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Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Friday, August 14
7:30 pm
Online General Meeting
Beauty & the Beast Contest
Speaker: Mike W. on History of
Third Party Grading Services
- Wednesday, August 19
7:30 pm
Online Board Meeting
- Friday, September 11
7:30 pm
Online General Meeting
Speaker: Matthew M. on Buffalo
Nickels
- Wednesday, September 16
7:30 pm
Online Board Meeting

Cupertino Coin Club currently meets online but normally meets at St Joseph of Cupertino Catholic Church in the Community Center. The church is located at 10110 North DeAnza Blvd. in Cupertino. Meetings feature an auction, show & tell, speaker or presentation, and a drawing. Refreshments are served.

**Guests & youth are
welcome!!**

Join the August Meeting!

It's time for the August meeting! We will once again be meeting on Zoom. We had 31 members at our last meeting which is almost what we have for a regular meeting. We'll be having our Beauty & the Beast contest as well as a speaker. Mike W. will be speaking on the History of Third Party Grading Services. Below you will find the meeting info.

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Dial-In Only
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Meeting ID: REDACTED
Password: REDACTED

Enter the Beauty & the Beast Contest!

Even though we're meeting on Zoom, we'll still be having our Annual Beauty & the Beast contest. This is where you submit your most gorgeous and most trashed coins and hope to win a prize. Because we are meeting online though, entries need to be made in advance. We are asking everyone to photograph their coins and email them to: cupertinocoinclub@gmail.com. (This is not the same email address I send the newsletters from.) Entries will be made into a slideshow for easy viewing by the audience to vote. Please have your entries in by Wednesday, August 12.

Sign-up for the SEPTEMBER Banquet

by: Suzy Tr.

Are you missing getting together physically with fellow club members? We are excited to announce that Cupertino Coin Club will be holding our annual club banquet this year, our 36th banquet in our 50th year as a club, and you and guest(s) are invited on Sunday, September 20, 2020 from 5:00 - 9:00 pm! The Blue Pheasant is currently closed. We found a lovely Italian restaurant called Palermo which has four separate outdoor patios, delicious food, and ambiance while overlooking Los Gatos Creek. We have

reserved a private, shaded patio all to ourselves. The restaurant is centrally located in San Jose with easy access from the freeway. All pandemic safety precautions will be made by the restaurant as mandated by the County of Santa Clara. Tables of six will be safely spaced apart from one another per County Orders. Servers will be wearing face coverings and gloves. Guests, except the very young or those for whom it is medically inadvisable, must wear face coverings at all times except while eating or drinking. Four complete meal choices of Lasagne Meat Sauce, Chicken Parmigiana, Grilled Wild Salmon, or Veal Piccata are being offered. Each dinner includes a fresh green garden salad, bread & butter, coffee or tea, and a house-made dessert. Cupertino Coin Club is subsidizing \$10 of each meal, bringing the restaurant's prices down from \$39 and \$45. Your prices will be \$29 for Lasagna, Chicken, or Salmon, and \$35 for Veal. These prices are inclusive of all taxes and gratuities. Attendees will receive an exclusive free 2020 Banquet Chip for the first 48 people who sign up or a free Club Medal after the initial 48. The evening will begin at 5:00 pm for Social Hour, drinks, and guessing games. Dinner will begin at 6:00 pm. Following dessert, Awards and President's Thank You gifts will be presented. Lastly, we will conclude with the results of the guessing games and play some Bingo for prizes. We ask that you submit your reservation to the Banquet Chair by sending in your payment with order form by Wednesday, September 16. (This is the last date we will check the PO Box before the banquet.) We will take PayPal electronic payments if you email your Banquet Order Form to cupertinocoinclub@gmail.com. We will respond with PayPal instructions. (There is no charge to use PayPal.) We look forward to seeing you there and having wonderful evening. Ciao!

2020 Dues are Due!

Dues are now past due for 2020! Even though we are not physically meeting, you can still pay your dues. You can send in a check to our PO Box listed in the masthead. To pay by PayPal, please contact the Club President at cupertinocoinclub@gmail.com for instructions.

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday cheers go to our August birthday members. Happy Birthday, Betty H., Alvin K., Madison Lo-N., Rita M., Allison P., Allen L., Keith S., Mariaelena J., Jessica Sh., Nathan Sh., Richard Sh., Mike W., Richard W., Granville G. IV, Edwin McG.!!!

