

December 2009

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



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DECEMBER

JOIN SANTA AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY

December's meeting is always one of the best attended meetings of the year. A certain jolly old fellow will be there to help us enjoy the Holiday spirit! Bring the family and little ones to visit Santa and receive a Christmas gift. There will be extra gifts for the kids. You can also look forward to a lively auction, show and tell, a spectacular raffle and special Christmas refreshments. Hope to see everyone there!

Prize Chair, Ken Barr has provided a grand array of December's Raffle Prizes that include the following:

1. 1883-CC Morgan dollar, BU, in original GSA packaging
2. Mexico 1945 2 pesos gold
3. 1944-D Mercury dime, PCGS MS65FB
4. 1910-S Lincoln cent
5. California 1976 1.08 oz sterling medal
6. 1853 Arrows Seated Liberty dime
7. 1992 U. S. Premier Silver Proof Set
8. 1976 3-piece U. S. Silver Mint Set in Christmas packaging
9. Netherlands 1988 Proof Set
10. 1958-D Franklin half dollar

San Jose Coin Club meets on the 2nd Wed. of each month (**December 9th this month**) at American Legion Hall; Post 318, 1504 Minnesota Ave., San Jose. Doors open at approx. 6:30 PM, Youth Activities at 7:00 PM and the General Meeting at 7:30 PM.

SEE YOU THERE



HAVE YOU MOVED?

Send changes to: Membership Chair, San Jose Coin Club, PO Box 5621, San Jose, CA 95150.

THANKS LARRY



Life Member, Past President and Hall of Famer, Larry Benson developed and delivered an excellent presentation on 'The Color of Money'. He truly captured the interest of his audience and fielded many questions. Larry also provided samples of his subject and hand-outs for added information. Thanks Larry, for another outstanding program.

If you would like to be a speaker at one of our future meetings, contact Program Chair, Bill Hurja and set up a time.

DONATIONS NEEDED

President, Ryan Johnson is asking members to open their hearts and contribute cans or boxes of non-perishable food to our friends at **Second Harvest**. This food goes to people who are less fortunate than we are and want to enjoy the holiday season with a good meal, like we do. Please help Ryan make that happen. We collected over 100 pounds of food last year. Following our December meeting, each year, he delivers what we contribute to Second Harvest's Distribution Center and they are most appreciative. A collection box will be placed at the rear of the hall to put your donations. Please help with what you can. We also will accept cash or checks made out to Second Harvest.

THE MEDALS ARE IN

The 2010 club medals are in and ready to be picked up. Medals Chair, Gordon Stubbs will have them at the December meeting.



This San Jose Fire Truck design was submitted by first time winner, President, Ryan Johnson.

GET WELL WISHES TO GORDON DONNELL



Gordon Donnell is recovering from cancer. Anyone wanting to send cards or letters to him can send them to:

DONNELL, GORDON R.
VA MARTINEZ - SHASTA UNIT #1234
150 MUIR ROAD
MARTINEZ, CA 94553

NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

AT THE NOV 11TH GENERAL MEETING

President, Ryan Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM and welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were 43 members, no youths, and 6 guests (**Kathy Benson, Dan Claasen, Ken, Kathe Lockley, Herb Miles, and Ke Zhong**) present. **Ray Johnson** suggested that we re-implement a head count for the meeting. Our club auction had twenty consignors. **Ken Barr** was our auctioneer, **Richard Boston** Auction Chair and **Bill Hurja** as runner. After the club auction, our guests introduced themselves.

Announcements: Medals Chair, Gordon Stubbs announced that he has the club medals for sale and that our SJCC Show tickets are available for check-out. **CSNA President, Michael S. Turrini** announced that both he and **Life Member, Gordon Donnell** have free elongates available. **Vice President, Bill Hurja** reminded us that the Peninsula Coin Club Show is on Sunday, November 15, 2009. **Recording Secretary, Lyle Okamoto** has Cupertino Coin Club medals for sale. The CCC medals are \$7 each and come with two drawing tickets for the CCC Show on Sunday, February 21, 2010. **Member, Bill Higgins** has Santa Cruz Coin Club drawing tickets for available. The drawing will be held on Saturday, November 28, 2009. **Bill** also has Metal Detector Club drawing tickets available. **Ryan Johnson** welcomed **San Jose Coin Club's Roving Ambassador, Gordon Donnell**, and **CSNA President, Michael S. Turrini**. **Ryan** asked all present military personnel and vets to stand. They were honored with a round of applause from our club. **Show and Tell** was introduced by **Lyle Okamoto**.

