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Wide Variety of Educational Programs Set for ANA Show in Atlanta

Educational programs will cover topics from local to international interest for new and seasoned collectors at the American Numismatic Association National Money Show[™] in Atlanta, Georgia, April 7-9.

"We offer a wonderful opportunity for anyone to learn how numismatics can teach us about culture, art, science and history," said ANA Outreach Director Lane Brunner, Ph.D. "There are learning opportunities for everyone from new collectors to seasoned professionals."

Free Numismatic Theatre presentations range from "Coin Collecting Basics" and "The Untold Story of Confederate Coins" to the ever-popular "What is Black and White and Read All Over?" – an introduction to the "Guide Book of United States Coins" by David Crenshaw and special guest Kenneth Bressett.

At 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. April 8, a Boy and Girl Scout collecting clinic will introduce scouts to numismatics, from state quarters to world coins, and help them complete requirements for their respective badges. To register, call 719-482-9869.

Before the show begins, on April 5-6, the ANA will present two-day seminars on "Introduction to Counterfeit Detection of United States Coins," and "Fundamentals of Grading United States Coins." The seminars are \$345 each. For more information or to register, call 719-482-9826.

ANA's Numismatic Theatre presentations incorporate slide, video or computer-aided visual programs. All presentations will be digitally recorded by David Lisot of AdVision, and will be available for loan from the ANA Library. Contact ANA Outreach at 719-482-9869 or <u>outreach@money.org</u> for more information on course content.

Numismatic Theatre Schedule

Friday, April 7, 2006

11 a.m. – "Coin Collecting Basics" with ANA Outreach Director Lane Brunner, Ph.D., who will give a fun and informative introduction to collecting coins.

1 p.m. – "The Untold Story of Confederate Coins" with James P. Bevill, reveals how Confederate coinage survived to tell a tale of intrigue and politics.

2 p.m. – "Where is the ANA Going? Why are we Changing and What Does it Mean to You?" by ANA Executive Director Chris Cipoletti, discusses the ANA's vision and future.

4 p.m. – "Coins and Commerce Along the Silk road; 5th to 7th Centuries" by ANA Gov. Prue Morgan Fitts, takes attendees on a 5,000-mile journey on the fabled Silk Road.

Saturday, April 8, 2006

10 a.m. – "Parthia: The Forgotten Empire" by ANA Money Museum Curator Douglas A. Mudd, explores an almost-forgotten group of nomadic horsemen who were able to conquer, rule and survive for 400 years during the Roman Empire.

11 a.m. - "Coin Collecting Basics."

1 p.m. – "A Celebration of Survival in Coins" by Scott A. Travers, who explores how "survival of the fittest" applies to today's coin market.

2 p.m. – "Take the Mystery Out of Grading America's Most Popularly Collected U.S. Coins" by Coin World Editor Beth Deisher, demonstrates how to enhance collectors' ability to grade.

3 p.m. – "Find a Fortune in Silver Dollars!" by ANA Gov. Michael S. Fey, Ph.D., and Jeff Oxman, teaches the secrets of successful Morgan variety collecting.

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4 p.m. – "What is Black and White and Read All Over?" by David Crenshaw and Kenneth Bressett, explores the 60-year history of the "Red Book" and why it made author R.S. Yeoman a publishing legend.

Sunday, April 9, 2006

11 a.m. - "Coin Collecting Basics."

The American Numismatic Association is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to educating and encouraging people to study and collect money and related items. With nearly 33,000 members, the Association serves the academic community, collectors and the general public with an interest in numismatics. The ANA helps all people discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of programs including its education and outreach, museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars.

For more information about the ANA, call 719.632.2646 or visit <u>www.MONEY.org</u>.