

## **Welcome to the C.N.A. E-Bulletin Vol. 2, No. 16 – May 25, 2006**

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### **INTRODUCTION**

We are very pleased to publish Part Two of the details of events taking place at the upcoming 2006 C.N.A. Convention scheduled for July 20-23 at the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel & Convention Centre in Niagara Falls, Ontario.

### **THE C.N.A. CANADIAN COIN GRADING AND PRESERVATION WORKSHOP**

One of the highlights of the Convention will be a one-day workshop, scheduled for Thursday, July 20, delving into the technical aspects of coin grading, counterfeit detection, authentication and coin & paper money preservation. Participants must be registered for the 2006 C.N.A. Convention via the Convention Registration Application Form to participate in this Seminar. Registration, limited to 20 students, is \$75.00 and \$40.00 for collectors under the age of 18.

Brian Cornwell, President of International Coin Certification Service, a third-party coin grading company based in Toronto, will focus on the practical aspects of grading Canadian decimal coinage as well as detecting coins that have been altered or counterfeited. Students will spend approximately 75% of the allocated class time in a "hands on" or problem solving mode. The remaining 25% will consist of key presentations that emphasize selected grading tips and methods used by experienced graders. Selected reading material will be distributed for review at the student's leisure. All students are encouraged to bring a few of their own coins to the workshop for discussion, particularly those that present grading difficulties. The presentation will focus on the three fundamentals of accurate and consistent grading: knowledge, technique and objectivity. Many physical examples will be available for students to examine directly along with pointers on how best to identify and avoid them at a future date.

Susan Maltby, a former member of the staff of the Canadian Conservation Institute in Ottawa prior to starting her own conservation consulting firm, will tell us what one can do to ensure minimal reduction in value of valuable numismatic material. One of the most important aspects for the preservation of coins, tokens and paper money is providing proper handling and providing proper storage. The collector will have an opportunity to learn, in a practical "hands on" manner, more about the proper care and conservation of numismatic items. Topics discussed will include agents of deterioration, environmental requirements for numismatic collections, environmental monitoring techniques, establishing a controlled environment and the care and handling of numismatic material. One of the demonstrations that will be included is the Beilstein Test, used to determine whether a plastic contains PVC or polyvinyl-dene chloride...and will explain which is safe, which is not and why.

Paul Johnson, Chairman of the CNA Education Committee, will act as moderator. Paul has been involved with numerous educational projects for the Canadian Numismatic Association for the past 18 years. He will present the Certificates of Completion and a copy of the Canadian Grading Book to all participants at the conclusion, which is expected to be around 4:15 p.m.

### **EDUCATIONAL FORUM**

The C.N.A. Educational Forum will be held on Saturday, July 22, beginning at 3:30 p.m. There is no admission charge and no advance reservations are required.

The first topic will be "Mountie Money" by Chris Boyer of Waterloo, Ontario. The image of the Canadian Mountie is one of the most recognizable throughout the world. Not surprisingly, the theme of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has appeared on Canadian coins, medals, tokens and banknotes. It is also amazing to see that many items, such as Dudley Do-Right tokens and other unusual material have been issued in the United States. Have you seen a Canadian Mountie on a hobo nickel, or a Long Service medal? How about a challenge coin from the R.C.M.P.? Using numerous close-up images of these and other fascinating numismatic related items featuring "Mountie Money." Chris will recount the colourful history of the Force from its formation in 1873 to modern-day policing. Boyer is a recipient of the Royal Canadian Mint Youth Award (1995 and 1996) and has entered numerous award winning exhibits on the topic of the RCMP at C.N.A. Conventions. His feature article entitled "Mountie Money" appeared in the September, 2005 issue of the ANA Numismatist. Chris has also designed a number of coins on behalf of the RCMP.

