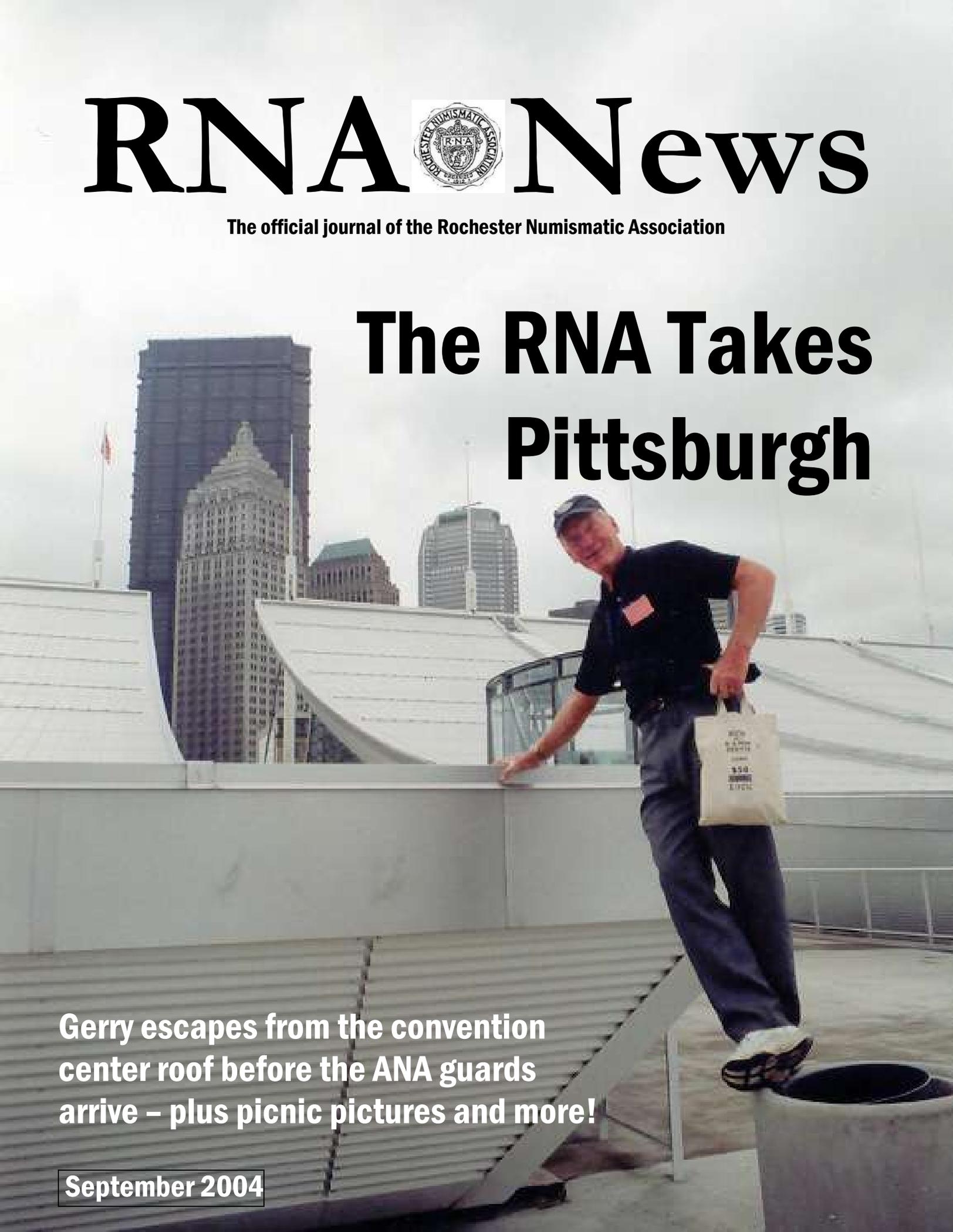


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Gerry escapes from the convention center roof before the ANA guards arrive – plus picnic pictures and more!

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Edie Era Begins

Hello Fellow Numismatists,

I would like to thank everyone for your confidence in me by electing me as your club president. I will do my best to follow the lead of those before me to keep the club active and growing.

Thanks to David Gottfried for his leadership and all the projects completed during his presidency. The new cabinets in the library are great! Stop in and take a look at our next meeting on September 2. He is continuing his work on getting the 2012 ANA to Rochester and updating our Web site. He is also working with Librarian Jason Childers and member Gerry Muhl in reorganizing the library.

As we start a new year, I would like to see the RNA Bylaws reviewed to see if there are any updates needed. This should be done on a regular basis, if only to keep everyone aware that we do have bylaws, which should be followed at our meetings.

Each member should have a copy in his or her possession. If you don't have a copy and would like one, contact Membership Chairman Tim Corio. Please look them over and bring to my attention any areas that you feel need reviewed.

