

## **Colonial Williamsburg's Numismatic History Comes To Life in Special ANA Seminar and Tour**

The American Numismatic Association (ANA) is offering a special seminar on 18th-century numismatics at Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia, immediately following the ANA World's Fair of Money<sup>SM</sup> in Baltimore this summer.

"We are looking forward to a wonderful exploration of colonial America numismatics in a place resonating with the history of those early days of America," says Gail Baker, ANA director of education. "We have offered classes on this topic by some of the finest colonial specialists, but never have we had the opportunity to do so with leading experts in such an ideal historic setting."

Williamsburg served as the capital of England's Virginia Colony from 1699 to 1780. A year later, the local government moved to Richmond and the colonial village, where the fiery seeds of liberty were sown, quietly receded into the background. In 1926, at the urging of the Rev. Dr. W.A.R. Goodwin, John D. Rockefeller Jr. began buying up the houses, shops and other buildings, most on their original foundations, to restore the community to a living history center. Today, the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, a private, not for-profit educational institution, continues to preserve and interpret the historic area.

Limited to 20 participants, the ANA seminar will be led by Erik Goldstein and Richard Doty, numismatic curators at Colonial Williamsburg and the Smithsonian Institution, respectively, and colonial numismatic specialist John Kraljevich of Bowers and Merena Galleries. They will provide a view of the historic community's famous collection of Colonial and Continental paper money, as well as other money from the era, including French, Dutch and Spanish pieces; Massachusetts and New England silver; Colonial copper coins; and much, much more.

Students in the seminar also will go behind the scenes at the DeWitt Wallace Museum's Collections and Conservation Building for demonstrations in the state-of-the-art conservation areas, photography studios and archives.

The ANA seminar is scheduled for August 3-6. Tuition includes admittance to all general sessions, a welcome reception and graduation banquet, a "Freedom Pass" for Colonial Williamsburg's historic buildings and activities, dinner at one of the famous taverns on Duke of Gloucester Street and three nights' lodging at either the Williamsburg Lodge (inside the historic district) or nearby Woodlands Hotel.

Per person costs for the ANA seminar and standard accommodations at the Williamsburg Lodge are \$699 for double occupancy and \$924 single. For deluxe accommodations at the lodge, the per person costs are \$824 double occupancy and \$1,124 single. Per person costs for the seminar and rooms at the Woodlands Hotel are \$674 double occupancy and \$874 single.

To register, or for more information, contact the ANA Education Department, 818 N. Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3279; phone 719-632-2646 ext. 153; fax 719 634-4085; e-mail [education@money.org](mailto:education@money.org); or visit the ANA web site at [www.money.org](http://www.money.org)

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