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President's Message

The Fall season of Ontario coin shows is well upon us and, as I write this around Halloween, we look forward to some fine fun at the remaining shows of 2010. What HAS been fun is attending anniversary banquets and meetings of a few O.N.A. clubs that have reached their 50th anniversary. I thank the good people at Brantford, Stratford and Oshawa for their invitations and giving me the opportunity to say a few words of greeting and congratulations on behalf of the entire O.N.A. membership.

I also thank the Stratford Coin Club for once again providing meeting space for an O.N.A. executive meeting on Oct. 24 during their annual show. Much important business was on an agenda that took most of the afternoon to get through.

Items regarding upcoming O.N.A. conventions include strong sales of bourse tables for the 2011 convention in London, to be hosted by the Ingersoll Coin Club as a part of their 50th anniversary celebrations. For 2012 the O.N.A. will be hosting its own 50th anniversary celebration, returning to the Kitchener/Waterloo area, the site of its inaugural convention in 1962. And, in preparation for a 2014 convention, the executive heard a fine, professional presentation by Brett Irick, President of the Windsor Coin Club for that club to serve as host. The Windsor Coin Club proposal was immediately accepted by the O.N.A. executive, and we will now work our way towards a formal convention agreement.

Unhappily, I accepted the resignation of Area 7 Director David Bawcutt at the meeting who, for personal reasons, is stepping down after three terms. David provided exemplary representation of the area 7 clubs and his presence will truly be missed. In conversation with me, he nominated Henry Nienhuis as his replacement. Henry is a well-known collector who resides in the Toronto area, recently joined the O.N.A. and attends the meetings of most of the area clubs. I am pleased to announce he has accepted the position of Area 7 Director.

Club and individual membership renewals are coming in at a nice pace. For the first time this year the Club renewal included the opportunity to provide a profile of each club's meeting location particulars and planned coin show dates all this in an effort to

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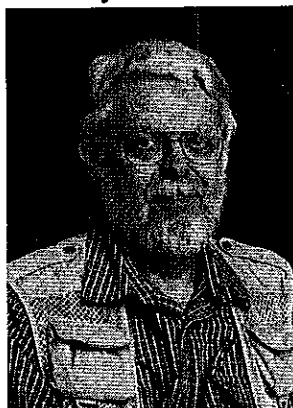
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provide as accurate and comprehensive information as possible on the O.N.A. web site. The club mailing went out in mid-September and response is now overdue. You can check your club information on www.ontario-numismatic.org under **O.N.A. Member Clubs** and submit online updates there as well.

I also appeal to individual members to not delay and send in your membership renewal and update your information with telephone number and e-mail address... and that request for updates goes to the Life Members as well.

Finally, as 2010 continues its climb into the holiday season, it is timely for me to look ahead just a few weeks and take this, my last chance, to wish you a Blessed Christmas Season and a Joyful and Prosperous New Year.



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October 23, 2010

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Dear Richard,

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J2028 John H. V. Hesse, New Hamburg, Ont.,

The following application have been received

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J2030 Rebecca Molson, Brantford, Ont.,
J2031 Lennon Nemirovsky, London, Ont.,
J2032 Jamie Sino, Oakville, Ont.,
J2033 Tim Beattie, Barrie, Ont.,
J2034 Jessica Soares, Toronto, Ont.,
J2035 Loretto O'Brien, Kitchener, Ont.,
J2036 Ryan McManus, Woodstock, Ont.,
J2037 Afee Bales-D'Cruze, Tottenham, Ont.,
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Coming Events

DEC. 5, Windsor, ON

Essex County 6th Coin Show and Sale, Fogolar Furlan 1800 EC Row AveE. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Excellent selection of United States and Canadian coins, paper money, merchant tokens, bank notes, bullion, coin supplies, mint products. Co-Sponsored by Canadian Diabetes Association. Admission by free-will donation to the Canadian Diabetes Association. Sponsor/Affiliate: Canadian Diabetes Association. Dan Jones club president, telephone 1-519-733-6296.

DEC. 5, Woodstock, ON

Woodstock Toy And Collectibles Show And Sale, Auditorium and Mutual/Market Buildings, Woodstock Fairgrounds, 875 Nellis Street. Hours: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission \$3, children under age 12 free when accompanied by an adult. More than 210 vendor tables. For more information, contact Ian Ward at 519-426-8875, Monday to Friday before 8 p.m., email: toyshow@kwic.com.

DEC. 11, Brampton, ON

Brampton Coin Show, Century Gardens Recreation Centre, 340 Vodden Rd. E. Buy, sell, trade and appraise at more than 40 tables of dealers, featuring coins, medals, tokens, paper money, trade dollars, militaria. Children's table. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission: \$3, under 14 free. Free parking. Sponsor/Affiliate: B&W Coins & Tokens and the Brampton Rotary Club. For more information contact B&W Coins & Tokens, Willard Burton, telephone 905-450-2870, email b_and_w@sympatico.ca.

FEB. 6, 2011, Paris, ON

S.W.O.N., Special Events Building, 139 Silver St. (Fairgrounds). Hours 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission \$3, includes ticket on a gold coin draw, 55 tables of coins, paper money, jewelry, nostalgia and more. Food and drinks available. Buy sell trade and appraise. Sponsor/Affiliate: Ted's Collectables Inc. For more information, contact Ted Bailey, email tedscollectables@bellnet.ca, telephone 1-866-747-coin(2646) or 519-442-2634.

FEB. 19, 2011, Oshawa, ON

Durham Coin-A-Rama, Five Points Mall, 285 Taunton Rd E. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free dealer public, and membership draws. Free admission. Featuring paper, coins, tokens, medals and many other items. Celebrating 50 years. Sponsor/Affiliate: Oshawa and District Coin Club. For more information contact Sharon at 905-728-1352, e-mail papman@bell.net.

FEB. 26 - 27, 2011, 5875 Airport Rd., ON

Torex, - Canada's National Coin Show, Hilton Toronto Airport Hotel. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission \$6. Under 16 Free! Official Auctioneer: Moore Numismatic Auctions, Charles Moore. The Hilton hotel is located directly across from Toronto's Pearson International Airport. For more information, please call 416-705-5348. Website: <http://www.torex.net>.

MARCH 6, 2011, Mississauga, ON

VIII Polish - Canadian Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Show 2011, John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd.(just south of Hwy.403).. Many tables of stamps, coins, medals, paper money and militaria. Polish stamps expert info table. Stamp Exhibit - John Paul II On World Stamps. Coins and Banknotes Of Danzig (Gdańsk). "Troyak Junior" table with boxes of free stamps for kids. Troyak special token and show souvenirs. Free admission and parking. Refreshments available. Sunday, March 6, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sponsor/Affiliate: Polish-Canadian Coin and Stamp Club "Troyak". For more information, contact: Ignacy Kania 905-273-7313 or Janusz Peter Machulec 416-724-4410, email info@troyakclub.com. Website: <http://www.troyakclub.com>.

MARCH 19, 2011, Cambridge, ON

20th Annual Cambridge Coin Show, Cambridge Newfoundland Club, 1500 Dunbar Rd. Free admission. Buy, sell, trade and evaluate at 52 tables. Tokens, trade dollars, coins, paper money, militaria, sports cards, CTC coupons. Sponsor/Affiliate: Cambridge Coin Club. For more information, contact Wolfe, email wolfe1937@hotmail.com, Vincent Nevidon telephone 519-740-1416, or Louie Schmidt telephone 519-653-7838.

MARCH 26, 2011, Guelph, ON

South Wellington Coin Society Spring Show, Colonel John McCrea Legion 919 York Rd. Hours 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., free parking, fully accessible, large display area, hot food available, free gold coin draw, selling 50 cent pieces for 49 cents. Admission \$2. Sponsor/Affiliate: South Wellington Coin Society. For more information, contact Lowell Wierstra, 8 Smart St. Guelph ON, N1G 4K9, telephone 519-824-6534, email ljwierstra@sympatico.ca.

APRIL 1 - 3, 2011, Kingston, ON


EONS Coin and Stamp Show, Days Inn Convention Centre, 33 Benson St. (exit off 401, Division St.). Hours: Fri. 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Sat. 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Sun. 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: \$4 per day, early admittance on Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., \$20 good for the weekend. Coins, stamps, medals, paper money, rare items. Sponsor/Affiliate: Ted's Collectables. For more information contact Ted's Collectables, 281A Grand River St. N., Paris, ON N3L 2N9, telephone 1-866-747-COIN(2646), email tedscollectables@bellnet.ca.

APRIL 17 2011, Chatham, ON

Kent Coin Club Annual Spring Coin Show, Kent-Belgian-Dutch-Canadian Club - 34 Byng Ave. Hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free Admission and parking, 25 Dealer Tables (coins and paper money for all interests), hourly draws and a raffle, displays with prizes in 10 categories. Sponsor/Affiliate: Kent Coin Club. For more information contact Lou Wagenaer (President) 27 Peters St. Chatham Ont. N7M 5B2, telephone 519-352-5477, email lwagenaer@cogeco.ca.

APRIL 9 - 10, 2011, Hamilton, ON

TL Coin Show, Sheraton Hotel, 116 King St. W. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$4, seniors/students \$2, young collectors 12 and under free. For more information contact Linda Robinson, telephone 289-235-9288, email lindarobinson@cogeco.ca, or Tom Kennedy 519-271-8825. Website: <http://www.tlcoinshow.com>.





