



Worcester County Numismatic Society

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Next meeting: **Friday April 16th**

With declining COVID19 numbers, we believe that we will be able to resume meeting in person in April, with responsible restrictions.

Due to the NH Coin Expo the second weekend in April, our meeting will be delayed to the following Friday. Details will be in the April newsletter.

WCNS Leadership

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Co-Presidents: Mike Simpson & John Frost
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Hi everyone,

The March meeting is cancelled.

Although the largest of events (e.g., Baltimore and Central States) are still on hiatus, smaller and mid-sized events are starting to resume under COVID-safe conditions. **It appears that we will be able to resume in April.** Our initial meetings will likely resemble our other meetings of the past year – i.e., well distanced. We should have all the details by next month.

An early “Save the Date” for next month: because the NH Coin Expo in Manchester is scheduled for April 9-10 which would conflict with our regular meeting night, we are planning on meeting on the 16th instead next month.

Details will be finalized by next month’s newsletter, so stay tuned. I hope you all have used this down time to review and enjoy your numismatic holdings you have searched diligently for and acquired over the years.

We hope to see you in April!

- John and Mike

Coin in the Spotlight – 1914-S Barber Quarter

It isn't the key date to the series. It isn't even in the top 3. But it is a tough issue nevertheless. The 1914-S has a mintage of only 264,000, which is exactly the same as the famous 1916-D Mercury dime, the heralded key date of that series. Which one is rarer? The 1914-S!

Because the 1916-D dime was a first-year issue, it was widely saved. It is perhaps less-often seen at coin shows than the 1914-S (especially in low grades) because far more people collect Mercury dimes than Barber quarters.

Despite the much lower price tag in all grades, the 1914-S quarter is rarely seen in high grades (most are AG-VG) and examples are snapped up as soon as they come on the market. This AU coin is rare!



1914-S Barber quarter, NGC AU58

Deadline for next issue: March 25th