

# The Diablo Die-Break



Monthly Newsletter of the

Diablo Numismatic Society

63rd Year

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**Our next meeting is Thursday the 19th  
At the Clayton Library**

**We will be having an auction at this meeting, bring your coins!!**

**We will also be installing our new club officers.**

## ***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!*

**[Our Web site is: www.diablocoinclub.org](http://www.diablocoinclub.org)**

## **Youth Section**

**Connecting America Through Coins**

[Kids' interactive timeline: http://www.usmint.gov/kids/campCoin/timeline/](http://www.usmint.gov/kids/campCoin/timeline/)

**United States Mint Education pages:**

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

## President's Message

***Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed themselves over the Christmas Holiday season. During our last regular club meeting back in November, DNS donated 20 pounds of canned food to the Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano Counties. Thank you so much for your donation!!! Our Christmas Party in December was well received with lots of members having a wonderful time. What a great way to finish off the old year of 2022.***

***As the new year of 2023 started, California was and is still met with a deluge of rain. Storm after storm has pounded our state with relentless floodwaters which is great for our reservoirs and putting a huge dent in our multi-year drought. However, several fallen trees, power outages, swollen rivers, and destructive ocean tides has taken a toll on several communities up and down our coast. I hope and pray that you have not suffered too much during these storms. I have had some scary moments driving in heavy rain and hearing the strong wind and rain battering my home.***

***This January meeting will be the club's 773<sup>rd</sup> monthly meeting. I would like to ask you again to bring any canned food items and /or warm clothing so we can donate them to the food bank and the Salvation Army. With all of these storms, some people have lost everything. I thank you in advance of what you will do.***

***During our January meeting, we will have the swearing in of our new board members and have our quarterly coin auction. If you have anything for the auction, please let Bill Hickman know and bring it to the meeting. The topic for January is two-fold. First, we would like to pay tribute to our dearly departed friend, Glenn Stephenson, with a 14 minute video produced by his daughter. Glenn's wife Karen will answer any questions you might have about Glenn. Secondly, we will be having an open discussion on Coin Collecting; where we have been and where we are headed.***

***Your club dues are now due for 2023. If possible, please pay your \$15.00 at this meeting. The fees are \$25.00 if you elect to get our newsletter via snail mail.***

***If you have any friends who would be interested in history and coin collecting, please invite them and bring them to this next meeting. We will be having our usual Show & Tell and coin drawing with lots of coins to choose from. We will also have our On-Time and Membership coin drawings as well. Please come and enjoy each other! I look forward to seeing all of you soon.***

***Until then, God bless,***

***Kyle Anderson,***

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# DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### 2023

19-Jan

Open discussion – coin collecting, where we've been, where we're headed.  
Glenn Stephenson Tribute by Karen Stephenson  
Installation of club officers & coin auction

16-Feb

ROBERT E LUNA – THE "M" MINT, MANILA, PHILIPPINES

16-Mar

ANNUAL CLUB BANQUET – LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED  
(NO MEETING)

20-Apr

KYLE ANDERSON – HAWAII COINS & CURRENCY

18-May

SCOTT GRIFFEN – SEATED & MORGAN DOLLARS & THEIR COUNTERFEITS

15-Jun

MY FAVORITE COIN, MEDAL, OR COLLECTION

JULY

ANNUAL CLUB SUMMER BBQ – LOCATION & DATE TO BE DETERMINED  
(NO MEETING)

17-Aug

RAUL RAMIREZ – UNDERSTANDING the PESO and ITS' HISTORY

21-Sep

EXHIBIT NIGHT – A THEMED TOPIC BOXED or FRAMED

19-Oct

WHAT I GOT AT THE COIN SHOW

16-Nov

LET'S JUST SOCIALIZE and AUCTION

DECEMBER

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER – DATE and PLACE TO BE DETERMINED

# Upcoming Shows & Events

## **CoinExpo San Jose Next show: Feb 10th - 11th, 2023**

DoubleTree Hotel  
2050 Gateway Blvd.  
San Jose, CA 95110

## **Redwood Empire Coin Club Show February 17 – 18 2023**

Sonoma County Fairgrounds - E.L. Finley Hall  
1350 Bennett Valley Road  
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

