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Our next meeting: 04/18/2019

This month's program:

Glen Lindwall - Tiny Coins - Ancient and Modern

Concord Museum & Event Center 1928 Clayton Road Concord, California

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Mission Statement

The Diablo Numismatic Society of Concord, CA is a non-profit coin collecting club dedicated to serving all its members from beginner to expert – with focus on three priorities: education, fellowship, and fun!

The SOCIETY meets monthly on the third Thursday of the month at:

Concord Museum & Event Center 1928 Clayton Road Concord, California

Our Web site is: www.diablocoinclub.org

Youth Section

Connecting America Through Coins

Kids' interactive timeline: http://www.usmint.gov/kids/campCoin/timeline/

United States Mint Education pages:

http://www.usmint.gov/kids/games/

Diablo Numismatic Society Club Meeting Minutes Date: 03/21/19

No minutes were taken due to the Anniversary Banquet.

Upcoming Coin Shows

Apr 26th - 27th, 2019

Sacramento Valley Coin Show; Four Points Sheraton Hotel 4900 Duckhorn Drive Sacramento, CA 95834

Apr 28th, 2019

Vallejo Numismatic Society Coin Show; Florence Douglas Senior Center 333 Amador Street Vallejo, CA 94590

Jun 2nd, 2019

Sacramento Coin Show; Lions Gate Hotel, 3410 Westover Street McClellan, CA 95652

DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY PROGRAM SCHEDULE

JANUARY 17th

NEIL ROBERTSON – HISTORIC GERMAN COINAGE

FEBRUARY 21st

RYAN ANDERSON – EAGLE SCOUT'S JOURNEY THROUGH SCOUTING & BSA'S COINS - 2010

MARCH 21st

Annual Club Anniversary Awards Banquet – To be held at our regular meeting place and it will be catered by Back Forty BBQ. Check with Charlie Ludvik for dinner tickets. Members without tickets are welcome to attend the awards presentations and coin drawing.

APRIL 18th

Glen Lindwall - Tiny Coins - Ancient and Modern

APRIL 21-27, 2019 - NATIONAL COIN WEEK

THE GREAT AMERICAN COIN HUNT!

THIS WILL BE THE BIGGEST COIN DROP IN HISTORY! DEALERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY WILL BE PARTICIPATING! MAKE SEARCHING YOUR CHANGE FUN AGAIN!

MAY 16th

Don Kagin - The worlds Oldest Living Pioneer and Other Hobbies Night

JUNE 20th

MARK CLARKSON – HARD TIMES & CIVIL WAR TOKENS

JULY 13th (SATURDAY)

ANNUAL CLUB SUMMER BBQ - BORGES RANCH (No Meeting)

AUGUST 15th

BRUCE BERMAN – ANNUAL COIN GRADING CLINIC

SEPTEMBER 19th

EXHIBIT NIGHT – A THEMED TOPIC BOXED or FRAMED

OCTOBER 17th

SCOTT GRIFFIN – TONED MORGAN DOLLARS

NOVEMBER 21st

KYLE ANDERSON – HISTORY OF MODERN OLYMPIC COINAGE

DECEMBER 7th (SATURDAY)

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER – ZIO FRAEDO'S, PLEASANT HILL (NO MEETING)

March Anniversary and Awards Banquet













Coin of the Month

Echoes of Australian Fauna - Tasmanian Tiger





The Australian Mint will be issuing three coins in gold-plated black nickel. The first coin in the series features the extinct(?) Tasmanian Tiger. The last known specimen died in captivity in 1936. Residents living in the outback report recent sightings and pawprints have been found that appear to be from the Tasmanian Tiger.

The second coin will be of the lesser bilby, supposibly extinct since 1950. The third coin wil be of the night parrot, a small ground-dwelling nocturnal parrot found only in Australia. Thought to be extinct until photographic evidence of a living specimen was revealed in 2013.

Each coin is legal tender in Australia, contains 1 ounce .999 fine silver, and 40 mm in diameter. The lesser bilby will be available on May 6th and the night parrot will be available on July 1st.

The coins are available from the Mint's online store, https://eshop.ramint.gov.au/.