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“ SURE DEATH TO FLIES “ by Fred Freeman

This heading is more of a grabber than my first impulse to put down the following headline “Have you ever been gypped?” However we will presently get to the story of the above headline after we clear up a few personal experiences. One time I was working after four and Saturdays for a small family owned factory in nearby Brantford. The pay was 30 cents per hour, which was the going rate for students in that era. One day the owner came to me and asked if I was going to buy a Victory bond. I explained that my wages did not warrant buying a Victory bond. He replied that there was a 5 cent an hour raise coming my way if I signed up for a \$50.00 bond that could be paid for by a deduction of \$1.00 per week. The advantage to the company was that they could now have a pennant in front of their factory because the employees had signed up for Victory bonds. It was then agreed to buy the \$50.00 bond by payroll deduction. A week or so later, I noticed that my pay cheque was only increased by 20 cents. His excuse- “Oh, I forgot to tell you that your nickel an hour raise only applied to Saturdays.” In recent years, I was on a selling trip to Flint, Michigan when I noticed a sign “50 large shrimp for \$10.00.” I pulled over and bought the bag of shrimp and put them in the freezer at home. Later it was found that they were not giant shrimp but “shrimp” shrimps i.e. tiny shrimps. Due diligence should have taken place on my part. Now lets have a look at the above headline. During the Great depression, a certain city was plagued with an abundance of house flies. Even although money was in short supply the following advertisement brought in many hard earned dollars. “There’s a simple way to rid yourself of those pesky flies.” “Send \$2.00 and we will send you a sure fire way to kill those flies.” “Works every time with a minimum of equipment.” Many people sent in their precious dollars to the box number and eventually received this information by mail- “Take two boards and catch the fly between them and smack them together.” “Works every time.” Needless to say that there were a lot of disgruntled folk when they got this information for their scarce \$2.00. Do you remember when \$2.00 bought 20 quarts of milk, or 40 sizeable chocolate bars or 20 loaves of bread?

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Do you know the difference between a Canadian and a canoe?

Helium is up.

Answer- A canoe tips easily.

Feathers are down.

Florida resort owner -“I will not say that Canadians are cheap, but I often wonder if they exchange their used tea bags.”

Knives were up sharply today.

Doctor- “Your cheque came back.”

Patient- “So did my arthritis.”

Light switches are off.

Boyfriend- “What would you like for your birthday?”

Girlfriend- “A cell phone would be nice.”

Pencils are down a few points.

Elevators are up.

Later the phone rings in a nearby city.

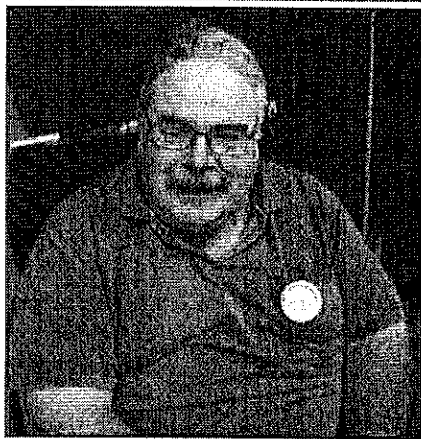
Girlfriend- “How did you find me here?”

Mining equipment hit rock bottom.

Cows are being steered into the bull market.

Balloon prices are inflated.

"Profile of Kenneth Koch a Numismatist, Philatelist, Horticulturalist, and Good Buddy" by Judy Blackman, Oct. 30, 2010



Kenneth Koch (aka "Kenny") was raised in the Stratford area and lived with his Mother until he moved in about 1990. **Kenny's** interest in stamps was peaked in 1958 with some stamps his Mother gave him. As **Ken** lost his eye in 1959 in a snowball accident, learning to strengthen his other eye got him more interested in examining stamps, and by 1960 he was full-swing as a philatelist. **Ken's** dad collected circulated nickels, and got **Ken** started on coin collecting with pennies and a few nickels tossed in. Eventually **Ken** found his way to the *Stratford Coin Club* which he joined in 1964. **Ken** was born in 1949 and raised in downtown Stratford where he lived for nearly 50 years before moving to Kitchener in 1990 for a career change. **Ken** accepted an employment opportunity with *Western Publishing* in Cambridge (producing the little *GoldBooks*), and he figured Kitchener was a mid-point between there and his hometown in Stratford. **Ken** comes from a family of "hoarders" who like to toss money into jars all over the place. At some point during this "hoarding", members of his family deposited a 1913 Canadian \$5 gold coin, a U.S. \$2-1/2 gold coin, and several low mintage silver dollars.

Early in the 1960s, **Kenny** was looking after a rabbit for a couple who went to Lake Huron to holiday in the Grand Bend area, and when they returned, they said they could no longer manage the care of the rabbit and asked **Kenny** to keep it. Hence "*Bugs the Bunny*" became part of the **Koch** family. **Kenny** built a beautiful cage outside, in "*rabbit standards*" in that it had a shingled roof and a light. In the winter *Bugs* enjoyed a nice home **Kenny** made for him in the back winter cellar. *Bugs* was a white and black patched domestic Netherlands rabbit with a bushy tail, and he was very friendly. It was sad when he passed, and the family had a burial service for him. **Kenny** dug down two feet deep in his backyard, put *Bugs* wrapped into a metal box, lowered him into the ground and then put concrete on top of that, and then the earth back and sod. **Kenny** said if the new house owners ever dig deep enough in their backyard, they are going to find a heck of a surprise when they hit that concrete.

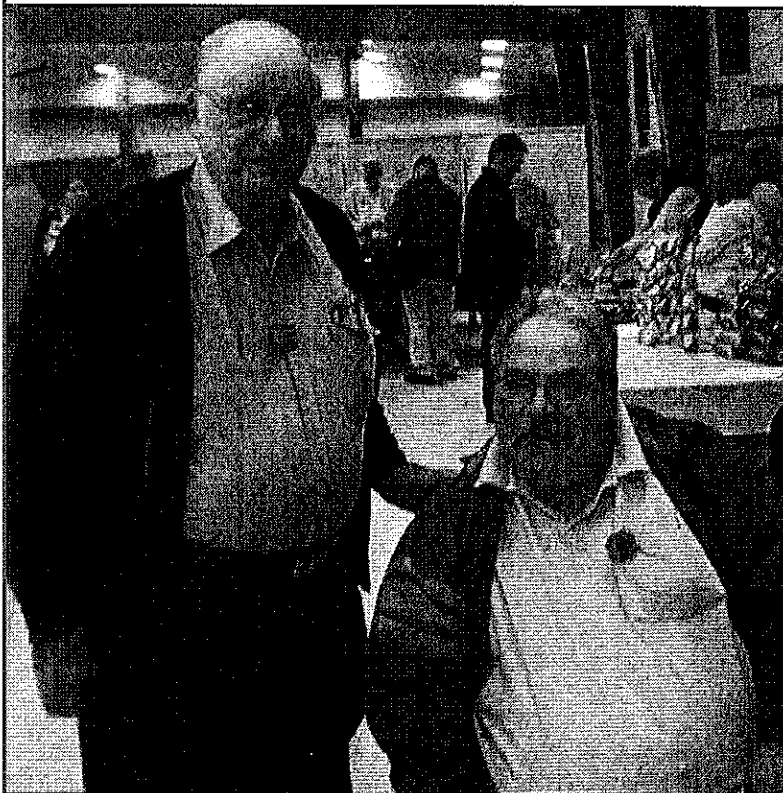
Ken's Mother decided he should join the *Stratford Horticultural Society (SHS)* and she paid the dues which back in the early 1970s was only \$2 a year. **Kenny** began growing vegetables and flowers, and became acquainted with several little garden critters. His Mother's house was 188 x 140 feet so there was no shortage of space to try his gardening skills. When **Ken** left the *SHS* in 1990 the dues were at \$10 a year, today he likens they are probably up to \$50 a year. After moving from Stratford, **Kenny** had gardens where he lived in Southwood by Bleams Road across from Steckley Woods. Today he utilizes the community

Callaloo



plots at the Williamsburg Cemetery (Kitchener) in the back acreage. Generally for vegetables **Kenny** likes to grow carrots, beets, onions and tomatoes and he trades his surplus for other crops grown by other community gardeners. **Kenny's** good friend **Glenn Marshall** knows you cannot find good *Jamaican Callaloo* in Canada, you have to settle for water spinach. So **Glenn** always considers a little is not enough, and so he grows massive crops of *Callaloo* which is a leaf vegetable very popular throughout the West Indies, and got the nickname *Callaloo* (aka Calaloo and Kallaloo because it grows best in the Callaloo region). In the West Indies islands, it's known by many names whether you grow the traditional amaranth or the taro *Xanthosoma*: bhaaji, coco, tannia, or dasheen bush. **Ken** figures **Glenn** grows enough to feed everybody in the City of Cambridge, and certainly **Kenny** has access to plenty whenever he wants. **Ken's** favourite plant to grow is tomatoes, he especially likes the yellow ones as they have more acid in them, and he enjoys brandy wine tomatoes, and cherry tomatoes which he says he pops into his mouth like candy. **Kenny** wants to grow only heirloom tomatoes, and says he has little use for genetically modified food. **Kenny** prefers annual blossoms over perennials, and his favourite flower is *Zinnias Elegans* in multi colours as they attract Hummingbirds and Monarch Butterflies (aka Milkweed Butterflies).

did on-line through Canada Post, all which are guaranteed to arrive shortly. **Ken** suggests that *Waterloo Coin Club* could have done this for their 50th Anniversary and perhaps the *ONA* would consider doing it with the *ONA* crest on it for their 50th coming up in 2012.



Kenny joined the *Stratford Coin Club* in 1964 and would ride with **Ken Wilmot** and about 4-5 others in a car-pool to visit *Waterloo Coin Society*. Anybody who sees **Bruce Raszmann** and **Ken Koch** at the many Southern Ontario coin shows and conventions they both attend, knows they are best buddies having met when **Ken** joined the *Ontario Numismatic Association (ONA)* about 30 years ago. They regular car-pool and invite others like your author of this profile, to tag along, and **Ken** "an expert navigator" must know every short-cut there is, always giving you a scenic trip down country roads and lanes with a winding river or shimmering lake thrown in for good measure, and of course **Bruce** is at the wheel bringing everyone to and from their destination safely. Later after moving to Kitchener 1990, **Kenny** joined the *Waterloo Coin Society (WCS)* in response to **Bruce's** comments about how great the club is, and his past visits with **Ken Wilmot**.

So now where did we leave off, we've learned **Kenny** has been a long-standing member of *Waterloo Coin Society* since 1990, *Stratford Coin Club* since 1964 and the *Ontario Numismatic Association* since

1980. Did you know that *The Grand River Valley Philatelic Association (GRVPA)* was founded in 1969, and has 16 clubs plus *Youth Stampex* as charter members (www.grvpa.com). They reach out to over 600 collectors. Their 16th Annual Club Fair was Oct. 23rd, 2010 10-4:30 at United Kingdom Hall, Dunbar & Hespeler, Cambridge. **Ken** has been Treasurer of the GRVPA for over 20 years. Nov. 13th, 2010 is the *Cambridge Stamp Club (CSC) Annual Show* at Kingdom Hall, International Drive 9:30-3:30 with free admission. **Ken's** also been Treasurer of CSC for over 17 years. **Ken** takes after his good buddy **Bruce Raszmann**, in serving as a treasurer in collector circles. This reaches out to his church too, as **Ken** has been Treasurer since 2007 for *St. Columba's Anglican Church* on Lincoln Road in Waterloo.