## **Sacramento Coin Show Feb 24th - 25th, 2023**

Lions Gate Hotel  
3410 Westover Street  
McClellan, CA 95652

## **Livermore Valley Coin Club Show Mar 5th, 2023**

Livermore Elks Lodge  
940 Larkspur Dr  
Livermore, CA 94550

## **South Bay / Sunnyvale Coin Show Mar 17th - 18th, 2023**

Domain Hotel  
1085 East El Camino Real  
Sunnyvale, CA 94087

## **VIEW POINT or LETTER TO THE EDITOR, Michael S. Turrini, December 26, 2022**

### **Gratitude To Fellow NUMISMATIC NEWS Reader and ‘THE GRASS-ROOTS’ Of Our Hobby**

It was brought to my attention that the recent December 13, 2022 NUMISMATIC NEWS issue had a ‘letter’ from a Peter Rishel, who I have never met or may never cross-paths, complimenting and commending my earlier VIEWPOINT.

To Mr. Rishel, THANKS! And THANKS for your endorsement and the strong plea that “we need to hear about” those who toil, give, sweat, and serve, plus enjoy our ‘world of money hobby’ where it matters the most, ‘the grass-roots’, out there around our grand nation and into Canada, far remote from the pantheons and bright lighted venues of the elites and those who travel only august national and international gatherings.

There many, quite many, nay into the thousands, who have never graced a World’s Fair of Money, Florida’s FUN, the illustrious Central States, and like august assemblage, but, ‘just enjoy our hobby’ if it is only in an ill-kept, needing painting, with a broken fluorescent that has not been replaced in months backroom of a community center, veterans building, or church, all far from the fanfare and fanciness of the august national and international gatherings. They Are The Hobby, ‘this hobby of people’.

Recently, another sojourner, a fellow traveler in this grand ‘world of money’, Glenn Lee Stephenson passed away, sadly before his time. Glenn was a stalwart and presence consistently at the Diablo (Concord/Walnut Creek, California) Numismatic Society for many years. One who was always there, and on time, with his smile, wit, and chuckle.

Glenn never failed to pause and say hello to me and ask how the world and life was happening, and he did the same with everyone at a meeting or gathering.

Glenn had several passions. As is true with many coin hobbyists, there was much more than ‘just coins’. For Glenn, it was drag racing. Wow! What A Difference! But, that confirms the preaching of Scott D. English, of the American Philatelic Society, “I don’t care what you collect, as long as you collect!” Let me add, *‘that you share it’*.

At one meeting of the Diablo, he teamed with his wife, Karen, and they created and presented an exemplary Power Point on The Educational Series Silver Certificates. Their combined effort would rival any numismatic program gracing the exulted programs at a World’s Fair of Money. It is sad that the opportunity is gone. RIP, Glenn.

Closing, for NUMISMATIC NEWS readers, again I appeal use these pages, via ‘letters’ or VIEWPOINTS, collectively to honor and to give testimony to the many, quite many, who toil, give, sweat, and serve, plus enjoy our ‘world of money’ far from the fanfare and fancies of the august national and international gatherings.

Ending, years ago, the King George IV once reminded that *“The Highest Of Distinctions Is Service To Others.”* That States It Best.

*Michael S. Turrini*

*Vallejo, California*



**We will have an auction in January!!**

**Get your coins ready!!**

## **Diablo Numismatic Society Auction Rules**

DNS auctions will take place 4 times per year, in conjunction with regular monthly meetings. Dates will be published in the Die Break. The purpose of the auction is to let members raise cash from unneeded or unproductive coins from their collections. Specifically, the purpose is not to put items up for bid at unreasonable prices. Accordingly, there will be no reserves or "holds" on items put up for bid. Consignors should list a "value" for each item and must cite the source of that estimated value.

We will also solicit auction items from dealers at prices which should entice bidders.

Club members will be limited to five submissions per auctions, unless otherwise announced. They must fill out an entry form describing each lot and containing the information listed in the foregoing paragraph. Priority will be given to members who fill out the entry form and submit it to the auction coordinator, Bill Hickman, by e-mail or delivery at least 7 days prior to the meeting. Last minute entries will be accepted, assuming there is space available, but should be delivered to the coordinator prior to the start of the meeting. Each auction will be limited to 30 lots. All submissions will be accepted at the discretion of the auction coordinator.

## **Diablo Numismatic Society Auction Entry**

**Please submit two identical entry forms**

**Lot Number:**

**Item Year & Description:**

**Value: \$**

**Source**

**Sold Price: \$**

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Only 5 auctions items may be entered by each member unless otherwise announced. Members agree to not bid on their own items. Items warranted as genuine unless noted otherwise.

**Signed:**

**Printed Name:**

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