Colorado Springs Numismatic Society

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Our April meeting will be held Sunday, April 8th, 2018 at 2:00 P.M. in the Colorado Springs Police Department, Gold Hill Division (South West) Community Room
955 West Moreno Avenue
Guests are welcome at all our regular meetings.

AGENDA

I. Introduction of guests and new members
II. Secretary's Report
III. Treasurer's Report
IV. Old Business
V. New Business
VI. April Exhibit Talks
VII. Intermission Break
VIII. Presentation of Monthly Exhibit Award
IX. Society Regular Auction
X. Door Prizes, Membership & Volunteer Drawings
XI. Adjournment

March Meeting

Thirty members were present at the afternoon meeting including a guest, Mike S.
The secretary's report as published in the March newsletter was accepted.
The treasurer's report for March was given and accepted.

March Business

ANA National Coin Week 2018 — April 15-21
To honor the role of numismatics in building bridges and promoting unity and reconciliation, "Connecting Cultures: From Many, One" is the theme for the 95th annual National Coin Week, April 15-21, 2018. Check back soon for updates on contests and activities.
For more information, email ncw@money.org or call (719) 482-9814.
Qualifications for the Volunteer Prize by volunteering at the 2018 Colorado Springs Coin, Currency & Collectibles Show was again discussed. The minimum contribution per member is at least 2 hours at 2 of the following: Set up before the show, Registration/Welcome table during the show, and Take Down at the conclusion of the show. The sign-up sheets for the show will be available at each meeting before the show. Instead of only two members at the front desk at all times, we must now have a third member to do raffle ticket sales and help explain the raffle process to the guests, (names and phone numbers added to the ticket). Also, the third member may offer and discuss the CDN Sponsorship subscription form to the public as they enter the show.
March Door Prize Winners
Members winning door prizes were; Bob C., Chuck M., Steve D. Joshua Y., and J. C. S.

March Membership Prize
Being present for the membership prize was member, Dale G.

March Volunteer Prize
This month’s winner of our 2017 - 2018 volunteer drawing was George M.

March Auction
Eighteen items were placed for auction with eleven selling.

April Exhibit Talks
All Society members are invited to participate in our monthly exhibit talks. What is needed for exhibiting is displaying the item(s) with a short talk or explanation of the exhibit.

April Regular Auction
We will have a regular auction at this April meeting. Please bring your auction item(s) read the instructions then fill out a new “Auction slip”.

ANA’s Web Space Page
Our website can be viewed at (csns.analubs.org) or (cscc.analubs.org). We do need help with this, asking the membership for any ideas for adding information, articles, and art work to the site. Our monthly newsletters and club information may also be viewed on the website.

Coin, Currency & Collectibles Show Exhibiting
If you have interest in exhibiting at the show this year, we would love your application. It is a great learning experience to share and exhibit what you collect plus a numismatic piece of a 2018 silver eagle is awarded just for exhibiting and everyone has the opportunity of winning a exhibit winners trophy with a nice award piece.

Coin Show Volunteer Sign-up
The 2018 volunteer sign-up form for two hours of greeting guests to the show will be available for signatures at this Society meeting and then again at the Coin Club’s April meeting. Members can volunteer to help either with set up, tear down, or serve at the registration tables. All society or coin club members benefit from funds received from the coin show. A numismatic piece, (a commemorative silver dollar) will be awarded for participating with two of the three volunteer choices.

Coin, Currency & Collectibles Show Raffle
The numismatic society and coin club are currently collaborating to initiate a raffle at the coin show and possibly at future society or coin club meetings. V.P. Georgia W. has volunteered to serve as the Raffle Committee Chairperson. Information about the raffle procedure will be shared and discussed at the April society meeting.

ANA Donation from Two Clubs
At a recent Coin Club meeting a motion was made for the club to make a donation to the ANA in the names of the two long time members of both clubs, (Frank Kazee and Ed Rochette.) We, from the Numismatic Society, will also make a motion for a like amount to be donated in the names of Frank and Ed.

March Exhibit Talks were given by six members

1.) Milt N. (two collectible announcements) announcements about the release of the $50 bill a few years ago, one in English and one in Chinese from San Francisco

2.) Bob C. (West German Silver Coin) 5 Deutsche Mark 1973 J, Nicholas Copernicus, famous sixteenth century Polish astronomer - National Coat of Arms / Planets Solar System

3.) Gerome W. (1898 Omaha, Nebraska Exposition) Official Medal of the Trans-Mississippi International Exposition, wanting to know if the gold-plated award medal die still does exist

4.) Steve D. (Type Set) he showed more additions to his type set including a Trade Dollar and some very uncommon Liberty Quarters

5.) Dan U. (Victory Loans) loan token made from a captured WW1 German cannon given to US WWI Victory Liberty Loans volunteers

6.) David J. (Panama-Pacific Expo Medal) the bronze medal of John Bateman, supervisor of sculpture at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition of 1915

7.) Terry C. (Knights of the Coin Table medals) share and trade coins of the on-line coin group struck in brass, copper, and .999 silver with satin and proof finishes designed by Dan Carr

8.) George M. (Disney Dollars) variety of notes including Mickey, Minnie, Goofy, Donald and Dumbo telling of increased values because of discontinuing series

March Winning Exhibitor was George M.

GLEANINGS April 2018

First, a reminder that the volunteers from the Society and Club are critical to the success of the coin Show (Colorado Springs Coin, Currency and Collectibles Show). Set up, take down and the Welcome Table (Wed 6/23/18 – Sat 6/23/18), depend on you volunteering. If your name isn’t on the signup sheets yet find a time on there and fill it. The revenue that the clubs receive from the show allows us to keep our dues ridiculously low. Volunteers who give at least 4 hours qualify for the volunteer prizes awarded at the Society and Club meetings. And don’t forget that this show is fun to be at. See you there.

Did you see this in the Gazette on 3/31/2018? It was in the Back Pages column on the last page of section A: “IN 1943 -New zinc-coated pennies issued by Uncle Sam have appeared in Colorado Springs. Lighter in weight and “silver” in color, the new pennies are the same size and design as the copper pennies. The Secret Service in Denver said they had received numerous calls about the new coin, some believing they had received bad money. The pennies were minted in Denver and it was authorized to save copper for war industries.”

I had a similar experience using the gold colored small size dollars, both Sacagawea and Presidential. I offered 10 of them to pay for a purchase at a local store recently. The clerk said, “I have to check to make sure we can take these,” and commented that he had never seen one before. Fortunately, the
store manager had and they were accepted as legal tender. Other times eyes widen and a smile appears and the recipient exclaims, “I haven’t seen one of these for years.”

Either case is an opportunity to practice one of the purposes of this society, as expressed in our Articles of Incorporation dated March 13, 1986: to “provide educational lectures, discussions and other information on the amateur hobby of coin collecting.”

For example, if it is a Sacagawea Dollar, share that they are produced to celebrate the important contributions made by Indian tribes and individual Native Americans. Or, if it’s a Presidential Dollar, mention that the series was produced to honor our presidents and ended last year. You can even comment that a manganese alloy gives them their gold color.

But stop before their eyes glaze over. Not everyone is as enthralled by numismatics as we are. That’s what makes us special.

Dan, President

George Mountford, Society Secretary