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# NORTHSIDE COIN CLUB



## COIN CHATTER

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Founded in 2001, Member: ANA, CWNA

### Upcoming Meeting Announcement

The monthly Northside Coin Club meeting will be held on Thursday August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 at 7 PM (doors open at 6:30) at the Cimarron Village Community Building in Broomfield, see our web site [www.northsidecoinclub.org](http://www.northsidecoinclub.org) for directions.

### Other Announcements

**RAFFLE PRIZE** – This months' Raffle Prize is not known at this time.

**PROGRAM** –The program this month will be given by a representative of the Denver Mint. The exact topic is not known as this newsletter goes to print.

**COIN of the MONTH** – Washington Quarter (Silver –Pre 1965). (Note that this doesn't have to be a high grade coin, just a nice, no problems, coin that you, as a collector, would like to have).

[The "Coin of the Month" works as follows. Bring one coin, of the type described as the featured coin of the month, preferably in a 2x2 or flip. If you bring a coin, you will get a ticket in the drawing and your coin goes into the pot. We then draw one ticket and the winner gets the entire pot of coins that were featured.

### **FUN FACTS TRIVIA TOPIC** – Kennedy Half Dollar.

Come up with one or more facts about the selected topic and bring them with you to the meeting. At some point during the meeting we will share our facts with the rest of the club members and hopefully we will learn something we didn't know about the topic. Try to come up with a fact or piece of trivia about the topic that you don't think anyone else will have.

**SHOW and TELL** – Bring some interesting item from your collection that you would like to show the members and give a quick (1 minute) talk on.

**ANA NEWS** – Money.org, the American Numismatic Association's primary website, was successfully re-launched on Tuesday afternoon, July 24, with a new content-management system in place that is designed to make the website more stable, eliminate log-in errors and improve the end-user's experience in the members-only section. The ANA plans to develop a new Money.org over the course of the next year.

Members are invited to suggest features for a new website by emailing ideas to Jake Sherlock, ANA Communication Coordinator, at [jsherlock@money.org](mailto:jsherlock@money.org).

The ANA "World's Fair of Money" will be held next week in Philadelphia from August 7-11<sup>th</sup>.

**SNACKS** – No one has volunteered to bring snacks in August.

If you would like to bring snacks, just sign up on the attendance sheet for the month you would like to bring them.

No one has signed up yet to bring snacks for the September 2012 meeting, or any other future meetings.

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS** – Possible programs include metal detecting.

### **Minutes, Notes, and Happening of last months' meeting**

Last month's meeting was held on July 5<sup>th</sup>. We had 19 members in attendance including our guest/newest member JimW.

President Dave F., called the meeting to order.

Dave noted that Secretary Mark, was down at Summer Seminar and not at the meeting.

Dave asked if any guests were present. We had one guest Jim W. Jim had inherited a big bag of coins from his Grandfather and had begun to look at what was in the bag and got hooked on coins. Jim ended up joining the NSCC.

Dave reminded the club members that he had old copies of various coin magazines and papers to borrow.

Dave then reviewed one news story that he thought might be of interest. A 2007-D Sacagawea dollar with Presidential dollar edge lettering (rather than the plain edge that is normally on the Sacagawea dollars) was discovered by Colorado collector Andrew Moores in pocket change. He sent it in to PCGS for grading and it was graded MS-63. He also received a \$10,000 finder's fee from PCGS for letting them grade the discovery piece. It has been consigned to auction.

Dave provided reviews of the previous months' coin shows. The Colorado Springs show was very busy despite the fires that were occurring in the Springs.

Dave quickly reviewed the upcoming coin shows in the area. The only upcoming show was the Estes Park show which is a new show.

Dave reviewed the Door Prizes, Raffle, and Coin of the Month for this meeting.