Our August 8 picnic at Wadhams Lodge in Powder Mills Park was well attended, and everyone seemed to have a good time. We had twenty-nine members and twelve guests on the sign-in sheet. I hope most of you received a reminder in the mail. I also called members I did not hear from who usually attend. The White Elephant Auction had many coveted items, and the bidding was strong.

A board meeting was held before the picnic and many topics were discussed; the most important was

that we need to have a committee to work together to put out our newsletter. It is a very time-consuming job, and one person should not be expected to do it all. Soliciting items for publishing, typing these items and getting them to the newsletter editor need to be done in a timely manner. Tom Kraus will be reminding members that we need articles; get them to Edie Coe or Darlene Corio for typing, and they will forward them to the editor. Steve Lanzafame will get it in the mail. If you can help in any of these areas, please offer your assistance.

Scott Fybush has agreed to resume the role as editor, as long as he has help.

Another topic was how to get members and former members to attend more meetings. These suggestions will be put forth at our next regular meeting. Gerry Muhl has agreed to get more publicity for our meetings. If we all work for the good of the club, we can have an even better association!

Don't forget, our next meeting is Thursday, September 2, at 8 p.m. **THAT IS BEFORE LABOR DAY!** I hope Labor Day Weekend activities will not keep you from attending. We will talk about "what we did over the summer." The members who attended the ANA convention in Pittsburgh will be asked to report on the RNA meeting held there and on their other experiences at the show. We will also go over the plans for the 2004-05 season.

I am looking forward to a great year!

Edie Coe

WHAT DID YOU DO THIS SUMMER?

The ANA Invades Pittsburgh

The ANA's National Money Show filled Pittsburgh's David Lawrence Convention Center August 18-22, and the RNA turned out in force!

Members spotted in the Steel City included **John Bailey, Jason Childers, Arthur D. Cohen, Tim and Darlene Corio, Scott Fybush, Nick Graver, Mark Holmes, Carl Klapp, Mike Luck, Gerry Muhl, Douglas Musinger, John Nicastro, Norm Peters, Ed Quagliana, Charlie Ricard, Mitch Sanders, Wayne and Pat Scheible, Ira Stein, Ken Traub, Dan White, Lysle Young, and John and Sheryl Zabel.**

At right, Darlene and Jason pose at the Canadian Mint booth with Mountie Alain Gagnon.



Photos by Tim and Darlene Corio and (above) Jason Childers



At left is a view of Friday's RNA meeting, which 30 people attended (one club member says it was among the best-attended local club meetings in Pittsburgh during the show). At the meeting, the RNA voted in **Richard Nachbar** as its newest member, this being his third reading.

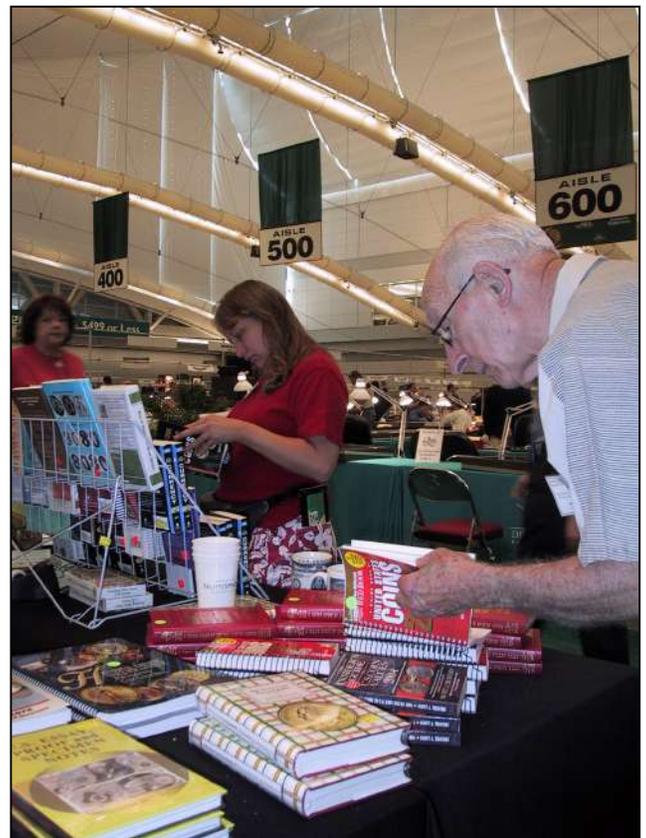
Club history experts present at the meeting believe this makes Richard the very first RNA member to be elected to the club at a meeting outside Rochester...how about that?

