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Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Friday, December 13- 7 pm!
In-person Meeting
Annual Fundraising Auction and
Dessert Night
- Thursday, December 19
Online Board Meeting
- Friday, January 10
In-person & Online Meeting
Speakers: Cam & Dan Sch. on
Smallest and Largest Coins
- Thursday, January 16
Online Board Meeting

Cupertino Coin Club will have their general meetings online over Zoom (unless noted) and in person at St. Joseph's Church of Cupertino, located at 10110 N De Anza Blvd in Cupertino. Meetings start at 7:30 pm unless noted. Meetings feature an auction, show & tell, and drawings plus a speaker or presentation.

**Guests & youth are
welcome!!**

Say Goodbye to 2024!

It's our last meeting of the year! Our December meeting will be on Friday with an early start time of 7 pm. It was originally reported we would be in the hall, but we will be in our regular meeting room in the community center.

We will be having our fundraising auction as well as a lasagna dinner. To complete our meal, please bring a dessert to share.

If you are willing and able, please help to set up and tear down the room by moving tables and chairs at the meeting.

Because this meeting will just be dinner and the auction, we will not have it online because there is not a way to engage with online participants.

Masking information from Joe: Masks are not currently required. This could change so please check the County of Santa Clara guideline web page (<https://covid19.sccgov.org/covid19-guidelines>) for updates. It is preferred that individuals with respiratory problems wear a mask. Also individuals with recent exposure to COVID should follow the guidelines shown at the above web page (see flow charts).

Annual Fundraising Auction

by: Mike W.

The Third Annual Gary L. A Memorial Fund Raising Auction will be held at the December meeting. With a bunch of last-minute donations, we have 70 items in the auction this year, so the bidding will go fast. There are items for all budgets & interests. Bring your cash and your checkbook so you don't miss out. We want to sell everything in the auction this year to raise as much money as possible to support the club operation and special events during the year. And, we'll have Lasagna for dinner along with all of the potluck dishes & desserts that everyone is bringing so you won't go hungry during the auction.

The list of auction items is included as an attachment so that you can print it out ahead of time to be well prepared bid on the items you are interested in. The list even has a column so you can check off the items you want to bid on to be prepared.

Be sure to look at all of the pictures on the website ahead of time as well - <https://mikewagner3.wixsite.com/2024auction>.

The front page of the web site has big pictures of all the donation items, and the Auction List link shows the items in the order we will be auctioning them at the meeting.

In addition to the auction items, we'll also have 12 fixed price items to sponsor the meeting room or the snacks for one of the months, with recognition during that month. It's a great idea to pick your birthday or anniversary month for sponsoring.

And two more special prizes for the end of the auction. We'll give away a holiday gift box of tasty chocolates to the person who wins the greatest number of auctions, and another box for the person whose total auction spending is the highest, as a thank-you for your generosity. Come and have fun supporting the club!

Dues are PAST Due

Dues were due on April 1, 2024. Dues are only \$12 for adults and \$6 for youth. If you would like the printed newsletter, please add \$15 to your dues payment.

To pay your dues, you may either mail your check to the club's PO Box address listed in the masthead or pay by cash or check to Membership Chair Al Lo at a monthly meeting. To pay electronically by PayPal, first email cupertinocoinclub@gmail.com for instructions.

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday cheers go to our December birthday members. Happy Birthday, John Ca., Martha D., Dorothy G-C., Ari J., Aidan L., John Mi., Lyle Okamoto, Steve Tr., and Irene Ch.!!

Holiday Jokes

Let's close out the year with some corny humor.

What did Frosty's girlfriend give him when she was mad at him?

The cold shoulder

What do gingerbread men use when they break their legs?

Candy canes

Why shouldn't you lend money to elves?

They're always short.

What do you call a snowman with a six-pack?

An abdominal snowman

This New Year, I've resolved to lead a better life. Now all I have to do is find someone who will trade lives with me.

Prices from December 9, 2024

Gold: \$2627.50/troy ounce
Silver: \$31.80/troy ounce
Platinum: \$940.00/troy ounce
Palladium: \$962.00/troy ounce
Copper: \$4.1455/pound
Australian dollar=US\$0.6440
Canadian dollar=US\$0.7058
British pound=US\$1.2756
Euro=US\$1.0551
Swiss franc=US\$1.1379
100 Japanese yen=US\$.66
10 Mexican pesos=US\$0.494

UPCOMING MINT RELEASES!

