

Worcester County Numismatic Society

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Meets 2nd Friday of the month except July and August

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WCNS
Monthly
Newsletter

Club Address: WCNS, P.O. Box 1079, Douglas MA 01516

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Next Meeting: Friday, September 13

Hadwen Congregational Church
6 Clover Street, Worcester MA

Doors open at 6:00 PM

Meeting: 7:15 PM

YN meeting: 6:15 PM

Educational Program:

*"Bryan Money and the Presidential
Election of 1896"* by John Frost

YN program:

Summer Adventure: Shhhh, it's a secret!

WCNS Leadership

Officers

Co-Presidents: John Frost & Jim Turner

Vice President: Charlie Noonan

Secretary: Maria Matys

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Programs

Speaker Bureau: Bob Moffatt

YN Coordinator: Mark Matys

Newsletter Editor: Maria Matys

Hello and welcome back!

Summer is coming to an end—I can already feel the chill of fall, even though *technically* it won't be autumn until after our meeting (but I won't tell anyone if you call it fall anyway).

This month's presentation is about Bryan Money. Who's Bryan? What's his money got to do with anything? And how does a presidential election from over a hundred years ago come into play? These are just a few questions I had when first introduced to the topic, and I'm sure I'm not alone. The simplest way to remedy this is by coming to this month's meeting! I've already gotten the chance to learn a bit about Bryan Money, and this one's a good one, folks.

If that's not lucrative enough for you, hopefully we'll be seeing the results of the YN Summer Adventure! If you were around in June, you may remember seeing some secret agents on guard. Or maybe you don't—they were *secret* agents, after all. The club was briefed on the Summer Adventure (or should I say Summer Mission?) by Agent Cash. Cold Cash. Let's hope the details will be completely declassified by next week!

There are lots of exciting happenings at this meeting, which will be at our **brand-new location**. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Your (new) Newsletter Editor
and (returning) Secretary,

Maria

We moved!

Don't show up to St. Joseph's because we won't be there! Our new meeting place is Hadwen Congregational Church, which is just a hop and a skip away from our old one. See the last page of the newsletter for directions. The same directions with a couple more photos can also be found on the club website.



WCNS Auction

Item Description	Owner Value	Min Bid
1. Two 1979P SBA dollars. 1 narrow rim, 1 wide rim.	\$ 16	\$ -
2. 1 Ancient bronze coin from Bactrim, Azes II, 35BC-10AD. Tetradrachm (one of the Wise Men?)	35	15
3. Two Littleton quarters; (1) 1914D, good, (2) 1925P, good	16	10
4. Silver Hamilton, Mass. Town medal. 27.8 grams sterling. Shows Hamilton. 1-1/2", Unc. with papers	30	23
5. Worcester collectible. Norton Company silver watch fob. XF	20	10
6. 1910 Boy Scout/Swastika good-luck token. Brass, 1-1/4", holed, fine	15	-
7. Two Littleton coins; (1) 1954 D Washington quarter, silver, Unc. (2) 2002 P Unc. JFK half dollar	10	-
8. Old silvered brass counterfeit 1875 S Trade dollar. Cast, VG	50	25
9. 1992 silvered Masonic series of Famous Individuals, #1 of the series, George Washington	10	-
10. 1849 California gold rush brass \$5 Liberty counter. Rev gold miner	35	15
11. Six proof coins: 1980 SBA, 1976S Ike, 1974S Ike, 1973S Ike, 1974S quarter, 1972S quarter. Most choice	23	8

Auction

Item Description	Owner Value	Min Bid
12. Civil War token, J.W. Walton, Grocer. Woodsfield OH (single merchant town). Fuld #OH960A-1a. AU	\$ 100	\$ 50
13. Admiral Vernon 1739 Fort Charge/Ships. Copper, damaged	50	20
14. 1848 Large Cent with counterstamps. Includes star, crossed hammers, flower, 2 of W. Smith 1871. This is the second listing for this merchant making it purposeful	195	75
15. St. Christopher medal. 1-1/2", silvered, cotter pin reverse	30	-
16. 1850s Miller token – Professor Johnson’s Soap Polish, NYC. Ten dollar gold piece style. Brass, XF	20	-
17. 1876 Centennial, U.S. Mint silver medalette. George Washington/Liberty Bell. AU, holed. Scarce	150	100
18. Contemporary counterfeit of gold 1/2 Escudo. 1838 MO PJ. Brass. VG, weakly struck as made	135	45
19. Littleton 2002 P or D Kennedy half dollar set. 8 coins, Unc	15	-
20. Two bank-wrapped Unc rolls of state quarters. New York and Texas	25	-

Upcoming Events

- **No Auburn show this month** – show resumes on November 10th
- **Sep 15 – Nashua Coin Show**; Nashua NH, 9 AM – 2 PM, Eagle’s Wing Function Center
- **Sep 18 – Blackstone Valley 3rd Wednesday Show**; Uxbridge MA, Wed, 3 PM – 8 PM, VFW Post #1385
- **Sep 24 – Devens Coin Show**; Devens MA, 9 AM – 3 PM, Devens Common Center
- **Oct 11 – October meeting for WCNS**

Deadline for next issue: September 29th



Directions to **Hadwen Park Congregational Church in Worcester** **6 Clover Street, on the corner of Knox Street** (near the Hope Street Rotary)

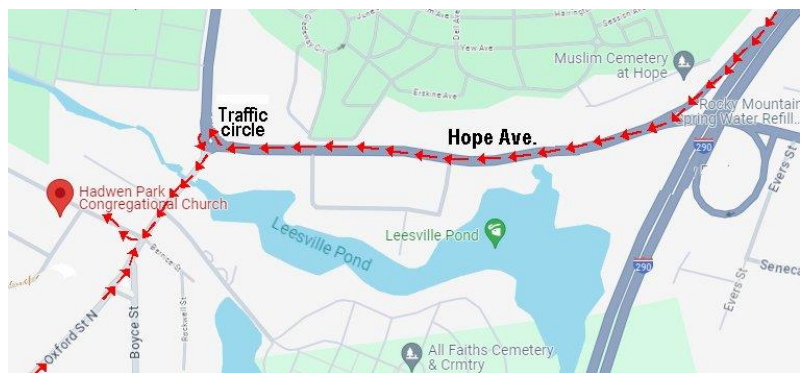
From Worcester and north:

- Exit Interstate 290 south/west-bound at Exit 14 (Route 12 Hope Avenue)
- At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Hope Avenue
- After 1/2 mile, enter the rotary/traffic circle. Take the second exit from the circle (a net left turn from Hope Ave) as shown in the photo below
- You are now on Webster Street. After 1/10 mile, take second right onto Knox Street
- Hadwen Park Congregational will be about 500 feet ahead on the left, on the corner of Clover Street.
- Meeting will be inside entrance next to the parking lot on the first floor.



From Auburn and south #1:

- Take Exit I-290 East to Exit 15 College Sq/Federal Sq
- Briefly merge onto Southbridge St
- Bear left under the highway back onto I-290 West (*you will have essentially made a U-turn on 290*)
- Exit Interstate 290 southwest-bound at Exit 14 (Route 12 Hope Avenue)
- At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Hope Avenue
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Alternate from within Auburn #2:

- In Auburn, from Rt. 12, travel north Oxford Street N
- Continue for 2.8 miles on Oxford Street N
- Oxford Street becomes Webster Streer, turn left onto Knox Street
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