

COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



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AGENDA for Sunday, MAY 21, 2023, 2 PM

GOLD HILL POLICE STATION

COMMUNITY ROOM

955 W. MORENO

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80905

Coffee and pre-packaged snacks will be provided.

You can bring your own drink and snacks if you prefer.

Introduction of guests and new members

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

New Business

Exhibit Talks

Auction

Membership and Door Prizes

Raffle - 1 Prize for every \$45 in Ticket sales. \$1 = One Ticket; \$5 = Six Tickets; \$10 = Twelve Tickets; \$15 = Eighteen Tickets; \$20 – Twenty-four Tickets

Adjourn

**GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ALL OUR REGULAR MEETINGS
ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH @ 2 PM**

MINUTES of the April 16, 2023 Meeting of the

COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The meeting was held at the Gold Hill Police Station Community Room and called to order by President Steve D. with 16 members and 1 guest present.

Secretary's Report: Secretary's Report, which consists of the Minutes of the March 2023 meeting contained in the April 2023 newsletter was approved without discussion or modification.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

2023 Dues – CSNS will continue to collect 2023 membership dues. Dues are \$10 for Individuals, \$5 for YNs (Young Numismatists are those under 18), and \$20 for a Family (all adults and children in the immediate family). Just a reminder if you're mailing in your dues, please use the current mailing address which is CSNS, P.O. Box 60404, Colorado Springs, CO 80960

Members were reminded that our club meeting in May would be May 21st instead of May 14th. Beginning in JUNE, we will go back to our REGULAR SCHEDULE OF THE 2ND SUNDAYS IN EACH MONTH.

Post Office box rent was due and paid for out of raffle account. CSCC will reimburse CSNS for one-half of the rent.

George M. submitted a bill to the club in the amount of \$173.00. These expenses were for club prizes for the period of January-March 2023. These expenses were approved by membership.

CSCC will be having a one-day coin show on June 24, 2023. At our club meeting in March, questions and discussions had been made regarding expenses & profits to be shared equally between CSNS & CSCC. Since there was no information available at that time, the issue was tabled until April. At that time, the Secretary gave the information estimating what might be expected for income & expenses. After a few more questions & discussion, membership voted unanimously to participate with CSCC in the Springs Coin Show equally sharing in expenses & profits.

CSNS /CSCC Christmas Party was brought up and discussion was made that members need to attend at least 3 club meetings during the year in order to attend and be eligible for a prize at our combined clubs' Christmas parties. This was approved by membership.

NEW BUSINESS:

Post Office never received the box rent payment. There was never any notice in the box that it had not been received; instead, the box had been locked. An inquiry was made and payment had to be made immediately in order to obtain any mail that was being held.

The Springs Coin Show is less than a month away. All 40 tables have been sold and we have 28 dealers who will be participating. Volunteers are needed for the following tasks....setting up / taking down tables, helping dealers load-in /load-out, helping with the display cases, front desk, assisting where help is needed. Let's make this show a great success!

MARCH EXHIBITS:

- 1) Steve D. spoke about the first ever National Money Show "Show Medals" from the Phoenix show in early March. He also told of his trip there through closures, traffic jams and weather and of stopping by Meteor Crater on the way back to Colorado Springs.
- 2) Bob C. had an exhibit on "Patriotic Civil War Tokens". Tokens are coin like objects used instead of actual coins. They're often made of cheaper metals such as copper, pewter, etc. These civil war tokens were distributed in the U.S. between 1861- 1864. They were mainly used in the Northeast & the Midwest.

These tokens were the result of the scarcity of government issued cents during the Civil War. These Civil War tokens became illegal after the U.S. Congress passed a law on April 22, 1864, prohibiting the issue of any one or two-cent coins, tokens or devices for use as currency. On June 8th, an additional law was passed that forbade all private coinage. The collectible value of tokens is determined by their rarity. Bob had many different civil war tokens for members to look at and a "Civil War Tokens Rarity Scale".

- 3) George M. showed a \$1.00 Silver Certificate & a large dollar bill, commonly referred to as a "Horse Blanket" due to its size. The "Horse Blanket" before 1923 has become very difficult to find. After 1923, the small dollar note came out.
- 4) Larry F. gave a presentation on the GAR (Grand Army of the Republic). It was founded on April 6, 1866 in Decatur, Illinois, on the principles of "Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty" by Dr. Benjamin Stephenson. It was a fraternal organization composed of veterans of the Union Army, Union Navy and Marines who served in the American Civil War. It grew to hundreds of local community posts across the North & West. Five U.S. Presidents were members of GAR. They were Grant, Hayes, Garfield, Harrison & McKinley. On May 5, 1868, first Commander-in-Chief John A. Logan declared May 30th to be "Memorial Day" (also referred to for many years) as "Declaration Day". He called upon GAR Membership to make May 30th observance an annual occurrence. Memorial Day is the day which Americans pay tribute to all their war casualties, mia's and deceased veterans. The Denver cemetery (Logan) is named for John A. Logan. The GAR was dissolved in 1956 at the death of its' last member, Albert Woolson. Larry displayed several items of GAR memorabilia, including a medallion.

APRIL EXHIBIT WINNER:

LARRY FISHER

AUCTION

7 LOTS PLACED FOR AUCTION

5 LOTS WERE SOLD

APRIL PRIZES & WINNERS

Membership Prize: Dave R.

Door prizes: Mark E., Tricia W., Larry F., Steve D., Terry L., Tom W.

Raffle prize: Larry F.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara T.

OTHER NUMISMATIC NEWS:

COLORADO SPRINGS COIN CLUB MEETINGS: 4th Tuesday of the month
6:30 – 8:30 PM Mountain Time at Fraternal Order of Eagles, 1050 S. 21st St, Colorado
Springs, Co 8090

COLORADO COIN SHOWS:

SPRINGS COIN SHOW
JUNE 24, 2023

DENVER COIN EXPO
OCT. 11TH – 14TH, 2023

Please note: CoinZip.com will give you National & Local Coin Show locations (2023/2024) as well as “Dealers”, “Coin Clubs”, etc.