- **December 10-** American Innovation 2024 \$1 Coin Reverse Proof Set
- **January 2-** USMC 250th Anniversary Commemorative 2025 Clad Proof Coin; Clad Uncirculated Coin; Gold Proof Coin; Gold Uncirculated Coin; Silver Proof Coin; Silver Uncirculated Coin; Three Coin Proof Set
- **January 7-** American Innovation \$1 Coin 2025 Rolls and Bags- Arkansas
- **January 9-** American Eagle 2025 One Ounce Silver Proof Coin
- **January 9-** Congratulations Set 2025
- **January 28-** Native American \$1 Coin 2025 Rolls, Bags, and Boxes

General Meeting Minutes from November 8, 2024

by: Steve C.

- Club President Suzanne Tr. called our November general meeting to order at 7:42 p.m. and welcomed everyone. There were 35 people & 5 youth in physical attendance. We also had 5 people attending on Zoom. We Honored our Veterans and thanked Rayan & Jason Al. for sponsoring the room and Chin-Hsia Sh. for sponsoring the refreshments.
- Griffin G. conducted our club auction, Emile M. was our auction chair. Jason Al., Cam Sch. and Aaron Ad. from Troop 233 were our runners.
- Aaron Ad. drew our winning Buyer's Prize ticket. Martha D. won the Buyer's Prize (0.999 fine 1-oz copper round)
- Suzanne Tr. welcomed our guests Markus & Aaron Ad. and Sam Sh.
- Announcements: Suzanne Tr. mentioned at the December meeting in conjunction with the Auction we will be having a food night. Lasagne & potluck thanks to Don, Emile, Gran, & Greg, the 4 people that agreed to bake and bring the lasagne. Mike W. reminded everyone about our December fund raising Auction and that we are collecting donations. If you have something to donate please send an email to Mike W. with a description & picture of the item. You can bring the item to the December meeting. Our December Meeting/Auction will be in the Hall and will start at 7:00 PM. Lyle Okamoto announced the upcoming coin shows. Central Valley Coin & Collectibles Show, November 15,16 at the Double Tree Hotel in Modesto. San Francisco International Coin Show/Bourse December 7 at the Double Tree Hotel in San Francisco. Suzanne Tr. handed out award certificates to our club members.
- Harold W. introduced show and tell: Melissa M. Elongated Cents, Mario M. Elongated Cents, Martha D. 5oz Mongolian Silver Coin, Cam Sch. Goldbacks, Dan Sch. 3 Signatures from Coin Show, Suzanne Tr. 1oz Silver Aztec Calendar, Griffin G. Legend of Bigfoot Redwood National RNSP and State Park Crescent City, Don Pa. New US Mint Packaging, Harold W. 2022 Purple Heart Silver Dollar, Jason Al. President Gold Dollar Coins, Mike W. 2024 Silver Flowing Hair Medal, Bryce B WitterBrick Shield Nickel, Lyle Okamoto 1oz Silver Batman Batarang, Monty Br. 2024 China 20 Yuan Note & 10 Yuan Coin, Emile M. 1839 Silver Godbrecht 1\$ Reproduction, Howard Wh. Process How The Great Britain 2 Pound Coin is Made, Ken B. Gallory Graded 1955 s Lincoln Cent MS 68 Red Slab, Michael S. a Coin that needs to be Identified.
- Fred D. drew the winning show and tell prize ticket. Ken B. won the Show and Tell Prize (0.999 fine 1-oz copper round, Liberty Nickel Design)
- Bryce B drew our winning Attendance Prize ticket. Attendance prize: Suzanne Tr. (0.999 fine 1 oz. copper round, Indian Head design)
- We wished Happy Birthday to our November Birthday members. Birthday Prize: Jason Al. (0.999 fine 1 oz. copper round, Scorpio design)
- A break was called and drawing tickets were purchased.
- Drawing winners: Suzanne Tr. 1957 \$1 Silver Certificate, Brice B 1943 Walking Liberty Half Dollar, Gran Goza 1942 Mercury dime, Martha D. 1999 US Mint Proof Set, Steve C. 1913 Liberty Head V Nickel Copy, Suzanne Tr. 2019 US Mint Quarter Uncirculated Coin Set, Mike W. 1984 Proof Coin Set from South Africa, Grand Prize Winner: Mike W. 2011 Australia \$1 Christmas Early Release NGC MS 69
- Our general meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes from November 21, 2024

by: Steve C.

