

## **WALTER OSTROMECKI JR. AND GALLERY MINT MUSEUM RECEIVE ANA EXEMPLARY SERVICE AWARDS**

The American Numismatic Association (ANA) Exemplary Service Award is presented for services performed on behalf of the ANA.

First conferred in 1991, the ANA Exemplary Service Award is presented to an individual, club or corporation, firm or association whose services to the ANA are deemed "above and beyond the call." The 2000 recipients are Walter A. Ostromecki Jr. and The Gallery Mint Museum.

**Walter A. Ostromecki Jr.** is a great supporter and promoter of numismatics in his home state of California. Currently serving as the National Coordinator for the ANA's Club Representative Program, Ostromecki has spent many years writing about the hobby for a wide variety of local and national publications, and serving on the boards of many numismatic organizations.

Ostromecki has held office in a number of local and regional organizations, including presidency of the Shamrock Coin Club, West Valley Coin Club, Bay Cities Coin Club, Los Angeles Coin Club and the Numismatic Association of Southern California. He also has volunteered his services at area coin shows, including the duties of general chairman.

**The Gallery Mint Museum** in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, was founded nearly a decade ago by Ron Landis and Joe Rust to re-create the art, history and technology of early coin-making techniques. Its goal is to show the evolution of coin-making technology from ancient Greece and Rome to Medieval, Renaissance, early American and the Industrial Revolution.

By working with the actual technology available at different periods of history, The Gallery Mint Museum aims to gain a better understanding of the problems faced by early coin makers.

Earlier this year, The Gallery Mint Museum leant its collective talents to assist the ANA in refurbishing the United States Mint's first steam press for display an demonstration at the Association's 109th Anniversary Convention and the ANA Money Museum in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

In bestowing the Exemplary Service Awards, the American Numismatic Association presents a certificate to each recipient and expresses the sincere appreciation of its members.

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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,

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