Ken's work and hobbies have kept him so occupied in his life, he says he had no time for a spouse and kids, or even a girlfriend or pets, not even a gold fish. He loves his stamps the most, numismatics, treasurer's duties, and reading. Most of all, **Ken** enjoys the many friends that he has made during his travels. **Ken** has a super sense of humour that sneaks up on you, such as his comment about lending me a chisel to bring to the *Stratford Coin Club Anniversary Banquet* Oct. 20th to stamp my mark on the medals, which is typical example of the comic humour of **Ken**.

Much appreciation to Kenneth ("Kenny") Koch for selflessly serving the numismatic and philatelic hobbies for nearly 50 years, and for his camaraderie!

Courtesy of the North York Coin Club

NORTH YORK COIN CLUB MARKS 50 YEARS

BY HENRY NIENHUIS

Members of the North York Coin Club and their guests celebrated the club's golden anniversary on June 8 with good food, good times and good friends at a sold-out banquet at Toronto's Swiss Pick Restaurant.

The banquet opened with a moment very dear to the hearts of the NYCC membership. Life member Lucille Colson was celebrating a birthday, so the banquet was also her birthday party. Anniversary Committee chairman Paul Petch presented her with a card signed by all in attendance and a bouquet of roses. Lucille served as secretary on the NYCC executive for an unprecedented 33 years.



A Message from Lucille Colson:

What a wonderful and truly unexpected surprise it was that the club presented to me last night. There are not enough words to say how joyful I felt to be welcomed so warmly by everyone, to be praised by the kind words and then, to be presented with lovely roses.

My membership in the NYCC has played an integral role in my life. My time on the executive gave me wonderful learning years. Much of what I learned became very useful in other volunteer work and activities. Initially, I was reluctant to become involved, but, in truth, it became one of the best decisions I ever made. And I loved it!

The NYCC Executive benefits from member involvement and I know they are grateful for all assistance. It also makes regular club attendance more meaningful. Is my message getting across?

Since I stepped down, circumstances have prevented my attending meetings, but be assured I greatly miss "My Boys" and I continue to feel honoured by the kindness and respect that is always extended to me.

I do hope the club will find great pleasure as it continues meeting in the new Edithvale Community Centre. NYCC is the best and may it continue to be so.

*Most sincerely yours,
Lucille M. Colson*

Master of ceremonies for the evening and club president Bill O'Brien was presented with a plaque recognizing the club's 50 years of service to the numismatic community by Royal Canadian Numismatic Association Ontario director Robert Forbes and general secretary Paul Johnson. Johnson preceded the presentation with words of praise for the club. The NYCC has been a member club of the RCNA since the club's founding in 1960 and has always maintained strong ties to the national club. A number of RCNA notables have been members of the North York club, including past presidents Louise Graham, Jack Veffer and Dr. Marvin Kay. Paul Johnson and Marvin Kay are both life members of the club.

The keynote speaker for the evening was Toronto historian Mike Filey, an author, *Toronto Sun* columnist and radio talk show host. NYCC member John Regitko, who has known Mike for many years, introduced him. His presentation, "Toronto, Then and Now," was interesting and engaging, bringing back memories of Toronto. Once a municipality of Toronto, North York is now part of the amalgamated Ontario capital. The historian amazed the audience with detailed facts he could recall at his fingertips. A trip down memory lane with Filey proved that Toronto's past is far from boring.

Paul Petch, wearing his hat as the Ontario Numismatic Association president, welcomed club members on behalf of the ONA and reminisced about his experiences as a member of the club. He joined the club as a junior member in January 1962 and still actively serves the club as editor of its newsletter, the *Bulletin*.

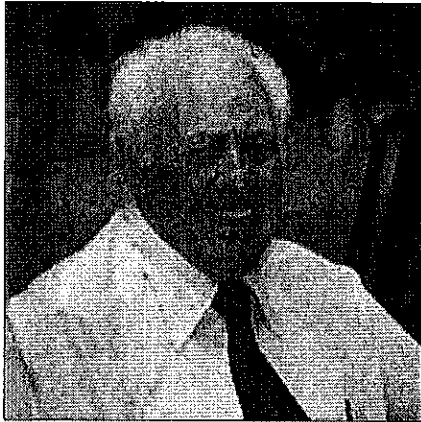
Among the many door prizes — graciously donated by individuals and organizations — drawn throughout the evening were a Double Dollar Proof set from the collection of Dora de Pédery-Hunt, a special three-up "specimen" sheet of a fantasy note on velum that the club released as part of its anniversary celebrations, a year membership in the RCNA and a subscription to *Canadian Coin News*.

As a special memento of the evening, Paul Petch produced a souvenir sheet with a mounted ribbon commemorating the evening.



A highlight of the evening was the presentation of a 50 years of membership plaque by the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association. Club President Bill O'Brien (left) accepts on behalf of the club from Robert Forbes, Central Ontario Director and Paul Johnson, Executive Secretary and also a NYCC club member.

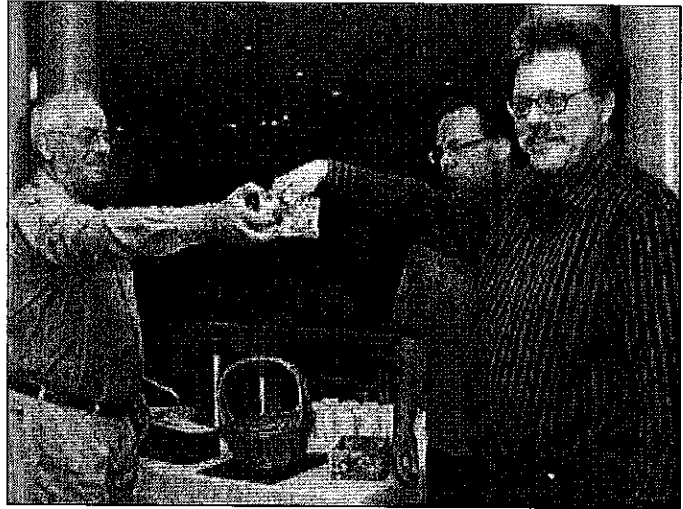
Courtesy of the North York Coin Club



Robert Porter enjoys his time at the banquet. Bob is a long-time member of the club and serves as auctioneer.

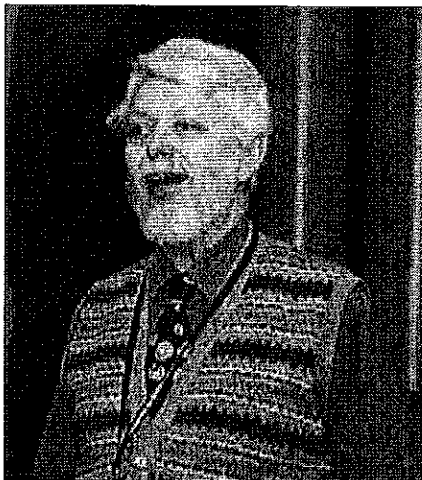


To the right, NYCC Past Presidents Roger Fox (top left) and Bob Wilson are put to work drawing winners in the lucky draw. There was a 50-50 draw to end the evening. Treasurer Ben Boelens holds the tickets while club member Jim Helfetz draws the winner and Bill O'Brien looks on.



Toronto historian and media personality Mike Filey delivers an entertaining and informative after dinner talk with detail on the development of the harbour front. Norman G. Gordon added to the evening by putting on display his collection of all of Mike Filey's books. Mike conceded that even he does not own them all!

To the right, Paul Petch extends congratulations and best wishes from the Ontario Numismatic Association in his capacity as President.



This report by Club secretary Henry Hienhuis also appeared in the July 20 issue of Canadian Coin News.

A happy half-dollar anniversary

Stratford Coin Club celebrates milestone

By Adam Gardiner

A little over 50 years ago, a young man named Frank Smith ran into some "major, major luck."

He had developed an affection for coin collecting and to satisfy his hobby, he tried a method few people, if any, would today going door-to-door and asking people if they had any old coins to give him.

Then one day he made his request to a beautiful young lady who answered the door at 169 Norman Street.

She eagerly told him to come back later and talk to her husband, Ed Anstett, an established collector who was active in the London club. Smith did and in no time, a friendship was born.

"I was very ignorant about coins actually," Smith recalled. "He brought me out and filled me in over the years."

It wasn't long after the two men met that they began working to establish a club in Stratford, supported by two members of the London club, who helped get things off the ground.

Two weeks ago on October 20, the product of their work the Stratford Coin Club celebrated its 50th anniversary with awards, speeches and a visit from Anstett, who served as the Club's first president.

A room full of members and their families applauded Anstett, now 80, and Smith, 69, as they posed for photos and cut a sizeable anniversary cake a far cry from the Club's early meetings, held by a handful of collectors at the Optimist Club and in the basement of City Hall.

The Club meets each month to trade items, plan shows, hear about area news and share in their love of numismatism. A quarterly Club bulletin offers broader industry news and feature stories on various collectibles.

"It's an enjoyable hobby," said Smith, still a member of the Stratford club, who pointed to the fascinating history behind each coin a collector finds.

"[And] the Club opens up a lot of doors to the number of things to collect. It's not about buying and making money, it's about the camaraderie."

"I enjoyed my time here in Stratford," said Anstett, who moved away in June 1967 but kept close ties with the Club, even while he helped establish new ones in Waterloo, Woostock, Ingersoll and

Brantford, where he currently lives.

"Carry on the good work," he told Club members.

To commemorate the milestone, Smith gave Anstett a special Club medallion, which Anstett said he would keep with the 1960 silver dollar he was given at the club's 40th anniversary celebration.

The Club received a congratulatory photo and plaque from the Royal Numismatic Association, and members were given anniversary medallions featuring a special design by Judy Blackman.

The Club currently has 43 members, about half of what it had during its heyday a few decades ago.

