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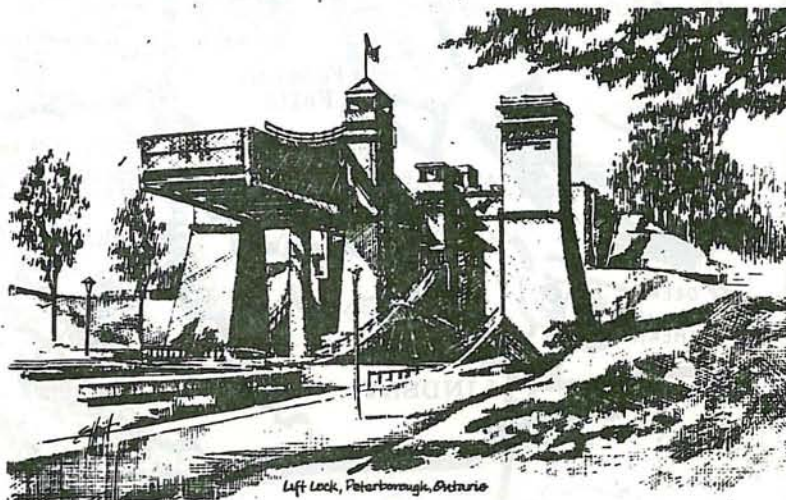
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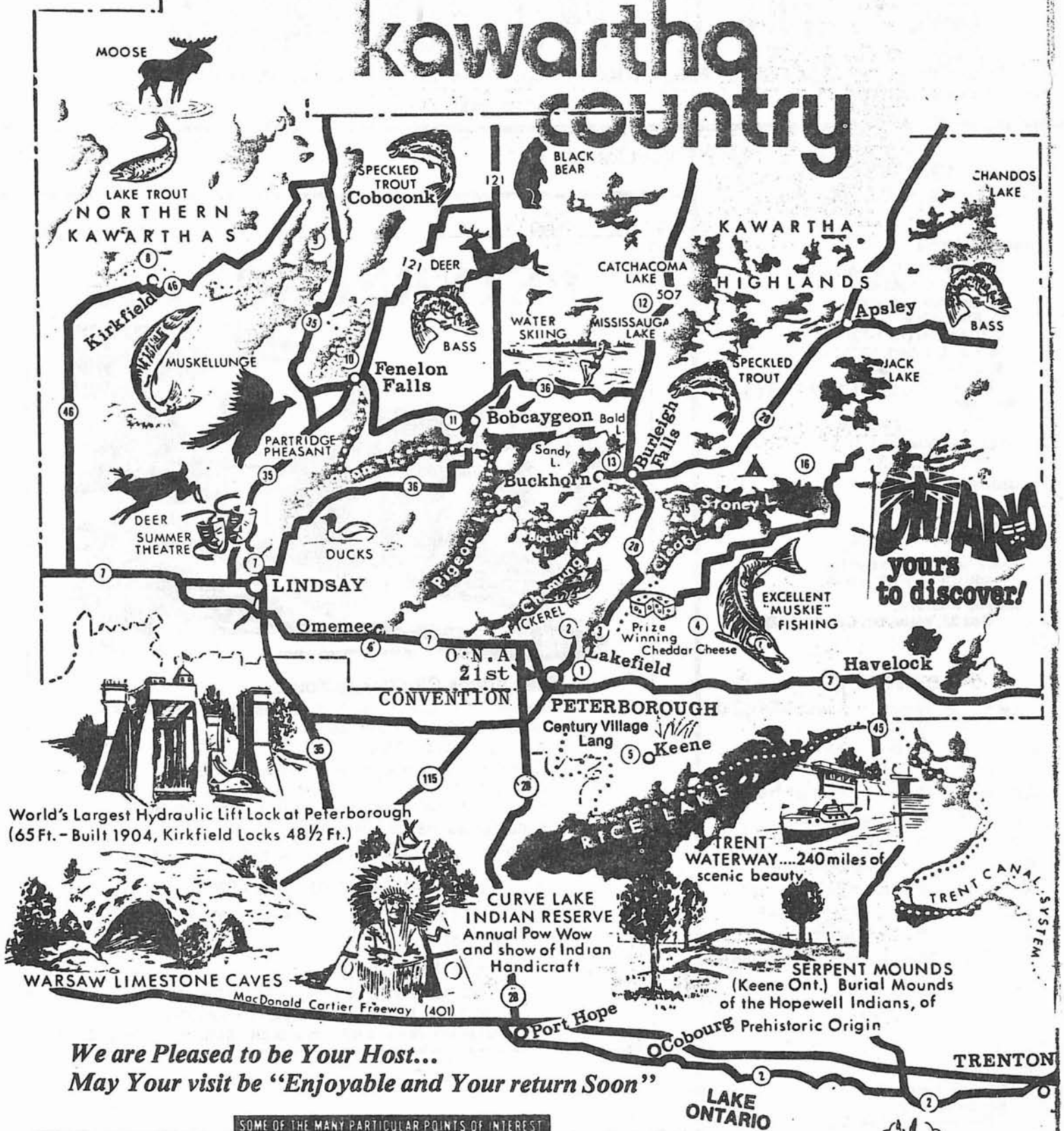
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At

