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ANA announces World's Fair of Money workshops and seminars

The American Numismatic Association will offer a variety of classes, workshops and seminars, catering to all ages and interests, before and during the Baltimore World's Fair of Money®, July 30 to Aug. 3.

Educational programs begin with a variety of pre-convention seminars on July 28-29, and continue throughout the show.

Technical Series

The Technical Series courses teach hobbyists essential skills that will allow them to evaluate and authenticate coins with confidence. The following two-day courses will be presented from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 28-29:

- Forensic Numismatics: Detecting Counterfeit and Altered U.S. Coins
- Fundamentals of Grading U.S. Coins

Cost for Technical Series seminars is \$345 for ANA members; there is a \$50 life member discount and a \$50 early registration discount (before July 1). Cost is \$445 for all others.

Collector Series

Collector Series courses give hobbyists a well-rounded introduction to a specific area of the hobby.

- Advanced Morgan Dollar Study, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 28-29
- Numismatics of Colonial America, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 1
- Overview of Post-Civil War Tokens, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 1

"Advanced Morgan Dollar Study" costs \$145 for ANA members. There is a \$10 life member discount and a \$20 early registration discount (before July 1). Cost for all others is \$245.

"Numismatics of Colonial America" and "Overview of Post-Civil War Tokens" each cost \$98 for ANA members; there is an additional \$10 life member discount and a \$10 early registration discount (before July 1). Cost for all others is \$198.

Professional Development Seminar

The two-day professional development seminar **Coins in the Classroom** shows educators how to use money as a tool to create and enhance lessons in mathematics, social studies, language arts and economics. ANA Numismatic Educator Rod Gillis will lead the class from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 30-31. Cost is \$45.

To register for pre-convention or professional development seminars or for more information, call 719-482-9857, e-mail education@money.org or visit www.money.org (select "World's Fair of Money" from the "Numismatic Events" scroll down menu, then select "Education").

Free convention workshops

Free convention workshops will allow collectors to explore new areas of the hobby and pick up valuable skills:

• Getting Kids Involved in Collecting: 10 a.m. to noon Aug. 1

• Boy Scout "Coin Collecting" Merit Badge Trainer Session and Girl Scout "Fun with Money" Patch Trainer Session: 2-4 p.m. Aug. 1

- Coin Collecting Basics: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 1
- The New Ikes: 1-4 p.m. Aug. 1

• Boy Scout "Coin Collecting" Merit Badge Workshop and Girl Scout "Fun with Money" Patch Workshop: registration begins at 12:30 p.m.; 1-3 p.m. Aug. 2

- 18th-Century American Colonial Numismatics: Historical Context and Collecting
- **Opportunities**: 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 2
- School Volunteer Workshop: 10 a.m. to noon Aug. 2
- Coin Collecting Basics and Morel: 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Aug. 3

Pre-registration for convention workshops is suggested to ensure placement; please call ANA meeting services at 719-482-9857 or e-mail seminars@money.org.

The World's Fair of Money will be held July 30 to Aug. 3 at the Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt St. The show brings together people of all ages who share an interest in coins, paper money, tokens and medals, art, history and related areas. The event features more than 1,100 numismatic dealers; a Mint Promenade featuring Mints from around the world; an Artists & Authors Alley that showcases the hobby's literary and artistic side; the Collector Gallery exhibit area; marquee exhibits of numismatic rarities, a multi-million-dollar auction by Heritage Auction Galleries; hourly educational presentations, seminars, meetings and workshops; and special events including the ANA's annual awards banquet.

The show is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

Ed Craig is serving as the event's General Chairman, Millard Hajek is the Honorary Chairman, Mark Lighterman is Chief Exhibit Judge, and Simcha Kuritzky is the Numismatic Theatre Chairman. The Maryland State Numismatic Association, Catonsville Coin Club and Montgomery Coin Club are the event's host clubs. The Baltimore Coin Club and Maryland Token and Medal Society are the honorary host clubs. Heritage Auction Galleries is the official auction company.

The American Numismatic Association is a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating and encouraging people to study and collect money and related items. The ANA helps its 32,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of programs including its education and outreach programs, museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars. For more information, call 719-632-2646 or visit www.money.org.