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PCNS Papers Submissions

PCNS is accepting entries for its Annual Papers Contest.

Original research, insights, clarification, and overview or introductory articles are all encouraged. Participation is open to all. Membership in PCNS is not a requirement.

Annual Papers Contest Rules:

1. Only original previously unpublished writings on numismatic topics may be submitted.
2. Format: papers may be submitted electronically as either a plain text file or a Word.doc file. Participants who lack electronic access should contact the society for other arrangements.
3. Coverpage: papers should include a separate coverpage containing the title of the paper, authors' name(s), address, phone number, and email address (for our contact information, not publication).
4. Illustrations* — including all photos, charts, tables, drawings, etc. — should accompany the text, complete with any captions or descriptions which are needed for their interpretation and understanding by readers. Notes within the text should indicate where illustrations are to be placed (e.g. figure 3 here). Information on the original size of numismatic items should be included to aid in the publication of illustrations. Do not submit your images embedded in a text or Word file or the body of the paper. Images must be separate files for us to manage for publication. Do not add shadows, borders, or other effects to images, and prepare obverses and reverses of numismatic objects as separate image files of the same size and resolution.
5. Sample Papers Publication CoverQuotes must be properly credited. Material quoted from any published work or authority should be cited in endnotes or footnotes which should appear at the end of the paper (not at the foot of each page). If appropriate, include a bibliography or reference list of related books after any endnotes.
6. Length of papers is not specific, but generally papers should be at least two double-spaced pages of type (not counting title page, illustrations, endnotes, and bibliography). Longer papers are acceptable, but writers who are contemplating papers which may exceed 12 double-spaced pages of text are cautioned that space limitations may affect our ability to publish it in a printed format.
7. Deadline for the submission of papers for the annual papers contest is the April meeting date of each year.
8. Judging will be done by a panel of at least three judges selected by the Papers Chairperson. Judges will be directed to consider the following in making their recommendations:
 - (a) contribution to numismatics, (b) clarity, and (c) interest.
9. Awards will be presented at the annual PCNS banquet. Participants may submit more than one

paper, but only a single award can be presented to a participant each year. The first prize recipient will receive an engraved silver PCNS medal. The author of the second place paper will receive an engraved bronze PCNS medal. All participants will be recognized in print, and all papers which are selected for publication will be distributed to the members of PCNS as part of their membership benefits.

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