Prices from August 9, 2020

Gold: \$2020.70/troy ounce
Silver: \$28.18/troy ounce
Platinum: \$958.00/troy ounce
Palladium: \$2051.00/troy ounce
Copper: \$2.8632/pound
Australian dollar=US\$0.7164
Canadian dollar=US\$0.7476
British pound=US\$1.3066
Euro=US\$1.1795
Swiss franc=US\$1.0958
100 Japanese yen=US\$0.95
10 Mexican pesos=US\$0.447

Recent & Upcoming Mint Releases!

- **July 10-** Salt River Bay National Historical Park & Ecological Preserve 2020 Quarter 3-Coin Set and Rolls & Bags
- **July 21-** American Innovation 2020 \$1 Reverse Proof Coin Connecticut
- **August 18-** Woman's Suffrage Centennial Proof Silver Dollar; Uncirculated Silver Dollar; Proof Silver Silver & Medal Set
- **August 20-** Barbara Bush 2020 First Spouse Gold Proof Coin; Gold Uncirculated Coin
- **August 28-** Basketball Hall of Fame 2020 Colorized Half Dollar; Silver Dollar
- **September 24-** American Eagle 2020 One Ounce Palladium Uncirculated Coin

Dates are subject to change

Recap of the Online July 10, 2020 General Meeting

by: Lyle Okamoto

- We had a Zoom video conference tonight. Gran G. IV was our moderator.
- Club President Suzanne Tr. called our Zoom general meeting to order at 7:36 p.m. There were about thirty people in attendance, including guests Larry B. (from San Jose Coin Club) and a Boy Scout.
- Announcements followed. President Suzanne Tr. asked that everyone list their Show and Tells for Harold W. to read. Suzanne also received an email from Mr. Michael S. Turrini informing her that the September 2020 Long Beach Expo was canceled.
- Keith S. attended Scott Griffin's Mini Coin Show in Milpitas and announced Scott's next Mini Coin Show in South San Francisco on Friday and Saturday, July 9-10, 2020. Keith also mentioned the Newman Numismatic Portal Symposium was scheduled for Friday and Saturday, August 28-29, 2020. Keith attended the Liberty Seated Collectors Club Zoom meeting on Wednesday with about thirty people in attendance.
- Harold W. reported that the ANA 2020 Summer Seminar was canceled. The ANA had a free online ANA eLearning Academy that you can register for at Money.org.
- Al Lo informed us that Keith S. was inducted as SJCC President on Wednesday.
- We wished Happy Birthday to our July birthday members. Robin G. was the only birthday member in attendance.
- Birthday Prize: Robin G. (prize to be awarded later)
- Harold W. introduced Show and Tell. There were eleven presenters, including:
 - a) Keith S.- newspaper article from October 1952, c.1948-49 TV tuning knob, his grandfather was a Mason c.1950 and his pet virus
 - b) Matthew M.- coin collection purchased contained 1849 half dime
 - c) Finn D.- Eagle Scout challenge coin
 - d) Emile M.- Richard II halfpenny, NGC XF-40, Edward the Confessor credited with invention of handkerchief
 - e) Don Pa.- first steam press commemorative medal with COA
 - f) Griffin G.- 1st century B.C. bronze Widow's Mite
 - g) Mike W.- nickel roll finds - three silver War nickels
 - h) Suzanne Tr.- wooden token
 - i) Ken B.- Collingswood, NJ, Series 1902 large size \$5 National Banknote
 - j) Brian D.- Facebook coin forums, hand poured silver
 - k) Martha D.- first 2020-W American Samoa quarter box
- find
- Our winning Show and Tell Prize ticket was drawn by the cat.
- Show and Tell Prize: Keith S. (prize to be awarded later)
- Alex Tr. drew our winning Attendance Prize ticket.
- Attendance Prize: Mike W. (prize to be awarded later)
- Ken B. introduced and inducted our 2020-2021 CCC board officers. Our 2020-2021 CCC board officers are:

President: Suzanne Tr.
 Junior President: Aidan L.
 Vice President: Granville G. V
 Treasurer: Emile M.
 Recording Secretary: Lyle Okamoto
 Corresponding Secretary: Al Lo
 Historian: Harold W.
 Directors (6): Brian D., Martha and Fred D., Gran G. IV, Matthew M. and Rita M.
- Harold W. gave his fascinating presentation, "The Art and Patents of Large Size Currency."
- Keith S. encouraged everyone to do a talk for the NNP Symposium on Friday and Saturday, August 28-29, 2020.
- President Suzanne Tr. adjourned our Zoom general meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Recap of the Online July 15, 2020 Board Meeting

by: Lyle Okamoto

We had a Zoom video conference tonight. Gran G. IV was our moderator.