Guests at the meeting included ANA governor **Barry Stuppler**, past president **John Wilson**, ANA national YN coordinator **Jim Majoros** and *COINage Magazine* editor **Ed Reiter**, a native Rochesterian and past RNA banquet speaker. Also visiting our meeting was **Weimar White**, who's spoken at the RNA about numismatic preservation. He brought copies of his new book, *Coin Chemistry*, one of which is now in the RNA library. And **Karl Scheible** made a farewell appearance – he's getting out of the hobby, but with quite a bang, having sold off his collection of first-year types of each U.S. coinage denomination, including a 1794 dollar and a 1796 quarter, at the convention's auction.

Above, we see the exhibit area, where **John Stephens** had a display on "Apothecary Tokens." His exhibit not only won best in category – but John also claims the title of Best New Exhibitor and third place for Best in Show. Congratulations, John!

And it wouldn't be a convention without plenty of buying (that's Darlene examining books at right), selling – and RNA officials pushing for the 2012 ANA convention in town. ANA officials say they're still concerned about the size of our convention facilities, but they were impressed by the size of the RNA contingent in Pittsburgh.

(Next year in San Jose, anyone?)



One RNA Picnic – just *One* RNA Picnic



The RNA returned to Powder Mills Park in Perinton on August 8 for its annual picnic, and this time the newsletter editor, the president and the Monroe County Parks & Recreation Department were all in sync and Wadhams Lodge was ready for us.

The barbecue came from Wegmans this time, and just about everything else came from Edie Coe, who made sure the club wanted for nothing this year.

At right, John Bailey watches your editor hawk something or other in the annual White Elephant Auction, where surprises included Wal-Mart gift cards and stuffed animals – the last of

which was most appreciated by picnic newcomer Ariel Fybush, below. (Hey, if I'm going to continue as editor, I reserve the right to include the occasional cute baby picture!)

Another observation about the picnic, made after the fact – this was RNA meeting #1933, so it's a good thing that Bill Coe, "Mr. 1933" himself, was present!



The Odd Page

News and Notes from All Over

Good and Welfare

Our best wishes go out to **Frank Van Zandt**, who fell and broke his hip on August 17. Frank was hospitalized at Strong Memorial Hospital at press time.

We're also pulling for **Jim Sanders**, who spent much of August in the hospital, undergoing radiation therapy and blood transfusions. He was hoping to be home in late August.

And the news is apparently pretty good about vice president **Tom Kraus**, who had several stents inserted in his arteries in mid-August – at last account, he was out walking the dog!

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Our condolences...

...go out to **Ira Stein**, on the death of his son **Kevin Paul Stein**, at 39, on August 7. (Our condolences as well to Kevin's wife Jane and children Samuel and Harrison.)

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Our congratulations...

...go out to past president **David Gottfried**, who showed up with girlfriend **Julie Albright** at the picnic – and since Julie was sporting a big diamond on her finger, that would make her Dave's fiancée! No word yet on a wedding date, and we suspect Julie won't let Dave register for gifts at McLeod Stamp and Coin...

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Missing a type set?

New club member **Richard Nachbar** is trying to track down the rightful owner of a type set of coins that was brought into his dealership in May. The set, housed in a white Capital Plastics holder, includes an 1890-CC half eagle, among others. Nachbar is offering a \$100 reward to anyone who can locate the owner of the set; since it was apparently completed many years ago, he says the owner may not even know it was missing. Contact Richard at nachbar@coinexpert.com or at 716-635-9700.

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The Calendar **October-November**

- **Thursday October 7 - 8 PM - Welcome Back Meeting** In which we talk about “what we did on our summer vacations.” Please note – this meeting takes place BEFORE Labor Day, so don’t forget!
- **Friday October 15 - 7:30 PM - Rochester Junior Numismatic Association** The juniors’ meeting is open to any collector 17 or younger. Contact Junior Club advisor Steve Lanzafame at 288-1932 or unpub@aol.com for information.
- **Thursday October 21 - 8 PM - TBA** See Tom Kraus to sign up for this year’s speaker’s list.
- **Saturday November 6 - Sunday November 7 - RNA’s 32nd Annual Coin Show & Sale** Watch for your November *RNA News* for more information!
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- **Remaining 2004-2005 meeting dates: December 2, December 16, January 6, January 20, February 3, February 17, March 3, March 17, April 7, April 21, May 5, May 19, June 2, June 16**

Regular RNA meetings are held on the first and third Thursdays of every month except July and August at the Eisenhart Auditorium of the Rochester Museum & Science Center, 657 East Avenue. Enter through the Eisenhart or Gannett School doors and follow the signs downstairs to our lower-level meeting room. All are welcome! Call Dave Gottfried at 738-0908 if you need a ride or directions.

RJNA meetings are held in either the ballroom of the Eisenhart Auditorium building or an upstairs classroom at the Gannett School; follow the signs posted on the building’s doors or call Steve Lanzafame at 288-1932 for more information.

The Calendar welcomes meeting notices from other area clubs. Send them to rnanews@fybush.com or PO Box 10056, Rochester NY 14610.

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