

# ALEXANDRIA COIN CLUB NEWS

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## New to our club? Welcome!

We meet on the **3rd Wednesday each month**, at the Lee Center, 1108 Jefferson St. in Alexandria, VA. It's just off US 1 inside the Beltway, and there's plenty of free parking. Meetings are held in the Gold Room. Check the lobby bulletin board just to be sure! The bourse opens at 7:00 p.m. and members may display, trade, and sell coins during this time. Our auction starts about 8:10 p.m. Members and visitors can bid during the bourse and auction. Members are encouraged to submit coins to be included in future auctions – contact **Auction Chair Robin Borum** at [rborum@verizon.net](mailto:rborum@verizon.net) or 703-395-3269.

**Next Meeting: November 20!**

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### **Tentative Meeting Agenda:**

- 7:00pm Bourse opens – please help yourself to refreshments!  
8:00pm Meeting begins: welcome, announcements, discussions, speakers.  
8:10pm Auction begins. Door prize drawing and raffle held at intermission.  
9:30pm Settlement of auction accounts, submission of coins for next auction, adjournment.

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# Looking to the Mint for Holiday Gifts?

*Now is a good time!*

The week of November 18, the United States Mint will introduce its three-coin set of Mount Rushmore quarters, its McKinley 1\$ Coin & Medal Set, a 10-coin set of 2013 America the Beautiful Quarters in circulating quality and Edith Roosevelt First Spouse Gold Coins.

Circulating-quality versions of the quarter debuted earlier this month. This set includes a proof and two uncirculated Mount Rushmore quarters bound within a display card. The proof coin comes from the San Francisco Mint. Beside it is an uncirculated quarter from the Denver Mint and an uncirculated quarter from the Philadelphia Mint. The price of the 2013 Mount Rushmore Quarters Three-Coin Set is \$9.95.



On Tuesday November 19, the U.S. Mint will begin selling its 2013 McKinley Presidential \$1 Coin & First Spouse Medal Set. Bound within a display card are an uncirculated William McKinley Presidential \$1 Coin, and an Ida McKinley bronze medal bearing a likeness to the First Spouse Gold Coins for her that launched on Thursday, November 14. It too will be priced at \$9.95.

Then on Thursday, Nov. 21, the U.S. Mint will release its 2013 America the Beautiful Quarters Circulating Coin Set, priced at \$5.95. Included within the 10-coin set are Denver- and Philadelphia-struck quarters featuring this year's five designs commemorating White Mountain National Forest in New Hampshire, Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial in Ohio, Great Basin National Park in Nevada, Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine in Maryland and Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota.

Also on Thursday, the rollout begins for West Point struck Edith Roosevelt First Spouse Gold Coins in proof and uncirculated qualities. These one-half ounce, 24 karat gold coins bear a portrait of Edith on their obverse and have a reverse of the White House with a slightly off-center column and compass. This scene depicts Edith's work in restoring the White House. Pricing of the gold coins will be set on Wednesday, November 20. According to the mint, if gold remains within \$1,250 – \$1,299.99, the proof will be \$840 and the uncirculated \$820.

## Remaining US Mint Numismatic Product Releases in November

Release Date	US Mint Product	Price
11/19	2013 Mount Rushmore Quarters Three-Coin Set	\$9.95
11/19	2013 McKinley Presidential \$1 Coin & First Spouse Medal Set	\$9.95
11/21	2013 America the Beautiful Quarters Circulating Coin Set	\$5.95
11/21	2013 Edith Roosevelt First Spouse Gold Proof Coin	TBD
11/21	2013 Edith Roosevelt First Spouse Gold Uncirculated Coin	TBD
11/26	2013 Roosevelt Presidential \$1 Coin & First Spouse Medal Set	\$9.95

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# Looking Ahead to 2014: *The U.S. Mint Throws a Curve!*



The National Baseball Hall of Fame Commemorative \$5 gold, \$1 silver, and one-half dollar clad coins will have a shape such that the obverse is concave and the reverse is convex. While these will be the first curved coins ever minted by the United States Mint, it did produce the curved 1973 Roberto Clemente Congressional Gold Medal in honor of the late Pittsburgh Pirates star right fielder.

The National Baseball Commemorative Coin Act specifically refers to modeling the coins after the convex/concave 2009 International Year of Astronomy Coins minted and issued by the Monnaie de Paris (French Mint). The United States Mint's National Baseball Hall of Fame Commemorative \$5 gold, the \$1 silver and one-half dollar clad coins will also be closely modeled after the Royal Australian Mint's Southern Cross curved coins.

Research and development on the curved National Baseball Hall of Fame Commemorative Coins is unprecedented in recent United States Mint history. It covered height of relief limitations; milling, turning and grinding operations; coinability issues; laser frosting and proof polishing; and proof, uncirculated and clad test strikes. During the planning phase for the minting and production of its first-ever curved coins, the Royal Australian and Perth Mints provided valuable technical insight to the United States Mint.