ROCKHAVEN MOTEL, PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO, HIGHWAY #28
PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, APRIL 8th, 1983

8:00 A.M. BOURSE SET UP ALGONQUIN A&B ROOMS

9:00 A.M. PRE-REGISTRATION DESK OPEN

DISPLAYS SET UP ALGONQUIN C. ROOM

10:00 A.M. OPEN TO PUBLIC

7:00 P.M. AUCTION CONDUCTED by EAGLE COINS, NIAGARA FALLS
ALGONQUIN C ROOM

8:00 P.M. BOURSE & DISPLAY ROOMS CLOSES

9:00 P.M. WINE & CHEESE PARTY PERSIMMON ROOM A&B

SATURDAY, APRIL 9th, 1983

8:30 A.M. O.N.A EXECUTIVES & JUDGES BREAKFAST PERSIMMON A.

9:00 A.M. BOURSE SET UP

DISPLAYS SET
REGISTRATION DESK OPEN

10:00 A.M. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ALGONQUIN ROOM C.

12:00 NOON WOODEN MONEY MEETING ALGONQUIN ROOM C.

2:00 P.M. EDUCATIONAL FORUM (300YEARS COINAGE of CANADA
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ALGONQUIN ROOM C

4:30 P.M. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS ALGONQUIN ROOM C.

6:00 P.M. RECEPTION COTILLION ROOM

BOURSE CLOSES

BANQUET GUEST SPEAKER COTILLION ROOM

MERIT AWARD, BEST OF SHOW AWARD & BEST JUNIOR AWARD

SUNDAY APRIL 10th, 1983

9:00 A.M. O.N.A CLUB DELEGATE'S BREAKFAST COTILLION ROOM

10:00 A.M. BOURSE & DISPLAY ROOMS OPEN

3:30 P.M. O.N.A. DRAW

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ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL

by TOM KOSZTALUK

One day in the early 1870's a young man was writing to the girl that he was later to marry.

In his letter he described his father's home in Canada. The house, he explained, was built upon heights overlooking the Grand River at Brantford, Ontario, and on the edge of a nearby cliff was a grassy depression so like a couch that the family called it "THE SOFA SEAT". "This is my dreaming place" the young man wrote.

"EXPLORING THE WORLD OF SPEECH"

The family background and early education of Alexander Graham Bell had a profound influence on his career.

He was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, on March 3rd, 1847, the son of Alexander Melville Bell, a Professor at the University of Edinburgh, and Eliza Grace Symonds, a daughter of a surgeon in the Royal Navy.

His mother, who was a portrait painter and an accomplished musician, began to lose her hearing when Graham was a boy of Twelve.

His father enjoyed a world-wide reputation as a teacher and author of textbooks on correct speech, and as the inventor of "Visible Speech," Graham as he grew up became expert in their use for that purpose. The boy's Grandfather, Alexander Bell, was also a specialist in the art of good speech.

