



Raleigh Coin Club

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RCC Members Recognized at 2014 NCNA Convention

Four members of the Raleigh Coin Club (RCC) received awards at the recently completed North Carolina Numismatic Association (NCNA) Convention that was held in Greensboro, NC.

Halbert Carmichael was honored with the NCNA's prestigious **John J Pittman Award**. The award is given to an individual who has made significant contributions to numismatics in North Carolina during the previous year(s). Halbert is a long-time member of the NCNA and RCC, and has been a driving force in both organizations for decades. He has served in elected leadership positions for both organizations – including President of each – has served as the bourse chair for both and has been the editor of the *NCNA Journal* and *RCC Newsletter*.

A frequent and award-winning exhibitor at the annual RCC and NCNA shows, Halbert has also served as the Exhibit Chair for each organization and filled the same role for the 2003 American Numismatic Association's National Money ShowSM convention in Charlotte, NC. Halbert was also a member of the committee that helped determine the design for the North Carolina Statehood Quarter.

The award is well-deserved and a small token of appreciation to a numismatist who has been generous with his time and knowledge throughout his "career" in the hobby.

The Association's **Forrest and Tessie Michael Award** was given to Val Weiss. The award is presented to an individual who has been an outstanding numismatic volunteer in North Carolina. Val was recognized for the many hours he had spent working at the annual shows of the NCNA and RCC, including helping with dealer setup and public registration at both. Val also tirelessly supported the "YN Zone" at the RCC Money ExpoTM and has helped with the RCC's "Coin Hawks" program for young collectors.

The NCNA's 2014 **Bason Literary Award** was given to David Provost in recognition of his *NCNA Journal* column, "Exploring North Carolina Exonumia." Provost is a repeat recipient of the award, having been previously honored in 2013 and 1998. The award was named in honor of Autence Bason, a long-time NCNA member who authored *Communion Tokens of the United States of America*, the definitive work on the subject.

The RCC was also well-represented among the exhibitors at the NCNA Convention. David Boitnott received the **People's Choice Award** for his exhibit "A North Carolina Merchant's Cash Drawer Circa 1859." The exhibit presented an example of each of the denominations that circulated in North Carolina at the time.

The RCC congratulates all of its members on their well-deserved awards!

Collectors seeking more information about the RCC 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.