

Cupertino Coin Dress

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Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Friday, February 12, 2016
7:30 pm
General Meeting
Speaker: Harold W. on Seated
Liberty Dimes and Why Some
are Illegal

- Wednesday, February 17
7:30 pm
Board Meeting
Rm. 7

- Sunday, February 28
10 am - 5pm
Cupertino Coin Club's Coin
Show!
Napradek Hall

- Friday, March 11
7:30 pm
General Meeting
Elections

Cupertino Coin Club 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.

Youth are welcome!!

Our Show is Nigh!

CCC's Annual Show is on February 28, 2016 at Napredeck Hall in San Jose. The show will run from 10 am - 5 pm and over 40 dealers will be in attendance. Admission is \$2 for adults and those 17 and under are free.

Many people are hard at work to bring about a successful show to benefit our club. A great way for everyone to help is to get the word out about our show. Let all your family and friends know to come on down. Another way to spread the word about the upcoming show is with pads of fliers that are available from Gary at the meeting. These can be placed at your place of work, community centers, senior centers, or any other place you can think of. Help will also be needed on the day of the show with set-up and clean-up.

Of course, don't forget to visit the show itself and find some great new coins for your collection!

We are now on Facebook!

Cupertino Coin Club now has its own Facebook page. A big thank you goes to Board Member Suzy T. for setting this up for us. To find our page you can either type this link into your browser: <https://www.facebook.com/cupertinocoinclub/> or do a search from your own Facebook page when you are logged in. The page contains information about our meetings and our upcoming show as well as pictures from our meetings and a link to our episode of *The Better Part* show on YouTube. Be sure to like our page and feel free to contribute to it!

Thank you Fred & Martha!

At our January meeting, Fred and Martha D. gave their 100-Grand Challenge by asking members some thought-provoking questions and inviting answers. Questions ranged from recalling the first coin you bought from a dealer (mint wrapped pennies at the Peninsula Coin Show) to a poll on which was better- an MS-65 toned Morgan or an MS-65 blast white Morgan (I'd take the toned

one). People that volunteered their answers received a 100-Grand candy bar. Thanks again Martha and Fred!

Our February meeting will feature Historian Harold W. speaking on Seated Liberty Dimes and Why Some are Illegal. This sounds like an interesting talk I will be sure to attend.

Medals are Now Available

Our 2016 medals are ready for immediate delivery. The 2016 medal features Al Lo's winning eagle design. Silver medals are \$22, but Medals Chair Gary reports that he expects them all to be gone soon. Golden bronze or antique bronze medals are \$7 which includes two drawing tickets. A copper medal is awarded for each ten drawing tickets purchased. Medal sales are a major fundraiser for our club so don't miss out and be sure to order your medals today!



Dues are due April 1!

Dues are now due for 2016! Now that the new year is here, dues for 2016 will be due by April 1. Remember our dues help pay for fun events like the Annual Banquet and King Lyle's Birthday Celebration Bash Shindig Fete Party Event so it's important to stay current. Dues are only \$5 for adults and \$1 for youth. To pay your dues, please see Membership Chair Al Lo.

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday cheers go to our February birthday members. Happy Birthday, Don Bu., Jessica B., Alex Ch., Brandon Ch., Ron K., Lyle L., Jennifer L., Donovan Lo-N., Emile M., Don Pa., Jerome R., Michael S., Gordon St., and Ginger O'G.!!!!

Think Now About Nominations

At our March meeting, we will be electing our board for 2016-2017. If you are interested in running for a position on the board, see Nominations Chair Al Lo.

Also coming up is our annual Medal Design contest. Designs will be voted on at our April meeting so you still have some time yet to design a coin, but now is a good time to start thinking about it.

Prices from February 7, 2016

Gold: \$1163.70/troy ounce
Silver: \$15.31/troy ounce
Platinum: \$924.00/troy ounce
Palladium: \$512.00/troy ounce
Copper: \$2.0695/pound
Australian dollar=US\$0.7087
Canadian dollar=US\$0.7183
British pound=US\$1.4441
Euro=US\$1.1208
Swiss franc=US\$1.0139
100 Japanese yen=US\$0.86
10 Mexican pesos=US\$0.536

Upcoming Mint Releases!

