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

NUMISMATIC

There will not be a general meeting in July! We will be having our annual picnic on July 9th at the Old Borges Ranch in Walnut Creek from 2pm to 6pm. This will be the 696th gathering.

The next gathering will be the 697th meeting of the Society, Thursday, August 18, 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.

June Review: "Other Hobbies Night"

There were 13 presenters. Plaques were awarded to Paul Thomson for his Daguerreotype photograph, Nancy Casagrande for her heart shaped rocks and Dave Davis for his polished rocks.

Trivia Questions: What were fractional currencies called and what is the largest denomination dollar bill? Mark Clarkson correctly answered Silly Money or Shin Plasters and Paul Thomson correctly answered \$100,000. Both won a Silver Eagle.

Show & Tell Theme: "Paper Money" There were 5 entries. Jim Doyle won a 2016 100th Anniversary of the National Park Service Commemorative Coin for showing his One Dollar bill with the teller stamp number on it. No one knew the significance of the stamp.

50/50 Drawing: \$70 was the total pot. Beth Stockholm won \$35.

Drawing Winners: 18 winners – Tony Standkoff won the grand prize of a \$100 bill. Tom Spohn won the enrichment prize.

Membership Drawing: Maria Stillwagon won the 2000 Silver Eagle.



July 2016 PICNIC DRAWING PRIZES



NR	ITEM	YEAR	GRADE	COST	REMARKS
1	Kamehameha	N/A	BU	\$95	Treasure Chest Coin
2	American Silver Eagle	2016	MS-70	\$90	PCGS First Strike
3	National Treasures	2016	BU	\$90	Five 1 OZ. Silver
4	Morgan Dollar	1884-0	MS-63	\$55	PCGS
5	Morgan Dollar	1885-0	MS-63	\$55	PGGS
6	Morgan Dollar	1889	MS-63	\$55	PCGS
7	Morgan Dollar	1921	MS-63	\$55	PCGS
8	Canadian Hare	2016	BU	\$40	Half-Ounce Silver
9	Hawaii Trade Unit	N/A	BU	\$27	Treasure Chest Coin
10	Hawaii Trade Unit	N/A	BU	\$27	Treasure Chest Coin
					Certificate of
11	American Silver Eagle	2016	BU	\$19	Authenticity
12	Maple Leaf	1988	BU	\$19	Original Wrap
13	Maple Leaf	1988	BU	\$19	Original Wrap
14	Winter Fun	2016	BU	\$20	Canadian Mint
15	OPM	N/A	BU	\$19	1 OZ. Silver
16	ОРМ	N/A	BU	\$19	1 OZ. Silver
	Total			\$704	
					16 Coins Certified

The long awaited and eagerly anticipated <u>"Enrichment Drawing"</u> will be held at our August meeting. This will be the first time such a drawing has been held and each person who has won the least valuable prize in our monthly drawings for the last year or so is eligible. In other words, the least shall be first. This is a chance for someone who received a token prize to get something more valuable. To date, those eligible are Matt Frazier, Bill Hickman, Dave Davis, Anton Standkoff, Glenn Stephenson, Tom Spohn, James Laird, Jon Maria Marish, Rob Schussman and lan Moss. You must be present at the August meeting to win. Another person will be added to the list at the July (barbecue) meeting.







3 CENT SILVER PIECE 1852

This Month in American Coin/Currency History:

07/09/1778 - Articles of Confederation regulate coin alloys and values

07/06/1785 – The dollar and decimal coinage is unanimously chosen by the Continental Congress as the monetary unit for the United States. The US is the first nation to adopt decimal system of currency. The silver dollar coin is to contain 375.64 grains of silver.

07/01/1793 – US Mint suspends coinage of cents depicting Liberty with flowing hair.

07/20/1793 - First coinage of half-cents

07/04/1829 - Cornerstone is laid for a new Mint building at the corner of Juniper and Chestnut Streets in Philadelphia. The new building is finally occupied in 1833

07/03/1852 - San Francisco Mint established

07/11/1855 - "In God We Trust" approved for all currency

07/17/1861 - First U.S. Demand Notes

07/11/1862 - All U.S. currency to be printed in Washington DC

07/17/1862 - Stamps authorized as money

07/11/1873 - First trade dollar struck at Philadelphia Mint

07/14/1890 – The Sherman Silver Purchase Act is approved

07/10/1929 - Small-sized notes issued, dated 1928

07/15/1929 - Small sized National Currency issued

07/23/1965 - President Johnson approves the Coinage Act of 1965, which removes silver from circulating coins and authorizes that clad coins be used instead for the half dollar, quarter dollar, and dimes.

07/14/1969 - Treasury halts printing all notes above \$100

07/07/1975 - Bicentennial half-dollar introduced

07/02/2009 - Letitia Tyler coin and medal released through the First Spouse Coin and Medal Program.



Upcoming Shows:

July 30-31 Fremont	Fremont Coin Club 44 th Annual Show, Elk's Hall, 38991 Farwell Dr., Fremont, CA. Info: Bourse Vince Lacariere, (510) 792-1511, P.O. Box 1401, Fremont, CA 94538
Aug 7 Fairfield	Fairfield Coin Club's Annual Show, Fairfield Community Center, Willow Hall, 1000 Kentucky Street, Fairfield, CA 94533, Bob Belleau (707) 567-6938
Aug 21 Sacramento	Sacramento Coin Show, 3410 Westover St., McClellan, CA., 95652 Contact: Peter McIntosh (916) 317-9055
Aug 26-28 Santa Clara	Santa Clara Stamp, Collectibles & Coin Show, Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara, CA., Scott Griffin (415) 601-8661

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.