Both Father and Grandfather studied the processes of speech with scientific thoroughness, and their methods and Melville Bell's textbooks were widely used.

"GRAHAM BELL GOES TO BOSTON"

When the Spring of 1871 came, Graham was ready to make a career for himself, and the best opportunity appeared to be in Boston.

He went to Boston endowed with talent and ability. They seem to have combined for the purpose of helping him to invent the telepheme. His knowledge of speech and hearing and their mechanisms, his growing interest in electricity, his training in music and sensitive ear, and his desire to serve humanity-through work for the deaf all were to lead him towards his great gift to mankind. The idea that deaf children could be taught to speak was relatively new in America. The prevailing view was, "NOTHING CAN BE DONE".



Alexander Graham Bell in his student days in Edinburgh.

"THE SOUND IS HEARD"

On June 2nd, 1875, came the "BREAK" in TELEPHONE HISTORY. In the Garret at 109 Court Street, Bell at one end of the line, and Watson at the other, in different rooms, were tuning the reeds of the Harmonic Telegraph. Watson plucked it to free it. Twang-g Bell at the other end of the line heard in his receiver a sound quite different from the usual whine sent out by the vibrating transmitter. Quickly he ran to Watson, shouting, "Watson, what did you do then? Don't change anything. Let me see."

After an hour or so plucking reeds and listening to the transmitted sounds, Bell gave his assistant instructions for making "THE FIRST BELL TELEPHONE", and on the next day the primitive instrument transmitted the sound of Bell's voice to Watson.

The two men went on experimenting all summer, and in September at Brantford Bell began to write specifications for his first Telephone Patent, before he filed his patent application, on February 14th, 1876.

"IT SPEAKS! THE TELEPHONE"

In August, when Bell was once more on holiday at his parents home he put the matter to the test. He connected the homestead at Tutelo Heights with the City of Brantford by telephone, and in another test he made a connection with the village of Mount Pleasant.

In 1876 he came to test his nearly perfected telephone over a distant. On August 10th, 1876 the worlds first long distance telephone call was made successfully one-way over the telegraph line from Brantford to Paris, Ontario.

In 1881, when Alexander Melville Bell left his homestead to live near his son in Washington, D.C. Brantfordites turned out in force to say farewell, and this homestead would be long remembered, because he said pointing to the building, "UNDER YON ROOF OF MINE, THE TELEPHONE WAS BORN".



Alexander Graham Bell, 1876



Bell's Homestead, Brantford, Ontario

"BELL'S LEGACY TO THE WORLD"

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL CAN TRULY BE CALLED A CITIZEN OF THE WORLD.

Born in Edinburgh, Scotland March 3rd, 1847, he worked in Canada and in the United States. He became a United States citizen in 1882. He once said, "Though I cannot claim to be a Canadian... I have a warm spot in my heart for Canada.

He died at Bein Bhreagh, in August, 1922, and was buried on his beloved Cape Breton Hillside overlooking the Bras D'Or Lakes, Canada...

"THE TELEPHONE CITY"

In the words of the inventor himself, at the unveiling of the Bell Memorial in 1917, "Brantford became my thinking place". Here, that the Telephone was invented, the first Draft of Patent Specifications was prepared, here also the first public demonstration of this result was given to the world.

Brantford has an indisputable claim to this distinction and is rightfully named "THE TELEPHONE CITY" June 9thN 1909.

The Homestead was marked as a National Historic Site in 1953 by the Government of Canada.

The City of Brantford, Ontario, issued in 1974 a set of 3 Medals of Graham Bell.(1oz. 999 silver)

HOMESTEAD MEDAL within six days of the arrival in Canada of the Bell Family on August, 1870, the inventor's father purchased the house in Brantford, now is the Bell Homestead, Robert Morton, who built it in 1857.

