The Diablo Die Break

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Meet the 2017 DNS Officers and Board of Directors

Front: Maria Stillwagon-Secretary, Edwin Hoffmark (President of the Vallejo Club who swore in the officers/board members.)

Back-left to right: Kyle Anderson-Treasurer, Larry Casagrande-President, Brad Lee-Board Member, Bill Hickman-Vice President, Dave Davis-Board Member, and Robert E. Luna-Board Member.

Mission Statement

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

The SOCIETY meets monthly on the third Thursday at the Concord Police Community Meeting Room located at 1350 Galindo Street in Concord. Doors open at 6PM and meeting starts at 7PM

NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:
September 21, 2017

THERE WILL BE NO PROGRAM SPEAKER

INSTEAD IT WILL BE:

EXHIBIT NIGHT – A THEMED TOPIC BOXED or FRAMED

Our Website is: www.diablocoinclub.org

Upcoming Social Events for 2017

December 10th – Annual Club Christmas Party at Zio Freado's

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

DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
PROGRAM SCHEDULE 2017

UPDATED 05/23/2017

JANUARY 19
MARIA STILLWAGON - THE FRANKLIN HALF DOLLAR

FEBRUARY 16
LARRY CASAGRANDE - A RANDOM WALK THRU A TYPE SET

MARCH 16
ANNUAL CLUB BANQUET – TEXAS BACK FORTY (NO MEETING)

APRIL 20
DON KAGIN – NEWS FROM the A.N.A & SADDLE RIDGE HOARD/BILLY the KID PHOTO

MAY 18
OTHER HOBBIES NIGHT - MEMBERS SHARE THEIR NON-COIN HOBBIES

JUNE 15
MARK CLARKSON – OCCUPATION NOTES OF WORLD WAR II

JULY 8
ANNUAL CLUB SUMMER BBQ – BORGES RANCH (NO MEETING)

AUGUST 17
BRUCE BERMAN – GRADING THE WALKING LIBERTY HALF DOLLAR

SEPTEMBER 21
EXHIBIT NIGHT – A THEMED TOPIC BOXED or FRAMED

OCTOBER 19
ROBERT E LUNA – SHORT ON MONEY ? .....TYPE & SHORT SETS

NOVEMBER 16
BRUCE BRAGA- COIN TONING

DECEMBER 10
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER – ZIO FRAEDO'S, PLEASANT HILL **(NO MEETING)**

SEPTEMBER DRAWING PRIZES

Item	Date	Grade	Cost	Remarks
1. Morgan Dollar	1880	MS-63	85	PCGS
2. Peace Dollar	1924	MS-64	60	PCGS
3. Morgan Dollar	1889	MS-62	50	PCGS
4. Large Cent	1853	EF-40	40	Coronet
5. Chinese Panda	2016	MS-69	32	NGC
6. Peace Dollar	1922	BU	25	Raw
7. Medallion	N/A	BU	22	USS Arizona
8. $ 20 Star Note	2006	Circulated	20	
9. Silver Round	N/A	BU	20	Route 66
10. Silver Round	N/A	BU	20	1 oz. silver Indian
11. Silver Round	N/A	BU	20	Year of Rooster
12. Drawing Tickets	N/A		20	October Coin Show
13. Copper Round	"1964"	BU	3	JFK
TOTAL			$ 417	

Certified Coins 9
Raw Coins 2
Miscellaneous 2

Test Your Numismatic IQ

1. Which of the following is a popular doubled-die variety in the Lincoln Cent series?
A. 1922
B. 1937-D
C. 1965
D. 1983

2. What was the date of the first copper-nickel five-cent piece?
A. 1864
B. 1866
C. 1883
D. 1913

3. Of the following individuals, who does not appear on a U. S. coin?
A. Andrew Jackson
B. Calvin Coolidge
C. James Cook
D. James Monroe

4. Which of the following contains the most silver?
A. Draped Bust Dollar
B. Seated Liberty Dollar
C. Trade Dollar
D. Morgan Dollar