The second presentation will be "Parallels in North American banking: The Canadian - American Experience" by Wendell Wolka of Greenwood, Indiana. This presentation will explore the many similarities, in both approach and timeline, between the Canadian and American banking systems from the late eighteenth century to the early decades of the 20th century. Numerous examples of both Canadian and American paper money, along with the stories behind their issuance, will be used to illustrate and explore this fascinating area of Canadian and American numismatics. Wolka has served as an Instructor at the annual Summer Seminar each July in Colorado Springs and has received the Krause Publications Numismatic Ambassador Award and ANA Presidential Award. He has authored a catalogue of Ohio obsolete paper money and co-authored a similar work covering the state of Indiana.

### **SPECIALTY GROUP MEETINGS**

A number of Canadian numismatic specialty organizations will hold their annual meetings and conduct educational programs. These include the Canadian Numismatic Research Society, Canadian Paper Money Society, Canadian Association of Token Collectors, Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors, Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club, Canadian Numismatic Research Society and Medallic Art Society. Delegates from local coin clubs meet at the Club Delegates Breakfast meeting.

A group of collectors specializing in Newfoundland numismatics, led by Bill Kamb who will act as Chairman of the meeting, has asked for meeting space at the Convention to determine if there is sufficient interest in forming a specialty association dealing with Newfoundland numismatics. Draw prizes costing hundreds of dollars will be offered in the door draw, including a Canadian \$100 gold coin featuring Sir Humphrey Gilbert, the founder of Newfoundland and the book "Numismatics of Newfoundland" published by the Ferguson Foundation.

As well, error collectors have asked us to schedule a meeting to determine if there is sufficient interest in starting a Canadian error and variety club. The meeting will be chaired by Henry Nienhuis. The guest speaker, Bill English, is former President of the Coin Irregularity Association of Canada (CIAC). His presentation will make effective use of visual aids to explain how major errors can occur during normal production at the Royal Canadian Mint. After Bill's presentation, Nienhuis will be conducting a discussion on the future of this area of the hobby and will be looking for interest and support in forming a Canadian Error and Varieties Enthusiasts association. (To better judge interest in forming this association and to prepare for this discussion, we would ask anyone interested, whether you plan to attend the seminar or not, to contact: Henry Nienhuis at [fenix@rogers.com](mailto:fenix@rogers.com) with their thoughts.)

## **EXHIBITS**

Members of the C.N.A. exhibit items from their collections in competition for display awards, thus sharing their knowledge with everyone. The special silver, copper and nickel presentation medals are highly sought after by exhibitors.

The Bank of Canada will also set up a non-competitive exhibit for the enjoyment of show visitors, while the Royal Canadian Mint will set up a display in their booth. Material from the C.N.A. archives will be displayed, as will C.N.A. related material from the personal collection of Norm Williams.

Over the past 25 years or so, the late Earl Salterio had traveled all over Canada to attend the annual conventions of the Canadian Numismatic Association. He took photographs, gathered souvenirs, accumulated articles and put them all neatly into scrapbooks. These scrapbooks were donated to the C.N.A. archives recently by his family upon his recent passing. We are pleased to make them available, for the first time ever, for viewing at the 2006 C.N.A. Convention.

Well-known collector Hubert Grimminck will be exhibiting most of his collection, in special frames that he built, of Canadian trade dollars, Canadian Tire Corporation notes and foreign coins and currency. Starting with about 80 linear feet of display cases, it will expand on Saturday afternoon and Sunday up to 140 linear feet.

The Historian of the Canadian Numismatic Association, Dan Gosling, will be exhibiting material from the C.N.A. Archives. This will be augmented with additional material from the private collection of Norm Williams, a Past President of the Canadian Numismatic Association.

The numismatist who is credited with putting Canadian numismatics on the map of the world, Jim Charlton, will display some of his awards, including the Ferguson Gold Medal (the highest Canadian numismatic award) and the Royal Canadian Mint Medal (presented only to a few people). As well, Jim Charlton's convention registration ribbons from all C.N.A. Conventions ever held will also be on view.

## **BANQUET**

The C.N.A. Banquet and the pre-Banquet reception give attendees an opportunity to mingle, enjoy a buffet meal with multiple choices for the main course, listen to an entertaining speaker, win prizes in the free draw and find out first-hand who the recipients of Canada's major numismatic awards are.

Background on the speaker will be published in the next C.N.A. E-Bulletin, as will the details of some of the unusual and unique draw prizes available at the banquet.