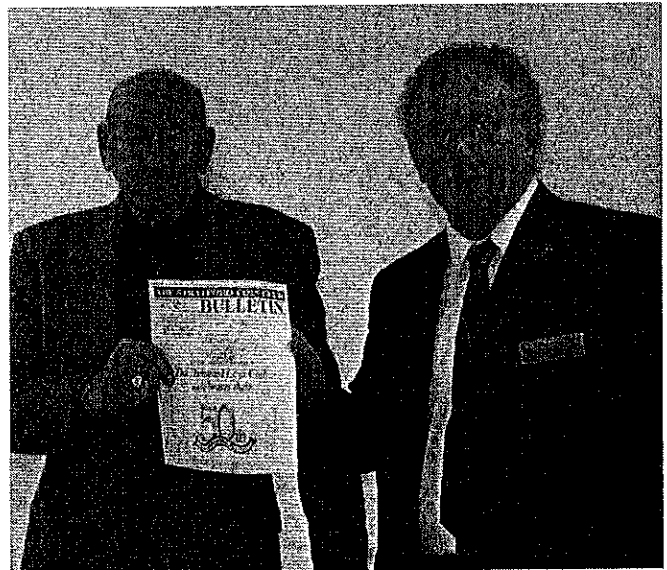
Like many clubs, it's challenged by the need to attract new, younger collectors to replace its aging member base.

"There aren't enough coming on...but we're trying," Smith said.

Anstett said the Internet has changed how numismatists operate, making it easier for them to learn about the value and history of what they collect.

But one thing hasn't changed.

"There's a lot of wonderful people," he said. "[For me], it's been a great ride."

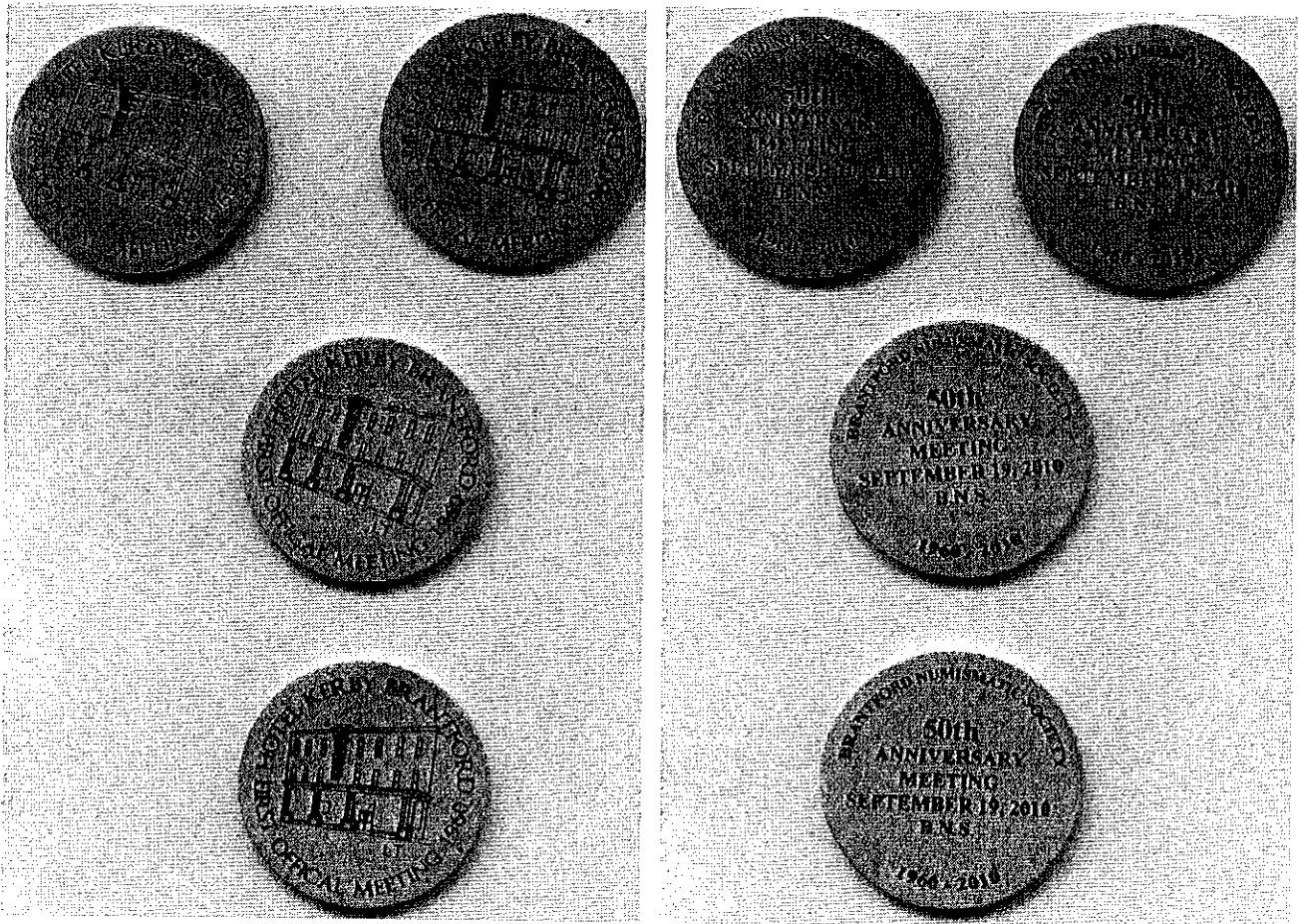


Ed Anstett (left) and Frank Smith with an anniversary copy of the Club bulletin.

Adam Gardiner

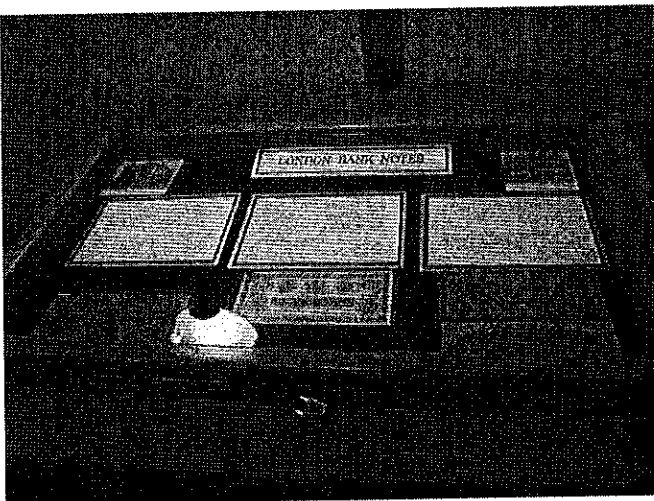
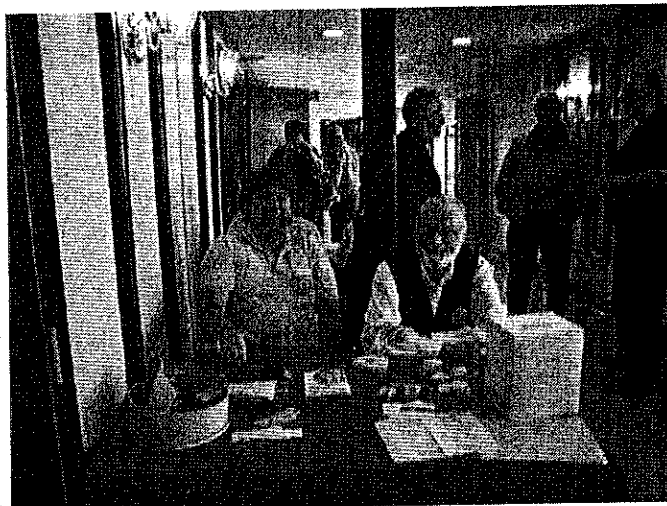
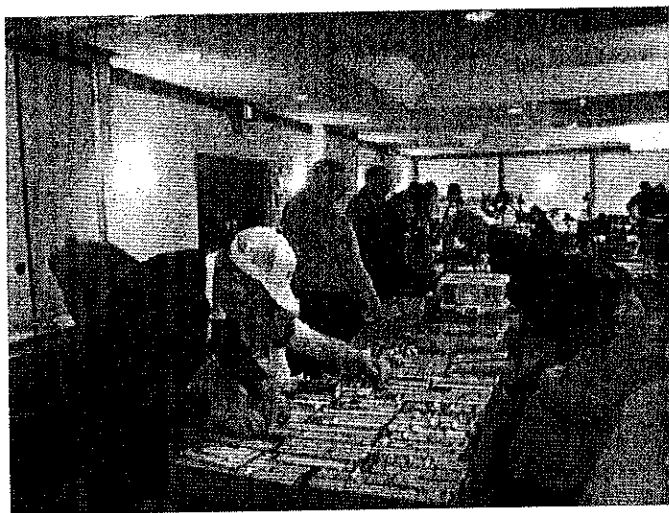
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY 50th ANNIVERSARY BRANTFORD COIN CLUB

Rather than meet at their usual time of 7:30 p.m., Brantford Coin Club held their Sun. Sept. 19th, 2010 meeting at 6 p.m. in order to accommodate the special activities planned to celebrate their **50th Anniversary**. The Woodman Community Centre was booming with excitement by an excellent turnout of members and their guests. The meeting opened with an introduction of several dignitaries in attendance such as: Councillor **Mark Littell**, representing the City of Brantford; **Paul Johnson**, representing the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association (RCNA); and **Paul Petch**, representing the Ontario Numismatic Association (ONA). Food (including pizza and cake) followed with everybody enjoying their meal. Historic club minutes books were on display with the Executive sharing highlights from the 1960's membership meeting. Both humorous and touching stories of the "days gon by" were shared by the floor with all present. Display cases were filled with items connected to the BCC. Thank you to all those who provided these quality exhibits. A lively "better quality" auction took place with a surprise list of entries. Each paid-up membership number (whether in attendance or not) was given a set of four solid coloured commemorative **BCC woods** made by **Canada Wide Woods**. A special "rainbow" commemorative **BCC wood** was only available at this meeting and only to paid-up membership numbers in attendance. The only other way to get the "rainbow" is for a member who was not in attendance, to agree to be a future speaker providing at least a 20-minute presentation to a club membership meeting. There were a total of 500 1.75" round woods made, 100 in each of the four solid colours and 100 of the rainbow. Non-member guests in attendance received a solid wood of a random colour. A great time was had by all! **Congratulations Brantford Coin Club on your Golden Jubilee!**



London Numismatic Society

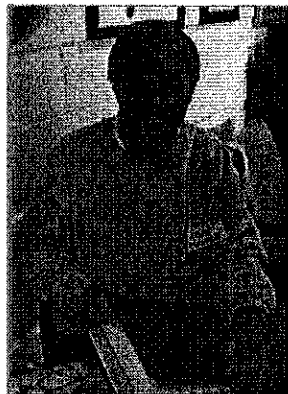
London Numismatic Society held its 18th Annual Coin Show on Sun. Sept. 19th, 2010 once again to much success. This event was open to the public and foot traffic was steady and dealers looked happy. There were terrific numismatic displays on hand as well, and we would like to particularly emphasize the quality of Ted Leitch's 3-cabinet display of primarily 1840-1850's London Bank Notes. Thank you to Len Buth, Tom Rogers, LNS members and other volunteers for putting on this great show.



