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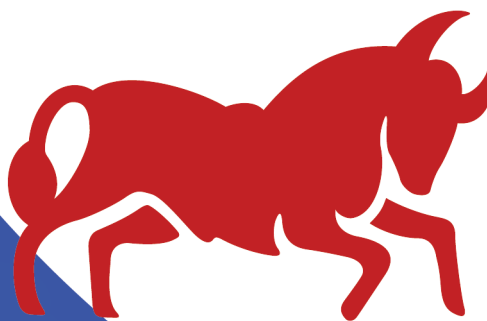
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# COIN ROLL HUNTING

## *LOOKING THROUGH ORDINARY CHANGE TO FIND EXTRAORDINARY COINS*

*By Erik Elbieh*

Did you know you can find a lot of neat coins at face value? Recently I have started going coin roll hunting. Unlike other types of hunting, this type only requires a keen eye and some knowledge about coins.

So what exactly is coin roll hunting? The idea is that you look through coins that you can either find in pocket change or coin rolls that you get from the bank. But why should you try roll hunting? Well, if you are looking to get some interesting coins with limited spending money, or if you only have a few coin shops around you, it's a great way to add to your collection, and the coins are available at a great price: face value! This means that whenever you get

coins you don't want, you can exchange them for other coins, and the only money you spend is on the coins you keep.

I often stop by a nearby bank and pick up some rolls of pennies, nickels, or some other denomination. After looking through them and picking out the ones I want to keep, I return it to the bank. Make sure your bank has a coin counting machine where you can count the coins and exchange them for bills, or even more coins!

Although most of the coins you will see will be your typical Lincoln cent or Jefferson nickel, you will be able to find some interesting coins if you keep looking. So far, I have been lucky enough to get lots of wheat cents, a couple buffalo and

war nickels, silver dimes and half dollars. You might not find a bunch of these old coins, but it's great when you do. I also look for errors. I have found a few doubled dies and some other interesting varieties. Sometimes, if you get lucky, you might even find older coins, such as Indian Head pennies or Mercury dimes, although I haven't gotten any of those yet. I have also accumulated coins from around eight different countries that have been accidentally placed in the rolls.

If you haven't tried roll hunting yet, you should give it a try. You'll be surprised at what can turn up in circulation! It's free, it's easy, and you won't be paying more than face value for any coin!

## **Attention "A" Students: Take Advantage of COINS for A'S**

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# The First 13 STATE QUARTERS

By Matthew Tormey

**S**tarting in 1999, the United States Mint 50 State Quarter Program was designed to honor each state by making five different quarters every year for ten years. This program was designed to get new collectors in the field of numismatics. These quarters were a smashing success with many collectors who bought a special map with holes to insert quarters.

## 1 — DELAWARE

On the night of July 1st through the early morning of July 2nd 1776, Caesar Rodney rode 80 miles on horseback from Delaware to Philadelphia to cast his vote for independence from the British at the Independence Hall. On July 4th he signed the Declaration of Independence. Two hundred twelve years later he was commemorated on the Delaware state quarter.



## 2 — PENNSYLVANIA

The outline of the state shows clear in the wake of the "Commonwealth" statue which is atop the



Pennsylvania capitol, made of gilded bronze and is fourteen and a half feet tall.

She faces west for future westward expansion. The state's motto, "Virtue, Liberty and Independence," is to the right of Commonwealth. Also on the coin is a keystone to the left of the statue. The keystone is for the state's nickname, "The Keystone State."

## 3 — NEW JERSEY

This design shows Washington crossing from New Jersey to Delaware on the Delaware River on Christmas night, 1776. This was an important part of American history because many Americans believed they should give up fighting the British. They thought we were never going to win but Washington's attack changed many people's minds about the struggle. Underneath the historic moment is the caption "Crossroads of the Revolution."