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR 2006 CONVENTION**

We are pulling out all stops to assure that all attendees - registrant or daily visitor, male or female, young or old, seasoned numismatist or newcomer, collector or professional - experience fun & fellowship and have the opportunity to view and acquire numismatic material of all description and quality at attractive pricing. We dare make the statement that this convention will include more activities, draws and give-aways than any other convention held in Canada. Give us the opportunity to prove it to you. We are planning some unusual things. For example, instead of the usual cups of coffee supplied by the hotel, we will be serving coffee and tea in numismatic mugs at the Banquet, Club Delegates Breakfast Meeting and the Canadian Paper Money Society Luncheon, which you get to keep.

Each registration kit will contain a wooden token good for a free cup of coffee anywhere in the convention hotel during the convention. Better still, registrants can go to the Hospitality Suite and obtain as many cups of coffees as they can consume, all absolutely free.

Numismatic collectibles of Niagara Falls will be included in the Registration Kits (i.e. five video arcade tokens from local Niagara Falls arcades, a discontinued parking token from the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel, trade dollars from Niagara Falls, casino chips and video arcade tokens. Hourly door draw prizes consist of 2000 "Niagara Falls" Oh Canada sets, while the draws at each of the specialty club meetings will consist of 2003 "Niagara Falls" \$20 hologram silver coins originally issued by the RCM at \$83.60 plus taxes & shipping.

### **DAILY ADMISSIONS**

There are obvious benefits to "signing up" as a registrant for the convention. However, we have not forgotten the casual collectors that will visit the Convention for a day only and chooses not to register. The daily admission charge of \$5 entitles you to the following:

- admission to the bourse room for the day (with unlimited in-and-out privileges) where you will meet and greet well-known dealers manning over 70 bourse tables.
- admission to the exhibit area for the day (again with unlimited in-and-out privileges) to view competitive numismatic exhibits vying for first place honors in their respective categories as well as the Best of Show gold medal.
- view the great selection of diversified numismatic material that will be auctioned off by Diversified Equities of Calgary, Alberta, official 2006 C.N.A. Convention auctioneer.
- meet the staff from the Royal Canadian Mint, view their latest offerings and purchase items at original issue price.
- souvenir program booklet containing the extensive program of events, bourse dealer listing, bourse floor plan, educational meeting details, dealer teaser ads and more.
- free draw ticket for the hourly draws for a "Niagara Falls" 2000 Oh Canada souvenir coin set struck by the Royal Canadian Mint. Draws will take place every hour on the hour on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
- meet and greet other collectors from across North America and enjoy the fun & fellowship that is so evident at C.N.A. Conventions.
- a complimentary copy of the 188-page 3rd edition of the Charlton Standard Catalogue of Canadian Country Store Collectables (which includes a lot of Coca Cola collecti-bles, among many other things) to everyone.
- a copy of the 422-page Charlton Standard Catalogue of Wade Decorative Ware to all ladies paying the daily admission on Friday and Sunday, as long as supplies last.

### **PROGRAM OF EVENTS**

Wednesday, July 19, 2006

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Registration Table open in Convention Foyer (for pick-up and sign-up of registration kits)

Thursday, July 20, 2006

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. -CNA Course on Grading & Counterfeit Detection and Coin & Paper Money Preservation - limited to 20 participants; pre-purchased tickets required

9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Registration Desk open in Convention Foyer

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Canadian Paper Money Society Executive Meeting

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - CNA Executive Meeting (all CNA members are invited to attend)

5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Bourse & Display Set-up only

9:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. - President's Welcome Reception (registrants and bourse dealers, assistants and their spouses only)

Friday, July 21, 2006

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - C.N.A. Judges' Breakfast (by invitation only)

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - Spousal Continental Breakfast for registered spouses

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Registration Desk open in Convention Foyer

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - Bourse & Exhibitor Set-up only

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Bourse & Display Preview (attendance by registrants only)

9:30 a.m. - Competitive Exhibit judging begins

10:00 a.m. - 10:10 a.m. - Opening Ceremonies in Convention Foyer

10:10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Bourse & Display open to public