There were **18** participants:

Gordon R. Donnell - Chicago Transit Authority coin changer

Michael S. Turrini - Autographs from Wells Fargo

Bill Shattuc - Freedom Train medal

Keith Scott - 1842-O small date Seated Liberty quarter

Ken Barr - PPIE 1915 medal

Martha Davis - Lincoln Coins & Chronicles Set

Dan Shattuc - gift cards received for Veterans' Day

Ray Johnson - Air Force medal

Bill Meadows - info about Numismatic Dealers Den

Larry Benson - currency

Bill Hurja - 1942/41 Mercury dime

Al Lo - 2009 Hot August Nights chips

Howard Wheeler - expo badges

Lyle Okamoto - SF Mint Coin Show program

Ed Sins - 1820 gold sovereign of George III

Chuck White - U.S. Virgin Islands quarter roll

David Goya - Great Britain 20 pence mule coin

Ryan Johnson - 2005 Marine Corps silver commemorative dollar

Show and Tell Prize: Bill Meadows (1853 Arrows Seated Liberty half dime, G)

Membership Prize: Mario Miramontes (1974-S Blue Ike)

A break was called. During the break, **Martha Davis** sold drawing tickets. After the break, **Speaker, Larry Benson** gave his talk titled, "The Color of Money." After **Larry's** talk, another short break was called. After the second break, **Recording Secretary Lyle Okamoto** read the minutes to the Monday, October 26, 2009, SJCC Board Meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Guest, Kathy Benson drew the first two winning raffle tickets. The first ticket drawn was for the Grand Prize. The winners were:

1. Herb Davidson
2. Herb Davidson
3. Dan Shattuc
4. Sally Johnson
5. Lyle Okamoto
6. Chuck White
7. Al Lo
8. Martha Davis
9. Al Lo

Grand Prize: **Rich Medefesser**

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 PM.

AT THE NOV 23RD BOARD MEETING

President, Ryan Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:39 PM. **Ryan** welcomed nine board members and two guests (**Ken Barr and Ron Ishizaki**). Absent were **Vice President, Bill Hurja, Corresponding Secretary, Al Lo, Youth President, Evan Menzes, Board Member, Renee Menzes and Board Member, Richard Shusterman**. **Recording Secretary, Lyle Okamoto** read the minutes to the Wednesday, November 11, 2009, SJCC General Meeting. The minutes were approved as read. **Treasurer, Ray Johnson** reported a checking balance of \$33830.99 and \$171.50 cash on hand, for a grand total balance of \$34002.49. **Historian, Sally Johnson** has pictures of **Gordon Donnell** from our November 11, 2009, General Meeting and a copy of the November 2009 Santa Clara Expos program. **Ryan** noted that the December meeting will be our Christmas Party. **Santa** will reportedly bear a resemblance to **Don Cracraft**. **Medals Chair, Gordon Stubbs** reported that **Lee Kuntz** of Masterpiece Medallions contacted him about our club's medal order. **Lee** said that if we ordered 26 more medals, for a total

of 500 medals, we would receive a price break on the set-up charge. **Gordon** increased our medal order by 26 medals. Our final medal order is as follows:

- 107 numbered 0.999 fine silver medals
- 27 unnumbered 0.999 fine silver medals
- 9 uniface 0.999 fine silver medals
- 109 brilliant bronze medals
- 52 oxidized bronze medals
- 109 bright copper medals
- 52 oxidized copper medals
- 35 aluminum medals

Librarian, Ed Sins announced that he will not bring the library to our December meeting.

Membership Chair, Ed Sins reported no new members, but **Willy Baet** renewed his membership for two years. **Webmaster, Sally Johnson** has updated the list of December drawing prizes and the Show Calendar. Our club's web site at www.SanJoseCoinClub.org has over 16324 hits so far.

Old Business: none

New Business: Lyle Okamoto noted that **Ray Johnson's** request for a meeting head count did not work so well. **Lyle** did three separate head counts and got three different totals. This was because people kept moving around, entering and leaving the room almost at random. **Ray** suggested counting the membership drawing tickets instead. **Martha Davis, Sally and Ray Johnson** sold table raffle tickets on behalf of our club at Santa Clara Expos. They raised a total of \$389 for the club. To date, \$4923 has been raised from table ticket sales at all of the Santa Clara Expos. **Ken Barr** reported on our meeting raffle program. **Ken** noted that the prices for gold and silver have been increasing ridiculously. **Ken** will try to keep the prices of the raffle prizes down to keep costs in line with ticket sales. We will reduce the gold prizes in our future drawings, but **Ken** has a supply of gold Mexico 2 pesos for the next six months or so. **Ken** announced that our December Grand Prize will be an 1883-CC GSA silver dollar. A total of \$370 in prizes will be in our December drawing. **Ken** has records going back 5-7 years to show our drawing ticket sales trends. **Ken** noted that it is important to keep the meeting moving smoothly so that our drawing occurs earlier. If the meeting goes on too long, then people will not buy drawing tickets. A discussion about the length of Show and Tell ensued. Suggestions were made to enforce the three minute rule.

