

Colorado Springs Numismatic Society

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Our March meeting will be held Sunday, March 11th, 2018 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. March Exhibit Talks
- VII. Intermission Break
- VIII. Presentation of Monthly Exhibit Award
- IX. Society Regular Auction
- X. Door Prizes, Membership & Volunteer Drawings
- XI. Adjournment

February Meeting

Thirty-one members were present at the afternoon meeting including guests John and Grace B. and prior member Jim K.

The secretary's report as published in the January newsletter was accepted.

The treasurer's report for January was given and accepted.

February Business

Qualifications for the Volunteer Prize by volunteering at the 2018 Colorado Springs Coin, Currency & Collectibles Show was 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.

We discussed our club's 2019 ANA Summer Seminar Scholarship Award Program. To clarify the age for members applying to the scholarship program it was determined that applicant must be 13 years of age to win the scholarship.

Frank T. again told the membership of the 2018 Coin, Currency & Collectibles Show would be at the Colorado Springs Event Center, Hall A, 3960 Palmer Park Blvd., Rustic Hills, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. Show Dates/Hours: Thursday June 21 – Friday June 22: Public 9AM - 6PM Saturday June 23: Public 9AM - 4PM.

We will have information about our intended raffle and raffle meetings at this meeting.

February Door Prize Winners

Members winning door prizes were; Grace B. (guest), Marshall D., Kevin L. and Terry C.

February Membership Prize

Being present for the membership prize was member, Mark E.

February Volunteer Prize

This month's winners of our 2017 - 2018 volunteer drawing were Mark E. and Marty A.

February Auction

Fifteen items were placed for auction with all selling.

Ed Rochette's Passing and Service

A celebration of life service for Ed had taken place Saturday, February 17 at Shove Chapel on the grounds of Colorado College.

Don Holecek Passing February 6th

Don and Colorado Coin Galleries had been serving the Colorado Springs area for many years. A private service was held for just the family.

March 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.

March Regular Auction

We will have a regular auction at this March meeting. (We will continue our new method of auction payment control at this 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.anaclubs.org) or (cscs.anaclubs.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.

2018 Dues Due

"If your 2018 dues are not received at this meeting you will no longer be eligible for the monthly membership prize. (Your eligibility will be reinstated once your dues are paid.)

2018 Coin, Currency & Collectibles Show Meeting

We do have information from the committee meeting which will be discussed with the NS membership regarding show sponsoring, cases and lamps, layout fliers, the symposium, YN's treasure hunt, auctions and raffle etc.

Coin, Currency & Collectibles Show Exhibiting

The 2018 Show Exhibiting form will be distributed at this March meeting or you may copy it from our club web page at *Colorado Area Coin Shows, Colorado Springs Coins Currency and Collectables Show, Exhibitor Information*. Last year we had 11 exhibits in the award categories of; Adult Coins and Paper Money, Adult Exonumia, Young Numismatist, First Time Exhibitor and Peoples Choice of Best of Show. If there are a number of exhibits in a special interest category (e. g., gold coins, foreign coins, coins of a specific country, error coins, etc.), the exhibit chair-person and the exhibit judges may determine that an award be made and given for that special category. A numismatic piece of a silver eagle is awarded just for exhibiting.

Coin Show Registration Table 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 meeting on the 27th. A numismatic piece, (a commemorative silver dollar) will be awarded for participating with two of the three volunteer choices.

National Money Show, Irving, Texas

Unfortunately as you read this newsletter, the ANA's National Money Show is almost over, (March 8-10). We will try to forward information on how the show went at the March meeting.

Weather Warnings

As we get into the season of questionable weather conditions for our regular meeting dates, please use good judgment if you are not notified of a cancellation during bad weather. I would try to notify all regular members of cancellations by e-mail or telephone, ahead of time, but if in doubt, my number is in the book.

February Exhibit Talks were given by six members

- 1.) Bob C. (Sacagawea Dollars) giving thorough history and informative handouts of the 2000 - 2008 design with the design change that memorializes Native Americans in 2009 to today
- 2.) George M. (Mint Errors) showing mint errors; a 1866 double struck shield nickel, doubled date 1923 Peace dollar and the 1970 D quarter on dime planchet
- 3.) Dan U. (2nd Money Museum) other than the ANA's, the museum being the Federal Reserve Bank in Denver with displays to enhance your knowledge of money and the economy
- 4.) Terry C. (Award Medals) medals commemorating the Grand Central School of Art , which occupied the seventh floor of the east wing of the Grand Central Terminal in New York City
- 5.) Kevin L. (Coin Grading) the different grading systems over the years including standard and professional grading and the grading characteristics of different countries
- 6.) Steve D. (Russian Imperial Pieces) variety of copper Russian Kopek pieces and the explanation of a early peculiar dating system

February Winning Exhibitor was Bob C.

Daylight Savings Time Begins Sunday

Please remember to set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday evening.

GLEANINGS March 2018

Are you taking steps to avoid losing any of your collection to thieves? I recently learned that a fellow collector was the victim of a burglary when he was not at home. In other cases, someone with permission to be in the home stole coins and other valuables.

While not exhaustive, I found some suggestions at lincolncentresource.com, which are paraphrased here:

1. Keep your coins in a safe deposit box, but this means that you will have limited access to them.
2. Keeping your coins in a safe makes it less likely they will be stolen by visitors to your home. A fire safe adds some protection if there is a fire in your home.
3. Hide your coins in an unlikely place or in something like a slide projector carousel that does not look like it stores coins. However, a friend stored his collection in his attic and an acquaintance staying in his home a few weeks located and stole his collection.
4. Keep accurate records of all your coins, including serial numbers of any certified coins. This may help identify and recover your coins if they are found.
5. You can buy coin insurance, but it can be complicated and you are unlikely to get full value in the event of a theft.

Amac.com recommendations include: Put it in a safe place; Keep your mouth shut about where it is; Don't announce when you will be out of town.

A home security service can act as a deterrent, especially when you display the company's sign at your home. Also, are you careful about when, where, and with whom you discuss your collection?

Coin dealers are encouraged to be particularly careful when returning from a coin show. Thieves have been known to follow a dealer from the show to their home. They might try to intercept the dealer when they stop at a restaurant or when they get home. Or, they might just note the location and break in later when the homeowner is not home. This could apply to someone else leaving a coin show with a valuable purchase.

Ultimately, not all crime and loss can be avoided, but situational awareness and some intentional safety measures can protect you and your collection. Stay safe.

Dan, President

George Mountford, Society Secretary