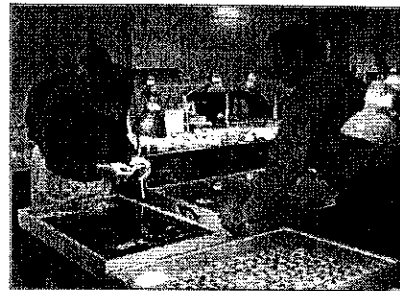
Success Numismatic Stories from South-West Ontario

photos and article by Judy Blackman

On a calm and relaxing Sunday, October 24th, 2010, those who ventured to the *Army Navy Air Force Hall* on Lorne Avenue in Stratford (rather than returning to the *Torex* for a second day), enjoyed a terrific annual coin show put on by the **Stratford Coin Club**. Having gone home near broke, several people had big smiles in joy over the fantastic deals they found at the SCC show. Patrons and dealers also enjoyed full



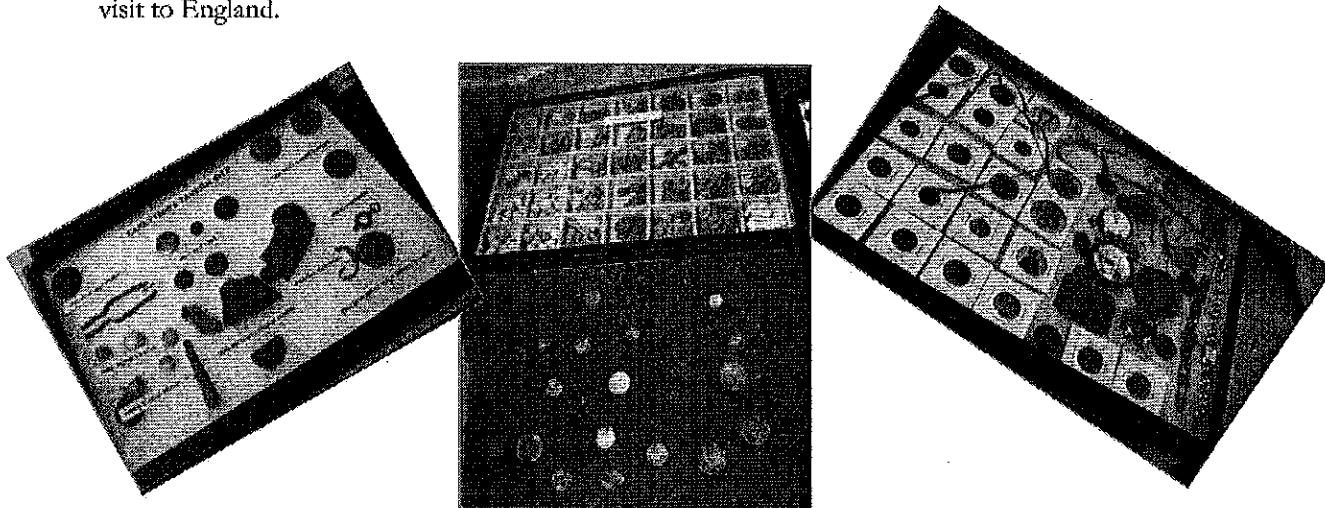
bellies as the ladies in the kitchen provided tasty sandwiches, two types of yummy pie, and the hit of the day was acknowledged by line up after line up for the delicious homemade Chilli-Con-Carne. The **Ontario Numismatic Association** took advantage of this venue to hold its fall Executive meeting in a comfortable room provided courtesy of SCC. On sale at the SCC show reception desk were a few remaining **Stratford Coin Club 50th Anniversary** medals and wafer woods which were grabbed up quickly.



Probably most interesting though, was **Dave Pommer's** unique exhibits. Fresh on his return from treasure-hunting in England, he shared his overseas finds along with local discoveries. These ranged from the 1700s to current year. Many items were jewellery lost by swimmers or divers due to their fingers shrinking under water and adornments falling off. Some were gold rings with beautiful stones. Other were wedding rings including at least one man's gold wedding band engraved with a nice sentiment. You have to wonder if all the rings accidentally slipped off, or in the heat of anger or despair over a lost love, were tossed for closure or a final farewell.



Dave's display even included a gold sovereign in amazing condition, that he said he almost missed as it was covered in thick dirt. There were ships nails, musket balls, lots of interesting currency (especially Victorian silver), and many other proud discoveries. Dave will be doing a presentation on his treasure-hunting at the **Woodstock Coin Club February 10th, 2011** membership meeting, be sure to come out to St. David's United Church 5 Springbank Avenue North Woodstock to learn what you can find during a visit to England.



South Wellington Coin Society Annual Coin Show

by Judy Blackman

South Wellington Coin Society (SWCS) held its Annual Coin Show October 30th, 2010 at the Colonel John McCrea Legion, 919 York Rd, Guelph. Once again SWCS enjoyed a terrific turnout, the new poppy coins went like lightening, and the parking lot was kept full. Several cadets were on hand raising money for the Royal Canadian Legion poppy fund. The campaign is designed to raise funds for needy Canadian ex service members and their dependents as well as Commonwealth veterans of World War II who may be eligible for assistance. I was very happy to acquire many terrific finds especially a Silver Thaler Alsace 1620 (KM-257) and a Roman Empire Julia Mamaea (D235). SWCS has always had a golden touch when it comes to shows, guaranteeing the dealers solid foot traffic so they all go home happy with their show table investment. Their table sell out well in advance of the show date every year!



HE FINDS TREASURE IN FRONT ST. TUNNEL

From a Toronto paper of June 1913

Toronto historian Mike Filey discovered this item while doing research through early Toronto newspapers. He passed it along for inclusion in The Bulletin. It reports that one "H. Radcliffe Unearths Coins Buried for 97 Years." Pictures accompanying the original article have been replaced with better Breton images.

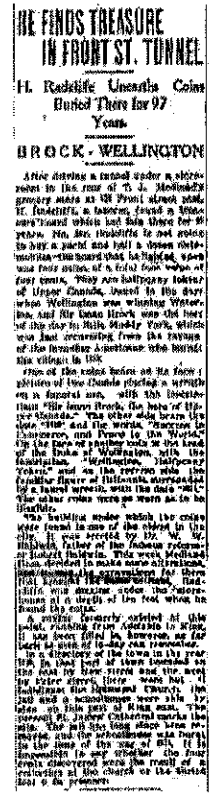
After driving a tunnel under a storeroom in the rear of T. J. Medland's grocery store at 134 Front St. east, H. Radcliffe, a labourer, found a treasure hoard, which had lain there for 97 years. No, Mr. Radcliffe is not going to buy a yacht and half a dozen automobiles — the hoard that he lighted upon was four coins, of a total face value of four cents. They are halfpenny tokens of Upper Canada, issued in the day when Wellington was winning Waterloo and Sir Isaac Brock was the hero of the day in little Muddy York, which was just recovering from the ravage of the invading Americans who burned the village in 1813.

One of the coins bears on its face a picture of two cupids placing a wreath on a funeral urn, with the inscription: "Sir Isaac Brock, the hero of Upper Canada." The other side bears the date "1816" and the words, "Success to commerce and Peace to the World." On the face of another coin is the head of the Duke of Wellington, with the inscription, "Wellington halfpenny Token," and on the reverse side the familiar figure of Britannia surrounded by a laurel wreath, with the date "1814." The other coins were so worn as to be illegible.

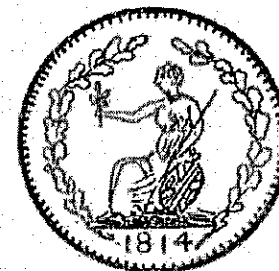
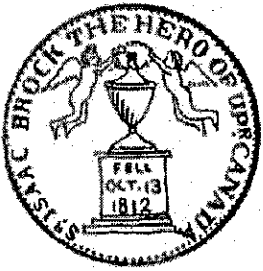
The building under which the coins were found is one of the oldest in the city. Dr. W. W. Baldwin, father of the famous reformer Robert Baldwin, erected it. This week Medland Bros. Decided to make some alterations, and it was the excavations for them that brought the coins to light. Radcliffe was digging under the storehouse at a depth of ten feet when he found the coins.

A ravine formerly existed at this point, running from Adelaide to King. It has been filled in, however, as far back as man of today can remember.

In a directory of the town in the year 1816, in that part of town bounded on the east by New street on the west by Peter street, there were but 3 buildings: the Episcopal Church, the jail and a schoolhouse were side by side on this part of King east. The present St. James' Cathedral marks the site. The jail has long since been removed, and the schoolhouse was burnt in the time of the war of 1814. It is impossible to say whether the four cents discovered were the result of a collection at the church or the buried loot of a prisoner.



Tokens found included Brock, below left, Wellington, below right, and what appeared to be a Bust & Harp obverse in the original article, as pictured above.



