

Worcester County Numismatic Society

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WCNS
Monthly
Newsletter

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Next Meeting: Friday March 11th

St. Josephs Parish Center
68 Central Street, Auburn MA

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

YN meeting: 6:15 p.m.

Educational Program:

U.S. Mint's Coin and Chronicle Sets,
presented by Fred Liberatore

YN program:

On hiatus, perhaps returning in April

WCNS Leadership

Officers

Co-Presidents: Mike Simpson & John Frost

Vice President: Jim Turner

Secretary: Maria Matys

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Programs

Speaker Bureau: Bob Moffatt

YN Coordinator: Mark Matys

Newsletter Editor: John Frost

Welcome to the March newsletter of the WCNS. I for one, am glad to be home after a nearly 6,000-mile 7-week trip to the south for 5 coin shows and to visit friends and relatives. The trip didn't start out well, as I was stranded on I-95 in Stafford Virginia for 18 hours on January 3rd in that big mess. Fortunately, the rest of the trip wasn't too traumatic.

We begin this newsletter mourning the loss of two of our members this past month, **Roger Durand** and **Jack Haroian**. Both were at the last meeting I attended before the trip. See next page for remembrances. Roger was a regular with currency Show and Tells, and seemed as vigorous as always in December. Jack joined the WCNS back in 1959, and was our longest-tenured member, who along with Jack Kiley headed the Kittredge Foundation's YN program at the NH Coin Expo. We will miss Roger and Jack dearly.

At our meeting on the 11th, our program will be *U.S. Mint's Coin and Chronicle Sets*, presented by our own Fred Liberatore. Fred has featured some of these sets as Show and Tell items over the past few years. Now he will talk about them in some detail to provide us with information most of us don't know about. This program was originally scheduled for January, but was postponed to this month. I'm glad I didn't miss it. It should be very interesting, so please join us! The YNs are on hiatus another month, perhaps returning in April.

We hope to see many of you on the 11th!

- John and Mike

Upcoming Events

- **Greater Worcester Coin Show**, Auburn MA, Sunday March 13, 9:30 a.m., Elk's Club.
- **Blackstone Valley 3rd Wednesday Show**, Uxbridge MA, Wed. January 16, 3-8 p.m., VFW Post #1385
- **Nashua Coin Show**, Nashua NH, Sunday March 20, 9:00 a.m., at Eagle's Wing, 10 Spruce Street
- **Devens Coin Show**, Devens MA, Sunday March 27, 9:00 a.m. Devens Commons Center
- **April meeting of the WCNS**, Friday April 8th
- **NH Coin & Currency Expo**, Manchester NH, April 15-16, Doubletree Hotel



WCNS Auction

Item Description	Owner Value	Min Bid
1. 1986 Statue of Liberty two-coin set, silver dollar and half dollar	\$ 35	\$ 26
2. 1987 U.S. Mint Constitution proof silver dollar	30	22
3. Treasure coin – 1 real cob made into coin pendant	50	30
4. 1921 choice-Unc. Lincoln cent, red and brown	50	35
5. 1913S type 1 Buffalo nickel, XF40	75	50
6. 1960 Mexico silver 10 pesos, .8357 oz. actual silver weight. KM476, XF	25	16
7. 1907 Indian cent, red and brown Unc.	30	20

Auction

Item Description	Owner Value	Min Bid
8. Patriotic Civil War token. F225/327a. XF	\$ 25	\$ 20
9. 1943P silver War Nickel. Choice-Unc	10	6
10. Worn Connecticut copper, draped bust left. AG/Fair. Circa 1778	20	15
11. 1953 Canada silver dollar, toned, Choice-Unc	50	25

Kittredge Foundation donation

12. 1909VDB Lincoln cent, high grade.	-	-
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Remembering Roger Durand



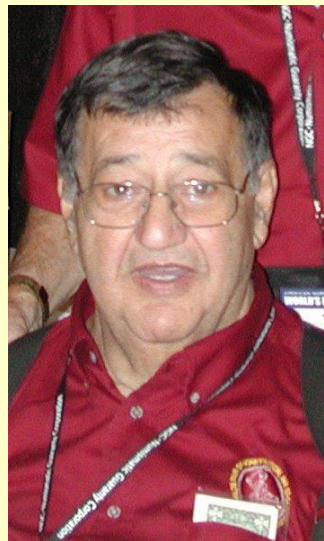
Roger Durand, a long-time WCNS member, passed away on February 3rd.

The photo to the left shows Roger as we typically saw him – doing Show and Tell at a club meeting, showing us new acquisitions or otherwise interesting currency. Roger was a collector in rare paper money, had written a number of books on the subject, and

was active in the Society of Paper Money Collectors. He would let us all know what we were looking at, describe what made each note rare or interesting. Even at the age of 86, Roger came to our meetings to share his knowledge each month.

Show and Tell will be very different without him. He will be missed.

Remembering Jack Haroian



A fixture in the WCNS for over 60 years, we lost Jack on February 19th. He had been in declining health for years, but when he made it to meetings, he showed the energy that he was known for (including his traditional voting against everything in jest).

Always contributing to any discussion, Jack had a wide range of interests, one of the more unique ones I am aware of being his collecting

pots made from coins, especially Indian and Lincoln cents. He loved this hobby, and was quick to share his interest with others, especially the next generation of collectors. He also volunteered for the 2010 ANA Convention when it was held in Boston.

He was generous with his time, and he will be sorely missed around here.

Our sympathies to his wife Gail, daughter Lesa, and his entire family.

Deadline for next issue: March 27th