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~PAWCATUCK VALLEY COIN CLUB MONTHLY NEWS LETTER~

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The **673rd** meeting of the Pawcatuck Valley Coin Club will be held on **Wednesday 18th September 2019** at **The WESTERLY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER 39 State Street Westerly Rhode Island. Doors open @ 6:00 PM, Bourse @ 6:30 PM and Meeting @ 7:15 PM.**

There has been a change to the format of our newsletter. Please contact the Editor for updates to this information.

News from the US Mint: U.S. Mint seeking circulating commems for 250th anniversary in 2026

By Paul Gilkes , Coin World *reprinted*

The nation's Bicentennial was celebrated with new reverse designs in 1976 for the quarter dollar, shown, half dollar, and dollar.

To help celebrate the nation's 250th anniversary in 2026, the U.S. Mint will pursue legislation that will include a one-year redesign of the obverses and reverses of all circulating U.S. coin denominations. The Mint did not disclose what design motifs might be used for the 2026 redesign.

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U.S. Mint Director David J. Ryder provided only a few details about the 2026 coins in an exclusive interview with *Coin World* Aug. 13 in conjunction with the American Numismatic Association World's Fair of Money in Rosemont, Illinois. He did say that the 2026 redesign is the major component of a proposal for a 10-year quarter dollar program to begin in 2022, the year after the America the Beautiful Quarters Program ends.

The nation's Bicentennial was celebrated in 1976 with new designs for the reverses of the Washington quarter dollar, Kennedy half dollar, and Eisenhower dollar, with the coins bearing the dual dates 1776-1976.

More quarter dollars

Ryder said he has the support of Treasury Secretary Stephen Mnuchin for a multi-year program that would result in the release of 10 different quarter dollars.

Ryder said four quarter dollars, issued one per year for the years 2022 through 2025, would bear reverse designs depicting animals, the top theme suggested by collectors in Mint focus groups and surveys. The 2026 coin would celebrate the 250th anniversary.

Starting in 2027, another four quarter dollars, one annually, would bear designs representing youth sports, the second top design theme suggested. A 10th quarter dollar would reflect either the animals or youth sports theme, Ryder said.

Designs for the successor program for the America the Beautiful Quarters Program would likely be rendered by outside artists, from the bureau's Artistic Infusion Program, in conjunction with the Mint's engraving staff, which will sculpt the designs.

The initials of both the designer and sculptor will appear on each respective coin.

PVCC says a huge THANK YOU for the raffle prize donations to date: A very **HUGE THANK YOU** to all who have stepped up and donated to the monthly raffle prizes. A **HUGE** thank you to Bob Stevens for the National Quarter Roll Donations.

Anniversary Medal Inventory Notes: A Committee has been established for the planning of the 2022 PVCC Club 60th Anniversary Commemorative Medal. Preliminary plans include 1 ounce Medals minted in Silver and Copper, in Business strikes and in Proof. If you wish to house your 2012 medal(s) in a nice box and plastic coin capsule, you will need an "H40" AirTite holder and the blue velvet metal box big enough to hold the number of medals using the "H40" size hole insert.

In Memoriam, Sickness or Distress: Club President John Lauderdale's father passed away unexpectedly in early August. A sympathy card was sent on behalf of the PVCC Club.

SHOW DATES OF NOTE: **Devens:** September 22nd, **Auburn:** October 13th. **Nashua:** September 15th. **Hartford Cromwell:** September 15th

Numismatic Coin of the Month: The United States Large Cent was minted as a coin with a face value of 1/100 of a United States Dollar. Its nominal diameter was 1 1/8 inch (28.57 mm). The first official mintage of the large cent was in 1793, and its production continued until 1857, when it was officially replaced by the modern size one cent coin (commonly called the penny).

Large cents were made of nearly pure copper, or copper as pure as it emerged from smelting, without any deliberate addition of other metals (such as occurs in bronze).

First struck in 1793, the large cent was coined every year from 1793 to 1857 except 1815; When the United States declared war in 1812 against Great Britain, coinage was affected. The wartime embargo against shipments made it so the mint could not get any new copper planchets, which were imported from Great Britain, to strike coins. The mint made do with what supply it had and struck coins into 1815. After the war ended in 1815, the mint wasted no time in ordering new planchets. For an unknown reason no coins were dated 1815 from the supply the mint had in the interim. In addition to the copper shortage, people also hoarded precious metals during the war.

