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Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Friday, July 10
7:30 pm
Online General Meeting
Speaker: Harold W.
Topic: The Art and Patents of Large Size Currency
- Wednesday, July 15
7:30 pm
Online Board Meeting
- Friday, August 14
7:30 pm
Online General Meeting
Beauty & the Beast Contest
- Wednesday, August 19
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 July Meeting!

It's time for the July meeting! We will once again be meeting on Zoom. If you haven't joined us yet, now is your chance! We've had two Zoom general meetings and both have been a success. You can use a computer or smart phone to join with video or call in. This would normally be one of our Hot Dog & Polish Sausage Nights so feel free to BYOH Dand/orPS along with whatever sides you fancy. Our speaker will be Harold W. on "The Art and Patents of Large Size Currency". Below you will find the meeting info.

Join Zoom Meeting
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One tap mobile
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Dial-In Only
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Meeting ID: REDACTED
Password: REDACTED

2020 Dues are Due!

By: Suzy Tr.

Thank you to those members who mailed in your checks for your 2020 Dues; your membership is in good standing. We kindly request more members to do the same. Please send in a check for your \$5 per adult and/or \$1 per youth dues to Cupertino Coin Club, PO Box 448, Cupertino, CA 95015-0448. If you would prefer to make an electronic PayPal payment, please contact the Club President at cupertinocoinclub@gmail.com for instructions. During this pandemic, we will continue to send you monthly newsletters. We welcome you to join us at our monthly online Zoom club meetings. It is really nice to see everyone and share the numismatic hobby together virtually. We have been working on upcoming plans for safe 2020 in-person club events. We will eventually have a fantastic 50th Anniversary celebration. Thank

you, everyone!

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday cheers go to our July birthday members. Happy Birthday, Bob B., Julia Bu., Steve W., Pano R., Michael H., Robin G., Suzanne L., & Ryan J.!!!

California State Library COVID-19 Diaries

The California State Library is collecting stories from around the state to record the impact of COVID-19. Submissions will be collected so that future generations know the trials and joys we experienced during this time. You can contribute an essay, video, photograph, artwork, interview, or blog- anyway you would like to tell your story. More info can be found at: <https://scclid.org/california-covid-diaries/> and you can make a submission at <https://covididiaries.library.ca.gov/>

Weir Farm Quarter

In May, the US Mint released the second America the Beautiful Quarter for the year with the Weir Farm National Historic Site quarter. This quarter is also the 52nd overall in the program.

Weir Farm is a 60-acre property in Connecticut that was originally owned by American artist Julian Alden Weir and known for the development of American Impressionism in the late 1800s.

The farm features historic houses, studios, and outbuildings along with gardens, terraces, and a pond- all of which are painting sites and kept preserved. Artistry at the farm includes an Artist-in-Residence program, painting supplies, and classes.

The reverse of the coin features an artist painting outside of the studio used by Julian Weir. The studio stands on a hill surrounded by grasses and trees. An inscription next to the painter reads "A National Park for Art".



Prices from July 5, 2020

Gold: \$1769.80/troy ounce
Silver: \$17.95/troy ounce
Platinum: \$804.00/troy ounce
Palladium: \$1840.00/troy ounce
Copper: \$2.7058/pound
Australian dollar=US\$0.6962
Canadian dollar=US\$0.7384
British pound=US\$1.2484
Euro=US\$1.1277
Swiss franc=US\$1.0595
100 Japanese yen=US\$0.93
10 Mexican pesos=US\$0.448

Recent & Upcoming Mint Releases!

- **June 28-** Weir Farm National Historic Site 2020 Quarter, 3-Coin Set
- **July 8-** American Eagle 2020 One Ounce Silver Uncirculated Coin
- **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

Dates are subject to change

Recap of the Online June 12, 2020 General Meeting

by: Suzy Tr.

