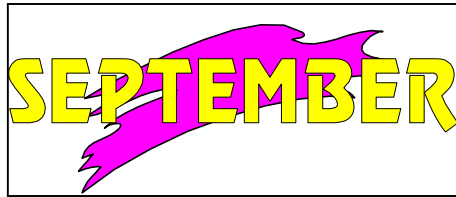




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Some extremely hot weather is outside as we head into September. Don't let that stop you from coming to the September meeting where Chuck Call will be talking about silver! We'll also have our auction, show and tell, and raffle.

Here are September's raffle prizes:

1. Australia 1989 1/20 oz. gold Nugget, Proof
2. Mexico 1945 2 pesos gold
3. 1984 US Prestige Proof Set
4. 1926-D Peace dollar
5. 1865 two-cent piece
6. 1908-S Barber half dollar
7. 1868 Shield nickel
8. Eleven-piece silver War nickel set
9. 1967 US Special Mint Set
10. Canada 1978 "Double Dollar" set with silver dollar

San Jose Coin Club meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month (**September 8th this month**) at American Legion Hall Post 318, 1504 Minnesota Ave., San Jose. Doors open at approximately 6:30 pm with Youth Activities at 7 pm and the General Meeting starting at 7:30 pm.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

HAVE YOU MOVED?

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

Presenting... Silver Bullion!

Our September meeting will feature **Chuck Call** as the program speaker. His talk is titled "North American Silver Bullion," which includes the American Silver Eagle, Canadian Maple Leaf, and Mexican Libertad. He will tell us all about the collecting and investing aspects of these coins.

Chuck is a very keen numismatist who is president of the Fremont Coin Club. He is also a life member of both San Jose Coin Club and the ANA.

Thank You Other Hobbyists!

We had many club members speak about their other hobbies at our August meeting. Outdoor hobbyists Allison Paker and Bill Hurja both hike and Ryan Johnson mountain bikes. Larry Benson enjoys the outdoors by growing vegetables. Ed Sins had memorabilia from the Alma Golf Course while Brian Daniels brought in a rare 1887 Kimballs Sports Set. Both Richard Shusterman and Don Pannell had Boy Scout patches to share. Steve Kooij spoke of classic Atari video games, Gordon Stubbs had some signed books, and Eugene Mirabella collects a bit of everything! Michael and Lauren Shusterman both do musicals →

Get Your Medals!!

Have you ordered your medals yet? The new medal orders will be done by subscription only. A medal will only be made for you if you have pre-ordered it. This applies to golden bronze, copper, and numbered and un-numbered silver medals. So if you want a medal, fill out an order form and turn it into **Gordon Stubbs** by October 25, 2010.

Our 2011 medal features Gordon Donnell In Loving Memory.



Also available are token sets from this year. The tokens feature the same design as the 2010 medal- the San Jose Fire Truck 1926 Mack AC Rotary Pumper. The sets include both a brass and nickel token. See Gordon S. if you are interested!

→ at school. Keith Scott has a percussion pistol he's been making. Both Lyle Okamoto (squishy toys) and Al Lo (pens) report receiving additions to their collection after speaking about them. Thank you to everyone who shared!

Mark your calendar for next month's meeting- October 13 is TACO NIGHT!

August Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the General Meeting on August 11, 2010

- Call to Order 7:38
- Welcome 38 members & one guest- Harold Woron
- Auction with auctioneer Ron Ishizaki, clerk Bill Hurja, and runners Al Lo and Coby Beltran
- Announcements- Lyle Okamoto announced the Peninsula Coin Club Show November 14 and that raffle tickets are available. Bill Hurja announced the Fremont Coin Show and raffle. Gordon Stubbs said it's time to order medals. The order form has a mistake. The \$5.50 should be \$4.50. Sally Johnson is passing around a card to sign for Alan Douglass who passed away in April. Briita Ehlers reported that Fremont Coin Club has one or two tables available for their coin show. Keith Scott reported about the auction at the ANA in Boston. Ray Johnson has hand-out cards to please place at coin shows to advertise for our show.
- Show and Tell- 14 people shared.
 - a) Keith Scott- ebay quarters
 - b) Ron Kanke- San Francisco elongated penny
 - c) Lyle Okamoto- junk box find
 - d) Martha Davis- 1916 McKinley \$1 gold
 - e) Ed Sins- 1639 4 Escudo gold and 1819 US large cent
 - f) Al Lo- 1981 ANA Medal
 - g) Richard Shusterman- Munich token
 - h) Michael Shusterman- Paris token
 - i) Brian Daniels- gold notes
 - j) Allison Paker- Dewey Beats Truman elongated cent
 - k) Larry Benson- 1892 Half dollar
 - l) Bill Hurja- 50th Anniversary Jubilee from Finland
 - m) Don Pannell- commems from Boy Scout Jamboree
 - n) Gordon Stubbs- lighted magnifier
- Other Hobbies- 16 people presented
 - a) Keith Scott- percussion cap pistol and Humane Society
 - b) Lyle Okamoto- promotional squishy toys
 - c) Ryan Johnson- mountain biking
 - d) Ed Sins- Alma Golf Course memorabilia
 - e) Brian Daniels- 1887 N184 Kimballs Sports Set
 - f) Richard Shusterman- BSA Council Strips
 - g) Michael Shusterman- plays
 - h) Allison Paker- hiking