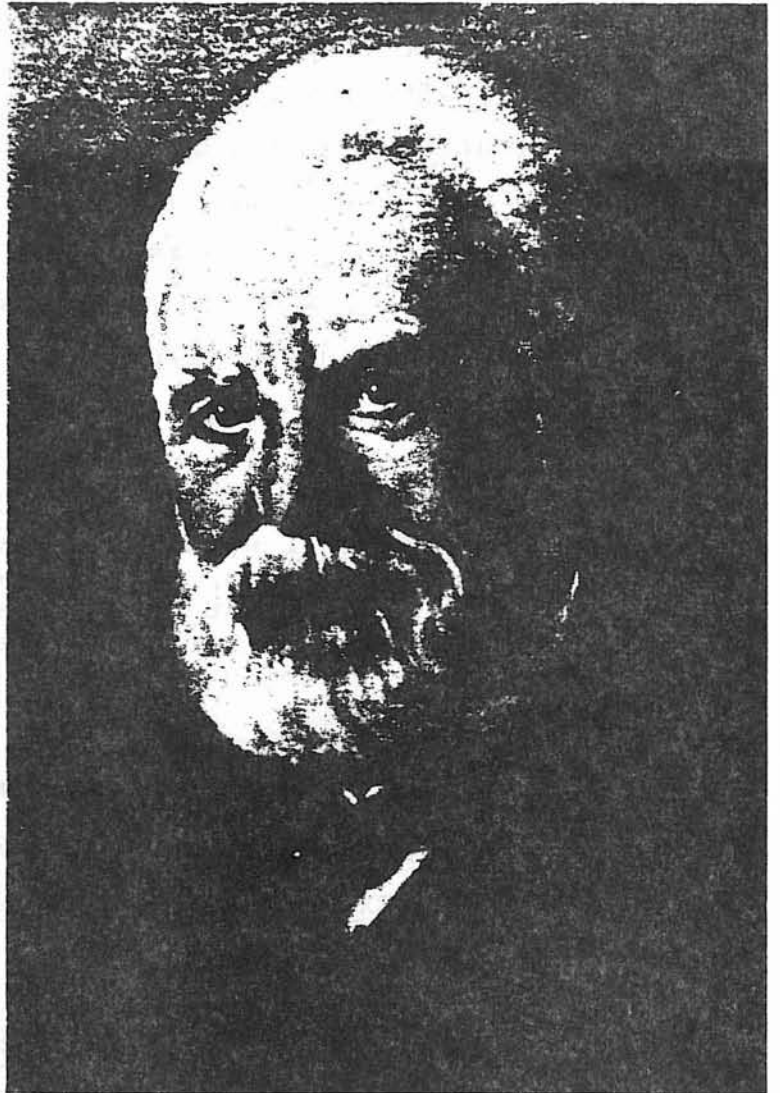
CITY CREST MEDAL , the Coat of Arms shows a Central Shield, Canadian Beaver, flanked by an Indian on the left of the shield and a pioneer on the right. The Shield is topped by the Maple Leaf crest.

BUST of ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL MEDAL, "Don't Keep Forever On The Public Road, Going Only Where Others Have Gone. Leave The Beaten Track Occasionally And Drive Into The Woods. You Will Be Certain To Find Something You Have Never Seen Before. Of Course, It Will Be A Little Thing.

Brantford Numismatic Association has issued Medal in Nickel - Silver and in Bronze in 1974, and a set of Wooden Money in 1982. Brantford Regional Chamber of Commerce issued a Trade Dollar in 1981.

REFERENCES:

- The Bell Telephone Company of Canada.
- The Invention of the Telephone by Marcus Van Steen
- The Canadians, Alexander Graham Bell, by A. Roy Petrie.



Alexander Graham Bell 1847-1922

The inventor at the age of twenty-five, taken in a room of the Bell home on Tutelo Heights.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUBS

CHAMPLAIN COIN CLUB C21

The February meeting was held on February 3rd, 1983, at St. David's Anglican Church, 8:00 P.M. Orillia, Ontario. The meeting was a very successful meeting. The night was stormy and the roads were very slippery, but this didn't stop the faithful members from attending.

A motion was passed that the ladies of the Church be contacted to cater the Annual Buffet Supper in June, more information will be released, when available.

The Coin Week Canada project will be discussed at the March meeting.

STRATFORD COIN CLUB C20

The February meeting was held at the Kiwanis Community Centre, Lakeside Drive, on the 14th, at 7:30 P.M.

