

Worcester County Numismatic Society



January 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 January 9, 2015
St. Joseph's Parish Center
68 Central Street
Auburn, MA

Program:

Kittredge Numismatic Foundation,
by Matthew Erskine, Esq.

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,

Happy new year! We kickoff 2015 hoping for a better winter track record for our meetings (we had 2 meetings in a row cancelled by snowstorms last year). It is also the time of year where some of us go south to the FUN show in Orlando (John included) and others go to NYC for the big International show.

For those of you unable to attend, we had a great meeting and holiday party last month, where co-prez Mike got a standing O for the excellent food he prepared last month – I'm still full from that occasion. We also had a large number of visitors from other clubs, including a contingent from the Blackstone Valley club. About 10 members and guests had some very interesting Show and Tell items. A good time (and meal) was had by all.

See you on the 9th!
- Mike and John

Upcoming Local Shows

- New York International Numismatic Convention (NYINC), January 8-11, Waldorf Astoria Hotel
- Greater Worcester Coin Show, Elks Club, Auburn, Sunday January 11, 9:30 a.m.
- Nashua 3rd Sunday Show, Sunday January 18, Holiday Inn, Nashua NH, 8:00 a.m.
- Westford Coin Show, Sunday January 25, Westford Regency Hotel, 9:00 a.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. 1909-D Barber quarter, G	8.75	5.00
2. Six counterstamped cents – five Indian, one Lincoln	18.00	7.00
3. Six Indian cents: 1883, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1907, 1908. G-XF	35.00	15.00
4. 2004 silver proof quarter set	23.00	19.00
5. 1898-S Barber quarter, G	15.00	9.00
6. Six good-for tokens, including Minnesota and Indiana	25.00	12.00
7. Six horseshoe-shaped encased cents, 2 wheat, 4 memorial	30.00	18.00
8. Wright & Son pre-Civil War token, brass, XF	20.00	7.00
9. 1832 Capped Bust half dollar, G	58.00	45.00
10. 1838 Liberty Seated quarter, net G	35.00	19.00

<i>Kittredge Foundation Donation</i>	<u>Trends</u>	<u>Min</u>
1. 1909 VDB Lincoln cent, AU	12.00	-
2. 1897 Canada 5 cent silver, F	6.00	-
3. 1912-D Barber Dime, G	3.00	-
4. 1923-S dime, G	3.00	-

Coin in the Spotlight 1861-O Seated Half Dollar

This coin is at the height for its popularity. Minted under 3 governments (USA, State of Louisiana, CSA), it has many varieties and different die marriages, all with the Federal USA design. Specialists strive to own coins from all 3 governments, but most collectors desire to own a Confederate issue.

The most popular variety to own is the not-so-scarce variety with the so-called *Confederate die crack* (right) on the obverse, which also appears on the four original Confederate patterns (reverse shown right) for a coin never issued by the CSA (lack of silver bullion).

The interesting thing is that the many different Confederate die marriages of the 1861-O Seated half are easiest to find, while the Union issues are very scarce.



Young Numismatists Meeting with Mark Matys

January: *Field Trip 5:30 p.m. to TD Bank! RSVP to Mark Matys (call or email – contact info below) for reservation and directions.*

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

Bid Board

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<u>Item</u>	<u>Trends</u>	<u>Min</u>
1. Paul Harris Rotary medal, with box	5.00	-
2. 1862 copper-nickel Indian cent, F porous	12.50	4.00
3. 1941 Lincoln cent love token, "Rosalie", XF	6.00	-
4. 1857 Flying Eagle cent, net AG	10.00	6.00
5. Worn large cent, counterstamped J.E. Skalbe, Boston (modern)	10.00	4.00
6. 2003 mint proof quarter set	4.00	3.00
7. 2005 mint proof quarter set	4.00	3.00
8. 1993 U.S. Mint set	4.00	3.00
9. 1991 U.S. Mint set, no envelope	4.15	2.50
10. 1924D Mercury dime, VG	4.00	2.00

Deadline for the next issue: January 31st