## 4 — GEORGIA

Showcasing a peach with a lone leaf, the fourth state quarter was Georgia. Surrounding the peach on a banner are the words "Wisdom, Justice and Moderation" (the state motto). Surrounding the motto are branches of the state tree, the Live Oak. Behind all of this is the outline of Georgia.



## 5 — CONNECTICUT

A solitary oak tree, bare without leaves, is the sole picture on the Connecticut state quarter. In the bottom right the words "The Charter Oak" label the tree. This oak is a living mystery. This tree once stood proudly in the center of Hartford. When King James II demanded that there was to be one New England colony, the state's charter went missing. Legend goes that it was hidden in Charter Oak and the tree became a symbol of liberty. The tree was knocked over in a storm in 1856.





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## 6 — MASSACHUSETTS

Standing guard over Massachusetts, a minuteman is ready for action in a minute. This statue located in Concord was erected to celebrate the hundredth anniversary of the start of the American Revolution. On the outline of the state a small star marks Boston, the state's capital and largest city, with the words "The Bay State."



on the right side of the coin is the only picture on this coin. This natural wonder is formally called "Old Man of the Mountain". To the left is the state motto, "Live Free or Die," adopted in 1945.



## 7 — MARYLAND

Gracing the center of the Maryland state quarter is the state house dome, the oldest continuously used state house in the U. S. The words "The Old Line State" are featured in honor of the first line continental regiment. This is flanked by two white oak leaf clusters. The white oak tree is the state tree.



## 10 — VIRGINIA

The first three ships from England to reach the new world carrying the Jamestown settlers are remembered on the Virginia state quarter, The Susan Constant, Godspeed and Discovery. Also on the quarter is the Quadricentennial anniversary of Jamestown (1607-2007).



## 11 — NEW YORK

Standing in front of the New York state outline is the Statue of Liberty herself given to us from France for America's hundredth Birthday. The New York state outline also features two very important American waterways. Those two are the Erie Canal and the Hudson River clearly shown on the coin. Stars surround the top edge of the coin in a semi-circle.



## 8 — SOUTH CAROLINA

The South Carolina state quarter has doubled attractions – the state bird perched on the state flower, as well as the state tree. A Carolina Wren is perched on yellow Jasmine. As for the state tree the Palmetto, it has always been a symbol of South Carolina from before the Civil War up until now.



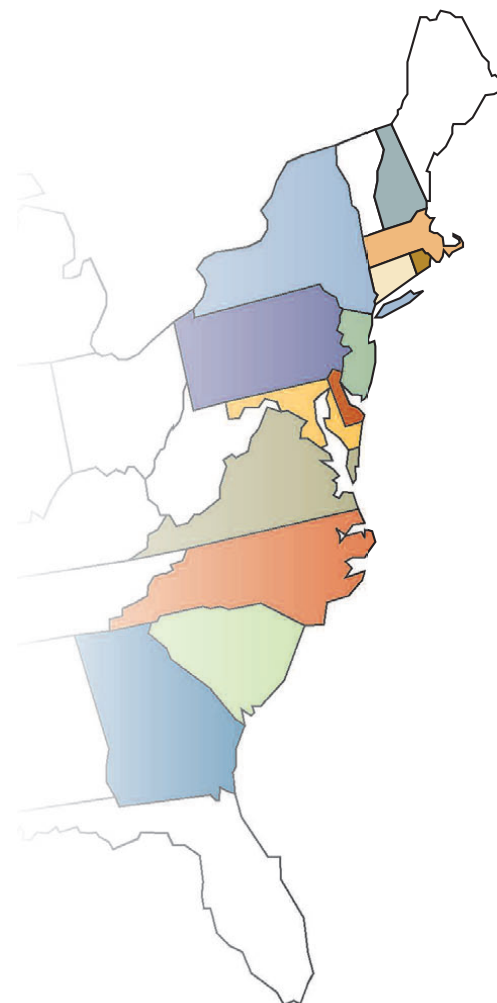
## 12 — NORTH CAROLINA

The obvious star of the North Carolina quarter is the Wright Flyer, the first plane to fly. Fly it did, for a full twelve seconds. After a



## 9 — NEW HAMPSHIRE

The New Hampshire stone face



series of more runs, it achieved fifty-nine second flight times. Standing watching the plane is Wilbur, while his brother Orville, flies. The area which they used as the landing strip is now Kitty Hawk National Park.

