



The United States Mint H.I.P. Pocket Change™ Web site has added several new features over the past month! To help you learn about “What’s New For You,” explore some of the links that have been listed below.



October’s Coin of the Month – This month, Bill the Mint Buffalo discovers the “show me” state! Join Bill as he learns all about Missouri’s “Gateway to the West” and what role Missouri played in expanding our nation.

Making Cents - The latest edition of the H.I.P Pocket Change newsletter has finally hit the Web! Read it through to learn all about the upcoming release of the Arkansas quarter, some new medals that pay tribute our national wildlife, and the history and culture of Japan in the newest addition to the *Coins of the World* cartoon!

Fun Facts –A new Fun Fact is available on H.I.P. Pocket Change each month, but you don't have to settle for one fun fact at a time! Visit the special Fun Facts pages to see pictures and teacher features that complement the facts. Just click on a fact at the top of any H.I.P. Pocket Change page and learn some little known stories of the United States Mint and American coinage!



Lesson Plan Contest – We’re on the look out for more great lessons here at the United States Mint, so contribute your ideas today to the "**Coins In The Classroom**" Lesson Plan Contest. The deadline is near! *October 15th is the last day to submit a lesson plan.* Don’t miss out on your chance to win valuable prizes– enter today!



Teacher Features – While you can always find these great classroom ideas in the Teachers section of H.I.P. Pocket Change, be sure to click on the Teacher Feature icon whenever you spot it on the site to find ideas that relate directly to whatever you’ve just read!

| Feature Name | Related Content | Covered Curricular Area |
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| 1. <u>Become an Expert</u> | October’s Coin of the Month | Social Studies, Language Arts, Technology |

Coming Soon:

Over the next month, you'll want to keep an eye out for the **Arkansas State Quarter Day in the Classroom** page, filled with valuable classroom resources to accompany the release of the newest quarter design.

Also, students will soon be able to join Bill the Mint Buffalo as he plans a trip across the United States! Using their knowledge of the 50 State Quarters[®] Program, students can help Bill prepare for his journey in **Quarter Explorer**, a brand new game on it's way to H.I.P. Pocket Change.

All of these resources, and more, are at your fingertips each time you return to [H.I.P. Pocket Change!](#)

Thanks again for your interest in all United States Mint activities. If you find this information useful, make sure you share it with a friend!