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ANA Announces 2009 National Coin Week Theme Contest

The American Numismatic Association is calling on its members to provide the theme for the 86th annual National Coin Week, April 19-25, 2009. The coming year's weeklong event will celebrate the 200th birthday of Abraham Lincoln and his role in United States history and numismatics; all theme submissions should focus on the nation's 16th President.

The contest is open to all ANA members, with the winning theme announced in early January. Prizes including valuable coins and paper currency featuring Abraham Lincoln will be awarded to the individuals who submit the first, second and third-place themes. All submissions will be posted online and member input will be considered when choosing the winning theme.

Every year during the third full week of April, the ANA and its members celebrate National Coin Week with exhibits, educational resources, presentations and other activities at civic centers, libraries and schools to let the world know about the joys of collecting and studying coins and other forms of money. Each National Coin Week has a theme chosen to engage people in learning more about money's role in culture, art, science and history. The theme for 2008 – *Money Makes the World Go Round* – celebrated youth and world unity, and included a song which can be heard on the ANA website.

The deadline for submissions is Dec. 17. Please include your theme idea and a brief description of why your submission should be chosen. Also include your name, address, telephone number, e-mail address and member number.

Mail, fax or e-mail your idea for a theme to:
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The American Numismatic Association is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to 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 education and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars. For more information, call 719-632-2646 or visit www.money.org.