### COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



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# AGENDA for Sunday, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022, 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 August 14, 2022 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 George M. with 17 members and 3 guests in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Secretary's Report, which consists of the Minutes of the July 2022 meeting contained in the August 2022 newsletter was approved without discussion or modification.

Treasurer's report was presented and approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**2022 Dues** – CSNS will continue collecting 2022 dues that are due. 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 P.O. Box 60404, Colorado Springs, CO 80960

There was some discussion regarding the Christmas Party. This event is held with CSCC. It may be a "pot luck" dinner with the meat being catered. There would be prizes as well as a "Secret Santa". Nothing yet has been confirmed. Expenses for the event would be shared between the two clubs.

Steve D. brought up the issue of the "stipend" of \$2,500.00 that was received for the clubs' hosting of the ANA Money Show that was held in March of this year at the Broadmoor Hotel complex. The stipend less expenses was to be divided equally between the 2 clubs......that hasn't been done yet. The secretary said that she would check on that.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The 3 guests (Marlyn, Gary and Terry) who were in attendance at our August meeting were voted in for membership.

#### **AUGUST EXHIBITS**

1. George M. showed a 5 rupee coin from Ceylon. What was interesting about this coin in particular was the year 1972 their coins changed because the country's name changed to "Sri Lanka" and new coinage reflecting that change. Ceylon was a British crown colony that existed from 1815 to 1948 when it was granted independence and became an independent country within the Common wealth of nations from 1948 to 1972. In 1072, it became a republic but remained within the Commonwealth and the name changed to Sri Lanka. Sri Lanka is an island country in the Indian Ocean located in South Asia. The island country is situated to the southeast of the Arabian Sea and Southwest of the Bay of

Bengal. Sri Lanka is home to diverse cultures, ethnicities, and languages, with the majority of the population of 21.7 million being of Sinhalese ethnicity. Before the Dutch began administering the area, Ceylon Island was shared by the King dom of Kandy and the Portuguese Empire who were constantly at war for full control of the island.

- 2. Bob C. gave a presentation about the USS Missouri (BB63), often referred to as "Mighty Mo" and regarded as the most historic battleship in the world. It was built in the Brooklyn Navy Yard and launched Jan. 29, 1944. There are 4 ships named "Missouri"...the 1st was in 1841, the 2nd in 1901, the 3rd being Missouri BB63 and a 4th is a submarine. The Battleship Missouri BB63 has seen plenty of action! The Japanese Surrender Ceremony was held on its' deck with Gen. Douglas McArthur and there is a bronze plaque there at the spot where the surrender took place. It participated in the battles of Iwo Jima & Okinawa.....In 1950-51, it was called into the conflict with Korea. In 1955, the Missouri was decommissioned....". Mighty Mo" was given some rest....but duty called and it was re-commissioned & participated in the Gulf War 1991. In 1995, it became a WWII National Monument and in 1998 transferred to Honolulu. It is now anchored at Pearl Harbor...it's bow faces the USS Arizona Memorial. On a side note of interest...The Missouri was struck by a Kamakazee pilot that did some damage to the ship.....his remains were found and prepared for a burial at sea. Bob also showed a 70th Anniversary Commemorative of the USS Arizona (Remember Pearl Harbor) & commemorative of the USS Missouri & some literature.
- 3. One of our new members showed the membership a photo of an ancient coin that he has but identifying it has been difficult. Several suggestions were made that might be helpful to him including the ANA and there are some dealers and collectors who do specialize in ancient coins.
- 4. Frank T. Showed a 2020 "W" quarter (Kansas) in AU condition that he had gotten in change from Taco Bell. There were only 200 thousand of these quarters minted and circulation stopped in 2020.

- 5. Milt N. had a coin from Aramco Oil / Saudi Arabia and gave a short talk about it. The coin was AU condition, minted in Philadelphia & used to pay Saudi Arabia royalties during WWII. This Gold disk was made by the U.S. for ARAMCO (Arabian American Oil Company). ARAMCO needed them to pay royalties to Saudi Arabia for oil needed during World War II.
- 6. Steve showed an 1841 eagle. He started by recapping the history, including the weight reduction in 1834 that stopped the mass melting of US gold coinage. Then, he described the eagle denomination coming back in 1838 after it had been on hiatus since 1804. It was reintroduced with the Liberty Head type designed by Christian Gobrecht. That design was used on the eagle, half eagle and quarter eagle. Since this type lasted until 1907, it probably looks familiar to people, but the coins they are likely to see for sale are the "with motto" variety from 1866 on .... Steve's 1841 was without motto, and those are invariably very difficult to find in good preservation. The 1841 eagle is in AU58+, as close as possible to mint state without being mint state, and that's tough enough for his typeset. Later on, in a book that Steve had bought at the ANA show, he read that no one has ever assembled a date run of eagles even in AU, much less in mint state.

AUGUST Winning Presentation was Bob C.

**AUCTION** 

9 Lots were available

3 Lots were sold

#### **AUGUST PRIZES**

Membership Prize: George M.

Door prizes: Elise P., Wayne W., Keith M., Steve D.

Raffle prize: Mark E.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara T.

#### OTHER NUMISMATIC NEWS:

COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY MEETINGS: BEGINNING WITH OUR APRIL  $10^{TH}$  MEETING, WE WILL BE RETURNING TO THE GOLD HILL POLICE STATION "COMMUNITY ROOM" FOR OUR FUTURE MEETINGS THE  $2^{ND}$  SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT 2 -4 PM MOUNTAIN TIME.

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 80905

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

THE DENVER COIN EXPO WILL BE HELD OCT. 12 – 15, 2022 AT THE NATIONAL WESTERN COMPLEX, 4655 HUMBOLDT STREET, DENVER, CO 80216