- The Zoom meeting was well attended with 22 members and one guest from Fremont Coin Club, Matt H.
- The June birthday drawing was held with three members with June birthdays in attendance. Emile M selected the winning ticket, which was Richard J. His prize will be awarded at our next physical meeting.
- Members signed up for Show & Tell by entering their item into the Chat box on Zoom. There were 11 members sharing, with one being a junior. Harold W ran the Show & Tell.
 - a) Alex C shared a Qing dynasty coin.
 - b) Suzy T shared Frankie, Gary A's foot-long Plecostomus.
 - c) Keith shared a 1901 Indian Head Cent & his photography skills.
 - d) Matthew M shared Canadian tokens.
 - e) Max J shared his 2006 proof set plus some other coins.
- f) Harold shared his 2020 Basketball Hall of Fame 60th Anniversary proof dollar.
- g) Don P shared his newly-completed Ike dollar set in Dansco album.
- h) Ken B shared his macerated currency cat and Stetson-like cowboy hat.
- h) Griffin G shared his \$5 Eastern Carribean note.
- i) Justin B shared his West Valley pin.
- j) Steve J shared his first issue of the CCC wooden nickel from 1971.
- Alex T ran the adult Show & Tell drawing. All names of those adults who shared were put into the can for Steve T to pull one out. Ken's name was drawn. Ken's prize, as well as Max's junior prize will be awarded at our next physical meeting.
- This meeting was Other Hobbies Night.
 - a) Matthew shared some of his vintage collectibles, including his hat, spats, Victorola, wax phonograph cylinders, and 10" & 12" records from the 1920s, one of which he played a portion of for us.
 - b) Griffin shared his rubber duckie collection.
 - c) Don shared his botts dots.
 - d) Keith shared his salvaged items from people cleaning out "junk" during the pandemic.
 - e) Harold shared his model cars.
- Another successful hour-long meeting!



Editor's addition: Crash the Kitten was another guest in attendance at the meeting. Apparently we tuckered him out.

NNP's Upcoming Symposium

The Newman Numismatic Portal at Washington University is co-sponsoring an online symposium with EPNES. This will be the first entirely virtual numismatic event and is scheduled to be held on August 28 and 29. It is completely free!

You can also present at the symposium if you want to. Applications are now being accepted. Presentations can be on any topic you wish! For more details about registering for the symposium or to sign-up to present, please visit: <https://nnp Symposium.org/>

Recap of the Online June 17, 2020 Board Meeting by: Lyle Okamoto

President: Suzanne Tr.

Treasurer: Emile M.

Recording Secretary: Lyle Okamoto

Corresponding Secretary: Al Lo

Historian: Harold W.

Board Members (6): Brian D.,
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 eleven board officers and Allison present.

- Recording Secretary Lyle Okamoto reported nothing new. Lyle noted that in the June General Meeting Notes, our guest from Fremont Coin Club was Matt Hutchison, not "Max."

- Corresponding Secretary Al Lo had not checked our club P.O. Box. Emile M. reported that we received ANA The Numismatist, CSNA The California Numismatist and three club dues renewals. A discussion ensued about club dues and club membership cards.

- Treasurer Emile M. reported an income of \$21 in club dues, no expenses and a net treasury balance of \$17,633.92. Emile emailed a copy of the June 2020 Treasurer's Report to the board.

- Historian Harold W. reported nothing new.

- Curator Emile M. reported no changes from last month.

- President Suzanne Tr. reviewed our upcoming events calendar.

Friday, July 10, 2020 Harold W.

speaks on "The Art and Patents of Large Size Currency."

Friday, August 14, 2020 Beauty
and the Beast Contests

Friday, September 11, 2020

SeptemberFest

Friday, October 9, 2020 Youth
Night

Friday, November 13, 2020 Brian
D. speaks.

Friday, December 11, 2020
Christmas Celebration and King
Lyle's Birthday Bash

- Membership Chair Al Lo received one new membership application from Finn Doyle. Al moved to accept Finn's membership application. Harold W. seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- Coin Press Editor Allison Paker continues to do the same thing. Allison emails meeting reminders at 6:30 p.m. on our meeting days.

- Webmaster Suzanne Tr. updated our club website with our redacted June 2020 newsletter and July 2020 program. Emile M. had not yet set-up the password protected section on our club website.

- Facebook Chair Suzanne Tr. reported that our Facebook page had 211 followers, 15 new members and 91 posts reached.

- Youth Advisor Emile M. reported that we had one youth at our June Zoom general meeting.

- Banquet Chair Fred D. reported

that The Blue Pheasant Restaurant was not accepting any inside dining. A discussion ensued about our CCC/SJCC Joint Picnic. The San Jose Coin Club board decided to cancel the picnic. It was SJCC's turn to host the picnic.