5. This coin was the first one issued with the motto IN GOD WE TRUST.
A. Indian Head Cent
B. Lincoln Cent
C. Two-Cent piece
D. Shield Nickel

6. The initials of which coin designer were mistaken for those of a foreign dictator?
A. James Fraser
B. John Sinnock
C. Gilroy Roberts
D. Victor Brenner

7. Who has the final decision on a new design for an existing coin denomination?
A. The president
B. The president's wife (or husband)
C. Congress
D. The Treasury secretary

8. Which of the following coins is no longer a legal tender?
A. Half cent
B. Large cent
C. Trade dollar
D. None of the above

9. On which of the following coin denominations has a foreign monarch appeared?
A. Cent
B. Quarter dollar
C. Half dollar
D. Silver dollar

10. What was the lowest valued coin authorized by the Mint Act of 1792?
A. Half cent
B. Cent
C. Half dime
D. Nickel

11. Which living American appears on a United States coin?
A. Bill Clinton
B. Eunice Shriver
C. Maria Shriver
D. George H. W. Bush

12. How many USA coin denominations were made with the date 1826?
A. Three
B. Four
C. Five
D. Six

13. What was the highest valued coin authorized by the Mint Act of 1792?
A. Half dollar
B. Silver dollar
C. Eagle
D. Double Eagle

14. U. S. Mint Chief Engraver James B. Longacre designed which of the following?
A. Silver three-cent piece
B. Copper-nickel three-cent piece
C. Both of the above
D. Neither of the above

15. The American Numismatic Association recognizes how many grades of Mint State?
A. Three
B. Five
C. Eight
D. Eleven

Answers

1. D. The 1983 cents with doubled-die reverse are scarce and quite popular with collectors.

2. B. The first nickels were dated 1866 and were of the Shield type, with rays.

3. A. Though familiar on the 20-dollar notes, Andrew Jackson has never appeared on a coin.

4. C. The trade dollar contained 416 grains of .900 fine silver and was made for export.

5. C. The two-cent piece debuted in 1864, and the motto was added to other coins in 1866.

6. B. John Sinnockï¿½s initials JS on the Roosevelt Dime of 1946 were seen by some as Josef Stalinï¿½s.

7. D. The final decision for coin designs rests with the secretary of the Treasury.

8. D. All U. S. coins were given legal tender status by the Act of July 23, 1965.

9. B. The Columbian Exposition Quarter Dollar of 1893 featured Spainï¿½s Queen Isabella.

10. A. The half cent was then and remains today the smallest denomination ever authorized.

11. B. Eunice Shriver was portrayed on a silver dollar in 1995 for her role in the Special Olympics.

12. C. U. S. coins dated 1826 include the half cent, cent, half dollar, quarter eagle and half eagle.

13. C. The eagle, or ten-dollar piece, was tops. The double eagle didnï¿½t appear until 1850.

14. C. Longacre enjoyed a near monopoly on coin designs from 1844 to 1869.

15. D. The ANA recognizes all whole number increments from MS-60 through MS-70.

COIN SHOW SCHEDULE

These Coin Show listings are provided as a free service to the numismatic community by the Northern California Numismatic Association. Show listings are updated quarterly and are available without cost to member Coin Clubs. If you would like to have a Coin Club Show listed, please send all pertinent show information early to: N.C.N.A., Fred G. van den Haak, P.O. Box 60484, Palo Alto, Ca. 94306-0484. If you would like a Commercial Show listed: you need to be a N.C.N.A. member for one free annual listing. Additional listings for Commercial shows are $15 each. You may also e mail the information to: fredvdh@gmail.com

The joint website for the Fairfield Coin Club, Solano Silver Round Club, Vallejo Numismatic Society and Northern California Numismatic Association is: www.solanocoinclub.com and updated Show listings can be seen on this website!