Steve L. was not present so no update on the status of the Quarter and Dollars. Dave also noted that the US Mint began striking Quarters at the San Francisco mint as "Business Strikes" but they were only going to sell bags to collectors and they would not be available from the banks.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes that were in the Newsletter. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurers report. We currently have \$2,795.23 in the club account. (Remember that any adult member may see the complete Treasurer's report by simply requesting to view it at the meeting.)

### **Old Business**

Nothing to report on a new meeting location.

Dave indicated that the trip to Dan Carr's Moonlight mint is still being worked out. Mark has a list of names of those who would like to go in case we get the go ahead. He would then contact the names on the list with details.

### New Business

Dave brought up the issue of whether we had received payment for any new members that had joined due to the ANA offer during the Money Show. Dave W. indicated that we did receive the money for 4 new members.

### Last Months' Show and Tell Recap

Terry K. - Rocky Mountain Honor Flight, a organization that is trying to take as many WWII vets back to Washington DC as possible to see the WWII memorial, which was recently completed, was having a benefit concert and they had some things for sale that included a coin. Terry bought the coin along with a patch. Terry passed around the coin and patch.

Dave F. – Dave also collects comic books. At the recent Denver Comic Con he was looking for some missing issues he needed of “Fantastic Four” and he purchased an issue #2, which was published in 1961. In the issue there was an advertisement for a \$2000 reward for an 1804 Silver dollar. It said 19,000 minted only 12 accounted for where are the rest? There really are only 8 of the original strike (Class 1) known to exist. 15 total including later restrikes. (Class 2 – 1 known, Class3 – 6 known)

### Prize Winners

Coin of the Month: Foreign Coin (NOT Canadian). A pot of 8 coins was won by Joe G.

Door Prizes: A 1976 Uncirculated Mint Set was won by Dan F., an America's First Medal (in Pewter) was won by Fred D., a second America's First Medal was won by Dave We., and a Bicentennial Gold Plated Medal was won by Andrew T.

Raffle Prize: 2012 America the Beautiful Quarter Silver Proof set was won by Dave Wi.

Youth Door Prize: Zane C. and Andrew T. each received a 2012 Native America Dollar.

*Thanks again to Ron Z. for donating prizes that are specifically to be given to Junior members.*

### Program

Last months' program was given by Bob Bair on "Three Unsung 19th Century Heroes Who Developed Denver and Colorado--Asa Clark, Milton Clark, and Emanuel Gruber--with Clark, Gruber & Co. Territorial Gold Coins". Bob wove and interesting story of the history of Denver and how the three gentlemen mentioned in the title of his program, help to bring order and eventually the Denver Mint to the city of Denver. He included many humorous side stories and skits.

### Fun Facts on Washington Quarters.

Here are some of the facts that came out on the Washington Quarter.

1. None were minted in 1933 as too many were produced in 1932.
2. Was originally mined in 1932 as a commemorative but then they decided to continue minting them as a regular coin.
3. Will not find one dated 1975 due to the Bi-Centennial minting that ran for 2 years.
4. Design was modeled after a bust done in 1785.
5. 1968 was the first year the mint mark was placed on the Obverse.
6. Between 1965 and 1967 all coins appeared to be from the Philadelphia mint as there was no mint marks, but coins were actually produced at all the mints.
7. 1932 D and S are the lowest mintage dates.

**Dave did actually say that 1935 and 1975 were the two dates that you couldn't find on quarters. When questioned on it the second time he said 1933. ;-)**

## Requests

If you have pictures of coins that you would like to see in the Coin Chatter under the Coin Picture of the Month, please email them to your Secretary. I would prefer jpeg files that are 40k or less in size with a white background.

If you would like to write an article on a coin subject that interests you, and you think other members would be interested in that subject also, send it to your Secretary and it can be published in the Coin Chatter.

**The NSCC needs programs.** If you have a program idea or know of someone who can do a program at an upcoming NSCC meeting, contact the NSCC President or Secretary.

