

# COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

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Our August meeting will be held Sunday, August 11, 2019, 2:00 P.M. in the Colorado Springs Police Department, Gold Hill Division (South West), 955 West Moreno Avenue, Community Room. 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. May Exhibit Talks
- VII. Intermission Break
- VIII. Presentation of Monthly Exhibit Award
- IX. Society Regular Auction
- X. Door Prizes, Membership & Volunteer Drawings
- XI. Adjournment

### IMPORTANT:

1 - Our September meeting on September 8 will include the WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION. Instead of a regular auction selling items for members all proceeds from the WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION are deposited into the CSNS bank account. Bring numismatic items to donate to the auction and be generous in your bidding!

2- CSCCC Show Volunteer Prize Drawing: The initial coin show volunteer prize drawing will be held at the CSCC meeting on August 27th. CSNS members who are not coin club members are welcome to attend that meeting. A second prize drawing will be held at the CSNS meeting on September 8th.

## **MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2019**

George M, President, called the meeting to order.

Attendance: 23 members. Two guests were in attendance. The guests, George and Roberta H., submitted their applications and were accepted into membership. 25 members in attendance by meeting's end.

The June Minutes and Secretary's Report, as contained in the July newsletter, were approved. The Treasurer's report was given and approved. The Colorado Springs Numismatic Society [CSNS] Raffle activity, including 2019 Colorado Springs Coin, Currency and Collectible Show raffle, and raffle account report were given and approved.

OLD BUSINESS: Bob C. gave a report on the volunteer assistance from the CSCC and CSNS members at the Colorado Springs Coin, Currency and Collectibles Show [CSCCCS]. 37 volunteers provided lots of hard work for set up and tear down helping make the show a success. Volunteer prizes will be given to all volunteers beginning at the August CSCC meeting. Steve D reported that there were 9 exhibits at the show, with 2 as non-competitive. Trophy winners were Peoples' Choice: Eddie; Exonumia: Mark; YN: Kevin; Adult Coins: Dan.

NEW BUSINESS: George M. submitted a reimbursement request for expenses from Quarter 2 of 2019, which includes refreshments and drawing prizes. A motion to reimburse George was moved, seconded and approved. Dan U. suggested that eligible members think about applying for the 2020 Summer Seminar scholarship from the CSNS & CSCC. More details will be available later this year.

No other business was discussed.

EXHIBIT TALKS: Summary of the 8 exhibit talks:

1. Bob C – Curvaceous Apollo 11 Moon Landing 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Commemorative 20 Euro coin from Austria. The Austria Mint has existed for 825 years and is the only European government mint still making gold and silver bullion coins. The Apollo 11 silver 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorative is curved or “domed” [concave and convex ]. Also, because of its glow in the dark technology and color application the earth is in color and the stars glow in the dark. His well-researched, extensive presentation of Apollo 11 was included.
2. Mark E – displayed his trophy from the 2019 CSCCCS received for his history of rings from coins exhibit and an example of a ring he made from a coin.
3. Dan U – West Point Mint and 2019 quarter with “W” mintmark from the West Point Mint, which is the first circulating coin to bear the “W” mintmark. The talk included the history of the West Point Bullion Depository, which became the West Point Mint in 1988, and highlights of the mint’s history. The exhibit included one of the quarters, which Dan found by searching rolls of quarters from the bank and a Proof Silver Eagle coin with the “W” mintmark.
4. George M – exhibited some coins he purchased at the 2019 CSCCCS: 1993 Canadian \$20 coin (one of today’s prizes), John Quincy Adams 3 coin dollar set from the mint (also one of today’s prizes), and 2 mini silver coins.
5. Kevin L. –displayed some of his finds from the 2019 CSCCCS, including a passport from the U.S.S.R and 2 plastic paperweights containing German coins from the 1960s and 1970s. He explained that citizens of the U.S.S.R. were required to have a domestic passport to travel within the country and a separate passport to travel outside the country. His is a woman’s domestic passport circa 1978.
6. David J - Moonlight Mint Open House overstrike medals. The first open house was in 2009 and annual open houses have occurred since 2012. There are 9 designs in all. They can be collected by year and/or by host coin that the design is overstruck onto. David has most, if not all, if the varieties of year/host coin. His talk focused on the World War 1 commemorative pattern that was submitted to the U.S. Mint but not adopted. This pattern was used by the Moonlight Mint in 2017 and 2018.
7. Steve D – brought his latest addition to his U.S. Type Set, an 1837 Cap Bust Dime in .900 silver. He only lacks 4 coins to complete his type set.



8. Ken H – shared about his recent trip to China, S. Korea and Japan. During the trip he presented his Chinese guide with 3 different “Ike” dollars, because the guide’s name is Ike. Ken brought to the meeting quantities of 3 different contemporary Chinese coins and everyone was invited to take one. Ken also explained the Boar Tusk necklace from the Pacific Islands he was wearing. It is rare because the tip of the tusk is not broken off as commonly happens because the boar uses his tusks to dig in the dirt. The animal that produced this tusk was buried in the ground so it could not break the tusk.

July 2019 exhibit winner is Bob C.

AUCTION: An 30 lot auction was held with 13 lots selling.

PRIZES: Door Prizes went to Steve D, Mark E, Mike S, Ken H, Roberta, George M and George H.  
Membership prize was won by Mike S.  
Raffle prize winners were George M. and Barbara T.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Dan U., Secretary

## REMINISCING

Going through my numismatic material and book collection, I again came across the book

“The Standard Catalog of UNITED STATES COINS AND CURRENCY 1939”

From 1652 to Present Day - by WAYTE RAYMOND, Editor - Copyright 1938

It is a standard coin catalog eight years before R. S. Yeoman’s Red Book (1947)

Enjoying numismatics and history, this is a treasure that I have pleased in for years

Even though I was not yet born when World War II began six months into 1939,

I delighted hearing from those who told the history of the world leaders F. D. R.,

Winston Churchill, Neville Chamberlain and Albert Einstein.

Relating more to 1939, were the two great expositions; Golden Gate International Exposition, which was held in San Francisco/Oakland at the same time as the New York World's Fair.

And then there was in 1939, considered the greatest year in motion pictures;

"Gone with the Wind" and "The Wizard of Oz"

In my 1939 numismatic book, there was no mention of Jefferson nickels, no mention of

P and S mints and very little mention D mints of silver coinage

and of course at the time a uncirculated 1909 S V. D. B. cent was valued at \$3.00.

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