Sept. 15-17. 2017	**SANTA CLARA** CoinExpo Santa Clara: Coin, Currency, Stamp and Collectibles Show, Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara. **Admission $6, $2 off with coupon**. Friday 10am-5pm, Saturday 10am-6pm and Sunday 10am-4pm. Scott Griffin, P.O. Box 1876, Suisun, CA 94585 Ph: 415-601-8661 E Mail: scottgriff@hotmail.com
Sept. 16, 2017	**VALLEJO**. The 4th Annual Northern California Numismatic Seminar, sponsored by The Northern California Numismatic Association. Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, 73 Marin Street at Capital, in Downtown Vallejo. Four speakers have been Scheduled: David Harper of Numismatic News, Paul R. Johnson, Unionville, Ontario, Canada, Robert E. Luna, Benicia, Ca and Roger Lyles, Fremont, Ca. The "theme" for this year is "Collecting In Today's World" Registration for this all day event begins at 9AM with presentations beginning at 10AM; the afternoon program begins at 2PM. This is a "FREE" event and there will be free door prizes and all interested collectors are welcome to attend. Ample free parking is available. Updates: www.solanocoinclub.com. Questions: EMPERORI@juno.com or 707-246-6327
Sept. 29-30, 2017	**SACRAMENTO** Sacramento Valley Coin Club Annual Fall Coin Show. Four Points by Sheraton, 4900 Duckhorn Drive, Sacramento 95834. Hours 10AM-6PM on Friday 10AM to 6PM and Saturday 10AM-4PM. Bourse: Robert Shanks, 10 Fox Oak Court, Sacramento, CA 95831. Phone: 916-204-5168. Ample Free parking. **Admission $3, Under 18 FREE**.
Oct. 13-5, 2017	**WALNUT CREEK.** Diablo Numismatic Society. 21st Annual Contra Costa Coin and Collectables Show, Elk's Lodge 1475 Creekside Dr., Walnut Creek. Diablo Numismatic Society, P.O. Box 177, Concord, Ca. 94522. Website: diablocoinclub.org Bourse: James Laird (925) 200-2276. Hours: Friday 1-6PM, Saturday 10AM-6PM and Sunday 10AM-5PM. **ADMISSION $3, Dollar discount with flyer or post card advertising.**.
Oct. 21-22, 2017	**STOCKTON**. Delta Coin Club 52nd Annual Coin Show, Eagles Hall, 1492 Bourbon Street, Stockton. Bourse: Ruben Smith III, P.O. Box 5787, Stockton, CA. 95205. Phone (209) 982-5961, E Mail: rubensmith@hotmail.com.
Oct. 28-9 2017	**FRESNO**. Fresno Coin Club Annual Coin Show, Las Palmas Masonic Center, 2992 E. Clinton Avenue, Fresno 93702-2320. Bourse Chair: Richard Hunter, Phone: 559-738-8128 **ADMISSION $2**.
Nov. 5, 2017	**SAN JOSE**. Peninsula Coin Club 38th Annual Coins and Collectibles Show, Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose. Bourse: Peninsula Coin Club, Xan Chamberlain, P.O. Box 915, Palo Alto, Ca. 94302. Phone: (650) 776-7365. E Mail: xanno@pacbell.net