Travelling With Our Hobby

By Bill Hickman

Most of us enjoy numismatics on a local and regional basis. We participate in one or more coin clubs, attend coin shows, and exchange chatter with our friends. It is easy to expand our enjoyment of the hobby when out of our home area, whether for business or vacation. I try to visit another coin club whenever I am on vacation. A few years ago, I observed a very successful youth group at the Charlotte, NC club. In Texas, there are a large number of energetic clubs within a small radius. In Honolulu, the coin club is small and enthusiastic. Things are more laid back than in California. Budgets are smaller and drawings contain much lower-valued prizes than at DNS. I have joined the Honolulu Coin Club and attend at least one or two meetings there each year. When visiting Oahu in late April and May, I will have dinner with one or more members. All of these activities enhance and expand the joy of numismatics.

Pursuing numismatics in other states and in foreign countries also increases our historic knowledge. In Taiwan recently, I obtained a couple Chaing Kai Shek coins. This led to my learning more about the civil war in China after world war II, and Chaing's retreat to Taiwan (Formosa) where he strengthened an ally of the United States. In Hong Kong I purchased coins paying tribute to Great Britain by this former British Crown Colony. New Zealand coins did not hold much interest other than adding them to a collection of coins from countries visited. Australia is fascinating numismatically. Searching for a coin of my birth year, I learned about the history of silver in that nation's coins. The coin dealer at a famous open-air market also introduced me to coins minted by the U.S. for Australia.

In late September and early October, we will be cruising through Croatia, Malta, and Montenegro, as well as Italy and Greece. We have spent extensive time in the latter two and expect to acquire numismatic nuggets in the former three countries.

Regardless of success with acquisitions, my knowledge of history will be enhanced.

March Coin Drawing

	Date	MM	Description	Cond.	Grade	Value
1	1923		Lincoln Cent	PCGS	MS 64 RB	\$ 84.00
2	1947	D	Walking Liberty Half	PCGS	MS 64	\$ 79.00
3	1899	0	Morgan Dollar	PCGS	MS 64	\$ 70.00
4	1878	S	Morgan Dollar	NGC	MS 62	\$ 65.00
5	1881	S	Morgan Dollar	PCGS	MS 63	\$ 65.00
6	1879		Morgan Dollar	PCGS	AU 58	\$ 55.00
7	1942		Walking Liberty Half	PCGS	MS 64	\$ 50.00
8	1951	S	Roosevelt Dime	NGC	MS 66 FT	\$ 40.00
9	1955		Washington Quarter	NGC	MS 66	\$ 40.00
10	1942	S	Wartime Silver Nickel	NGC	MS 66	\$ 30.00
					Total	\$ 578.00

Coin Drawing Ticket Price Tier

1 through 9 tickets are \$2.00 apiece.

For example: 5 tickets are \$10.00, 9 tickets are \$18.00

\$20.00 is the first price break, you will receive 20 tickets for \$20.00.

\$ 20.00	Buys	20	Tickets
\$ 30.00	Buys	37	Tickets
\$ 40.00	Buys	50	Tickets
\$ 50.00	Buys	63	Tickets
\$ 60.00	Buys	75	Tickets
\$ 70.00	Buys	87	Tickets
\$ 80.00	Buys	100	Tickets
\$ 90.00	Buys	112	Tickets
\$ 100.00	Buys	125	Tickets
\$ 110.00	Buys	137	Tickets
\$ 120.00	Buys	150	Tickets
\$ 130.00	Buys	162	Tickets
\$ 140.00	Buys	175	Tickets
\$ 150.00	Buys	187	Tickets
\$ 160.00	Buys	200	Tickets

Miscellaneous information:

I do have a new e-mail address, check below.

Articles are always needed for this paper.

If you have an area you are interested in or would like more information on that topic, please feel free to notify me.

If you have a special coin you would like to showcase, let me know. Send a photo or I can photograph the coin for you and include it in the Die Break.

My thanks to Bill Hickman for his article on Travelling With Our Hobby.

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News Briefs

F+W Publications, the publisher of *Numismatic News* and other numismatic publications, has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. For now, plans are to remain in operation. But the future of these publications is uncertain.

The US Mint will produce 2019-W quarters for circulation. A total of 10 million quarters across the 5 America the Beautiful designs for 2019 will be released starting in April and continuing through the end of the year. Be sure to check your change!

Some Upcoming US Mint Products

April 17 – 2019 silver proof set (includes a 2019-W reverse proof cent)

May 14 – 2019 uncirculated coin set (includes a 2019-W uncirculated cent)

New Books

A Guide Book of Morgan Silver Dollars, sixth edition

By Q. David Bowers; foreword by Adam Crum

A new edition of this reference for the ever popular Morgan silver dollars.

Useful Web Sites

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