

Contursi Offers New ANA Members One Year Free

(Dana Point, California) – New members of the American Numismatic Association can save \$36 on their initial dues in an ANA program geared to increase ANA membership, and funded by Rare Coin Wholesalers of Dana Point, California. The company will pay the second year of dues when new members apply for a one-year membership.

"I believe in the ANA, and every collector should, too. The ANA offers excellent educational benefits for all levels of collectors from beginning to advanced," said Steven L. Contursi, President of Rare Coin Wholesalers and a life member of the ANA.

"In the busy commercial marketplace, some collectors and dealers overlook or forget about the outstanding programs the ANA conducts. We would not have such a strong hobby or marketplace today without the American Numismatic Association," he said.

Contursi and ANA officials began informally discussing a possible membership promotion earlier this year.

"I would like to see several thousand new members by this year's convention in Denver in August. This is an investment in the hobby," Contursi stated.

ANA President William H. Horton Jr. praised Contursi and Rare Coin Wholesalers for their support: "I hope additional ANA member-dealers follow his lead in promoting our organization and hobby. It will be good for everyone."

To obtain the free second year of ANA membership, new applicants can simply write, "RCW," on their membership application. Or, they can download a special ANA membership application form on the Rare Coin Wholesalers web site, www.RCW1.com.

"This program is for people who have not been ANA members, giving them the opportunity to experience the benefits the ANA has to offer. It is not available for renewing or lapsed members of the ANA," explained Chris Cipoletti, ANA Executive Director.

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.