Jan. 26-28, 2018	**SAN JOSE**. San Jose Coin Club 50th Annual Coins and Collectibles Show, Doubletree Hotel (Bayshore Ballroom), 2050 Gateway Place, San Jose 95110. Bourse Chair: Dean Birge, P.O. Box 5621, San Jose, CA 95150. Phone: 408-806-8825, Email: DeanBirge@yahoo.com Website: www.sanjosecoinclub.org **Admission $4 ($2 off with any Show advertising!)**
Feb. 10-1, 2018	**SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO**. San Francisco Area Coin, Stamp and Collectibles Show, South San Francisco Conference Center, 255 S. Airport Blvd., South San Francisco 94080. Friday 10am-5pm and Saturday 10am-4pm. **Admission $4, $2 off with coupon**. Scott Griffin, P.O. Box 1876, Suisun, CA 94585 Ph: 415-601-8661 E Mail: scottgriff@hotmail.com
Feb. 16-1, 2018	**SANTA ROSA**. Redwood Empire Coin Club 50th Annual Show, E.L. Finley Hall, Sonoma County Fairgrounds, 1350 Bennett Valley Road, Santa Rosa. Bourse: Merle Avila (707) 585-3711 or (707) 824-4811 eves. **Admission $1**, under 12 free.
Feb. 18, 2018	**SAN JOSE**. "Cupertino" Coin Club 46th Annual Coin Show, Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose. Bourse: Bruce Braga (408) 839-1883 or Cupertino Coin Club, P.O. Box 448, Cupertino, CA 95015-0448. Free Parking. **Admission: $2 adults**, youth 17 and under free.
April 20-22, 2018	**SANTA CLARA** CoinExpo Santa Clara Coin, Currency, Stamp and Sports Collectibles Show, Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara. Friday 10am-6pm, Saturday 10am-5pm and Sunday 10am-4pm. **Admission $6, $2 off with coupon**. Scott Griffin, P.O. Box 1876, Suisun, CA 94585 Ph: 415-601-8661 E Mail: scottgriff@hotmail.com
May 6, 2018	**VALLEJO**. Vallejo Numismatic Society 46th Annual Show, Florence Douglas Senior Center, 333 Amador (between Georgia and Florida), Vallejo. Admission and parking are FREE! Bourse: Edwin Hoffmark, Jr., P O Box 4281, Vallejo, Ca. 94590-0428 Phone: 707-642-8754. E Mail: paper4coin@yahoo.com

AN OBSERVATION
FROM YOUR SECRETARY

As the secretary of the Diablo Numismatic Society I have had the pleasure of meeting many officers from other Northen California Coin Clubs. One thing we all have in common...how do we keep our clubs moving forward... By inserting new blood into the clubs, and providing comprehensive programs for all spectrums of the member collective. Sounds like a simple approach. But is this approach is causing a riff in the clubs between the "elders" and the "nubies."

Many of the elders complain that there is no respect or repeated acknowledgement being put forth for what they have accomplished. Yet the nubies complain that we have to, of course, respect and acknowledge the elders of the club, but we also have to shift according to the times in order to still maintain a welcoming atmosphere in order to have a healthy membership collective.

My view, and some of you will scouff at it, but here it comes anyway...Of course we should respect and acknowledge the elders of our clubs. I agree that we wouldn't have had a club without their dedication, perserverence and love for the hobby. However, the times they are a changing. We have entered into the 21st century where communication, and experiences can be passed on through the world wide web. This means that Baby Boomers and Millienials can now socialize and purchase coins from the web.

In order to create or maintain a viable club, we have to catch the interest of these Baby Boomers who are coming back into the hobby and the Millienials who have a spark of interest in the hobby. We MUST provide them with something compelling to interest them and give them enough motivation to get out of the house and come sit in on a club meeting.

How do we do that? Well, we need to provide an atmosphere that they can relate too. Technology is a big factor here. Many of our club members collect high end coins and are reluctant to bring them to the club and have the coins passed around. With the purchase of our projector, the club has been able to view beautiful coins and the owner doesn't need to worry about them being lost or damaged. We must encourage folks that coming to club meetings allows one to actually see up close and personal the beauty of a coin. Often times, coins that we would never have the chance to actually see in our lifetime. Also, experience the comrodery of other members and absorb knowledge from our programs.

In conclusion, there's room for all of us in the Diablo Numismatic Society. I'm proud to be a part of this amazing collective where opinions, observations, experience, and contributions are always welcomed. We must keep in mind that we are a club which means many are involved in keeping it moving forward. There is no reason to have to pat someone on the back every time you see them because they were part of the club way back when. What's important is the here and now with gentle reflection on the past but not living in it.

Maria E. Stillwagon (Nubie)
Diablo Numismatic Society
Secretary