## 13 — RHODE ISLAND

On the Rhode Island state quarter is a toy sailboat floating in Narragansett Bay. She is modelled after Reliance, a yacht that represented the US in the 1903 World Cup completion.



# Young Numismatists' Right to Vote

By Cole Schenewerk

The ANA's spring National Money Show was held in Sacramento last March. I was able to attend the ANA Board meeting and the governors discussed an issue that is of importance to YNs. A committee has been working for several months on a new draft of the ANA's bylaws, which is the set of rules that governs the organization. Under the current bylaws, YNs are allowed to vote in ANA Board elections. Under the new bylaws, anyone under age eighteen will no longer be allowed to vote.

At the Board meeting, the bylaws committee presented their final draft to the ANA Board, and several people on the board were not happy with the amendment. Governor Rottinghaus proposed that a minimum age of thirteen be set instead of eighteen. This proposal was voted down by the Board.

In the June issue of *The Numismatist*, both sides published their arguments. The opinion in favor of age eighteen was written by the bylaws committee. It reads:

*"Eighteen years of age is the universal requirement for voting in the United States for public office at the federal, state, or local level. Governance in an important function of the management of our nonprofit organization. The ANA has capitalized assets of over \$60 million and an annual budget of \$6 million. Decisions affecting these assets and funds must be made by mature, experienced adults."*

*For example, in our society, students do not elect school board members, nor do they select their teachers. The reason is simple: They do not possess the life experiences necessary to make management decisions that affect the running of the educational system. The same is true of all elected offices within the American political system. In our legal system, minors are not capable of entering into contracts, with the exception of certain, limited situations.*

*A majority of the Board of Governors felt that good governance requires that adults elect those who will make the necessary decisions and effectively oversee the management of the Association."*

The opinion of the governors in favor of age thirteen was written by Governor Rottinghaus:

*"The ANA has allowed young numismatists to vote for approximately four decades. During that time, there have been no legal challenges to this right. During the 1970s and 1980s, the minimum age for voting was 11, and this was non-controversial. I have voted in every ANA election since I was 12, and I was a well-informed and enthusiastic member of the electorate [body of voters]"*

*The same holds true for current young numismatists who choose to exercise their right to vote. Setting a minimum voting of age 13 is a reasonable compromise with those who favor a cutoff of 18, given that 13-year-olds are frequently active in our organization on a national level, attending the Summer Seminar and convention, creating award-winning exhibits, writing impressive articles, and sometimes even starting careers as coin dealers. The privilege of voting is a major membership benefit for our young numismatists and it recognizes their contributions to the hobby. We should continue to encourage young numismatists by preserving their right to vote in our elections."*

ANA members can review the current bylaws and proposed bylaw changes online at [www.money.org](http://www.money.org) (click on "Member Feedback: Proposed Bylaw Revisions" at the right side of the homepage).

The board will vote on these bylaws at the Chicago convention, so YNs will still be able to vote in this coming election. Your ballot should be arriving in your mailbox very soon, if it hasn't already. Be sure to review each candidate's platform before voting.

# FUN with money

Earn and spend YN dollars!

## Numismatic Quiz #13

Successfully completing this quiz will earn you 20 YN dollars, plus some bonus items. Email your answers to quizmaster Jim Majoros at [major9@comcast.net](mailto:major9@comcast.net). Include your name, mailing address, ANA number and age.

- 1 What was the first year Indian Cents were made from Bronze?
- 2 During which year were Indian Cents NOT struck at the San Francisco Mint?
- 3 During what year were Lincoln Cents NOT struck at the Denver Mint?
- 4 When did the U.S. Mint start producing Lincoln Cents using Copper plated zinc?
- 5 In what year were both "Buffalo" and "Jefferson" nickels minted?

