

The Diablo Die Break



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The SOCIETY meets the Third Thursday monthly at the Concord Police Community Meeting Room located at 1350 Galindo Street in Concord. Our Website is www.diablocoinclub.org

The next gathering will be the 694th meeting of the Society, Thursday, April 21, 2016. Please plan to attend.

The doors will open at 6 P.M. to accommodate our scout/youth meeting. Our general meeting will begin promptly at 7 P.M.

March Review:

The 55th Annual Awards Banquet was held on March 19, 2015 at Denny's Restaurant. Master of Ceremonies was Larry Casgrande. The "Gordon Donnell Memorial Meritorious Award" was awarded to Bill Hickman and Jon Marish. The "Call of Duty Award" was presented to Maria Stillwagon, Kyle Anderson and Lindy Reiwinkel. There were 24 drawing prizes and 22 door prizes.



Larry & Bill Hickman



Larry & Jon Marish



Kyle Anderson



Lindy Reiwinkel



Maria Stillwagon

April Meeting Preview:

“Medals and More: Mare Island Collectibles” by James Kern



National Coin Week

April 17-23, 2016

The 2016 theme is “Portraits of Liberty: Icon of Freedom” focusing on depictions of liberty from ancient to modern times on coins.





APRIL 2016 DRAWING PRIZES

NR	ITEM	YEAR	GRADE	COST	REMARKS
1	Half Cent	1828	F-12	\$ 70	Classic Head, thirteen stars
2	Morgan Dollar	1879-S	MS-63	55	PCGS
3	Morgan Dollar	1886	MS-63	52	NGC
4	Buffalo Nickel	1924	AU-58	44	PCGS
5	3-Cent Nickel	1866	VF-35	36	PCGS
6	Hawaii Trade Unit	N/A	BU	27	Treasure Chest Coin
7	Silver Maple Leaf	1989	BU	23	Mint Wrap/High Toning
8	Amer. Prospector	1983	BU	23	Rare Reverse/1 oz. Silver
9	Two Cent Piece	1864	VF	20	Raw
10	Buffalo Bar	N/A	BU	19	1 oz. Silver
11	Australia Kangaroo	`2016	BU	17	Security Mark
12	Buffalo Round	N/A	BU	16	1 oz. Silver
13	Nation Immigrants	1986	BU	9	Half Dollar
14	Indian Cent	1902	XF-40	7	Raw
15	NGS Key Chain	N/A	N/A	6	Diamond Head
16	Mint Quarters Bag	2008-D	N/A	1	

TOTAL COST \$ 425

(11) COINS CERTIFIED
(5) COINS RAW



This Month in American Coin/Currency History:

- 04/02/1792 – Coinage Act establishes U.S. legal Tender system
- 04/15/1796 – First coinage, quarter-dollars
- 04/17/1838 – First Dahlonga, GA coinage – half eagles
- 04/17/1862 – Second Confederate States money authorization (\$165 Million)
- 04/21/1862 – Denver Mint established; D mint mark appeared in 1906
- 04/22/1864 – Cent alloy changed; 2 cent first coin authorized with “In God We Trust” national motto
- 04/14/1900 – The Gold Standard Act fixes the value of the dollar against gold and the US goes off the bimetallism standard.
- 04/05/1933 – Pres. Franklin Roosevelt forbids the hoarding of gold and requires delivery of gold coins to the federal gov’t. Citizens are no longer allowed to own gold coins, bullion, or certificates. The Mint stopped producing gold coins by Executive Order.
- 04/23/1918 – Passage of Pittman Act makes silver available for dollar coins
- 04/24/1964 – U.S. Treasury removes collector restrictions on gold-backed paper money
- 04/13/1976 – Bicentennial \$2 note series released
- 04/04/2005 – Minnesota State quarter released
- 04/02/2007 – Washington State quarter is released

Upcoming Shows:

April 22-24 Santa Clara	Santa Clara Coin , Santa Clara Convention Center 5001 Great American Highway Santa Clara. Bourse Chairman Scott Griffin 415-601-8661
April 29-30 Sacramento	Sacramento Valley Coin Club , Four Points by Sheraton 4900 Duckhorn Drive Sacramento. Robert Shanks 916-204-5168
May 1 Vallejo	Vallejo Numismatic Society, Florence Douglas Senior Center 333 Amador Street, Vallejo. Bourse Edwin Hoffmark Jr. P.O. Box 4281, Vallejo, CA 94590-0428 Tel: 707-642-8754, Email: paper4coin@yahoo.com
June 5 Sacramento	Sacramento Coin Show , Lions Gate Hotel, McLellan, CA

Youth Section



A perfect introduction to coin collecting is the Coin Discovery Set. It includes magnifying glass, gloves and tubes for collecting quarters. Learn how coins are made and different finishes.

Kids' interactive timeline:

<http://www.usmint.gov/kids/campCoin/timeline/>

United States Mint Education pages: <http://www.usmint.gov/kids/games/>

<http://www.usmint.gov/kids/teacher/network>

If you have an interesting story or article that you want to share with the membership, please submit a word document to misterbbl@yahoo.com. Your submission can also appear on our website under “Did you know?”

From the Board of Directors:

Our Board of Directors is requesting the general membership assist in more of the club duties. At our monthly meetings, we need help with attendance count, On Time, and Show & Tell ticket distributions. We need members with computer skills, website contacts, mailings and other items as needed. If you have suggestions for improvements or wish to volunteer, please contact an officer or a Board member. Thank you for your consideration.