Show Business: One dealer, cancelled due to a medical procedure at the same time as the show.

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SJCC OFFICERS & BOARD

15 Seated Members

President - **Ryan Johnson**
 Vice President - **Bill Hurja**
 Treasurer - **Ray Johnson**
 Youth President - **Evan Menzes**
 Recording Sec. - **Lyle Okamoto**
 Corresponding. Sec. - **Al Lo**
 Historian - **Sally Johnson**
 Librarian - **Ed Sins**
 Immed. Past Pres. - **Fred Davis**
 Curator - **Bill Hurja**
 Bourse Chair - **Ray Johnson**
 Webmaster - **Sally & Ryan Johnson**

BOARD MEMBERS

Martha Davis
Herb Davidson
Renee Menzes
Keith Scott
Gordon Stubbs
Richard Shusterman

Hall of Fame Members are Board Members Emeritus with full voting privileges.

The Board of Directors Meeting convenes on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 PM. (3rd Monday this month)

This Month, December 21, 2009

ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

Meeting Place
Denny's Restaurant
2077 North First Street
(408) 436-8481

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 9 SJCC General Meeting
 Christmas Party
 Dec 11,12 San Francisco Historical Bourse
 Ancient Coins
 Holiday Inn Golden Gateway
 Gold Rush Ballroom
 Dec 21 SJCC Board Meeting (3rd Monday)
 Jan 13 SJCC General Meeting
 Jan 22-24 San Jose Coin, Stamp &
 Collectibles Show
 Bayshore Ballroom, Double Tree
 Hotel, San Jose
 Jan 25 SJCC Board Meeting
 Feb 10 SJCC General Meeting
 Feb 19,20 Redwood Empire Coin Club's
 42nd Annual Coin Show
 Sonoma County Fairgrounds
 E. L. Finley Hall, Santa Rosa, CA
 Feb 21 Cupertino Coin Club's
 39th Annual Coin Show
 Napredak Hall, San Jose, CA
 Feb 22 SJCC Board Meeting

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 Or visit: www.sanjosecoinclub.org

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He did not want to lose his table position for next year. The dealer at the top of the waiting list will take the table for this year. **Ray** and **Ryan Johnson** met with **Lee Wilson** about show security. **Lee** will take care of the show security. **Ray** and **Ryan** also met with Double Tree's **Senior Event Manager, Ariadne Glyptis** who informed them that there will be an extra charge for electricity, based on what we use. There will also be a \$50/day charge for a microphone. Double Tree's cost for coffee is \$70/gallon and Donuts are \$44/dozen. We will pass on the coffee and donuts. We will not be allowed to sell food or candy, but the Dealer Goodie Bags are OK. **Ray** and **Ryan** are looking into discount coffee and lunches at Starbuck's and the hotel coffee shop. **Ed Sins** suggested that we overprint some wooden nickels for a free cup of coffee at Starbuck's. **Ron Ishizaki** suggested using gift cards for Starbuck's instead. **Sally Johnson** favored getting rid of coffee altogether. **Sally** moved to get rid of coffee. **Martha Davis** seconded. The motion passed. **Ray** noted that a preliminary budget of \$18-20 thousand will be needed as follows:

- \$10000 for hall rental
- ~\$800 for electricity charges
- \$150 for microphone
- \$3500 for security
- ~\$350 for Dealer Goodie Bags
- \$2300 for drawing prizes
- ~\$1000 for miscellaneous expenses

Ron Ishizaki asked if our hotel room rental minimum requirement has been met. **Ray** answered that it should be okay. **Ray** reported that the Double Tree will provide trash cans for the dealers to use. Trash pick-up is scheduled for 8 AM each morning. He also noted that we will have use of the San Jose Room for meetings. The room has tables in a U-shape with about thirty chairs. There will be two trailer spots outside, one for us and one for Scott Western. The Double Tree has guaranteed a 5 PM set-up time on Thursday, though we may be able to get in earlier. We will know more in December. **Ray** tried to make arrangements for our 2011 show for January 21-23, 2011. Double Tree said that we will not have the Thursday before our show at all. **Ken Barr** recommended that we extend set-up on Friday morning and open to the public at noon. **Ken** noted that opening our show to dealers from 8 AM to noon on Friday and then opening to the public at noon (or 1-2 PM) would be okay. If we try to reschedule

our show, we may run into scheduling problems. The week before is FUN and the week after is Super Bowl. **Ray** will explore the 2011 schedule. He stated that the Double Tree Hotel has been very cooperative and that he has no complaints. **Past President, Fred Davis** volunteered to fill the Exhibit Chair position. We have no volunteers for show sign set-up. **Ken** stated that he cannot buy either a \$20 or a \$10 gold piece at the current gold prices and stay within his budget. A discussion ensued over our show drawing prizes. **Ray** moved to buy one \$20 gold, two one-tenth ounce gold, and seven gold Mexico 2 pesos as prizes. **Martha Davis** seconded. The motion passed. **Ken** noted that some of our December drawing prizes are from **Dale Harrington** of Mac's Coins. **Dale** refused to accept payment for them.