## YN Dollar Auction



**Lot #1:**  
**1937 Hobo Nickel**  
Minimum Bid: 40 YN\$

**Lot #2: 10 Kwacha, Zambia**  
No Minimum Bid



YNs may bid on one or both items, but only with YN Auction Dollars. Bids must be in by July 1 and can be submitted via e-mail to [ynauction@money.org](mailto:ynauction@money.org). In case of a tie, the first person to submit the winning bid is the winner. (To learn more about earning YN dollars, visit the YN section of the ANA website.)



# YN Numismatic Horoscope

## CAPRICORN • DECEMBER 23 – JANUARY 20

### Famous Capricorn: Ben Franklin

Ben Franklin was a printer, author and inventor. He was on the committee to write the Declaration of Independence. Franklin appears on the Franklin half dollar and the Franklin commemorative dollar series. He also appears on the \$100 Federal Reserve note.

**Franklin Quote:** "If you would know the value of money, go and try to borrow some."

**Forecast:** This will be a year for moderation. Spend less than you earn, but when you buy, buy quality. Learning about money is always a great way to spend free time. An old friend will offer to buy you a grilled cheese sandwich on a Thursday.



## AQUARIUS • JANUARY 21 – FEBRUARY 19

### Famous Aquarian: Susan B. Anthony

Susan B. Anthony was a temperance leader and suffragist. She is the first woman other than an allegorical figure to appear on a United States circulating coin. Anthony appears on the Susan B. Anthony dollar coin.

**Anthony Quote:** "Modern invention has banished the spinning wheel, and the same law of progress makes the woman of today a different woman from her grandmother."



**Forecast:** What a great year for travel! It would be best for you to improve your mind and visit museums. This is the time for you to eat all of your vegetables. In July, a stranger will hand you shoelaces and walk away.

## PISCES • FEBRUARY 20 – MARCH 20

### Famous Pisces: George Washington

George Washington was our nation's first President as well as commander of the colonial forces during the Revolutionary War. He is portrayed on the quarter as well as several commemorative coins. Washington appears on the \$1 Federal Reserve note.

**Washington Quote:** "Be courteous to all, but intimate with few, and let those few be well tried before you give them your confidence."

**Forecast:** This is a good time to renew old acquaintances and visit with family members who you haven't seen for some time. Older members of your family will want to show you old coins they have kept in a sock drawer. You will win a contest for developing the most delicious way to prepare cauliflower.



## ARIES • MARCH 21-APRIL 20

### Famous Aries: Booker T. Washington

Booker T. Washington was an American educator

and leader in the African American community. He has the distinction of being the first African American to appear on a United States coin. Washington's portrait is on the Booker T. Washington and Carver/Washington half dollars.

**Washington Quote:** "I have learned that success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has had to overcome while trying to succeed."

**Forecast:** This will be a memorable year because you will find the time to enjoy a sport or hobby more than ever. Try not to eat too many frozen dinners and learn to use more mustard. You will try a new laundry detergent in September and your clothes will smell mountain fresh.



## TAURUS • APRIL 21 – MAY 21

### Famous Taurus: Ulysses Grant

Ulysses Grant was the eighteenth President of the United States and commander of the Union Forces during the Civil War. His portrait appears on the Grant Memorial half dollar and gold dollar. Grant also appears on the \$50 Federal Reserve note.

**Grant Quote:** "I know only two tunes: one of them is "Yankee Doodle," and the other isn't."



**Forecast:** The next few months are a time for organization. Remember that there is a place for everything and everything in its place. If your family has a few odd looking coins lying somewhere, now is the time to put them in some sort of order. In April, you will be sitting in a restaurant and a waiter/waitress will bring you a glass of water.

## GEMINI • MAY 22 – JUNE 21

### Famous Gemini: John F. Kennedy

John F. Kennedy was the thirty-fifth President of the United States. His portrait appears on the half dollar.

