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## **Government Employees Recognized for Outstanding Service**

United States Mint employees Debbie Dawson and April Stafford, and Professor Li Tiesheng, the director of the China Numismatic Academy, received the American Numismatic Association's Outstanding Government Service Award at a special awards ceremony on Aug. 18 at the World's Fair of Money® in Denver.

Dawson and Stafford were nominated for their contributions to the U.S. Mint's h.i.p. pocket change™ programs which provides educational numismatic materials to teachers and students.

Li Tiesheng is author of several books introducing contemporary world coins to China, and the first ever written in Chinese on ancient coins of the Western world. He received an ANA Presidential Award in 2005.

The American Numismatic Association is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to educating and encouraging people to study and collect money and related items. With nearly 33,000 members, the Association serves the academic community, collectors and the general public with an interest in numismatics. The ANA helps all people discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of programs including its education and outreach, museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars.

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