

COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



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AGENDA for Sunday, NOVEMBER 13, 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 October 9, 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 18 members and 1 guest in attendance.

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

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

2023 Dues – CSNS will now start collecting 2023 membership dues. 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 CSNS, P.O. Box 60404, Colorado Springs, CO 80960

Previously, Steve D. had brought up the issue of the ANA Stipend for the "Money Show" that had been received by CSCC back in March of this year. The stipend of \$2,500 less expenses would be shared equally between the two clubs. The secretary gave a check in the amount of \$1,032.62 which was CSNS's share of the stipend to our Treasurer, thereby, completing that transaction.

2022 Christmas Party (CSNS/CSCC). At our October CSNS Meeting, a vote was taken to see whether our members would prefer having the party at the Eagles as A "pot luck" for members or have the party at the Golden Corral Buffet which opened for business mid-October. It was unanimous vote for the Golden Corral. At the CSCC Meeting 10/25, a vote was also taken and it, also, was unanimous for having the party at the Golden Corral & the date will be Dec. 13th which will be the 2nd Tuesday of December. The large room has been reserved for the party 6:00 -8:00 pm. Members may start arriving at 5:30 pm. As last year, there will be a "Secret Santa gift exchange". If you wish to participate bring your Secret Santa wrapped numismatic gift which should have a value of at least \$15.00. There will also be door prizes for club members only.

George M. presented his "Quarterly Expense Bill" to the club in the amount of \$169.65 It was accepted and approved for payment.

NEW BUSINESS

This year (2022) is our election of club officers. It appears that our Secretary and Treasurer wish to remain in their respective positions; however, if there is anyone who would like to be considered for these positions, as well as for President & Vice-President, please don't hesitate to inform the membership.

OCTOBER EXHIBITS

1. George M. gave a presentation on a Canadian \$1.00 Note (Bank of Canada), featuring King George VI. The Bank of Canada \$1 Bilingual Series Bill Note was the First Fully Bilingual Banknote Series. This 1937 issue of banknotes signalled the first time Canadian banknotes were fully bilingual, meaning there was no longer a need to produce separate English and French language notes.
2. Bob C. gave a presentation on "The American Women Quarters Program Honorees". This is a 4 year program which began in 2022 to celebrate the accomplishments & contributions made by women of the United States. This series will continue through 2025 and will be a total of 20 quarters. This first year.....the five coins displayed in the series set were....(1) Maya Angelou, a celebrated author, performer & poet, (2) Sally Ride, at age 32 became the 1st American woman in space & died at the age of 61, (3) Wilma Mankiller, the 1st woman to be the Chief of the Cherokee Nation and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom & died at the age of 64, (4) Nina Otero-Warren, a leader in New Mexico's suffrage movement, (5) Anna Mae Wong, 1st Chinese American woman to be a Hollywood film star, director & producer. The obverse of these coins is a bust of George Washington (Frasier design).....facing right .
3. Larry F. gave a presentation on "Give a Flip for President". From time to time, coins & tokens popped up & were used for political advertising. It was called "Flip a Coin & Vote" His exhibit included a box "Give a Flip" with instructions on how to use it. Inside, a token with a picture of an elephant "The Winner"....flip side showed "Vote Reagan". The other coin showed "Donkey" head "Win" and the reverse..."Tails / Lose". When these were used, they were popular.....handing them out to everyone. They aren't as popular today; however, they have become very collectible and there are collectors specializing in this particular area of political advertising, which is known & regarded as "exonomia".

4. Steve D.'s presentation was about Fractional Currency. When it became apparent that the Civil War was not going to be a quick and easy victory for the North, gold and silver coinage disappeared from circulation; soon even the copper-nickel small cent disappeared. There were a number of stopgaps that people used including token and postage stamps. There were even people who sold little round enclosures for postage stamps to protect them. Unfortunately, there was soon a shortage of postage stamps because people were using them for money rather than for postage. In mid-1862, Francis Elias Spinner, US Treasurer, affixed some postage stamps to a piece of paper and signed his name to it. The idea of postage currency was born. Spinner persuaded Congress to authorize small, fractional notes that looked like postage stamps. This was signed into law July 17, 1862 by President Lincoln.

This currency was issued starting August 21, through May 27 of the following year 1863. It came in 5, 10, 25 & 50 cent denominations. The five cent note actually depicts a five cent stamp. The ten cent note depicts a ten cent stamp & the 25 & 50 cent notes depict five five cent or ten cent stamps, respectively. These were the ones that were exhibited.

Counterfeiters found this to be easy prey, so the government moved on to try other designs. In fact, they'd go through four more series before 1876 when coins finally returned to circulation (well after the end of the Civil War in 1865). Only the first series is properly called "postage currency", the others are called "fractional currency". (Collectors refer to all five, collectively, as fractional currency even though the name is technically incorrect for this series).

OCTOBER Winning presentation was Steve D.

AUCTION

There were "Multiple Lots"

Five items were sold

OCTOBER PRIZES

Membership Prize: Larry F.

Door prizes: Frank T., Mark E., John G., Wayne W., Steve D.

Raffle prize: Dale G.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara T.

NEW BUSINESS

NOVEMBER MEETING:

At this Sunday's meeting we will have a membership vote for President.

With a late decision we have two members that will be running for President.

I will bring voting ballots for the membership.

George M.

COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY MEETINGS:

BEGINNING WITH OUR APRIL 10TH MEETING, WE WILL BE RETURNING TO THE GOLD HILL POLICE STATION "COMMUNITY ROOM" FOR OUR FUTURE MEETINGS THE 2ND 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

