

ANA BUILDING FUND TOPS \$200,000 AS CAMPAIGN PICKS UP DONATIONS

Donations and pledges for remodeling the museum and library of the American Numismatic Association (ANA) have topped \$200,000, as the "ANA Target 2001" pledge drive gains momentum.

"We continue to gather interest and excitement for our major remodeling," says ANA Executive Director Edward C. Rochette. "We have big pledges in the thousands of dollars and little donations of \$5; all are important if we are to achieve our goal of raising \$3 million to complete this important project."

When finished this summer, the remodeled ANA Money Museum and Library will stimulate visitors' interest in numismatics with intriguing windows on the worlds of history, art, geography, religion, economics, sociology and architecture. In addition, the ANA web site (www.money.org) will feature virtual exhibits based on the ever-changing displays in the museum.

"Among the hundreds of donations and pledges we have received thus far, more than \$9,300 worth has been made in memory of ANA Past Vice President Helen Carmody-Lebo, who died in January," Rochette says. "We are planning to name the new conference room/ Hall of Fame in her honor."

Current ANA Vice President John Wilson also has requested that donations to ANA Target 2001 building fund drive can be made in memory of his father, John "Jack" M. Wilson, who died March 13.

More than two dozen ANA-member clubs and organizations have donated to the building fund, contributing more than \$15,000 thus far. Florida United Numismatists (FUN) has contributed the most of any member organization (\$10,000).

The largest donations in recent months are from J. Roy Pennell, who contributed \$20,000 to the building fund drive through the Foothills Community Foundation. Pennell, Adrian Ross and George Tillson, who pledged \$10,000 in stock, will be listed at the Platinum Level -\$10,000 and up. Donors at the Platinum Level receive two VIP numismatic tours guided by ANA Executive Director and raconteur Edward C. Rochette; designation as "honorary general chairman" of an ANA convention of the donor's choice; a table at the gala blacktie dinner and silent auction of special numismatic material; recognition on the donor wall in the remodeled entry plaza; a donor plaque; an "early entry" pass to the next three years of ANA convention bourses; two limited-issue ANA commemorative silver medals; recognition in The Numismatist; and a banner ad on the ANA donor web page.

Delaware Valley Rare Coin of Broomall, Pennsylvania, a title sponsor at last year's recordsetting ANA World's Fair of Money® in Philadelphia; and Robert Hendershott, who at 102 years old just celebrated his 70th anniversary as an ANA member, are donors at the Gold Level - \$5,000 and more. Gold Level donors receive two tickets to the gala dinner and auction; recognition on the donor wall; a recognition plaque; an "early entry" pass to the next two years of ANA convention bourses; two commemorative medals; recognition in The Numismatist; and a link on the ANA donor web page.

Recent pledges at the Silver Level - \$1,000 and more - include the Austrian Mint; Lucien Birkler; ANA Past President Kenneth E. Bressett and his wife, Bert; ANA Chief Financial Officer Ruthann Brettell; ANA President H. Robert Campbell and his wife, Carol; the Colorado-Wyoming Numismatic Association; Glenn DeSpain; Robert Fritsch; Bill Shamhardt; Silver Towne; Stephen Tebo; A.J. Tieszen; the Weiss Foundation; and Walter E. Woelper. Donors at the Silver Level receive recognition on the donor wall; an "early entry" pass to the next year's ANA convention bourses; one commemorative medal; and recognition in The Numismatist and on the donor web page.

Recent donors at the Bronze Level (\$500 and more) include Dorothy Baber; Patrick Bobay; Joseph E. Boling; British Royal Mint, Michael Capen; Gary Chilson; Jim Darden III; Barry Donnell; Jerome E. Dummer Jr.; ANA Governor Tom Hallenbeck; Lowell Kessler; Julian Leidman; Scott T. Loos; Paper Money Collectors of Michigan; John Pottage; Allan Rosenberg; Tin Tai; Scott Travers; and Women in Numismatics (WIN). Donors at the Bronze Level receive recognition on the donor wall; one commemorative medal; and recognition in The Numismatist and on the donor web page.

To make a donation, contact the American Numismatic Association, 818 N. Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3279; telephone 719/632-2646; fax 719/634-4085; E-mail rochette@money.org.

For more information about ANA Target 2001, contact ANA Governor Barry Stuppler at 5855 Topanga Canyon Blvd., #330, Woodland Hills, CA 91367; fax 818/594-8599; or E-mail ANA2001@coinmag.com.

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