- We had an online Zoom board meeting.

President: Suzanne Tr.

Vice President: Gran G. IV

Treasurer: Emile M.

Recording Secretary: Steve C.

Corresponding secretary: Al Lo

Coin Press Editor: Allison P.

Historian: Griffin G.

Youth President: Cam Sch.

Board Members (3): Dan Sch., Mike W., and Joe M.

- Club President Suzanne Tr. called our November board meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and welcomed everyone. There were 11 board members and chairs in attendance.

- Recording Secretary Steve C. reported nothing new.

- Corresponding Secretary Al Lo reports Correspondence recieved Magazines & newsletters -November Numismatist (ANA) - RECC Newsletter. Show Announcements - Bill Green's Concord Show January 17-18, 2025

- Treasurer Emile M. gave the treasurer's report. All was well.

- Historian Griffin G. reports photos will be uploaded from the November meeting to the Google folder. Working on printing some current pictures of the last two banquets. Also Suzanne Tr. is going to get more storage space on google drive and will upload pictures.

- Curator Emile M. reports nothing new.

- Program - Gran G. reviewed our upcoming club events. December Gary L. A Memorial Donation Fundraising Auction and potluck. January meeting presentation will be smallest and largest coins, February presentation will be coin toss, March will be the Historian presentation. The April meeting will be our 55th

anniversary hotdog and polish night and the May meeting we will have a graded Morgan dollar contest - you guess the grade. Our In person Board Meetings for 2025 will be February 20, May 15 & October 16.

- Membership Chair Al Lo reports - Dues to treasurer

- Coin Press Editor Allison P. wanted everything for our newsletter by December 6th.

- Webmaster Suzanne Tr. reports posted November newsletter & the upcoming December meeting.

- Facebook Chair Suzanne Tr. Posted November birthdays & Thanks to all our Veterans. Also mentioned the upcoming December meeting, posted 2 Pictures from the NCNA forum and our meeting with the ANA President.

- Youth Advisor Emile M. reports 5 youth members present at the November general meeting.

- Banquet: Suzanne Tr. reports we had a good turnout with good food and had alot of help to make it all happen.

- Nominating Chair Emile M. reports the Nominating committee will start meeting in December.

- Medals Chair Emile M reports the medal design was submitted back to us and approved. They will start working on the die. A slight change to the name of the Church, it will be arched across the bottom instead of a straight line. Al Lo requested an updated picture to be sent to him.

- Old Business - Al Lo is still working on locating the missing membership binder. Our December meeting meal will be lasagna from Costco. Don, Emile, Gran & Greg will be baking and bringing them to the meeting. There will be a change of dates, our May meeting is moving to the third Friday. We had a discussion about youth life

member medals.

- New Business - Discussed about the special event insurance that we need to give specific dates for 2025 to the insurance company. March 8 will be a Merit badge workshop, April 11,12 & 13 is our Coin Show, August 9 we have our Picnic, October 12 will be a Merit badge workshop, October 19 we have our Banquet. All our general meetings and in person board meeting dates are also included. We discussed about possibly hosting a NCNA educational forum in 2026.

- Show Chair Mike W. Registrations recieved for 13 tables, 17 tables have a verbal commitment and a potential additional registrations for 19 tables. Still requesting commitment for 72 tables from the church, pending confirmation. Found 2 alternatives for armed security guards and planning additional ideas for security; cameras, volunteers to monitor parking lot and sheriff's department to patrol parking lot. Will submit the updated show flyer for printing this month and start sending out in early December. Working on purchasing remaining gold drawing prizes. We discussed about the drawing tickets to have lines for a name, phone # and email.

- Fundraising Auction Mike W. reports the website has been updated with 40 items listed. There will be a cut off date of 12/8 to stop accepting auction submissions. Don Pa. & Mike W. will co-auctioneer. We will need some volunteers to help everyone register when they arrive. Our Fundraising Auction will be held in the Community Center.

- Gran G. moved to adjourn. Emile M. seconded. President Suzanne Tr. adjourned our board meeting at 9:02 p.m.