

Worcester County Numismatic Society



April 2015

Meets 2nd Friday of the month
Except July and August

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
Young Numismatists Meeting 6:15
Meeting: 7:00 p.m.



Next Meeting:

Friday April 10, 2015
St. Joseph's Parish Center
68 Central Street
Auburn, MA

Program:

Demonstration - Testing Gold and Silver, by Adam Rosario, Jeweler.

In case of emergency, bad weather, or questions, you can contact Mike for an update at 508-667-9968.

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John Frost
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Hi all,

Hopefully this newsletter arrives with most of our snow gone! April is a busy month, with our normal line-up of shows supplemented by the Bay State Show in Marlboro, and the Annual Lecture sponsored by Boston Numismatic Society, Currency Club of New England, and Collectors Club of Boston, this year: *The Art of Banknote Engraving*. All are welcome.

At our meeting on the 10th, we have a very interesting talk lined up, with local jeweler Adam Rosario speaking and giving a demonstration on testing gold and silver. WCNS members can bring up to 2 pieces each for him to test.

Beginning next month, this newsletter will also include notice of interesting discussions, votes, etc., conducted at our meetings, for those who could not make it.

See you on the 10th!
- Mike and John

Upcoming Local Shows and Events

- Greater Worcester Coin Show, Elks Club, Auburn, Sunday April 12 11, 9:30 a.m.
- Bay State Coin Show, Best Western Hotel, Marlboro, April 17-18
- Nashua 3rd Sunday Show, Sunday April 19, Holiday Inn, Nashua NH, 8:00 a.m.
- Blackstone Valley Coin Club Show, Wednesday April 22, VFW Post #1385, Uxbridge MA
- Westford Coin Show, Sunday April 26, Westford Regency Hotel, 9:00 a.m.
- Lecture: *The Art of Banknote Engraving*, Trinity Church, 730 Main Street, Waltham, 7:00 p.m.

Details and links can be found on the club website, www.WorcesterCoinClub.org

Auction List

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Trends</u> | <u>Min</u> |
|---------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1. 2009 18-piece proof set | 24.00 | 19.00 |
| 2. 2008 14-piece proof set | 67.00 | 35.00 |
| 3. 2007 14-piece proof set | 16.00 | 13.00 |
| 4. 2006 proof set | 9.00 | 7.00 |
| 5. 1992 silver proof set | 24.50 | 18.00 |
| 6. 2004 proof set | 9.00 | 6.0 |
| 7. 2004 silver quarter set | 22.50 | 19.00 |
| 8. 2001 10-piece proof set | 12.00 | 10.00 |
| 9. 1998 silver proof set | 25.50 | 19.00 |
| 10. 1999 9-piece proof set | 8.00 | 6.00 |
| 11. 2 UNC rolls 2015-P cents | - | 1.00 |
| 12. Foxwood token, Unc | 20.00 | 16.00 |
| 13. 1867 Special Mint Set (SMS) | 9.50 | 7.00 |
| 14. 1986 Mint set | 5.00 | 3.50 |
| 15. 1988 Mint set | 6.50 | 4.00 |
| 16. 1991 Mint set | 7.00 | 4.50 |
| 17. 1886 Morgan dollar | - | 17.00 |
| 18. 1921 Morgan dollar | - | 15.00 |
| 19. 1926 Peace dollar | - | 20.00 |

| <u>Kittredge Foundation Donation</u> | <u>Trends</u> | <u>Min</u> |
|---|---------------|------------|
| 1. 1842 Half dime, Good | 15.00 | - |
| 2. 1850 Seated dime, VG | 20.00 | - |
| 3. 1893 Columbian Expo Half, Choice toned Unc. | 65.00 | - |

Young Numismatists Meeting with Mark Matys

April: *Short Snorter and YN Contest!*

May: *In Search of "The Nickel"*

June: *We are not alone!*

All members are welcome to attend.
Thank you. Mark at 413-436-5913 or
Glumark@gmail.com

Bid Board

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| <u>Item</u> | <u>Trends</u> | <u>Min</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1. 1999 proof quarter set | 4.00 | 3.00 |
| 2. 2003 proof quarter set | 3.00 | 2.00 |
| 3. 2005 proof quarter set | 3.00 | 2.00 |
| 4. 1971-S Blue Ike, 40% silver | 7.50 | 5.00 |
| 5. 2002 proof set | 6.00 | 4.00 |
| 6. 2000 proof set | 5.00 | 4.00 |
| 7. 2005 proof set | 5.00 | 4.00 |
| 8. Webster MA store card | 12.00 | 5.00 |
| 9. Shrunk real dollar | 12.00 | 8.00 |
| 10. Attleboro town token | 15.00 | 12.00 |
| 11. Westward nickel set | 7.00 | 4.00 |
| 12. South Church spoon | 7.00 | 4.00 |
| 13. Swedish Worc pin | 12.00 | 8.00 |
| 14. Elks token | 7.00 | 5.00 |
| 15. Pin – Town of Dennis | 7.00 | 5.00 |

Coin in the Spotlight 1913-S Barber Quarter

The lowest mintage of any 20th Century silver coin (40,000), the 1913-S Barber Quarter is one of the "Big 3" of that series (incl. 1896-S, 1901-S). For years, 1913-S cost less than the 1909-S VDB (12 times the mintage!) in low grades. Now, it has the respect it deserves.

Authenticated in low grades by obverse strike characteristics (all have a slightly weaker left side than the right), the coin is sometimes available AG-VG and surprisingly UNC, but is rare F-VF and extremely rare in XF-AU.



Deadline for the next issue: April 26th