



Raleigh Coin Club

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Raleigh Coin Club to Hold 41st Annual Raleigh Money Expo™ July 18-20 at NC Fairgrounds

The Raleigh Coin Club (Raleigh, NC) is set to present its 2014 Raleigh Money Expo™ on Friday, Saturday and Sunday July 18, 19 and 20 in the Exposition Center at the NC State Fairgrounds. 2014 marks the 41st year the RCC has sponsored the state's largest coin, currency and stamp show.

The show's bourse will feature 150 dealer tables offering a wide selection of US and World coins and currency, along with a large variety of tokens, medals, collecting supplies and new and collectible books. A special section devoted to US and World stamps, covers and postal stationery will also be featured.

"We believe the Raleigh Money Expo™ is the premier numismatic event in the Carolinas" stated Paul Landsberg, the show's bourse chair. "We offer an outstanding selection of dealers for collectors of all levels, and provide wonderful educational opportunities for attendees through our seminars, exhibits and special attractions. Add in our activities for young collectors and the Expo becomes a show that offers something for everyone."

The Expo will feature several special attractions for attendees. North Carolina's historic Reed Gold Mine, the site of the first documented gold find in the United States, will be on hand with its "Panning for Gold" interactive exhibit. Show attendees will have the opportunity to test their panning skills and take home a souvenir of genuine North Carolina gold.

The Bechtler House Museum will be in attendance with informative displays about America's first gold rush, the private gold coinage of the Bechtlers and the historic North Carolina Gold Trail. The Bechtlers produced the first gold dollar in the United States in 1831 – 18 years before the US Mint – and their story remains a cornerstone of North Carolina's gold history.

ANACS, the oldest coin grading service in the US, will be on-site to accept grading submissions. ANACS will be offering special show pricing on submissions.

The show will feature a full schedule of educational talks on Friday and Saturday, with a “Civil War Sesquicentennial” theme for Saturday afternoon. The schedule follows:

Friday

- 1:00pm ***The Bechtler House Museum and the North Carolina Gold Trail***
Michelle McConnell Yelton
Director, Rutherford County Tourism Asset Foundation
- 2:00pm ***The Effect of North Carolina’s Gold Mining on the Economy and Politics of the State***
Aaron Kepley
Historic Interpreter III, Reed Gold Mine
- 3:00pm ***TBD***

Saturday

- 11:00am ***Union and Confederate Battle Flags***
George Laws
- 1:00pm ***The Civil War Sesquicentennial in North Carolina***
Keith Hardison
Director, North Carolina Historic Sites
- 2:00pm ***An Introduction to Civil War Emergency Money***
Dave Provost
- 3:00pm ***North Carolina Civil War Currency Issues***
David Boitnott

The theme for this year’s “Kid’s Zone” is “Fun at the Carnival” and will feature a variety of games and activities for the kids. Young Collectors can have fun while learning about coins and be rewarded for their efforts with great coin prizes. Free coins and stamps will be given to all kids attending the show. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to the “Kids Zone” at the show to take part in the fun. All activities in the “Kids Zone” are free of charge.

The Expo’s “Educational Exhibits” area will offer a broad range of coin and stamp displays prepared by members of the RCC and other local clubs. Exhibits featuring US and World coins, colonial and 1800s obsolete paper money, tokens and medals and stamps are all planned. The RCC web site has an up-to-date list of planned exhibits.

To benefit the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina, the Raleigh Coin Club will be sponsoring a food drive at the Expo. Attendees bringing non-perishable food items to the show will receive tickets for chances to win a prize donated by a local merchant. One ticket will be

given for each food item donated. The RCC web site has the current list of sponsors and their donated prizes.

The show is free and open to the general public, Fairgrounds parking is also free. Food and beverages will be available from an on-site concessionaire.

Dealers interested in obtaining bourse information should contact Paul Landsberg via Paul_Landsberg@yahoo.com or 919-247-1982.

Collectors seeking more information about the show, including Show Schedule updates, should visit www.RaleighCoinClub.org.

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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.