The Philadelphia Mint produced all large cents, which contained twice the copper of the half cent. This made the coins bulky and heavy, bigger than modern-day U.S. Quarters.



My Numismatic Hobby Story

(reprinted from May 16, 2012)

By Dennis Fortier PVCC #775



Like many collectors when I was a kid my father brought home a few well worn Morgan dollars he got at the bank. One of them was dated 1879; it was soooo old! Seeing my interest, dad gave them to me and then began bringing home rolls of pennies from the bank for me to search through. My most cherished find was a 1914-D Lincoln Cent. I was off and running. This was in the early 70's. By then silver was seldom found in circulation. After I got a paper route I began making weekly trips downtown to the local coin shop. I was now an official coin hound. I looked at every coin that came my way. I wanted an 1878 Morgan badly because it was the first year of the series and I had just missed with the 1879 my dad gave me.

Unfortunately there was no coin club in Waterbury at the time. There was no one to share my interest with, or learn from, so I dutifully cleaned all my coins to make them shine. As I grew up the lack of coin camaraderie worked against me. I fell into bad company and beer money was more important than my collection. I ended up selling it for \$50. The dealer I had bought coins from for years told me the 1914-D Lincoln Cent I found in a roll was a fake. He told me to look at the second 1 in the date but I didn't know what to look for. Maybe it was a 1944-D made to look like a 1914-D. I don't know, but it left me with a sour taste in my mouth for years. I stayed away from Numismatics for thirty years.

I often regret the years away from numismatics but I have to remind myself that I would have lost everything in the divorce I went through back in the 90's anyway. In 2005 I took my family on vacation to Colonial Williamsburg. In one of the museums we saw the *Lasser Collection* of Colonial coins. Included in this amazing collection were Willow Tree, Oak Tree, and Pine Tree shillings as well as a NE Shilling and two high grade Continental Dollars (1776). This was the spark that brought me back to numismatics.

I started by buying a few coins off E-bay, Morgan Dollars mostly, including that 1878 Morgan I wanted as a kid. I bought a Red Book and started reading it. I fell in love with the Liberty Seated Half Dollar design. I saw the mintage figures of the so called *Ultra-Low mintages* from 1879 to 1890 and became intrigued. It wasn't until later that I learned the *Ultra-Low mintage years* are pricey but attainable. There are other issues such as the 1870-CC Liberty Seated Half Dollar that is much harder to find.

Soon after getting started on Liberty Seated Half Dollars my wife saw the meeting announcement for the Pawcatuck Valley Coin Club. I went to a meeting and joined. For the first time I had people to share my passion with, people who had that very same passion. It wasn't long before I became an officer in the club. Finding volunteers to do the work of the club is always a struggle, so when a new members steps up its welcome. I've been involved with the club leadership ever since and I still enjoy it.

I don't remember the details but somehow, I learned about the *Liberty Seated Collectors Club*. My education in Liberty Seated coinage really started in earnest after joining the LSCC. Now I also serve the LSCC membership as Northeast Regional Director. Between my two clubs I have meet so many good people and made lifelong friendships while enjoying the hobby I have always loved. If I had had a club like the PVCC when I was a kid I would have never given up numismatics and possibly avoided so much trouble as a teen. Clubs like the PVCC are the life blood of the hobby and a beacon of light for the dark times of youth. It's up to all of us to keep clubs like ours alive, not only to bolster our hobby but to do our part for the youth of today. We must keep local clubs like the PVCC shining that beacon of light for the future of society.