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Secretary [secretary@northsidecoinclub.org](mailto:secretary@northsidecoinclub.org)

## UP COMING COIN SHOWS

### AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup>

AURORA COIN SHOW  
RED LION HOTEL  
3200 S. PARKER ROAD  
CORNER OF I-225 AND PARKER ROAD. TURN ON VAUGHN WAY  
9AM TO 5PM  
CONTACT: THEO GOULD (303) 364-1572  
[www.tozan.com](http://www.tozan.com)

### AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>

JEFFERSON COUNTY COIN SHOW  
JEFFERSON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
15200 WEST 6<sup>TH</sup> AVE.  
GOLDEN, CO  
9AM TO 5PM  
CONTACT: DAVE FOX (303) 290-61

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END OF 2012

### Coin Picture of the Month



1964 Proof Accented Hair Kennedy Half Dollar

## **Secretary's Editorial Page**

(Views here are mine and may not reflect the views of the NSCC or its other officers)

This month I thought I would pass on some of what I learned this year at Summer Seminar.

I had the opportunity to attend Summer Seminar this year and take a course entitled "The Coinage of Charles Barber". The class was taught by Mike Hayes, a noted Barber coinage collector, and Glenn Holsonbake a coin dealer specializing in all Barber series.

Charles Barber was an engraver at the US Mint. He was the son of William Barber, who also was an engraver at the US Mint. William was promoted to the position of Chief Engraver in January 1869 upon the death of James B. Longacre. William appointed his son, Charles, as an assistant engraver in 1877. Upon his father's death on August 31, 1879, Charles was soon promoted to Chief Engraver over that of his rival George Morgan, of Morgan dollar fame. Charles remained the Chief Engraver until his death on February 18, 1917.

Charles is most known for his designs of the Liberty Nickel (1883-1912(1913)) and the Liberty Head dime, quarter, and half dollar. These last 3 were better known as Barber dimes, quarters, and halves. The Barber coins all began in 1892 and were minted through 1916 except for the half which was minted through 1915. He also designed certain commemorative coins and medals and many pattern coins that were never used. He also designed coins for other countries.

The class spent part of the first day exploring the various commemoratives and patterns that Charles designed. Many of the patterns are on display in the Bass Collection at the ANA Museum and we took a quick field trip there to view them. We also were able to examine some historical records in the ANA Library that documented what prices were charged for doing designs of foreign coins.

We did an in depth study of each of the 4 main coins described above. Following are some facts I learned about each series.

In the Liberty Nickel series the key dates are the 1885, 1886, and 1912-S. The 1885 and 1886 are tough to find in the higher mint state grades. The 1912-S, even though it had a much lower mintage is more available, as it was the last year of production and the only year to carry a mint mark, so these were saved.

The Barber dime series has only one key date if you do not count the 1894-S, which only had a mintage of 24 Proofs, and that is the 1895-O. There are also about 6 Semi-keys in the series. The 1892-S, 1895, 1901-S, 1903-S, 1904-S, and the 1913-S. There was a change in the Obverse die between 1902 and 1903 but the differences are minor.

In the Barber Quarter series, there a 3 key dates that make it very difficult to complete this collection. The 1896-S, 1901-S, and 1913-S. The 1901-S is probably the toughest. It is available in grades from G to F but still tough and expensive, but very rare in grades above F. The 1896-S is available in grades from AG to VG, but is also scarce in any grade higher. The 1913-S is found in VG to "ugly" F, it is rare in F to VF, very rare in XF to AU, but is actually available in Mint State. This is probably due to the increase in interest in coin collecting by 1913 so more coins were saved right from the mint.

The Barber Half is probably the easiest collection to complete as there are no truly rare dates. It is for this reason that this is one of the more popular Barber series to collect. Although there are no rare dates, some dates are harder to find in higher grades, or as well struck samples with many of the “O” mint coins being weakly struck. The 1904-S is probably the toughest date to find, especially in higher grades.

If you would like to submit an article for the newsletter or an editorial to be used in the “Secretary's Editorial Page”, just email it to me at [secretary@northsidecoinclub.org](mailto:secretary@northsidecoinclub.org) .