President: Suzanne Tr.

Junior President: Aidan L.

Vice President: Granville G. V

Treasurer: Emile M.

Recording Secretary: Lyle Okamoto

Corresponding Secretary: Al Lo

Historian: Harold W.

Board Members (5): Martha and Fred D., Gran G. IV, Matthew M. and Rita M.

Coin Press Editor: Allison P.

- Club President Suzanne Tr. called our Zoom video conference to order at 7:33 p.m. There were thirteen board officers present.
- Recording Secretary Lyle Okamoto reported nothing new.
- Corresponding Secretary Al Lo received the typical mail and one club dues payment.
- Treasurer Emile M. gave the Treasurer's Report. Emile emailed to the board a copy of the July 2020 Treasurer's Report and an updated 2020-2021 Budget.
- Historian Harold W. reported nothing new.
- Curator Emile M. reported he kept finding small items for our club curator's collection.
- President Suzanne Tr. reviewed our upcoming events calendar. Friday, August 14- Beauty and the Beast Contests and Mike W. speaks on "History of Third Party

Grading Services."

Friday, September 11- Matthew M. speaks on "Buffalo Nickels."

Friday, October 9- Youth Night

Friday, November 13- Brian

D. speaks on "Why U.S. Type Coins."

Friday, December 11- Christmas Celebration and King Lyle's Birthday Bash

Friday, January 8, 2021- Bill H.

speaks on "Chuck E. Cheese Tokens" (tentative).

Friday, February 12, 2021- open

Friday, March 12- Officer

Elections

Friday, April 9- Officer

Installations and Medal Design Contest

- Scott Griffin's CoinExpo San Jose Coin & Collectibles Show was still on for Friday and Saturday, October 30-31, 2020, at the DoubleTree Hotel.

- Membership Chair Al Lo received no new applications for membership. Al was collecting dues whenever possible.

- Coin Press Editor Allison P. said to submit pictures for our August general meeting by Wednesday, August 12, 2020, to our club email address at CupertinoCoinClub@gmail.com. The pictures will be composited into a slideshow. Allison will mention club dues, payable by PayPal, in our newsletter.

- Webmaster Suzanne Tr. updated our club website with our July 2020 newsletter,

posted the success of our last Zoom general meeting with 31 attendees and updated our CCC Show page.

- Facebook Chair Suzanne Tr. reported that our Facebook page had 213 followers, 73 posts reached and one video view.

- Youth Advisor Emile M. reported that we had one youth, Matthew W., at our July Zoom general meeting.

- President Suzanne Tr. reported on our club banquet plans. The Blue Pheasant Restaurant was closed. Suzanne was working with Diane Cusimano, one of the owners of Palermo Restaurant, 791 Auzerais Avenue, San Jose. Suzanne visited the restaurant today and took some pictures. A discussion ensued about menu, pricing and weather. Our board decided on a menu.

- Nominating Chair Emile M. noted that it was too early for nominations.

- Medals Chair Emile M. and Suzanne Tr. went to Gary's house on Wednesday and found our CCC 2020 die and missing medals. We now had all of our missing CCC medals.

- BEX Engraving looked over our 2021 medal design and requested a higher resolution image. Emile will take care of it. BEX Engraving informed us that we needed a new CCC obverse die with Conquistador De Anza. Our old die was worn out. BEX

Engraving did not engrave our old die; the predecessor to BEX Engraving made the die.

• Old Business: President Suzanne Tr. wished to sponsor a CCC picnic at Jollyman Park, 1000 S. Stelling Road, Cupertino. A spirited discussion ensued. It was decided not to

hold a club picnic, just have a get together of friends with no club involvement.

• A discussion ensued about our club auction.
• New Business: We decided to keep our CCC board meetings online at 7:30 p.m.
• Show Business: Brian D. was

our new show chair. We need to give him our support.

President Suzanne Tr. asked Ken B. to be co-bourse chair with Bruce Br. Suzanne received no response yet.

President Suzanne Tr. adjourned our Zoom board meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Can You Solve the Dark Coin Riddle?

by: Lisa Winer

Contributed by: Suzy Tr.