~2019 COIN SHOW DATES~

| AUBURN MA | | BLACKSTONE VALLEY MA | | DEDHAM MA | |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| | | JAN | | JAN | |
| FEB | AUG 11 TH | FEB | AUG 14 TH | FEB | AUG 5 TH |
| | | MAR | SEPT 18 TH | MAR | SEPT 2 ND |
| APR | OCT 13 TH | APR | OCT 16 TH | APR | OCT 7 TH |
| | | MAY | NOV 20 TH | MAY | NOV 4 TH |
| JUN | DEC 8 TH | JUN | DEC 18 TH | JUN | DEC 2 ND |
| DEVENS MA | | HARTFORD CT | | NASHUA NH | |
| JAN | | JAN | | JAN | |
| FEB | AUG 25 TH | FEB | | FEB | AUG 18 TH |
| MAR | SEPT 22 ND | MAR | SEPT 15 TH | MAR | SEPT 15 TH |
| | | APR | | APR | OCT 20 TH |
| | NOV 24 TH | | NOV 17 TH | MAY | NOV 17 TH |
| JUN | DEC 22 ND | | | JUN | DEC 15 TH |
| MANCHESTER NH | | MANSFIELD CT | | WEST SPRINGFIELD MA | |
| | | | | JAN | JULY |
| | | | | FEB | AUG |
| MAR | | MAR | | MAR | SEPT |
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| | | | | JUN | DEC |
| WESTFORD MA | | PAWCATUCK VALLEY CT | | ANA ANNUAL SHOW | |
| JAN | JULY | | | | |
| FEB | AUG | | | | |
| MAR | SEPT | | | | AUG 13 to 17 Philadelphia PA |
| APR | OCT | | MAY 3 rd Annual Show | | |
| MAY | NOV | | | | |
| JUN | DEC | | | | |

AUBURN MA: Elks Lodge, 754 South Bridge Street (Route 12) 46 Tables. Free Admission. 978- 658-0160

BLACKSTONE VALLEY: VFW Post 1385, 16 Cross Street Route 16, Uxbridge MA Terrance O'Connor 508-400-7454

DEDHAM MA: Holiday Inn, I-95 exit 15A, Dedham MA. 29 tables, free admission. 603-978-3459

DEVENS MA: Devens Common Center, 31 Andrews Parkway, Devens MA \$1 Admission 978-658-0160

HARTFORD CT: Courtyard Marriott, 4 Sebeth Dr. Cromwell CT. 718-323-1930 or stassinsJ98@aol.com

MANCHESTER NH: EBW Promotions, P O Box 3 Wilmington MA 01887-0003, 978-658-0160 ernie@nhcoinexpo.com

MANSFIELD CT: Prospect Street School Gym, 233 Prospect Street, Willimantic CT 06226, C John Ferreri, 860-508-8620

NASHUA NH: Holiday Inn 9 Northeastern Blvd Nashua NH 03060 49 tables, free admission 978-658-0160

PAWCATUCK VALLEY CT: Dave Barbone, 10 Bigelow Street, Pawcatuck CT 06379, 860-599-1571, tyme48@yahoo.com

WEST SPRINGFIELD MA: Dante Club 1198 Memorial Avenue West Springfield MA Peter Setian, 413-596-9871

WESTFORD MA: Westford Regency Inn 219 Littleton Road Westford MA 01886, \$1 admission, 978-658-0160