LORD GREY

9th GOVERNOR GENERAL

OF CANADA

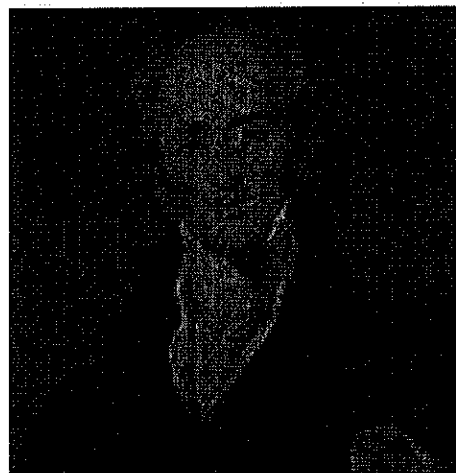
Albert Henry George Grey was born November 28, 1851, to General Sir Charles Grey and Caroline Eliza Farquhar. Members of his family had prestigious and successful political careers based on reform including colonial reform. For example, his grandfather, Charles Grey, 2nd Earl Grey, while prime minister of England, had



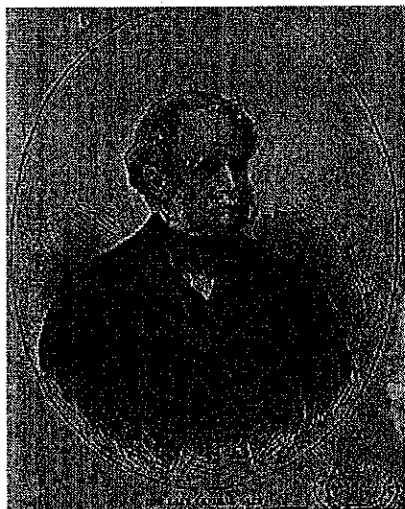
Henry George Grey, 3rd Earl Grey 1802-1894
Secretary of State for War and the Colonies 1846-1852
Courtesy of Wikipedia

championed the "Reform Act 1832," and in 1846, his uncle, the 3rd Earl Grey, was Secretary of State for War and the Colonies during the first term of British

Prime Minister John Russell. His uncle was the first to suggest that colonies should be self-sustaining and governed for the benefit of their inhabitants instead of for the benefit of the United Kingdom.



Charles Grey, 2nd Earl Grey. 1764-1845
Earl Grey as painted by Sir Thomas Lawrence (ca. 1828)
Prime Minister of the United Kingdom 1830-1834
Best known today for a blend of tea



The Honourable Gen. Sir Charles Grey
1804 -1870
Courtesy of Wikipedia

His father, Sir Charles Grey, joined the British Army as a sub-lieutenant in 1820 and commanded the 73rd Regiment from 1833 to 1842. From 1832 to 1837, he was a member of the British House of Commons. In 1836, he married Caroline Eliza, daughter of Sir Thomas Harvie Farquhar. He sailed to Canada with his brother-in-law, John Lambton, 1st Earl of Durham, in 1838. Upon arriving he was named a member of the Executive Council and Special Council of Lower Canada: He investigated the 1837-1838 Rebellion and served until November 1838 when he returned to England. He was promoted to general in 1865. His father also served as secretary to Prince Albert from 1849 to 1861 and as secretary to Queen Victoria from 1861 until his death in 1870.

Courtesy of the Ingersoll Coin Club

Albert Grey was educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Cambridge, where he studied history and law, graduating in 1873. After university, Grey became private secretary to Sir Henry Bartle Frere. Since Frere was a member of the Council of India, Grey accompanied Prince Edward, the Prince of Wales, on his eight month tour of India in 1875. In 1877, he married Alice Holford and together they had five children.



Following in the foot-steps of previous family members, he became a politician and sat in the House of Commons of the United Kingdom from 1880 to 1886. He split with the Liberal Party in 1886 over Irish home rule and became a Liberal Unionist. He was not elected at the 1886 general election. Inspired by the thoughts of Giuseppe Mazzini, Grey became an advocate of imperialism and was one of the founders of the Imperial Federation League which sought to transform the British Empire into an Imperial Federation.

Giuseppe Mazzini 1805–1872, was an Italian patriot, philosopher, Freemason, and politician. He also helped define the modern European movement for popular democracy in a republican state.
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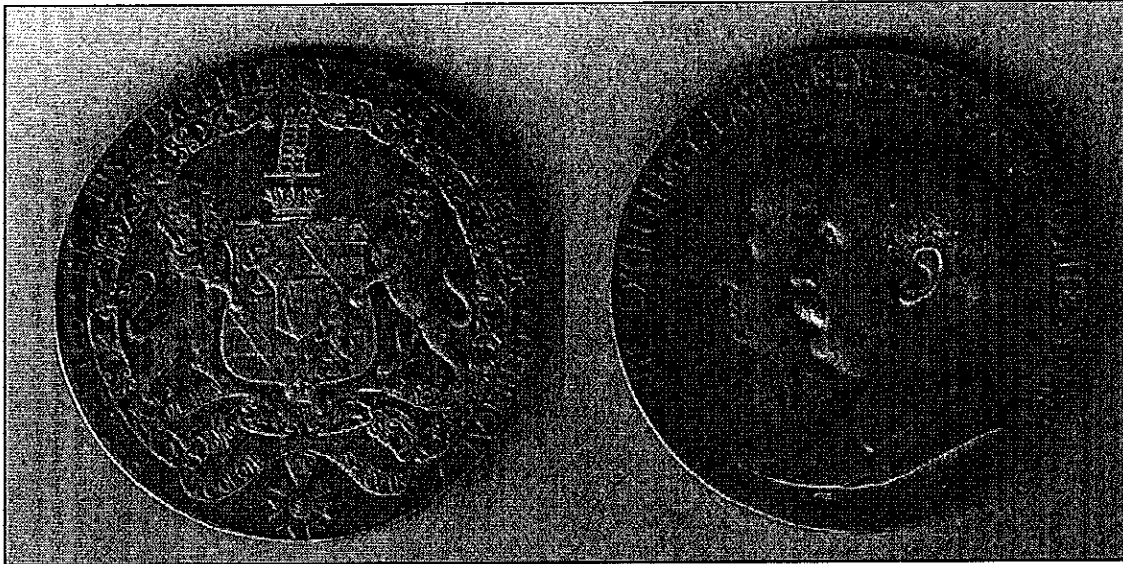
Grey inherited his uncle's earldom and estate in Northumberland and succeeded his uncle as 4th Earl Grey in 1894, taking a seat in the House of Lords. Lord Grey became a member of the Board of Directors of the British South Africa Company in 1895. The following year, Robert Cecil, the British Prime Minister, asked Grey to be the Administrator of Southern Rhodesia. Grey accepted the appointment and headed to Southern Rhodesia. Grey returned to Great Britain in 1898 and became the Director of the British South Africa Company till 1904.

In 1904, the British Prime Minister, Arthur Balfour named Grey as the 9th Governor General of Canada. The appointment came at a good time for Grey since a series of failed investments in South Africa had left him penniless. A gift from his wife's aunt, Lady Wantage, was used to supplement his salary as Governor General.

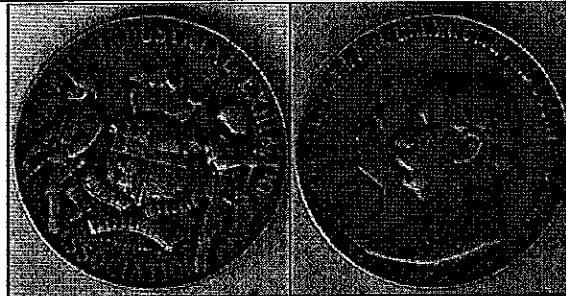
With the passing of the *Militia Act* in 1904, resulted in a second Commission on June 16, 1905, that appointed Lord Grey as "Governor General of Canada and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion of Canada". The change to the *Militia Act* was an important landmark, as it was the beginning of a truly Canadian force, and it reinforced the role of the Governor General as Commander-in-Chief.

Unlike later governor generals, Lord Grey actively attempted to influence Canadian governmental policy. He unsuccessfully urged Prime Minister Sir Wilfrid Laurier to support the Imperial Federation Grey had long promoted. More successfully, he urged Laurier to create a navy, a policy he pushed for years. Grey's persistence in encouraging Laurier to create a Canadian navy bore fruit in 1910 when the Royal Canadian Navy was created by then the Naval Service Act of 1910. The Act was so identified with Grey, that in Quebec, it was referred to as "Grey's Bill" and opposed by Henri Bourassa and his Ligue Nationaliste Canadienne as a result.

Courtesy of the Ingersoll Coin Club



1904-1911 Canadian Governor-General Medal of Earl and Countess Grey
Made of Silver, weighs 60.58 grams, and a diameter of 51mm.
Produced by E. Fuchs



Despite the appearance of Grey on the above medal, he didn't officially open the 1905 Toronto Industrial Exhibition. However, he did open the 1907 and 1911 exhibitions.
Made of silver, 22.02 grams and 38mm.
Produced by P. W. Ellis.
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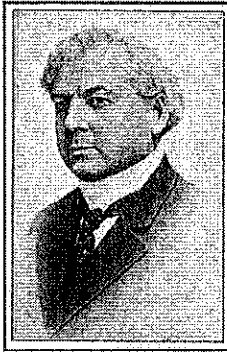
Lord Grey sought to promote culture among Canadians. From 1906 to 1908, he was heavily involved in the Quebec Tercentenary, the celebrations, pageantry, and social functions marking the 300th anniversary of the founding of Quebec City. He also influenced the decision to have the Plains of Abraham, the battlefield where the French and English fought in 1759 which led to the fall of New France, designated a national park in Quebec City. However, Grey again angered the Quebec nationalists who saw the move as a tribute to the British Empire. In 1908, Laurier's government declared the Plains of Abraham a national park.



Grey was determined that the 1908 tercentenary should be a celebration of Franco-Anglo-American friendship and arranged for a ceremony to be attended by the Prince of Wales, American, and French dignitaries. Bourassa and other nationalists complained that Grey had transformed a day intended to celebrate Samuel de Champlain into a celebration of James Wolfe.

Joseph-Napoléon-Henri Bourassa 1868-1952
French Canadian political leader and publisher
Courtesy of Wikipedia

Courtesy of the Ingersoll Coin Club



Grey opposed the head tax imposed on Chinese immigrants to Canada by the Chinese Immigration Act of 1885 and at one point, declined an invitation to visit British Columbia to protest exclusionary measures passed by the government of premier Richard McBride. Grey became concerned about the so-called Yellow Peril and worked with Laurier's government to explore alternatives to the head tax to restrict Asian immigration to Canada. He was nevertheless appalled by the 1907 Anti-Asian Riots in Vancouver British Columbia.