These coins are being issued in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame, which celebrates its 75th anniversary in 2014. They are scheduled to go on sale early in 2014.

The obverse design depicts a glove that, combined with the baseball design featured on the reverse, exemplifies the most basic elements of our national pastime or a simple game of catch in the backyard or at the local sandlot. The glove design also highlights the unique concavity of the coin.

The winning design was submitted by Cassie McFarland was selected from the finalists by the Department of the Treasury after consultation with the National Baseball Hall of Fame and U.S. Commission of Fine Arts and review by the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee.

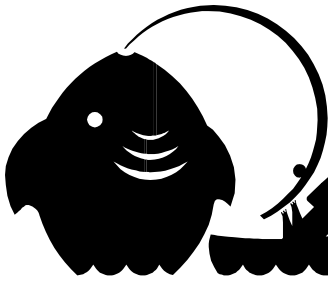
The common inscriptions on each coin's "baseball mitt" obverse are *LIBERTY, IN GOD WE TRUST,* and *2014*. The obverse design was sculpted by United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver Don Everhart.

## Obverse



## Reverse





# US Mint Silver Eagle Sales Reach Record 40,175,000!

On November 12, the United States Mint announced that a new record has been set for sales of American Silver Eagle bullion coins. The previous record of 39,868,500 ounces was set in 2011.

**Top Five Years for US Mint Silver Eagle Sales**

Rank	Year	Sales Total
1	2013	40,175,000*
2	2011	39,868,500
3	2010	34,662,500
4	2012	33,742,500
5	2009	28,766,500

\*Indicates sales through November 12, 2013.

.Of the top twenty Silver Eagle sales months since the bullion coins debuted 27 years ago, eight belong to 2013. Annual Silver Eagle sales totals traditionally include coins minted and dated from multiple years as coin inventories from previous years are generally sold in the first few weeks of the following year. This was not the case for 2013, however, as 2012-dated bullion Silver Eagles sold out in mid-December.

January of 2013 was a notable record month, when the U.S. Mint registered sales of 7,498,000 ounces, the all-time monthly high. The supply ran out in mid-January and was built back up by month's end, but the scenario dictated a limited allocation per buyer that is currently in place. The final weekly supply will be issued December 9<sup>th</sup>, and orders for 2014 silver Eagles will be accepted on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

American Silver Eagles are struck from one ounce of .999 fine silver. Each bears Adolph A. Weinman's "Walking Liberty" design on the obverse and John Mercanti's heraldic eagle with shield on the reverse.

Produced at both the West Point Mint and San Francisco Mint, bullion Silver Eagles are sold through the Mint's network of authorized purchasers. These purchasers obtain the coins in bulk and then resell them in smaller quantities at a premium above the current spot price of the silver they contain.

# Mark Your Calendar:

## Upcoming Shows and Events in our Area



Winchester Coin Club Show	11/23 9:30 – 5	Hampton Inn 1204 Berryville Ave Winchester, VA	Doug Bowers <a href="mailto:bottles@shentel.net">bottles@shentel.net</a>
SVCC Coin & Stamp Show	12/6 12 – 5 12/7 10 – 5 12/8 10 – 2	Weyers Cave Comm Ctr 682 Weyers Cave Rd - Rt 256 east Weyers Cave, VA	Melissa Smith <a href="mailto:svccshow@gmail.com">svccshow@gmail.com</a>
Hunt Valley Coin & Curr Show	12/8 9 – 4	Crowne Plaza Baltimore N 2004 Greenspring Drive Timonium, MD	Legacy Coins & Currency 410-929-8178 <a href="mailto:legacycoins@gmail.com">legacycoins@gmail.com</a>
Baltimore Monthly Coin Show	12/21 10 – 4	Doubletree Hotel 1726 Reistertown Rd Pikesville, MD	James & Jennifer Reeves 814-599-9546 <a href="mailto:jreevesandcompany@hotmail.com">jreevesandcompany@hotmail.com</a>

## Have a Question? Need Some Help? *Contact an ACC Dealer!*

Robin Borum <a href="mailto:rborum@verizon.net">rborum@verizon.net</a>	Robin Borum Rare Coins	703-395-3269
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Frank Falgiano	CEFCO Enterprises	703-491-1017
Mike W. Hess	Classic Coins & Collectibles	703-330-3747
J.W. Kennedy	Kennedy's Stamps and Coins	703-569-7300
John Koebert	Butternut	703-802-0252
John Manley	German Coins	202-546-5256
Bob Mitchell <a href="mailto:RKTcoins@cox.net">RKTcoins@cox.net</a>	RKT Coins	703-268-5234
Mike Olson	MCO Consultants – Numismatics	703-644-5375
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Andy & Alynn Skrabalak <a href="http://www.angeldees.com">www.angeldees.com</a>	Angel Dee's Coins and Collectibles	703- 580-6969
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George Watson	George A. Watson	703-843-7072
Wayne Wilcox	Wayne's Coin & Currency	703-920-2385
Jason Zeibel	Z&Z Coins	703-598-1340

