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Expanded 2013 Show a Success for Raleigh Coin Club

The 40th Annual Raleigh Coin Club *Coin, Currency and Stamp Show* was the largest yet staged by the capital city club and, based on feedback received from dealers and collectors, was a strong success.

Nearly 1,600 attendees registered for the show over its three days of operation, with Saturday being the busiest day. Attendance was up 15% compared to the club's 2012 show with more out-of-state attendees than in previous years.

Paul Landsberg, Bourse Chair for the show, commented "We had 88 dealers take one or more tables at this year's show which was the most ever for us." He continued, "Many dealers reported very strong sales at the show, with some making "best show" type comments. A good number of dealers have already committed to next year's show based on their strong sales at this year's show."

The RCC's educational efforts at the show also received a strong response from attendees. The club's exhibit area, which featured 10 exhibits filling three-dozen cases, was well-visited throughout the weekend, with a record number of votes tallied in the "Favorite Exhibit" contest. Sherrod Gresham's "A Numismatic Journey through Biblical Coins" and David Boitnott's "Wanted: A Few Oddball North Carolinians" (an exhibit about NC Statehood Quarter errors) shared the top honor.

The show also had a great turnout for each of the seven educational seminars that were offered on Friday and Saturday. Attendance for Saturday's "Gold in the Carolinas" series of talks was particularly well-attended with near "standing room only" audiences for each of the three programs.

A dedicated "Kids Zone" was featured on the bourse floor, it offered a number of activities and numismatic trivia contests for young collectors (and their parents!), as well as lots of free

coins and magazines. Dozens of budding numismatists walked away happy with new additions to their collection.

First-time RCC show attendee ANACS was busy throughout the weekend. Dealers and collectors lined up to submit their coins and take advantage of special show pricing offered by the well-respected grading service. The ANACS representative, reported having a very strong show and is looking forward to coming back to Raleigh in 2014.

Planning for next year's show has already begun, with the RCC's "Show Team" meeting to discuss what went well and what needs improvement. The club plans an even better show in 2014 with expanded offerings on all fronts!

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The Raleigh Coin Club is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to educating and encouraging people to collect and study money and related items; it was organized in 1954. The club meets at 7:30pm on the third Tuesday of each month at the Ridge Road Baptist Church on Ridge Road in Raleigh.