

Money Museum Hosts Free Event to Celebrate National Coin Week

The American Numismatic Association (ANA) and its Money Museum will celebrate National Coin Week, April 16-22, with an array of activities, including an open house with free admission and special events on Saturday, April 22 from 10:30 am to 5 p.m.

This year marks the centennial of the United States' involvement in "The War to End All Wars," World War I. To honor the connection between numismatics and the military throughout history, the theme for this year's event is "Conflict and Courage: Money and the Military." The 94th annual event focuses on everything from ancient coins celebrating battles, to siege money of the Renaissance, to scrip, MPCs and commemorative coins from around the world.

Open House Events

- Free admission to the Money Museum, located at 818 N. Cascade Ave, adjacent to Colorado College and the Fine Arts Center. The museum's four galleries include the most complete collection of U.S. gold coins ever assembled; an exhibit dedicated to the history of money, including examples from ancient times; an exhibit focused on the history, ideals and pageantry of the Olympics; and a kid's zone.
- Mini-Mint demonstrations throughout the day. All attendees can receive a freshly-minted National Coin Week medalette.
- Attendees will be challenged to answer numismatic questions for a chance to win silver coins.
- The Prize Wheel, where every child can spin to win a prize.
- A raffle drawing to win 30 seconds in the Cash Cube, where the winner gets to keep all the cash he or she can grab.

Visitors to the Money Museum see rare numismatic treasures such as the McDermott/Beebe specimen 1913 Liberty Head nickel valued at \$2 million, and two of the 15 known 1804 dollars valued together at \$6 million; rare Syracusan dekadrachms (Greek coins) from the fifth century B.C. designed by two of the most celebrated engravers of the ancient world; a 1936 Berlin Summer Olympics bronze medallion designed by the famed Karl Goetz; and a complete set of award medals from the 1996 Atlanta Summer Olympics and 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics courtesy of the U.S. Olympic Committee.

For additional information, email ncw@money.org, call 719-482-9814, or visit www.nationalcoinweek.org.

The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally chartered, nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging the study and collection of coins and related items. The ANA helps its 25,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of instructional and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications and conventions. For more information, call 719-632-2646 or visit www.money.org.