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

- Medals Chair Emile M. had been in contact with BEX Engraving. They were looking into the missing medals from last year. This year's design was camera-ready and should be no problem.

- Old Business: Al Lo made a correction to our minutes. Our CCC 50th anniversary chip was priced at \$4 each to non-members plus \$1 shipping per chip. All mailed orders must include \$1 shipping per chip.

- New Business: 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.

- Show Business: Al Lo retired and was looking for a new show chair. Ken B. was our bourse chair. We needed to touch bases with various parties. A discussion ensued about coin shows and our show supplies that were stored in Al Lo's daughter Jennifer's garage.

- Harold W. moved to adjourn. Martha D. seconded. Our meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Below is an article Matthew M. wrote for the California Numismatist:

The Future of Our Hobby During This Pandemic

My name is Matthew L. M., and I am a young coin collector from San Jose, CA. For a little over 4 years, I've specialized in collecting pennies and nickels, primarily Wheats and Buffalos. I have written several articles focusing on various coins that I have found by visiting local banks. My hobby of coin roll hunting is a passion I share with others, and it's always a delight to see what people have discovered from bank rolls. Unfortunately, my coin roll hunting pursuits have recently been stopped. Why? Well, due to the pandemic that has swept over the world, I have not returned to a bank since late February. I'm sure many other coin roll hunters, nervous about going outside, have done the same. Aside from coin roll hunting being affected by the pandemic, I have also considered other aspects of the coin collecting hobby. After recently chatting with Michael S. Turrini, a well-loved collector from Vallejo, California, and a friend and mentor, we came to the same conclusion regarding our hobby in relation to the pandemic. Things are definitely starting to change for collectors. The majority of numismatic shows and club meetings are held inside with guests being shoulder to shoulder. Being held in these confined spaces with large turnouts makes it extremely difficult to practice social distancing safely, and that has a vast number of the numismatic community frightened. As a result, almost all shows and meetings have been cancelled. We want to share our passion of collecting with others, but the pandemic has created a roadblock. So, what are our possible solutions?

As a member of the Cupertino (California) Coin Club, I have recently taken part in virtual meetings with fellow members on the Zoom app. At virtual meetings, there's been a decent attendance, but this method also has its own drawbacks. Many of our club members don't have phones or computers that are compatible with this app; I'm sure this issue applies to all coin clubs who've tried to use Zoom as an alternative to in-person meetings. We're not sure how long this pandemic will last, but it's safe to say we'll need to practice social distancing for quite some time. Collectors may refuse to attend shows and public meetings even after quarantine is no longer in effect. I have spoken with a few others from my club about this issue, and we believe there is the possibility that our hobby may revert back to what it used to be, a private one. Some may find it safer to enjoy their coins alone, but this will lead to a decline in interest.

While I may not have the solutions to everything regarding this quarantine, I do have a few ideas to help keep our hobby afloat and our minds at ease. Primarily, I want to address concerns with coin clubs since that is a major aspect of gaining interest with new collectors. As mentioned before, meetings are usually held indoors with attendees being shoulder to shoulder. My solution to this predicament is hosting meetings outside. Local parks are a perfect solution! Each member can bring their own chair, and people can be spaced six feet (6ft) apart; masks can be worn by attendees. From there, the meeting can be carried out as usual. Also, a monthly journal composed of members' updates in their collection could be another idea. Each person can give a brief update on anything they've recently acquired, and photos of the coins can be added. The journal can be a sort of newsletter, and it can be either distributed electronically, or physical copies can be sent out. Those of us who have phones and computers with a camera can do virtual tours of our coin collections. The benefit of doing this tour online is you have access to everything you own, which can't be said for a public club meeting. This virtual tour of coin collections will spark the interest in younger collectors who may be more comfortable with using technology.

As mentioned in one of my previous published articles in THE CALIFORNIA NUMISMATIST, I've seen coin collecting Youtube channels and coin forums, which have skyrocketed in popularity and that gives me hope that this hobby will be carried on by future generations. While these terrible times are rather trying for all of us, we must not lose sight of what's important: spreading our passion for numismatics with others. Furthermore, while it is acceptable to feel uneasy about the pandemic affecting our lives, we can't let fear overwhelm us.