**Kennedy Quote:** "Our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education. The human mind is our fundamental resource."

**Forecast:** The months ahead will find you concentrating on your love for learning. You will read at least three books before the year is over. One day in June, you will be at a traffic light and the color will change from yellow to red.



## CANCER • JUNE 22 – JULY 22

### Famous Cancer: Helen Keller

Helen Keller was an American activist and author. ►



She is reportedly the first deaf and blind person to earn a college degree. Keller appears on the Alabama quarter. The quarter also has Keller's name in Braille and is the first United States circulating coin to contain Braille.

**Keller Quote:** "Walking with a friend in the dark is better than walking alone in the light."

**Forecast:** What a wonderful time to learn a new skill. Take the time to use what you have learned to help others. You will receive tremendous joy in helping the less fortunate and you will be greatly admired. Be careful in October because you may be attacked by an angry bowl of spaghetti.

## LEO · JULY 23 – AUGUST 22

### Famous Leo: Virginia Dare

Virginia Dare was the first child born in the Americas to English parents. Her life remains a mystery as she was part of the lost colony of Roanoke. Virginia Dare, along with her mother Ellinor, appear on the Roanoke Island commemorative half dollar.



**Dare Quote:** "Goo goo da da."

**Forecast:** The next few months will be a time in which you will make many new friends who will depend on you for advice. You will want to help your friends realize that the answers they seek lie within themselves. Concentrate on your listening skills. You will find yourself warming food that has gotten cold one day in December.



## VIRGO · AUGUST 23 – SEPTEMBER 22

### Famous Virgo: King Louis XIV

King Louis XIV was the King of France for 72 years. His reign is the longest of any European monarch to date. He was known as the Sun King due to his absolute power and style of government.

**Louis XIV Quote:** "Has God forgotten all that I have done for Him?"

**Forecast:** Listen to your heart. The following months are a time to look within and figure out what you enjoy about yourself and what others enjoy about you. In May, you will be searching through your closet and find a shirt.

## LIBRA · SEPTEMBER 23-OCTOBER 22

### Famous Libra: Dwight Eisenhower

Dwight Eisenhower was the thirty-fourth President of the United States. Eisenhower was the Supreme Commander of Allied forces in Europe during the Second World War. He is portrayed on the Eisenhower 1971-78 dollar and the Eisenhower

Centennial commemorative dollar.

**Eisenhower Quote:** "Pull the string, and it will follow wherever you wish. Push it, and it will go nowhere at all."

**Forecast:** You will find your mind on studies and business for the next several months. Plan your schedule wisely and you will find enough time to enjoy the hobbies you love. Next week, you will feel sleepy and your eyes will begin to close.



## SCORPIO · OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 21

### Famous Scorpio: Theodore Roosevelt

Theodore Roosevelt was the twenty-sixth President of the United States. He was the author of thirty-five books. He was the first American to win the Nobel Peace Prize. His face appears alongside Presidents Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln on the Mount Rushmore \$5 gold, dollar and half dollar.



**Roosevelt Quote:** Nobody cares how much you know, until they know how much you care."

**Forecast:** This year will be a year in which you make a lot of changes. You will be able to get rid of things that are not flattering to you. Concentrate on being passionate about a hobby. In late September, you will notice that a leaf from a nearby tree has changed color.

## SAGITTARIUS · NOVEMBER 22 – DECEMBER 21

### Famous Sagittarian: Edwin Stanton

Edwin Stanton was Secretary of War during the Lincoln administration. He was appointed to the Supreme Court but died four days after he was confirmed by the Senate. His portrait is on the \$1 Treasury note and the 50 cent fourth issue of Fractional Currency.

**Stanton Quote:** "Now he belongs to the ages."

**Forecast:** The future holds tremendous potential for you. You will be more popular than ever before. Friends will ask you to be a part of their plans. You will find yourself helping the elderly. In early April, a pencil that you like to use will require sharpening.



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