Sir Richard McBride 1870-1917
16th Premier of British Columbia 1903-1915
Courtesy of Wikipedia



Lord Grey traveled throughout Canada extensively, from the Maritimes to the north, and to western Canada. He was the first Governor General to travel to Newfoundland where he met with Premier Robert Bond and issued an invitation for Newfoundland to join the Confederation. However, Newfoundland would have nothing to do with Confederation because of Canada's protest which resulted in Newfoundland's free-trade agreement with the United States to fail in the 1890s.

Sir Robert Bond
Premier of Newfoundland 1901-1909
Courtesy of the Centre for Newfoundland Studies Archives



The Grey's supported the arts, and established the "Grey Competition for Music and Drama" which was first held in 1907. In 1909, he donated the Grey Cup to the Senior Amateur Football Championship of Canada. The Grey Cup is still presented to the champions of the Canadian Football League. In 1963 Lord Grey was elected into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame for his contribution to the game.

The Grey Cup
Courtesy of Canadian Football League

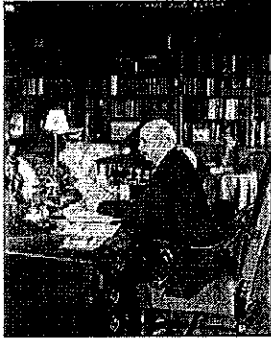
Grey was on hand for the official opening of the Royal Canadian Mint in Ottawa. He had the honour to strike the first Canadian fifty cent coin at the new mint.



1908 Canadian fifty cent coin
Picture courtesy of Heritage Auctions

Courtesy of the Ingersoll Coin Club

Lady Grey was the first spouse of a Governor General to be designated as "Her Excellency," an appellation approved by King Edward VII. She was very interested in her husband's role and duties. Upon his departure in 1911, he sold the State Landau which he had purchased from Lord Northcote, the 3rd Governor General of Australia, to the Canadian government. The carriage is still used for official functions. Lord Grey and his family returned to England, where he became president of the Royal Colonial Institute (now the Royal Commonwealth Society) in London. Grey died at his family residence in 1917.



Lord Grey 1851-1917
Governor General 1904-1911
Courtesy of Library and Archives Canada



Lord Northcote 1846-1911
3rd Governor General of Australia
1904-1908



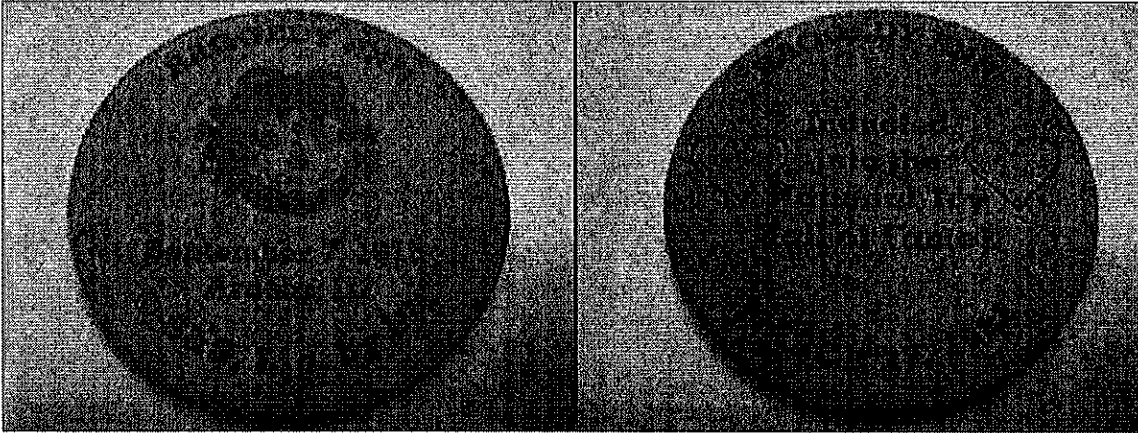
The 1911 Dominion of Canada one dollar note featured vignettes of Lord and Lady Grey.
The above note is listed in Charlton's Standard Catalogue as number DC-18d.

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Raggedy Ann Inducted into the National Toy Hall of Fame March 27, 2002

submitted by Judy Blackman, with courtesy to *The Raggedy Ann and Andy Museum* for the information (http://raggedyann-museum.org/ra_history.html)



In September 2010, I acquired this Raggedy Ann Toy Hall of Fame Wooden Dollar 2" / 48 mm round nickel, red ink both sides, recently from *The Woodsman* in Rancho Viejo, Texas.

Below is the original Raggedy Ann doll and the creator / illustrator Johnny Gruelle.



Figure 1: Raggedy Ann meets Andy for the first time

Raggedy Ann is a fictional character created by American writer Johnny Gruelle (1880-1938) in a series of books he wrote and illustrated for young children. Raggedy Ann is a rag doll with red yarn for hair and has a triangle nose. The character was created in 1915 as a doll, and was introduced to the public in the 1918 book *Raggedy Ann Stories*. A doll was also marketed along with the book to great success. A sequel, *Raggedy Andy Stories* (1920) introduced the character of her brother, Raggedy Andy, dressed in sailor suit and hat. Gruelle created Raggedy Ann for his daughter, Marcella, when she brought him an old hand-made rag doll and he drew a face on it. From his bookshelf, he pulled a book of poems by James Whitcomb Riley, and combined the names of two poems, "The Raggedy Man" and "Little Orphant Annie". He said, "Why don't we call her Raggedy Ann?" Marcella died at age 13 after being vaccinated at school for smallpox without her parents' consent. Authorities blamed a heart defect, but her parents blamed the vaccination. Gruelle became an opponent of vaccination, and the Raggedy Ann doll was used as a symbol by the anti-vaccination movement. Raggedy Ann dolls were originally handmade. Later, PF Volland, a Gruelle book publisher, made the dolls. In 1935 Volland ceased operation and Ann and Andy were made, under Gruelle's permission, by Exposition Doll & Toy Co. (1934-mid 1935 less than 1 yr. production RARE) and without permission (during legal limbo), Mollye's Doll Outfitters (1935-1938), resulting in *Gruelle v (Mollye) Goldman*. From there they were made by Georgene Novelty (1938-1962), Knickerbocker Toy Co. (1963-1982), Applause Toy Co. / Russ Berrie (1983-present), Hasbro / Playskool (1983-

present?), and Simon & Schuster (books and other media - present). Although it is said Raggedy Ann and Andy are now considered in the public domain, scores of handmade Raggedy Ann/Andy dolls have been created since the 1940s to present: 1940 *McCall's Pattern #820 first appeared for a 19-in. dolls, Ann doll comes with cape pattern*; 1945? *McCall's Pattern #914 for Awake/Asleep dolls plus camel with the wrinkled knees*; 1958 *McCall's Pattern #820 appeared with a slightly modified pattern for both dolls*; 1963 *McCall's Pattern #6941 Ann pattern has lost her cape, dolls now come in 3 sizes*; 1970 *McCall's Pattern #2531 Dolls come in 3 sizes but simplified pattern and different hair and face embroidery pattern, loss of button eyes*; 1970? *new McCall's Pattern for 35in dolls plus apron child can wear*; 1977 *McCall's Pattern #5713 HEIGHT of Raggedy mania, identical as previous #2531 pattern, different cover*; and 1982 *McCall's Pattern #8077 re-issue of previous patterns with NEW cover with dolls with different hair color*. McCall's has produced identical #2531 patterns to present date with only a change in cover design. Simplicity Patterns released a licensed doll pattern for a different design doll that included all 4 sizes in the late 90's, though the well-known McCall's Raggedy Ann/Andy pattern was still available. Both patterns are still available today. Many handmade Raggedy Ann & Andy dolls and some knockoff, clones, look-alike dolls or other items will have the "supposed" trademark I LOVE YOU heart. You cannot correctly ID a Raggedy item by this. To correctly ID a Raggedy Ann or Andy item, toy, or doll you must look for a manufacture tag/markings or consult a collector.

The National Toy Hall of Fame is an American hall of fame (New York) that recognizes the contributions of toys and games that have sustained their popularity for many years. Criteria for induction include: icon-status (the toy is widely recognized, respected, and remembered); longevity (more than a passing fad); discovery (fosters learning, creativity, or discovery); and innovation (profoundly changed play or toy design). Established in 1998 under the direction of world renowned science educator Ed Sobey, The National Toy Hall of Fame was originally housed at A. C. Gilbert's Discovery Village in Salem, Oregon, U.S.A., but was moved to the Strong National Museum of Play (now just "The Strong") in Rochester, New York, in 2002 after it outgrew its original home. To date, 45 toys have been enshrined in The National Toy Hall of Fame:

- **Original inductees (1998-99):** The original inductees to The National Toy Hall of Fame were announced in November 1999. Students from nearby Willamette University protested (good naturedly) when they learned that Mr. Potato Head and Barbie's friend Ken were not included. Inducted 17 toys: Barbie; Crayola Crayon; Erector Set; Etch-A-Sketch; Frisbee; Hula Hoop; Lego; Lincoln Logs; Marbles; Monopoly; Play-Doh; Radio Flyer wagon; Roller Skates; Teddy Bear; Tinkertoy; View-master; and Duncan Yo-Yo.
- **Class of 2000:** This year's selections were chosen from a field of 34 nominations by a panel of educators and civic leaders that included Sharon Kitzhaber, wife of Oregon Governor John Kitzhaber. Nominees rejected for the honour this year included G.I. Joe; Original Nintendo; the soccer ball; Beanie Babies; the baseball glove; and the cap gun. Inducted 5 toys: Bicycle; Jacks; Jump rope; Mr. Potato Head; and Slinky.
- **Class of 2001:** Both children and adults created a list of 82 nominees over the past year. A national panel of distinguished educators and civic leaders choose two toys for induction this year, being Silly Putty; and Tonka Trucks.
- **Class of 2002:** There were more than 90 nominees this year, but only these 2 inductees, Jigsaw puzzle; and **Raggedy Ann**, her induction this year came after a full year of campaigning from fans.
- **Class of 2003:** There were only 2 inductees Alphabet Blocks; and Checkers.
- **Class of 2004:** This year seen 3 inductees being G.I. Joe which brand overwhelmed the competition in a Playthings Magazine poll asking which nominated toy most deserved to be honoured; Rocking horse; and Scrabble.
- **Class of 2005:** This year again had 3 inductees Candy Land; Corrugated fiberboard; and Jack-in-the-box.
- **Class of 2006:** This year's nominees were: Atari Game System; Big Wheel; Easy-Bake Oven; Lite-Brite; Fisher-Price Little People; Hot Wheels; Lionel Trains; Operation Skill Game; Pez candy dispenser; Rubber duck; Skateboard; and Twister. Only two of the 12 nominations took their place in the hall that year Easy-Bake Oven; and Lionel Trains.
- **Class of 2007:** This year was back to 3 inductees Atari 2600; Kite; and **Raggedy Andy**.
- **Class of 2008:** The following toys were added in 2008: The Stick - Curators praised the stick for its all-purpose, no-cost, recreational qualities, noting its ability to serve either as raw material or an appendage transformed in myriad ways by a child's creativity; the Baby Doll; and the Skateboard.
- **Class of 2009:** The following 3 toys were added in 2009, the Ball; Game Boy; and Big Wheel.