10:10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Preview of auction lots at the Diversified Equities Bourse Table

10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Tour of Niagara-on-the-Lake & Inniskillin Winery (pre-purchased tickets required) - includes transportation, admission to Inniskillin Winery tour, wine tasting and more

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon - J. Douglas Ferguson Foundation Executive Meeting (by invitation only)

10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Hospitality Suite open (for all registrants and bourse dealers, assistants and their spouses only)

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Hourly door draws for RCM 2000 "Niagara Falls" Oh Canada sets

12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. - CPMS Luncheon & General Meeting (pre-purchased tickets required)

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - FIRST AUCTION SESSION by Diversified Equities of Calgary, AB

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Coin Error Enthusiasts Meeting (educational presentation on how errors occur at the Royal Canadian Mint by Bill English)

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Newfoundland Enthusiasts Founding Meeting (special door draws include 1983 \$100 gold coin featuring Sir Humphrey Gilbert, founder of Newfoundland)

4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Coin Error Expert Table open in Convention foyer for free identification and authentication of Canadian and U.S. coin errors (manned by error expert Lee Gong attending from California)

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Royal Canadian Mint Reception (open to registrants, bourse dealers and spouses only)

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. - CNA Past Presidents' Dinner (by invitation only)

Saturday July 22, 2006

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - CNA Club Delegates Breakfast meeting (pre-purchased tickets required) - keynote speaker is Michael "Stan" Turrini; free draws and give-aways

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - Canadian Numismatic Research Society Breakfast Meeting (admission restricted to CNRS members with pre-purchased tickets)

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - Spousal Continental Breakfast - for registered spouses

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - Bourse Dealer Set-up

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Bourse & Display Preview (attendance by registrants only)

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Registration Desk open in Convention lobby

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Bourse & Display open to public & preview of auction lots at the Diversified Equities Tables in Bourse Room

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. - CNA Annual General Membership Meeting & Award Presentations

10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Hospitality Suite open (for all registrants and bourse dealers, assistants and their spouses only)

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Hourly door draws for RCM 2000 "Niagara Falls" Oh Canada sets

12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m. - SECOND AUCTION SESSION by Diversified Equities of Calgary

12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. Canadian Association of Token Collectors meeting (everyone invited to attend)

1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - City Tour (pre-purchased tickets required) - includes transportation and admission to Butterfly Museum and Arbarium (Bird Museum)

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Junior Collectors Forum, Draws & Junior Auction (bidding by complimentary Auction Dollars only) - all young collectors are invited to attend, along with parents or guardian)

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Medallion Art Society of Canada meeting (everyone invited to attend)

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club meeting (everyone invited to attend)

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - CNA Educational Forum (everyone invited to attend) - Educational presentations by Wendall Wolka and Chris Boyer

6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Pre-Banquet Reception with cash bar (banquet ticket holders only)

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - CNA Banquet (pre-purchased tickets required) - all-you-can-eat buffet dinner; presentation of major numismatic awards; keynote speaker, draws and more

Sunday, July 23, 2006

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors Breakfast meeting (pre-purchased tickets required)

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Bourse Dealer Set-Up

10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Bourse & Display open to public

10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Pick up of Auction Lots (at Auctioneer's table in Bourse Room)

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Hourly door draws for a RCM 2000 "Niagara Falls" Oh Canada set

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Hospitality Suite open (for all registrants and bourse dealers, assistants and their spouses only)

2:30 p.m. - Announcement of "Guess the number of tokens in Bowl" Contest for 2003 \$20 "Niagara Falls" hologram silver coin (winner does not have to be present)

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Dealers & Exhibitors Wrap Up

## **CONCLUSION**

Because of the diversity of our mailing list of over 1,800, we venture to guess that a lot of you have never been to a major Convention. We are, therefore, planning to inundate you with further information on the 2006 C.N.A. Convention in the June 1 C.N.A. E-Bulletin. Those of you who are not planning to attend might still be interested in reviewing the contents that contains the collective experience of many people with great experience in running successful Conventions. Why, you might wish to incorporate some of the ideas at your own shows!

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