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ANA BUILDING FUND TOPS \$100,000 AS CAMPAIGN BEGINS NEW YEAR

Donations for the remodeling of the museum and library of the American Numismatic Association (ANA) have topped \$100,000, as the "ANA Target 2001" pledge drive enters the new year.

"We are off to a great head start in our fund-raising efforts," says ANA Governor and fundraising committee chairman Barry Stuppler. "Our committee is hard at work trying to raise the \$3 million needed to complete this important project."

When finished in the summer of 2001, 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.

Recent pledges and donations at the Platinum Level - \$10,000 and up - have come from ANA Life Member John Nebel and the Royal Canadian Mint, which is working with committee member Jerry Morgan of Scotsman Coin and Jewelry in St. Louis, Missouri. The Mint is selling sets of "test" coins used in trials by the vending industry in 1999. The limited-issue sets sell for \$67.95, and Morgan says \$5 from every sale of at least 2,000 sets will go toward the ANA's building project, for a total gift of \$10,000.

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; two tickets to the gala black-tie 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.

ANA Past Governor Bill Fivaz and an anonymous donation of stock valued \$5,010 are donors at the Gold Level - \$5,000 or more. Donors at this level 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 donors at the Silver Level - \$1,000 or more - include ANA Past Vice President Scott Travers; ANA Governor Kay Edgerton Lenker; ANA Executive Director Edward C. Rochette; ANA Historian Arthur M. Fitts III and his wife, Prue; Dr. Craig Blackstone; Lucien L. Birkler; and Charles Hosch. 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.

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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