares, tokens, by contrast, are sold only as an adult fare. The only way tokens would work through the automated turnstiles is to eliminate discount fares and just go with one price for everyone. But we are sure that would not go over well in a society that favors discrimination against the middle-aged.

WINDSOR COIN SHOW A HIT WITH TIM HORTONS CUSTOMERS

From Tom Clarke: "The following e-mail speaks for itself and is too good not to pass along. This is why I love this Club and all its members. A little extra effort and, Shazam, doors of opportunity open all over the place. Guess where we will have signs placed this coming November 12th? I am already listing the addresses of every Tim Hortons in Essex County."

E-Mail from Serge Lanteigne, President of the Windsor Coin Club, to Tom Clarke: "Chelley and I picked up all the signs following the conclusion of the Windsor Coin Club's Show. The sign that Chelley decided to place at the Cabana & Walker road intersection in front of the Tim Hortons got her an interesting reception when she went to pick it up. As she was retrieving the sign a woman ran out after her from Tim Hortons, Chelley thought here comes trouble. The woman then said that they had about 20 people come into the store to ask for directions to the Caboto Club and we had students working who did not know how to direct them. Next time you leave a sign, please leave instructions on how to get there as every time someone comes in to ask for directions they also buy a coffee."

SHOW BUSINESS

MAY 20 - 22, Hamilton, ON - TNS, Ramada Plaza Hotel, 150 King St. East. Dealer set-up Friday from 2 p.m. Show pass \$20. Public admittance Saturday and Sunday at 10 a.m. Adults \$4, seniors and young collectors \$2. Auctions by Jeffrey Hoare Auctions, Inc., Saturday and Sunday. Sponsor/Affiliate: The Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers. For more information, contact Terry MacHugh at (905) 570-2434 or cand@cogeco.ca.

May 20-22, 2005, Columbus, Ohio - Ohio State Numismatic Association's 2nd Annual OSNA State Coin Show at Veterans Memorial Coliseum, 300 W. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. 150 tables.

May 28, Dartmouth, NS - APNA Atlantic Provinces Numismatic Association Spring Coin Show, Dartmouth Seniors Centre, 45 Ochterloney. Door prizes includes 1967 Proof Set with \$20 gold coin. Hosted by Halifax Regional Coin Club. For more information, contact Bob Ronan at (902) 435-6703 or bobronan@eastlink.ca.

June 12, 2005 – Brantford, Ontario – Brantford Numismatic Society 44th Annual Coin Show. Woodman Community Centre, 491 Grey Street, Brantford, Ontario.

June 25 - 26, Toronto, ON - TOREX, Radisson Admiral Hotel, 249 Queen's Quay West, Admiral's Ballroom. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Brian Smith at (416) 861-9523 or go to www.torex.net.

2005 C.N.A. CONVENTION NEWS

July 20-24, 2005 – Calgary, Alberta - 52nd Annual Convention of the Canadian Numismatic Association. Hosted by the Calgary Numismatic Society at: www.ucalgary.ca/~cns . Location: Westin Hotel, 320 - 4th Avenue SW, Calgary, AB, Canada. For room reservations, call (403) 266-1611 or to book a room online at: www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/booking/reservation?id=0411303015&key=85349. Bourse room open Thursday through Saturday, July 21 – 23.

CONTACT INFORMATION: General Convention information from General Chairman, Al Munro, at wood5cents@shaw.ca or phone 403-273-6133; Bourse Information from Stanley Clute at info@albern.com; Exhibit Information from Lawrence Duncan at lruncan@shaw.ca.

For information on the 2005 C.N.A. Convention in Calgary go to: www.canadian-numismatic.org/2005convention.htm

Quick Links:

Program: www.canadian-numismatic.org/2005program.htm

Registration: www.canadian-numismatic.org/2005regform.htm
Tours: www.canadian-numismatic.org/2005tours.htm
Educational Forum: www.canadian-numismatic.org/2005forum.htm

BANQUET SPEAKER: The theme of the presentation by Robert Sandford at the banquet will be "Money, Currency, Wealth & The West" by Bob Sandford. This insightful and entertaining presentation will explore the real and perceived value of money in the Canadian West since the first cash economy was established during the fur trade era. It will celebrate the remarkable nature and power of currency in defining what is meaningful about where and how we live in the West. Bob Sandford is a naturalist, historian, filmmaker and author or editor of some 20 books on the natural and human history of the West. He was elected an Honourary Member of the Association of Canadian Mountain Guides Alpine Club of Canada and has a number of prestigious awards to his credit involving his lifetime contribution to mountain heritage in the Canadian Rockies. Bob is also Co-Chair of the North American David Thompson Bicentennials that will take place across North America between 2007 and 2012 with the goal of allowing Canadians, Aborigines and Americans to reflect on the continent we had, have and want in the future – especially relating to our watersheds.

BANQUET MENU: The fantastic buffet will include the following:

SALADS: Rice Noodle, Zucchini, Red Pepper & Bay Shrimp, Caesar, Marinated Roasted Root Vegetable, Potato Salad, Scallions & Gherkins, Market Salad Greens, with cheeses and dressing

APPETIZERS: Platters of Alberta Roast Beef, Pastrami, Black Forest Ham, Salami, Sliced Smoked Turkey, Poached B.C. Salmon, Country Pates & Terrines, Seafood Platter including Smoked Trout, Peppered Mackerel & Steelhead Salmon

MAIN COURSES: Roasted Alberta Beef, Slow Roasted Pork Loin, Cheese Tortellini, Fresh Seafood in Shellfish

ADD-ONS: Red Skin Mashed Potatoes, Mexican Rice & Seasonal Vegetables, Basket of Freshly Baked Rolls & Butter

DESSERTS: Domestic & Imported Cheese Tray Served with Sliced Baguette, Assorted Cakes & Pies, Fresh Cut Fruit, Cheesecake with Berries, Freshly Brewed Starbucks Coffee & Tea.

Suggestion: Don't eat for three days before the banquet to be able to try most of the items.

CONCLUSION

We received an e-mail from a very knowledgeable subscriber: "Your use of HTML and non-ASCII characters for "smart quotes" and the like make your document almost unreadable in plain text because it is filled with substitution characters that totally disrupt the comprehensive flow. If your goal is wide-reaching readership I advise you use standard characters. Just a feedback opinion." By copying our original MS Word file to Notepad and then saving it to the clipboard for stripping into our e-mail, we hope we have overcome the problem. If you notice any characters that didn't come out right in this issue, we would appreciate hearing from you. We need outside input because our own tests in sending it to one of our other e-mail addresses didn't show up any flaws.

Those of you who use Look Communications or Idirect as the ISP will know why this bulletin is a day late. They revamped their Web hosting site last night when we were attempting to send this out.

The next issue is scheduled for June 1.

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