~September 2019 AUCTION~

| #: | Jr. Auction Description: | Bid: | Sold: | #: | Jr. Auction Description: | Bid: | Sold: |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|-------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|-------|
| 1 | USSR Last Currency 4 PCS CU | 2.00 | | 6 | Canada 1c 1963 Double Struck | 5.00 | |
| 2 | Gr Britain Pound Decimal 12 PC BU | 9.00 | | 7 | Neil Armstrong 1969 Medal BU | 3.00 | |
| 3 | 1959-1964 Lincoln 1c 15 PC BU | 7.50 | | 8 | 30 Presidential Medals Bronze | 6.00 | |
| 4 | 3c Fractional FR#1226 Good | 4.00 | | 9 | Westerly Tercentennial Bronze Medal | 3.50 | |
| 5 | 10c Fractional FR#1257 Good | 4.00 | | 10 | Constantine (33-335AD) Follis | 25.00 | |
| #: | Sr. Auction Description: | Bid: | Sold: | #: | Sr. Auction Description: | Bid: | Sold: |
| 1 | Englehard Core Ag Purity | 2.00 | | 31 | 1948-S Roosevelt Dime BU | 3.75 | |
| 2 | 1863 Civil War Token F | 7.00 | | 32 | 1894-O Barber Quarter AU | 150.00 | |
| 3 | 1890 10c Love Token AU | 10.00 | | 33 | 1895-O Barber Quarter VG+ | 17.50 | |
| 4 | Right to Bear Arms Medal BU | 4.00 | | 34 | 1895-S Barber Quarter Fine | 55.00 | |
| 5 | Apollo 11 Silver Medal | 20.00 | | 35 | 1920-P Liberty Standing Quarter F/VF | 20.00 | |
| 6 | 1804 P Half Cent VF | 140.00 | | 36 | 1923-P Liberty Standing Quarter VF | 27.00 | |
| 7 | 1814 Plain 4 Large Cent Good | 50.00 | | 37 | 1932-S Washington Quarter Fine | 70.00 | |
| 8 | 1822-P Large Cent VF | 45.00 | | 38 | 1934-P Washington Quarter Ch. BU | 25.00 | |
| 9 | 1910-P Lincoln Cent CH BU | 20.00 | | 39 | 1935-P Washington Quarter Ch. BU | 20.00 | |
| 10 | 1911-P P Lincoln Cent CH BU | 20.00 | | 40 | 1936-P Washington Quarter Ch. BU+ | 20.00 | |
| 11 | 1912-D Lincoln Cent CH VF | 20.00 | | 41 | 1937-P Washington Quarter Ch BU | 25.00 | |
| 12 | 1913-S Lincoln Cent Fine | 13.00 | | 42 | 1877-CC Liberty Seated Half 50c VG | 70.00 | |
| 13 | 1915-D Lincoln Cent EF | 20.00 | | 43 | 1894-O Barber Half 50c VG | 27.00 | |
| 14 | 1921-S Lincoln Cent VF | 5.00 | | 44 | 1894-S Barber Half 50c VG | 25.00 | |
| 15 | 1922-D Lincoln Cent VF | 16.00 | | 45 | 1895-O Barber Half 50c VG | 48.00 | |
| 16 | 1924-D Lincoln Cent EF | 65.00 | | 46 | 1900-S Barber Half 50c VG | 12.50 | |
| 17 | 1837-P Lib Seated Half Dime VG | 35.00 | | 47 | 1938-D Liberty Walking Half 50c EF | 100.00 | |
| 18 | 1913-D T1 Buffalo 5 cent CH VF | 20.00 | | 48 | 1941-P Liberty Walking Half 50c CH BU | 25.00 | |
| 19 | 1915-D Buffalo 5 cent VF | 38.00 | | 49 | 1948-P Franklin Half Dollar BU | 14.00 | |
| 20 | 1916-P Buffalo 5 cent CH BU+ | 50.00 | | 50 | 1954-S Franklin Half Dollar CH BU+ | 12.50 | |
| 21 | 1936-P Buffalo 5 cent BU | 20.00 | | 51 | 1955-P Franklin Half Dollar Proof | 22.00 | |
| 22 | 1939-D Buffalo 5 cent GEM BU | 40.00 | | 52 | 1890-P Morgan Dollar CH AU DMPL | 35.00 | |
| 23 | 1862-P Lib Seated Dime F | 15.00 | | 53 | 1892-P Morgan Dollar CH AU | 75.00 | |
| 24 | 1893-S Barber Dime VG | 16.00 | | 54 | 1894-O Morgan Dollar AU | 110.00 | |
| 25 | 1902-O Barber Dime F+ | 9.00 | | 55 | 1896-S Morgan Dollar VF30 | 52.00 | |
| 26 | 1905-S Barber Dime F+ | 6.00 | | 56 | 1996 American Silver Eagle BU | 30.00 | |
| 27 | 1916-P Mercury Dime FSB CH BU | 40.00 | | 57 | 1793-M Mexico 8 Reale EF | 50.00 | |
| 28 | 1934-P Mercury Dime FSB CH BU | 40.00 | | 58 | 1943-S BU 5 Pc Coin Set | 45.00 | |
| 29 | 1929-D Mercury Dime CH AU | 12.50 | | 59 | 1954-S BU 5 Pc Coin Set | 21.00 | |
| 30 | 1931-S Mercury Dime AU | 30.00 | | 60 | Liberty Stand Quarters 1924-30 16 Pcs | 110.00 | |
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| 61 | 1925 Stone Mount. Comm Half AU+ | 40.00 | | 65 | 1936 RI Tercentenary Comm Half EF+ | 85.00 | |
| 62 | 1934 Texas Independ Comm Half MS+ | 140.00 | | 66 | 1936-S San Fran Oakland Half AU+ | 140.00 | |
| 63 | 1936-D Calif-Pacific Expo Half AU+ | 90.00 | | 67 | 1936 Gettysburg 75th Comm. Half MS+ | 450.00 | |
| 64 | 2 Booker T Washington Com Halves VF | 25.00 | | 68 | 1837 Feuchtwanger 1 Cent EF | 200.00 | |

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