- **February 16-** Presidential 2016 One Dollar Coin Proof Set
- **February 18-** Patricia Nixon 2016 First Spouse Series One-Half Ounce Gold Proof Coin; Gold Uncirculated Coin
- **February 22-** Shawnee National Forest 2016 Quarter 3-Coin Set
- **February 23-** America the Beautiful Quarter 2016 Proof Set
- **February 24-** Kennedy 2016 Half Dollar 200-Coin Bag; 2-Roll Set
- **February 25-** Shawnee National Forest 2016 Uncirculated Five Ounce Silver Coin
- **March 1-** Richard M. Nixon 2016 One Dollar Coin Cover
- **March 3-** Richard M. Nixon 2016 Presidential One Dollar Coin plus First Spouse Medal Set

Dates are subject to change

Recap of the January 8, 2016 General Meeting

by: Lyle Okamoto

- Club President Greg J. called our meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Greg welcomed everyone to our meeting and wished everyone "Happy New Year!" There were 34 in attendance, including six youths.
- Betty H. and Dan Br. brought apple strudel, apple pies, berry pies, muffins, pound cake, bagels, loaves of bread, boxes of cereal, cinnamon rolls, candies, Danishes, scones, bottles of water, goodness, and love. A kind club member brought a box of Russell Stover chocolates. Fred D. brought ice. Greg J. brought sodas and apple juice. Keith S. brought our two club display cases.
- Ken B. expertly conducted our club auction, and Alex T. and Pano R. were our youth runners.
- Lyle L. drew our winning Buyer's Prize ticket.
Buyer's Prize: Griffin G. (1907 Indian 0.999 fine 1-oz. copper medal)
- President Greg J. asked if we had any guests or long-time members who had returned. Griffin G., Granville's younger brother, came to visit.
- Announcements followed. a) Lyle Okamoto announced the upcoming coin shows, including the East Bay/Concord Coin Show, Clarion Hotel, 1050 Burnett Avenue, Concord, on Friday and Saturday, January 8-9, 2016; the San Jose Coin Club Coin and Collectibles Show, Double Tree Hotel, 2050 Gateway Place, San Jose, on Friday through Sunday, January 22-24, 2016; the San Francisco Coin and Collectibles Show, South San Francisco Conference Center, 255 South Airport Boulevard, South San Francisco, on Saturday and Sunday, February 20-21, 2016; and our CCC Coin Show, Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose, on Sunday, February 28, 2016.
- b) Keith S. announced that ancient coin dealer Tom Cederlind passed away on December 16, 2015.
- President Greg J. presented Linda G. with recognition and a gift for helping at our CCC table.
- Betty H. drew our winning Attendance Prize ticket.
Attendance Prize: Pano R. (2010-S Fillmore dollar, NGC PF-69 Ultra Cameo)
- We wished Happy Birthday to our January birthday members. Dan Br., Linda G., and Suzanne T. were in attendance.
- Harold W. picked 3 (out of 3).
- Birthday Prize: Suzanne T. (Year of the Goat 0.999 fine 1-oz. copper medal)
- Harold W. introduced Show and Tell. There were thirteen presenters, including:
 - a) Ron K.- Cable Car Museum elongated penny
 - b) Ed S.- Proof Kennedy halves, Peru 2 reales cobs 1655-1770
 - c) George T.- Alexander the Great drachm
 - d) Howard W.- cased medals
 - e) Al Lo- 2016 Panda coin, only 30 grams
 - f) Keith S.- FUN auction catalog
 - g) Alex T.- Danbury Mint BSA coin
 - h) Lyle Okamoto- Christmas in the Park pinback
 - i) Martha D.- 2011 silver Eagle
 - j) Gary- 2015 & 2016 Iditarod silver medals
 - k) Ken B.- Disney savings bond certificate (Al Capp)
 - l) Griffin G.- Egyptian coin, Japanese coins
 - m) Granville G.- really neat stuff
- For participation in Show and Tell, youth members Alex T. received a 1959 Proof Jefferson nickel, Griffin G. received a Series 1957A \$1 silver certificate, and Granville G. received a Ben Franklin copper round.

- Rita M. drew our winning Show and Tell Prize ticket. Show and Tell Prize: Martha D. (1794 Flowing Hair 0.999 fine 1-oz. copper medal)

- Martha and Fred D. presented their “100 Grand Challenge” to our enthralled club.

- A break was called. Martha D. sold drawing tickets on behalf of our club. Six youths participated in our Youth

Drawing.

- Old Business: none
- New Business: none

- We re-arranged the tables and chairs for the next group to use the hall.

- Drawing Time. Greg J. drew the first two winning tickets.

The first ticket drawn was buried beneath the Grand Prize.

1. Madison Lo-Nguyen

2. Tom K.

3. Tom K.

4. Gary

5. Joe M.

6. Joe M.

7. Griffin G.

Grand Prize: Martha D.

(Canada, 2013, \$8 Polar Bear, 1.5 oz. silver)

- Our meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes from January 20, 2016

by: Lyle Okamoto

President: Greg J.

Vice President: Emile M.