The feature was the C.N.A. Slide Series on Mortuary Medals and also the one on Bouquet Sous. After a break for Coffee, Milk and goodies, a 42 lot Auction was conducted by Ken Wilmot, assisted by Wilf Becker and Gary Archer.

The attendance was down somewhat with 34 members and one guest. Andrew Park was welcomed to the club as a new member.

Finally the meeting was closed with a couple of plates sandwiches, coffee and coffee cake served.

WATERLOO COIN SOCIETY C 1

There was an excellent turnout of attendance of 30 members and guest attended the January 18th, in the Waterloo Public Library, at 8:00 P.M.

The Feature Draw was won by the follows:

1st Prize Richard Struther 1970 P.L. Set

2nd Prize Scott Linton 1980 P.L. Set

A very active coin auction was held and all the lots were sold.



C. N. A. Announces New Exhibit Handbook

The Canadian Numismatic Association is pleased to announce the completion of a handbook titled "Exhibits and Judging in Numismatics".

This 54 page booklet provides a comprehensive study on the design and set-up of numismatic displays, exhibit research, originality, photography and judging organization. Special chapters are also featured on the duties of an Exhibit Chairman, responsibilities of the Head Judge and the rationale of the current C.N.A. Judging system.

In short, this booklet is the only available source at present which summarizes basically everything one needs to know in planning a numismatic display. Four pages are devoted to actual display case layouts.

Paul Johnson, C.N.A. Ontario Director and member of the Education Committee, and Ted Banning, Coin Columnist of the Toronto Globe and Mail newspaper, edited the material while Johnson served as Co-ordinator of the project. Fifteen top experts in the field of exhibiting and judging contributed in-depth papers towards the success of this booklet.

Other contributing writers besides Banning and Johnson include the following individuals: David Block, Gainesville, Florida; Bruce R. Brace, Ancaster, Ontario; James Brandt, Pearl River, New York; Stanley Clute, High River, Alberta; John Greenslet, Reisterstown, Maryland; Ray Gregory, Cookstown, Ontario; Mark Mogen, Calgary, Alberta; Robert Porter, Rexdale, Ontario; Edwin Quagliana, Malvern, Pennsylvania; John Regitko, Toronto, Ontario; and Stephen R. Taylor, Dover, Delaware.

This project is in keeping with C.N.A. emphasis and desire toward numismatic education. Exhibits are often, and usually should be the highlight of any numismatic convention. The prime reasons for exhibiting are: to show your numismatic

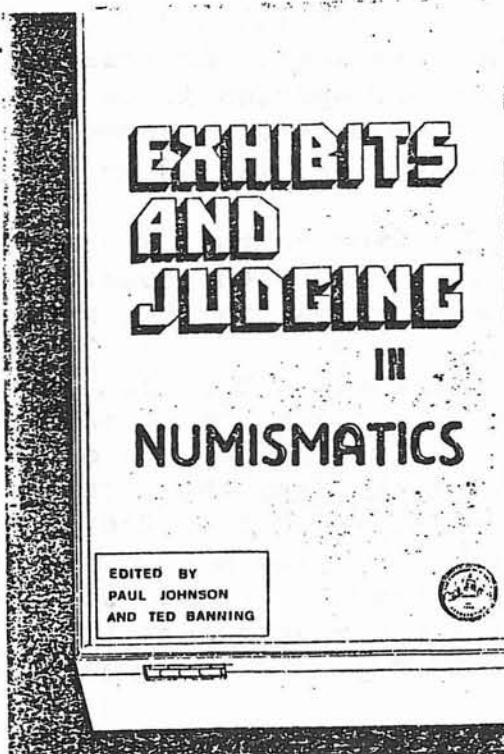


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material; to develop research skills; to expand your creative imagination and to learn more about your own collecting interests. Exhibiting can be viewed similarly to writing; that of communicating your research to other interested individuals. Furthermore, this gives the collector an outlet for taking pride in his numismatic collection by showing it in an organized manner to fellow hobbyists.