- i) Larry Benson- vegetables and keychain puzzles
 - j) Steve Kooij- classic video game cartridges
 - k) Gordon Stubbs- book collection
 - l) Al Lo- pen collection
 - m) Don Pannell- Boy Scouts patches
 - n) Eugene Mirabella- pins, watches, hats, masks and musical instruments
 - o) Bill Hurja- hiking
 - p) Lauren Shusterman- dancing & musicals
- Drawings- Show & Tell- Brian Daniels won a 1998 US Proof Set. Membership- Willy Baet won a 1986D Statue of Liberty Commemorative Half
 - Minutes from the July 26 Board Meeting were read and approved.
 - Treasurer- Report was given
 - Raffle- Grand prize was won by Rich Medefesser.
 - Adjournment- 10:13

From the Board Meeting on August 23, 2010

- Call to Order- 7:34 pm
- Welcome 13 seated members and 4 guests- Kathy Benson, Ron Ishizaki, Steve Kooij, and Robert Beltran
- Minutes from the August 11 General Meeting were read and approved.
- Corresponding Secretary- stuff from PO Box
- Treasurer- Bank balance was given.
- Program- Chuck Call will be speaking in September on North American Silver Bullion. Larry will be speaking in November on Bust Halves.
- Medal- Gordon reports that the medal design is still being worked out. Sales are good. Ron Ishizaki wondered about turning in an old medal to pay for a new one. Gordon answered that there would still be a cost to mint the new medal and the old medal must be .999 fine silver. He also stated that wasn't something he thought the club should get into. Bill Meadows asked how much it cost to melt the old medals and Gordon answered that there was no cost. Lyle Okamoto pointed out a potential mistake on the worksheet Gordon handed out last Board Meeting, but Gordon explained it. The cut-off date for ordering medals is October 25th.
- Banquet- Ron Ishizaki reports that a theme is being worked out. The banquet will be the last weekend in April.
- Youth- Sally reports kids are coming sporadically. Sally was talking to Stan

Turrini about having a forum of youth advisors from local clubs at our show.

- Librarian- Ed wrote to the person who has checked out the Trade Dollar book, but the letter was returned as undeliverable.

- WebMaster- We have 18,562 hits. The Old SF Mint is the only show in September. Other shows and events are listed and everything is current.

- Old Business- a) A question about the Curator was asked. Martha answered that Ken Barr is still cataloguing everything. b) Fred Davis went over the auditor's report. Ray made a proposal about an approximately \$500 discrepancy in our favor that has been on the books for years. Ray would like to add it back into the check register starting May 1. Ed suggested the discrepancy came from uncashed checks. Ed motioned and Bill seconded to add the money back into the register. It was suggested to make a note in the register about where the money came from.

- New Business- a) Martha had a ballot from the NCNA with no contested offices. Ed motioned with Bill seconding that we don't bother returning it. b) Larry Benson contacted Kim Alt who has been maintaining the database of names for show mail-outs for years. He said she was no longer interested in doing the job. She emailed the list to Stan Turrini who emailed it to Lloyd Chan. Sally Johnson also had the database on a disk and reported that most of the information is no longer good. There was a consensus from the group that this matter should have been brought to the attention of the Board before the list was emailed to a party outside San Jose Coin Club and that if Sally had the information then Lloyd Chan should delete it. Al Lo mentioned that Peninsula and Cupertino Coin Clubs are interested in using some of the names on the list for their mail-outs. Bill Meadows was given the disk by Sally and he will take over the maintenance of it. Ron Ishizaki wondered about why we would give other clubs the names on the list without getting paid a fee. Several members answered that we do charge for the labels we give to other clubs and not the actual names. Larry said he would contact Stan Turrini and tell him and Lloyd Chan to delete the list from their computers. c) October's Food
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SJCC Officers & Board

President- **Martha Davis**
 Vice President- **Bill Meadows**
 Treasurer- **Ray Johnson**
 Youth President- **Coby Beltran**
 Recording Sec- **Allison Paker**
 Corresponding Sec- **Lyle Okamoto**
 Historian- **Sally Johnson**
 Librarian- **Ed Sins**
 Immed. Past Pres.- **Ryan Johnson**
 Curator- **Bill Hurja**
 Bourse- **Ray Johnson**
 WebMasters- **Sally & Ryan Johnson**
 Board Members- **Fred Davis**
Herb Davidson, Al Lo, Keith Scott,
Gordon Stubbs

Hall of Fame Members are Board Members Emeritus with full voting privileges.
 The Board of Directors Meeting is on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 pm.