November Auction Lots					
#	Item	Description	Min Bid	Estim Value	Win Bid
1	\$1	1878-S MS63		85	
2	\$1	1900 MS61		52	
3	\$1	1902-O MS62		55	
4	\$1	1904-O MS62		55	
5	\$1	1921 MS60		40	
6	5c	1913-D Ty2, G4		125	
7	1c	20pc, 1890-1901 avg G to F		30	
8	1c	1864 CN in PCGS 40 holder	65	120	
9	1c	1873 open 3, in PCGS 40 holder	115	175	
10	\$1	1853 Gold Dollar, in NGC 55 holder	150	350	
11	Sets	1979, 1980, & 1981 U.S.Mint UNC Sets		34	
12	Sets	1968, & 1969 U.S.Proof Sets		18	
13	mixed	1971, & 1972 Proof Sets; 1971 Ike 'blue pac' Dollar (40%)		28	
14	Comm	2010 Disabled Veterans Proof Silver Dollar		50	
15	Comm	1990-P Eisenhower Proof Silver Dollar		42	
16	Set	1989 Prestige Proof Set		45	
17	1c	1806 AG3	22	45	
18	1c	2pc, 1827 AG3, 1837 VG8	24	55	
19	1c	4pc, 1851 avg F12	40	128	
20	1c	2pc, 1852 F12, 1853 F12	28	64	
21	1c	2pc, 1851 F12, 1853 F12	26	64	
22	5c	3pc, 1867 NR G4, 1868 corroded, 1882 VG8	26	45	
23	5c	2pc 1/2 dime, 1857 VG8, 1857-O G4	16	39	
24	10c	3pc, 1856 G4, 1856-O F damage, 1871 F corroded	32	54	
25	1c	1909 VDB VF20	9	14	
26	1c	1931-S EF40	90	125	
27	10c	8pc, 1918 to 1945, avg F - AU	20	64	
28	25c	1873 open 3, EF40	100	150	
29	\$1	1889 AU50	30	38	
30	\$1	1993 Proof Silver Eagle	50	100	
31	Comm	1983-S & 1984-S Olympic Commems.; both Proof Silver Dollars	40	74	
32	Comm	1925 Stone Mountain Half, VF20	25	40	
33	Comm	1920 Pilgrim Half, EF40	50	70	
34	Comm	1923 Monroe Doctrine Half, EF40	30	45	
35	Comm	1925 Lexington-Concord Half, VF20	50	65	
36	mixed	11pc early type set, cent to dime, avg AG to VG some w/problems		80	
37	50c	27pc, 1937 to 1947-D in Whitman folder, avg VG to VF		270	
38	50c	4pc, 1964,67,68-D,69-D all BU		28	
39	\$1	1990 Proof Silver Eagle	55	85	
40	\$1	1991 Proof Silver Eagle	55	85	
41	\$1	1994 Proof Silver Eagle	85	125	
42	\$1	1997 Proof Silver Eagle	55	80	

43	Set	1989-S Prestige Proof Set	40	45	
44	Set	1991-S Prestige Proof Set	45	59	
45	Set	1992-S Prestige Proof Set	40	55	
46	Set	1993-S Prestige Proof Set	45	65	
47	50c	1945 in NGC MS65 holder	110	140	
48	50c	1960 Proof			
49	50c	1963 in NGC Proof 67 Cameo holder	50	80	
50	50c	1970-S Proof			

## The 2014 Alexandria Coin Show!

**When?** Saturday, February 8, 2014  
9:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Where?** Springfield American Legion  
Post 176  
6520 Amherst Avenue  
Springfield, VA 22150

**Who?** Your contact is Boots Barnes  
703-975-7029 (cell)  
[steven.barnes8@verizon.net](mailto:steven.barnes8@verizon.net)

*Anything else?*

It's free and open to the public! Door prizes will be awarded and there will be a special instruction period at 1:00 pm that's not to be missed!

**Attention all ACC Members: Call for a New Editor!!!**

After many fun and interesting years as the editor of our newsletter, it's time for me to move on... This is a wonderful opportunity for a member to take on more involvement with the club, get to know more about numismatics, and unleash your creative side! I will be glad to train – it's not hard, but very fulfilling! Please volunteer if you can – step up to the plate at our November meeting!

Thanks, *Noelle*