The quality and quantity of exhibits have steadily decreased at many coin club shows during the past few years. It is hoped that more collectors will take the initiative and meet the challenge by displaying parts of their collection at future numismatic gatherings.

The booklet will be a valuable aid to numismatists planning a display and is now available for \$3.00 post-paid. Copies may be purchased from: The Canadian Numismatic Association, P. O. Box 226, Barrie, Ontario, L4M 4T2 Canada.



DO YOU KNOW:

by Terry Roit. Assistant Editor Stratford Coin Club

Just a little something that Wilf Becker passed on to me that I thought might bring a chuckle to start the New Year right.

RUFFLED GROUCH: Its main habitat is coin conventions where it is usually found sulking because some other bird beat it to the bargains. Hasn't bought a coin since 1961. Distinctive cry "crooks, crooks".

BRIGHT-EYED TABLEHOPPER: Usually seen flying along the aisles at conventions expecting to find bargains. Obviously a fledgling. as an adult bird becomes a Ruffled Grouch.

BUSHY-TAILED WHEELER-DEALERS: Main habitat is around the fringes of bourse tables. Characterized by enormously enlarged vest pockets. A predatory bird its usual prey is the Bright-eyed Table-hopper which it uses to feather its nest.

GULLIBLE PIGEON: Another prey of the Bushy-tailed Wheeler-dealer. Its main diet is grossly overpriced speculative coins which sooner or later gives it a severe indigestion. This causes a deep sinking feeling in the pit of its stomach.

FURTIVE DIPPER: A nocturnal bird. Spends the daylight hours in the basement dipping coins in cyanide or baking soda. Fledglings have been known to use Dutch Cleanser. Comes out at night to frequent club meetings and conventions. Distinctive cry. "Bee-yu, Bee-yu".

BURRING NIT-PICKER: A sour looking beady-eyed bird usually seen hopping about on the fringes of a meeting room criticizing everything in sight. On being approached to join a committee or run for office, it runs for cover and isn't seen again for months.

JAUNDICED GREYBEARD: An old-fashioned bird that gathers older coins. It is almost extinct. Because of its intense antipathy towards other species it is usually found hunched in a corner casting about baleful glances. But a meeting with another of its own species will often elicit uncharacteristic joyous cries.

BLUE MOANER: Closely related to the Jaundiced Greybeard. Believes that numismatics is going to the dogs. Rather an unintelligent species, for it doesn't realize that numismatics already has gone to the dogs.

WHITMAN'S GLUEBIRD: A fledgling bird of the forager type that sticks Brilliant Uncirculated cents in Whitman folders. Has been known to aid the process by use of mucilage. This bird eventually grows only to find that its formerly Brilliant Uncirculated coins have aged even faster than it has.

FLEDGLING BOURSE-DEALER: A young bird that forages for food behind a bourse table. It has the utmost difficulty in maintaining itself because of its unshakable faith in the validity of "Trend" prices. Distinctive cry: "Cheap, Cheap".

SHOW AND BOURSE DATES

MARCH 12, 1983

WILLOWDALE, ONTARIO.....NORTH YORK COIN CLUB'S

Annual Coin Show

North York Community Hall

5090 Yonge St, Willowdale, Ont.

MARCH 25 to 27, 1983

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Rockhaven Motel, Highway #28,
Peterborough, Ontario.

For information..... Henry Burke

181 Albert St,

Oshawa, Ontario, L1H 4R3

APRIL 16th, 1983

OSHAWA, ONTARIO.....OSHAWA & DISTRICT COIN CLUB

SPRING SHOW

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FOR INFORMATION

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Oshawa, Ontario, L1H 7L1

APRIL 17th, 1983

CHATHAM, ONTARIO.....KENT COIN CLUB

Annual Coin Show

Wheels Motor Inn

Chatham, Ontario

For information.... Mr. Lou Wagener

27 Peter St, Chatham, Ont., N7M 5B2

MAY 7th, 1983

CANNINGTON, ONTARIO.....VICTORIA-SIMCOE NUMISMATIC
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Banquet 6:00 P.M.

for information...Mr. Elmer Workman

R.R. # 2, Cannington, Ontario, L0E 1E0.

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