Colorado Springs Coin Club

The Colorado Springs Coin Club meets
the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at the
Colorado Springs Police Department, Gold Hill Division (South West)
Community Room
955 West Moreno Avenue
Guests are welcome at all our regular meetings.

March Regular Meeting - March 22, 2016

Agenda

I. Introduction of guests and new members
II. Secretary’s Report
III. Treasurer’s Report
IV. Collector’s Corner
V. Old Business
VI. New Business

II. Secretary’s Report
The secretary’s report as published in the February newsletter was presented and accepted.

III. Treasurer’s Report
The treasurer’s report was given by our treasurer and accepted.

February Business
We hope to change our committee room opening time to 6:30 and meeting starting time to 7:00 this month.
Your secretary had misplaced his package with the prizes last month, so we will have the February winners choose their prizes first, and then the drawing for March winners.
Our president, Jerry F. reported of a September Coin Club meeting change. We will meet at the ANA’s Money Museum, Tuesday, September 27th at 6:30. ANA’s historian, David Sklow will give a tour and a brief overview of the ANA Library. Our Membership Drive announcement will be moved to the October meeting.
Also reported, the Coin Club’s June 28th meeting will be changed to Monday, June 20th because of the Summer Seminar schedule.
George M. presented a Secretary’s bill that was approved to be paid.
Barbara asked any members going to future spring coin shows, “to please take our show advertisement flyers to distribute at those shows”.
Terry C. reporting on the Numismatic Societies’ anniversary medals told of possibly creating a “Sister Clubs medal”, using the Coin Club’s anniversary medal obverse die and the Society’s anniversary medal obverse die. The plan is to allow those who are a member of both clubs to purchase one medal each. All the medals will be antiqued silver. More on the progress at this meeting.

February Collectors Corner
Displaying numismatic items were; Bob C. who displayed his set of Indian cents, James N. who showed his Mercury Dime collection, J.C. S. talked about error cents while showing books on errors and varieties and Jerry F. told about how he started collecting coins as well as showed his sets of both Indian and Lincoln Cents.

February Door Prize Winners
Members winning prizes were; David C., J.C. S., Dale G., George Mi. and James N.

February Membership Prize
Our monthly membership prize winner will be drawn at this meeting.

February Volunteer Prizes
Winners of the 2015 show volunteer prizes will be drawn at this meeting.

February Auction
A 15-lot auction was held with all lots selling.
February Program

Ken Hallenbeck provided a 30-minute program “On how to Grade Indian and Lincoln Cents”. (Members were encouraged to bring their Indian and Lincoln Cent sets / individual specimens.)

Ken, telling of the many grading books out there right now, recommended the Grading book “Making the Grade” among others. Ken also strongly recommended always buying problem free coins and when possible, going with professionally-graded slabs.

March Program

Our March 22nd program will be member and former President, Mike Willis of True North Coins in our Spotlight on a Local Dealer. Mike will bring a special selection of coins from his inventory that will be specially priced for members tonight.

ANA’s National Coin Week

The “Portraits of Liberty: Icon of Freedom” has been named the theme of 2016 National Coin Week, April 17-23. ANA member clubs can answer 20 questions about representations of Liberty on money in the 9th Annual Club Trivia Challenge, and those that earn high scores qualify for a prize and will be entered in the grand-prize drawing. The grand prize is a 2016 American Eagle tenth-ounce gold coin, a 2016 Silver Proof Set, and a 2016 ANA 125th anniversary Guide Book of United States Coins (the “Red Book”) signed by editor Kenneth Bressett. Many other prizes will be awarded. At this March meeting we hope to have a package that will contain the annual Club Trivia Challenge 20 questions.

2017 Red Books

Mike W. had offered the 2017 spiral bound Red Books to the membership for a discounted price of $8.78. We missed the deadline for the best prices, but he will let us order with non-case quantities at $8.78 for spiral or $9.88 for hard cover.

Coin Club Constitution and By-laws Update

The club officers and your Coin Club Planning Committee are reviewing the club’s Constitution and Bylaws and have updated the outdated documents with long over-due changes. The updates and changes must be approved by the full membership. We can discuss it at this meeting and then vote on it during the April meeting if there are no additional changes.

ANA’s Web Space Page

Our website can be viewed at (cscc.anaclubs.org) or (csns.anaclubs.org). We do need members help with this website and ask for any ideas for adding information, articles, and art work to the site. Our monthly newsletters and all club information can also be viewed on the website.

Coin Show Exhibits

Once again, we would like to encourage members to start thinking about a numismatic exhibit for our annual June coin show. Any member that exhibits will receive a numismatic piece just for exhibiting and have the chance to win a trophy.

As we did last year, we will have five categories of exhibits and the judges will be ANA certified judging officials.

1.) Adult, Coins and Paper Money
2.) Adult, Exonumia
3.) Young Numismatist
4.) First Time Exhibitor
5.) Peoples Choice, Best of Show Award

2016 Membership Drive

Once again, we want to remind members of our “2016 Membership Drive”. The members who have earned the most "points" on/by the meeting of October 25, 2016 win. The three prizes that will be awarded and the point system are as follows:

Three prizes - based on total "points" earned

3rd -- 2000-2010 $1 blank planchet mint error (slabbed)
2nd -- 1943 Walking Liberty Half Dollar, MS-63 (slabbed)
1st -- 1883-CC Morgan Silver Dollar, GSA box, MS-64

How to earn "points"

1 point for every guest brought to a Coin Club meeting
- if that guest becomes a member, 2 additional points are earned
2 points for every guest under the age of 30 brought to a Coin Club meeting
- if the under 30 guest becomes a member, 4 additional points are earned
2 points if someone brings a family as guests. Family must have 3 or more
- if 3 or more members of a guest family become members, then an additional 4 points are earned

So far we have only had two new guests brought to a Coin Club meeting.

George Mountford, Secretary
February “Did you Know?” Questions & Answers

**Question 1.** What do these letters indicate if they follow the grade of a Mint State coin?

BN       RB       RD

Answer: “cents grading colors” - J. D. S.

**Question 2.** An 1837 Hard Times Token – SUBSTITUTE FOR SHIN PLASTERS; a copper, cent-size issue of a type that became common in circulation after payment of specie (silver and gold coins) was suspended beginning on May 10. Why was this term/phrase used on the token?

Answer: A piece of paper money of small denomination issued by the government, for its resemblance to paper used in plasters for sore legs - Buddha and Dan

**Question 3.** The Large Cent of 1793 has two different reverses. What are they?

Answer: chain and wreath - multiple winners

March “Did you Know?” Questions

1. First produced in Boston in 1652 under the authority of the Massachusetts Bay Colony the first coins struck in what is now the United States were:

   Silver three pence
   Sixpence
   Shillings

2. In 1776, a pewter dollar was struck depicting on one side a sundial and the word FUGIO with CONTINENTAL CURRENCY around the border. What did FUGIO refer to/mean?

3. The Mint Act of April 2, 1792 provided for what?

**ANSWERS WILL BE REQUESTED AT THE MEETING**

**Prizes will be awarded!**