

## March “Madness” & Mad Money

March is the month for basketball tournaments and Charlotte is privileged to, once again, be the host for the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) basketball tournament which coincides with the Charlotte Antique Show to be held at the Metrolina Fairgrounds on February 28th - March 2nd. In tribute to this sporting event being held in our city, The Charlotte Antique & Collectibles Show is holding our version of “March Madness”.

Many of the dealers at the Charlotte show are sports fans and to celebrate the month, are offering “mad money” discounts of at least 10% on everything in their booths. Discounts don't apply only to sports items but also to furniture, jewelry, art, vintage clothes and much, much more.

The Charlotte show is quite fortunate to have experienced dealers, some of whom specialize in vintage sports items. Jim Barbaree is a 27 year veteran at the show and he and his mother, Dot, are well known and appreciated for presenting beautiful and affordable vintage sports items along with a large selection of collectible books and other carefully selected treasures. Dot says, “Just stop by to see us, whether you buy anything or not. We really enjoy meeting everyone!”

Don and Mary Ann Flewelling are snowbirds from upstate New York who grace the Charlotte show during the winter months. Their inventory includes antique sports items as well as flo-blue dishes, country furniture and more. Don particularly likes the sports theme, based on his 32 years as a college basketball coach, and would welcome fellow enthusiasts in his booth. Don and Mary Ann plan to present a large selection of T-206 tobacco baseball cards from 1909 - 1911 as their show piece in March.

Spend a delightful day (or two), between ballgames, where bargains abound on unique and special items that reflect your individual sport, spirit or personality. Visit us at the Charlotte Antique and Collectibles Show February 28 – March 2 at the Metrolina Expo Center.

The Charlotte Antiques & Collectibles Show features a fun-filled outdoor marketplace offering the best flea market finds, unique home décor, and the biggest monthly antique show in the Carolinas. It hosts hundreds of exhibitors who offer a huge selection of merchandise from upscale antiques to decorative accessories and collectibles, including furniture, lighting, garden accents, architectural ceramics, pottery, glass, silver, rugs, linens, books, fine art and sculptures, toys, sports memorabilia and militaria. The show also offers on-site services including hand engraving, jewelry repair, and silver restoration.

The show will be located at 7100 Statesville Road. Admission is \$10 for a four-day pass, \$5 for a one-day pass, \$4 for seniors and children under 12 are free. Sunday offers a “Packout Special” at \$3.00 per person.

**Show Hours:** Thursday 8a.m.–5p.m., Friday & Saturday 9a.m.-5p.m.; Sunday 10a.m.-4p.m.

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