Treasurer: Gary

Recording Secretary: Lyle Okamoto

Corresponding Secretary: Al Lo

Historian: Harold W.

Board Member (1): Howard W.

Guest (1): Linda G.

- Recording Secretary Lyle Okamoto arrived late at about 8 p.m. There were seven board members and one guest present.
- Membership Chair Al Lo moved to accept the youth membership application of Griffin Goza. Gary seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Al Lo noted that a paid Coin World ad for our Sunday, February 28, 2016, CCC Show will run for ten weeks. Al mentioned that Suzy T. will look into free website promotions.
- Recording Secretary Lyle Okamoto reported nothing new.
- Corresponding Secretary Al

Lo received the usual club mail, including NCNA newsletter and renewal notice, ANA letter, Long Beach Expo passes, and Bill Green show flyers.

- Action Item: Greg J. will ask Allison Paker to forward by email The Better Part program schedules. A discussion about the program schedule ensued.

- Al Lo discussed CCC Show ad placements in CSNA The California Numismatist, Sunday Mercury News “Your Life” section, Almaden Resident, etc.

- Greg J. will place our CCC Show flyers at Cupertino and San Jose libraries and at laudrymats.

- Linda G. suggested bulletin boards at various businesses, but ask the manager first if you must pull down expired ads or will they do it. Linda noted that in press releases to include contact person, phone number, and email address. Linda discussed various

newspapers and that they need to be contacted weeks in advance.

TV stations and public access stations need to be contacted with concise information. Greg J. will ask KMVT-TV about CCC Show promotion. Linda added to contact Chambers of Commerce and cities for event promotion on their websites.

- Emile M. said that Shannon Shaffer is his Boy Scouts Council contact. An announcement about our CCC Show could be placed in Scouter Weekly, which comes out on Thursdays and is sent out by email e-blast. Emile also discussed CCC Show announcements in Out & About, Parents magazine, and Metro.

- Al Lo talked about a press release. Emile M. said to mention Boy Scout Merit Badge. Linda G. said to slant press release to target audience. A discussion about CCC Show flyers, QR codes, and Craig’s List ensued. Emile M. will look into Facebook.

- A discussion about CCC Show flyer format and text ensued. A discussion about youth prizes ensued. A discussion about postcards and advertising ensued.
- Harold W. stated that our CCC Show registration prize will be a

silver Eagle. A discussion about table layout ensued. Gary will need a person to check admission handstamps. Harold will make a sign for registration.

- Emile M. moved to adjourn.

Almost everyone seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Our board meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

UPCOMING COIN SHOWS!

FEBRUARY

• Redwood Empire Coin Club's 48th Annual Coin Show

February 12-13, 2016
Sonoma County Fairgrounds
E.L. Finley Hall
1350 Bennett Valley Rd., Santa Rosa
\$1

• San Francisco Coin and Collectibles Show

Saturday, February 20 10-5
Sunday, February 21 10-4

South SF Conference Center
255 South Airport Blvd., SSF
\$4; \$2 off with blue flier

• Cupertino Coin Club's Coin Show

Sunday, February 28, 2016
10-5
Napradek Hall
770 Montague Expwy.,
San Jose
Over 40 dealers in attendance!!
Drawing!!! Medals!!!

Exhibits!!!
\$2

MARCH

• Livermore Valley Coin Club's 53rd Annual Coin Show

Sunday, March 6 10-5
Elk's Lodge
940 Larkspur Dr., Livermore
Bring bright yellow flier for free admission
Hourly drawings!
Free wooden nickels!

The Mark Twain Commemorative Coin

Born Samuel Langhorne Clemens in 1835, Mark Twain became known when "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County" was published in 1865. 28 books as well as more short stories followed. His stories dealt with the social situations that Americans had at that time.

The coin program includes both a gold coin and a silver coin. The gold coin is a \$5 coin that comes in uncirculated or proof with a "W" mint mark. The mintage limit is 100,000. The obverse features a portrait of Mark Twain and the reverse features a steamboat on the Mississippi River where Mark Twain worked from about 1858 to 1861.

The silver coin is a one dollar coin and also comes in uncirculated and proof with a "P" mint mark. The mintage limit is 350,000. The obverse features Mark Twain smoking a pipe with the smoke creating a picture of Huckleberry Finn and Jim on their raft. The reverse features characters from Twain's works including *Huckleberry Finn*, "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County", and *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*. All coins come with a certificate of authenticity.

A surcharge from each coin will be paid to the Mark Twain House & Museum in Hartford, CT; UC Berkeley; Elmira College, NY; and the Mark Twain Boyhood Home & Museum in Hannibal, MO.

-info from usmint.gov and www.cmgwww.com/historic/twain/about/bio.htm