THE BIRTH OF THE CANADIAN TIRE COUPON COLLECTORS CLUB

by Mike Hollingshead

The CTCCC actually started as a joke. In the years before 1990 Don Robb and I would get together often to discuss programs for the Waterloo Coin Society and the Ontario Numismatic Association. We were collectors of just about everything and we were both passionate about "organizing" clubs and "educating" collectors. Don had a collection of Canadian Tire money and I would sell or trade coupons to him as I had little interest in them at the time. I was later to regret the many great coupons I traded away!! That year I was given a "catalogue" of CTC coupons that was produced by an Ovide Bilodeau from Quebec. I got it from Stan Kosty, who was coin dealer Mike Woronka's brother-in-law and lived in Windsor, Ontario. At the time, both Don and I commented on what a great thing it was that this guy had recorded the coupons in an orderly fashion. There were some real jerks at the time that criticized the catalogue, saying it was incomplete and lacking in this or that. We all run into these clowns in numismatics – always happy to point out shortcomings but never actually doing any work themselves! We got together with Ross Irwin who was the most serious one of our trio. He insisted on doing lots of research and said that we needed to do two things – start a club and convince Charlton to publish a catalogue that would get national distribution.

As friends of John Regitko, the owner of Toronto International Coin Fair, Don and I convinced John to let us hold a meeting at the TICF on September 30th, 1990. This was actually pretty easy because John always liked a good laugh and he was a born promoter! I think John even waived the room fee for us, he was so amused by it all. To stir the pot up a little more, I wrote a letter to the editor of the Globe and Mail's Report on Business announcing the meeting at the TICF. The editor handed the story off to Vivian Smith who contacted me, wrote about 15 column inches and managed to place the story on page 6 of the national edition of the September 11th, 1990 Globe and Mail! That day at work and for several days after my phone rang off the hook from radio stations, newspapers and television wanting "the scoop" on coupons. In the days that followed I grabbed every opportunity to promote the meeting at the TICF! I had to borrow Don Robb's type set of coupons to use for interviews because at the time – I didn't have a collection!

The meeting at the TICF was very memorable for the three of us. Ross gave a nice historical account of CTC and Don ran an auction. Over 70 people attended the meeting! Everyone wanted a club and we formed a tentative slate of officers to get a newsletter in production and started writing articles and issuing membership cards. We even got to meet Ovide Bilodeau in the flesh! We agreed that we needed to hold another meeting soon and figured that the Ontario Numismatic Association's (ONA) annual convention in Oshawa could host us April 27th followed by the Canadian Numismatic Association for a July 28th meeting at the Westbury in Toronto. By this time, many very nice people were on board and asking what they could do to help. Many names come to mind – Jerome Foure, Bob Porter, Ghislaine Memme, Ovide Bilodeau, Roger Fox, Lub Wojtow and Bill McDonald were just a few of the folks and I won't try to list any more for fear of leaving someone out.

Our second meeting at the ONA was truly a great time. Cathy Perry from the CBC radio attended that meeting and it ran as an 8-10 minute story on Radio noon that week (more publicity!). Our meeting was so well attended the ONA organizers had to kick the Canadian Trade Dollar collectors out of THEIR assigned room because we had over 100 people and they had about 15. They were quite ticked off at having to give up their room and created quite a stink. They berated me for weeks afterward, but I always pointed out that they really didn't need a large room for so few attendees and we deserved and needed the largest room. I recall the ONA President Ken Wilmot saying that he should have given them a bottle of rye to shut them up but I think he was mostly kidding!

By CNA time, Ross Irwin had managed to get a catalogue published by Charlton Press and it was launched at the CNA convention. The club bought a large number to distribute to members at a reduced price. It would be followed by a second edition a few years later. The Bilodeau Guide would soon eclipse the Charlton in use by club members. It had a different numbering system and could be updated more frequently.

Over the next months we grabbed every opportunity to exploit advertising and promotion for the club. I had a great interview with Peter Gzowski on the national CBC Radio One program Morningside, also As It Happens nationally, Metro Morning and many others too numerous to mention. In print we appeared in the Guelph Mercury, the Kitchener Waterloo Record and a large piece in the glossy Report on Business magazine, who called me "The King of Canadian Tire" and ran a photo of me looking like Sandy McTire! I enjoyed every minute of the promotions. Andy Warhol once quipped that "Everyone is famous for 10 minutes" but I have always felt that I had a lot more attention than I deserved over the years but thank you none the less.

As the first few years passed, more folks came on board as directors and executive. I felt that I had reached the end of my usefulness to the club and gradually withdrew from active service. I was later to learn that some people gossiped that I had "issues" with the club or the executive but this was simply not true in the least. The truth was I had moved on to other things and felt I had to give the CTCCC free rein to make changes and adapt to new conditions. I didn't want to impede the club or hang around as a "has been". I have always been proud to have been part of a group of people that worked to organize. I met some truly remarkable people through the club and although all of my coupons have now found new homes I still remain an ordinary charter member (CM0000001) of the CTCCC and enjoy knowing the many friends I have retained over the years.

In closing let me wish the club continued success and best wishes. I hope that all of you will step up to the plate to help at some point whether it be on the executive, meetings or simply to stand up to those who criticize the folk who do good work on everyone's behalf.

Best Wishes!
Mike Hollingshead

TOBY'S SWAP MEET – LUCAN, ON – AUGUST 6, 7, & 8, 2010

by Doug Adams #639

The problem with having a swap meet is that when it's over, everyone wants you to do it again. Well, this swap meet was not Toby's first, and from the excitement I don't think it will be his last. It was a first, however, for Toby and Betsy's new location. Here in London we used to rib Toby about living 'way up north', but their new house is just a little further up north. But all the work has paid off in spades. The new house is fantastic. There's a lot more room for Canadian Tire paraphernalia, guests, and even a special storage room for coupons.

The huge driveway was full, and the front lawn was covered with cars – they came from all over Canada. Our East Coast was represented by Mike Hackett and his lovely wife Shirley. Several Ottawa-Montreal-Kingston area attendees included Don Bradt, Lucien Leveque and Lucille Lapointe, Huguette Huryn, Everett and Anne Runtz, Jerome Fourre and Eva Gagnon, Sandy Lipin, Ghislaine Memme, Paul Fitzgerald and Dave Gray.

Other, not-so-far travelers included our President Thayer Bouck, Tom & Lois Rogers, Todd Hume, Ron Wilkie, Roger Fox, John and Virginia Mabee, Bill Symes, Brent Mackie, Doug Adams, Jack Onafrychuk and Terry Pettigrew with his son, Terry Jr. Boy, sure hope I haven't forgotten anyone – if I have I'm very sorry.

The wheeling and dealing started early, everyone was looking for coupons and memorabilia to fill holes in their collection. Actually the wheeling and dealing went on all weekend – it didn't really have a start or a stop time – it was constant. A break in the action on the Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights drifted into a game of Texas Hold'em. A very friendly game – the most you could lose was \$2, and that was payable in coins or CTC script. Toby's kids and grandkids gave most of the older members a lesson in cards!

Around noon on Saturday Betsy and the wives put together a huge buffet for lunch. This was followed by the

cutting of the 20th anniversary cake along with some non-alcoholic champagne. Just before the auction Toby handed out a 20th anniversary Lucan swap meet keychain that he had made for the occasion. The auction was huge, with everything from coupons to beach balls. The mail bids were well represented, but if any attendees really wanted an item, there's a big advantage to being there live. The auctioneer was our own Jerome Fourre, assisted by Lucien Leveque and Toby's grandson Luc who did a super job presenting the lots - à la Vanna White.

Our bashful editor Jerome took time to show off our two recent awards from the RCNA, when to his surprise he became the recipient of yet another award. Our club president, Thayer Bouck, presented Jerome with a beautiful engraved gold and silver wristband as thanks for the hours of dedication Jerome puts in to various club efforts including the award-winning Collector – well done Jerome.

One more item of business was the drawing of the name for the winner of the very special truck that was raffled off. The truck is a store-opening version donated by J.P. Cronier owner of the Hearst Ontario CTC store. The winner of the truck was John Emmett. John was not present; however he happens to live a stone's throw from Thayer, and our president offered to become the messenger of the good news. Congratulations John and thank you J.P.

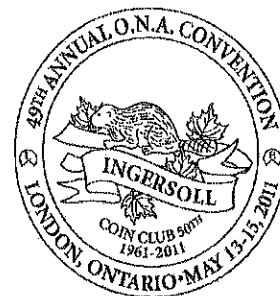
Betsy, with the help of the spouses, started feeding everyone on Thursday evening, all day Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Meals fit for a king. Saturday evening after all the great trading, the camaraderie and the auction, everyone was getting hungry, and Toby and Betsy certainly went all out. Great BBQ ribs, corn and all the 'fixings' brought everyone back for seconds (and some of us for thirds!).

On behalf of the club and all the members who made the trek to attend, our thanks go out to Betsy and Toby for a wonderful weekend – thank you.





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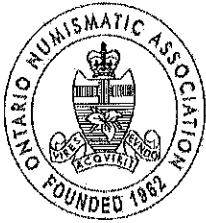
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