

ANA TO CELEBRATE 200,000th MEMBER WITH PRIZE DRAWING

The American Numismatic Association (ANA) will welcome its 200,000th member this fall, and is conducting a new-member contest to celebrate the occasion.

"Everyone who joins the ANA, and every individual or club who sponsor a new ANA member between September 17, 2001, and January 31, 2002, automatically will be entered in the drawing," says ANA Membership Director Rudy Bahr.

The first-prize winner and his or her guest will receive a choice of four nights at the New York Marriott Marquis Hotel, site of the ANA World's Fair of Money® next summer, or a one-week scholarship for Summer Seminar 2002 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Second prize is a 2000 one-ounce gold American Eagle, and third prize is a \$100 gift certificate from the ANA MoneyMarket hobby supply catalog.

"In October 1891, the ANA started with five people meeting in Chicago," Bahr says. "Since those founding days, more than a century ago, the ANA - America's coin club - has enlightened, entertained and informed tens of thousands of collectors around the world.

"Every day is a good time to join or sponsor a membership in the ANA," Bahr adds. "This contest to name our 200,000th member makes it an opportune time to be part of the organization that does the most to promote the hobby and science of numismatics."

All members receive the Association's award-winning, monthly journal, *The Numismatist*, access to more than 40,000 books, videos and slide sets in the ANA Library, and many other member benefits. New members also receive the ANA learn-at-home video "Grading Mint-State Coins" produced by ANA's School of Numismatics.

Contest rules prohibit ANA staff, officers, members of the Board of Governors and their families from participating in the drawing. The contest is void where prohibited.

For more information or a membership application, contact the ANA Membership Department at 818 N. Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3279; telephone 719/632-2646; fax 719/634-4085; E-mail at membership@money.org; or visit the ANA web site at www.money.org.

The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally chartered nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging people to study and collect money and related items. The ANA helps its 28,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of education and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars. For more information, call 719-632-2646 or go to www.money.org.