**Next Board Meeting:
 September 27, 2010**

at Denny's Restaurant
 2077 North First St, SJ
 (408) 436-8481

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

- Sep 8 SJCC General Meeting
 Topic: Chuck Call on North American Silver Bullion Coins
- Sep 27 SJCC Board Meeting
- Oct 13 SJCC General Meeting
 Giant Auction & Taco Night
- Oct 25 SJCC Board Meeting
- Nov 10 SJCC General Meeting
 Topic: Larry Benson on Bust Halves

Visit www.sanjosecoinclub.org for more info. We list all Bay Area shows, SJCC club newsletters, events, and club forms on our web site. If you want something added let us know. We are always looking for speakers for our monthly meeting. See our Program Chair for more information.

The Man Whose Initials Were Too Big

Victor David Brenner was born in Lithuania in 1871. He learned engraving from his father who was a metal worker. In 1890, he came to America and became an engraver for various jewelry and silversmith companies. He also took classes at Cooper Union to further hone his skills. In 1896, he studied at the Academy of Design and then studied in Paris at the Academie Julian under Oscar Roty.

He returned to the United States where he became the creator of obverse medals, portrait plaques, bas-reliefs, and sculptures. Some of his works include the Song of Nature sculpture in Schenely Park in Pittsburgh, PA, the medallion of Prince Heinrich of Prussia commemorating his visit to America and bas-reliefs of John Paul Jones and Carl Schurz.

President Theodore Roosevelt selected Brenner to design the new Lincoln penny after Roosevelt saw the plaque Brenner had made of Lincoln several years earlier. Brenner adapted his plaque portrait, and the Lincoln penny was released on August 2, 1909. After the release, some critics felt Brenner's initials were too prominent and detracted from the design. Criticism was so widespread that the design was changed so the initials were removed, but by then 484,000 pennies with VDB on them had been minted in San Francisco, making them rare collector's items.

The initials were restored, however, in 1918 just under Lincoln's shoulder. With the billions of pennies that have been produced since 1909, Brenner's Lincoln is the most widely reproduced work of art in America.

In 1922, Brenner won the J. Sanford Saltus Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Art of Medal from the American Numismatic Society. He died in 1924.

UPCOMING SHOWS!

- **Old SF Mint Coin Show**
 September 17-18 Fri & Sat 10-6
 5th St between Mission and Market
 \$5 (\$2 with coupon) Admission is good for both days.
 FREE tours of the Old Mint!
 Go to griffincoin.com for parking, coupon and other information
- **Sacramento Valley Coin Club Annual Fall Coin Show**
 October 3
 The Dante Club 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd.
 Admission \$2; under 18 free

UPCOMING MINT RELEASES

- **Aug 26-** 2010 US Mint Silver Proof Set
- **Sep 2-** First Spouse Series One-Half Ounce Gold Coin- Buchanan's Liberty
- **Sep 2-** Buchanan's Liberty Bronze Medal 1 5/16"
- **Sep 20-** America the Beautiful Quarters™ Bags and Two-Roll Set - Grand Canyon (AZ)
- **Sep 23-** United States Mint Presidential \$1 Coin & First Spouse Medal Set™ - James Buchanan
- **Sep 30-** James Buchanan \$1 Coin Cover

Dates are subject to change.

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Night will be Taco Night. d) Lyle Okamoto asked if we want to continue to make the show tokens because we are losing money on them. A discussion followed. Sally Johnson will contact the company in Florida who makes the tokens for us and ask if less can be made. It was decided that the price could also be lowered and the tokens should be advertised better.

• Show Business- a) We have 48 dealers so far. Ray will be mailing out 25 bourse apps to dealers who have not responded yet. Ray did away with the \$50 fee for dealers to have a second dealer at their bourse table. b) The application will be posted on the website. c) Martha reported that Stan Turrini told her CSNA will be at the 2011 show but may not be at the 2012 show. d) Fred asked about CSNA and exhibits if we go non-competitive. It was decided that we would stay competitive at least for the 2011 show.

• Al Lo motioned and Sally seconded for Adjournment at 9:15 pm!