You've heard the traveler's tales. You followed the crumbling maps and now, after a long and dangerous quest, you have some good news and some bad news. The good news is that you managed to locate the legendary dungeon containing the stash of ancient Scythian coins and the eccentric wizard who owns the castle and even generously agreed to let you have them. The bad news is that he is not quite as generous about letting you leave the dungeon unless you solve his puzzle. The task sounds simple enough. Both faces of the coin bear the fearsome scorpion crest. One in silver; one in gold. And all you have to do is separate them into two piles so that each has the same number of coins facing silver side up. You're about to begin when all of the torches suddenly blow out and you're left in total darkness. There are hundreds of coins in front of you and each one feels the same on both sides. You try to remember where the silver-facing coins were, but it's hopeless. You've lost track, but you do know one thing for certain. When there was still light, you counted exactly 20 silver-side-up coins in the pile. What can you do? Are you doomed to remain in the dungeon with your new-found treasure forever? You're tempted to kick the pile of coins and curse the curiosity that brought you here. But at the last moment, you stop yourself. You just realized, there's a surprisingly easy solution. What is it? Recap:

- There are hundreds of coins in the pile.
- At the beginning, there are exactly 20 coins facing silver side up.
- You must divide the coins into two piles. Each pile can have any number of silver coins, so long as there are an equal number of silver coins in each pile.
- Each pile can contain any number of coins greater than zero. The two piles don't have to be equal in size.
- There is no way to tell which side of any particular coin is facing up.
- Flipping coins is allowed. Resting coins on their sides is not.

The solution is upside down below or see the riddle & solution explained in a video here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pnSw8g3DPHw&t=84s>

STOP READING UNLESS YOU WANT TO KNOW THE ANSWER!

Solution:
You carefully move aside 20 coins, one by one. It doesn't matter which ones. Any coins will do. And then flip each one of them over. That's all there is to it!



CUPERTINO COIN CLUB

Our 50th Year & 36th Annual Banquet

PALERMO

Sunday, September 20, 2020

Palermo Italian Restaurant
Private Back Patio
791 Auzerais Ave, San Jose

Free parking across the street & next door at Auzerais Collision auto body shop.

Social Hour / Games / Cocktails 5:00-6:00 pm
Dinner 6:00 pm
Awards following dinner
Bingo following awards

We have a lovely, shaded, private back patio overlooking Los Gatos Creek. General restaurant patrons will not be passing through our area. All pandemic safety precautions will be made by the restaurant as mandated by the County of Santa Clara. Tables of six will be safely spaced apart from one another per County Orders. Servers will be wearing face coverings and gloves. Guests, except the very young or those for whom it is medically inadvisable, must wear face coverings in the restaurant at all times except while eating or drinking.

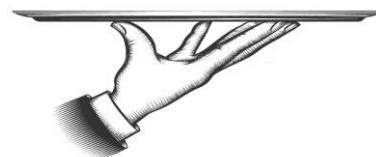
Lasagna Meat Sauce - Flat Pasta Sheets with Cheese, Béchamel Sauce & Ragu

Chicken Parmigiana – Breaded Chicken Breast, Tomato Sauce & Cheese

Grilled Wild Salmon - Garlic, Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Lemon Sauce

Veal Piccata - Thinly Sliced Veal Sautéed with Capers in a Lemon Butter Sauce

All dinners include fresh green garden salad, bread & butter, coffee or tea, and a house-made dessert.



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Reservations requested on or before Wednesday, September 16, 2020.

Name(s): _____
(Please list all attendees)

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Select One Menu item for each Attendee:

Lasagna (\$29*) _____ Chicken (\$29*) _____ Salmon (\$29*) _____ Veal (\$35*) _____

_____ Banquet Chip Only (\$20) – Free chip if attending (1st 48) – After 48, Club Medal

Above prices are inclusive of taxes and gratuities for each member & 1st guest. Additional guests, add \$10 to menu item (\$29 or \$35).

Please make checks payable to Cupertino Coin Club. For electronic payment via PayPal, please email cupertinocoinclub@gmail.com with your order for instructions.

Mail to: Cupertino Coin Club, Attn: Banquet Chair, PO Box 448, Cupertino CA 95015-0448

**Please note: Cupertino Coin Club is subsidizing \$10 of each meal bring the prices down from \$39 and \$45.*