Martha Davis purchased See's Candies coin candy for our December meeting presents. **Sally Johnson** moved for adjournment. **Martha Davis** seconded. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.

CSNA BANQUET

Anyone planning on attending the CSNA Banquet is in for a real treat this year. The event will be Saturday, January 23. The location is Sonoma Chicken Coop, just a few blocks away from the Double Tree, at 90 Skyport Dr. (at Technology Dr.), San Jose. Guests will start gathering at 6:30 PM and dinner will be served at 7. The first 50 banquet tickets will receive a limited, off-strike Convention medal. The CSNA Thespians will perform 'Beach Blanket Blast'. Sign up for an evening of awards, fun, food and entertainment. Tickets are \$33.00. (Reservation enclosed or on line)

EXHIBIT AT THE SHOW

Now is the time to start preparing your exhibit for the show. It doesn't matter if you have never entered an exhibit. Everyone is encouraged to put a display together. It's fun, educational and entertaining for both, the exhibitor and the observer. This is what our hobby is all about. If you need more information, Fred Davis is the Exhibits Chair. Exhibitors Reservations will be available at the December meeting and on line.

LOCAL COIN SHOW LISTINGS



LONG BEACH Coin, Stamp & Collectible Expo

February 4 - 6, 2010

June 3 - 5, 2010

September 23 - 25, 2010

Kids' Treasure Hunt Sat. 11 - 2 PM

ADMISSION:

General Admission: \$6.00

Children 7 & Under: **FREE**

Seniors 65 & Up: \$3.00

Club Members (w/ Membership Card): \$4.00

SHOW HOURS:

Thursday & Friday: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

CLOSED SUNDAY

Long Beach Convention Center

100 South Pine Ave.

Long Beach, CA 90802

www.longbeachexpo.com

SANTA CLARA



April 8 - 11, 2010

November 18 - 21, 2010

Kids' Treasure Hunt Sat. 11 - 2 PM

General Admission: \$6.00

(Good for all 4 days)

Children 7 & Under: **FREE**

Children 8-16: \$3.00

Seniors 65 & Up: \$3.00

Club Members (w/Membership Card): \$3.00

SHOW HOURS:

Thursday 11AM - 7PM

Friday & Saturday 10AM - 7PM

Sunday 10AM - 3PM

LOCATION:

Santa Clara Convention Center

5001 Great America Parkway

Santa Clara, CA 95054

Free Parking

www.santaclaraexpo.com

San Francisco Historical Bourse **ANCIENT COINS**

December 11, 12, 2009 Friday 10 - 6 Saturday 10 - 6

HOLIDAY INN GOLDEN GATEWAY Gold Rush Ballroom

1500 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA

Admission \$10 Discount Parking in the Hotel
30 Table Show

SAN JOSE COIN CLUB'S 42ND ANNUAL

COIN, STAMP & COLLECTIBLES

SHOW

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC
ASSOCIATION 126TH CONVENTION

January 22, 23, 24, 2010

Fri & Sat 10 AM - 6 PM Sun 10 AM - 4 PM

Jewelry • Tokens • Currency • Supplies

Kid Activities Sat 11 AM - 2 PM

Educational Forum Saturday, Raffle Drawing Sunday

New **Bayshore Ballroom** *Location*

Double Tree Hotel

2050 Gateway Place, San Jose, CA 95110

Admission \$3 or \$2 with any ad Under 18 Free

Parking \$3 Sunday is Family Day with Free Admission

Show Information/Directions - www.sanjosecoinclub.org

Redwood Empire Coin Club's 42nd Annual **COIN SHOW**

February 19, 20, 2010 Friday 10 - 6 Saturday 10 - 4

E.L. FINLEY HALL - Sonoma County Fairgrounds

1350 Bennett Road, Santa Rosa, CA

Admission \$1 Kids under 12 Free

Saturday - Western Wooden Money Club Meeting

60 Table Show

CUPERTINO COIN CLUB'S 39TH ANNUAL COIN SHOW

Sunday, February 21, 2010 10am - 5pm

NAPREDAK HALL

770 Montague Expressway, San Jose, CA

Raffle Drawing, Coin Prizes, Exhibits, Kids Program

Admission \$2 17 & Under Free Parking Free

35 Table Show

San Jose Coin Club

THE NEW MEDALS ARE IN



The new medals are in.
I want to thank all of you that ordered yours early.
And thanks to all of you who helped get the orders in.

I will have the medals at the General Meetings and at our annual
show at the Doubletree.

So come and pick them up.

Thanks again.

Gordon