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Editor's Message

Happy August! For many of us, the end of Summer (coming much to soon for us students!) marks the return of commitments that often distract us from our numismatic pursuits—school, jobs, and activities ramping up for the Fall. Still, in spite of these challenges let's be sure to devote at least a little portion of our time to our hobby; attend CCC meetings (page 2), visit a coin show (page 7), even write an article for the *Coin Press*!

Our general meeting this month will be held on the fourteenth and will begin 7:00; there, we'll celebrate with sub sandwiches and a potluck (page 2). There, we'll vote on the design for our 2027 medal. If you're interested in designing a medal, bring your design to that meeting (page 5).

As always, advertising is available for CCC members interested in getting the word out about their business; the cost is only five dollars for a business card-sized ad (see below).

-Cam S.

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Please let our advertisers know you saw their ads in the Coin Press!

A background image of several coins in protective holders. Overlaid on this is a black rectangular box with white text. The text reads: "TIME CAPSULE COINS" in large, bold, sans-serif font. Below it, in a smaller font, is "MIKE WAGNER". Then "TIMECAPSULECOINS@GMAIL.COM" and "669-295-5543". Below that, "LOCAL IN SUNNYVALE — COIN CLUB LIFE MEMBER". Then "FILLING WANT LISTS & SPECIAL REQUESTS", "BUYING ESTATES & COLLECTIONS", and finally "FREE APPRAISALS — MEET US AT COIN SHOWS".

Club News

Upcoming Meetings and Events

14 August: General meeting; 7:00;
2027 Medal Design Contest; Costco
sub sandwiches and potluck;

15 August: CCC & SJCC Annual
Joint Picnic; 12:00–2:00 p.m.; Las
Palmas Park, Sunnyvale

20 August: Online board meeting

11 September: General meeting;
guest presenter: Don P.

17 September: Online board
meeting

9 October: General meeting; Youth
Night!; Guest speaker: Cam S.;
topic: “YN Involvement in
Numismatics”

The Cupertino Coin Club will have
their general meetings in person at
St. Joseph’s Church of Cupertino,
located at 10110 N De Anza Blvd in
Cupertino. Our presentations,
begin at 8:30 p.m. and our
meetings start at 7:30 p.m. unless
noted. Meetings feature an
auction, show and tell, and
drawings, as well as a speaker.

**Guests and youth are always
welcome!**

July presentation summary: U.S. Semiquincentennial Quarters

By Cam S.

CCC member Art Bernstein serves as part of the Citizen’s Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC), representing the American public. In July, he gave us a presentation on the U.S.’s semiquincentennial coinage and his role in the selection of their designs. The CCAC’s role is to review proposed designs for the U.S. Mint’s coins and advise the Treasury Secretary on which designs to approve. Art’s presentation centered on the difference between the designs that the CCAC recommended, and those that were

actually used. While each quarter was modified, some of the most significant changes included replacing the



recommended quarters celebrating abolitionism, women’s suffrage, and the Civil Rights Movement with designs honoring the Mayflower Compact, the War for Independence, and the Gettysburg Address.

One of the few designs that was mostly preserved from the CCAC recommendations to final coins was the reverse of the Declaration of Independence quarter. The major difference between the two was Art’s contribution! Depicting the Liberty Bell, the original design had the clapper striking the top part of the bell. Realizing that this was physically impossible for the clapper to be in such a position, during a CCAC meeting Art spoke up and the design was corrected to have the clapper at the bottom of the bell.

All members present received a 2026 Declaration of Independence quarter. Thank you for presenting, Art!

Please Bring Potluck Items for Our August Meeting & Picnic

By Cam S.

Our August Meeting, held on the fourteenth, will be one of our annual food nights. This time, we’ll be having Costco sub sandwiches sponsored by the club and a potluck brought by members. The day after, we’ll celebrate our picnic with hamburgers and hot dogs. For both events, please consider making or purchasing salads or deserts to go along with our sandwiches.

Annual CCC & SJCC Joint Picnic

A nice shady spot has been reserved at Las Palmas Park in Sunnyvale for our annual joint picnic with members and guests of Cupertino Coin Club and San Jose Coin Club. The picnic will be held on Saturday, August 15, 2026, from noon to 2:00 p.m.

The clubs will provide hamburgers, cheeseburgers, all the fixings, drinks, plates, napkins, and plasticware. Attendees are asked to bring a side dish, chips, salad, fruit, or dessert to share and complement the BBQ lunch.

Our grillmasters will once again showcase their barbecue skills during this celebrated annual tradition. Grilling will take place from noon to 1:00 p.m., so plan to arrive by 1:00 p.m. to enjoy the burgers while they're fresh off the grill.

Don't miss out on the fun! Please turn in your [reservation form](#) and payment at either club meeting no later than August 7, so we can plan for the correct number of attendees. Turn them in to Steve C. at SJCC meetings and Gran G. at CCC meetings. Members are welcome to bring guests; just include them on the reservation form.



ANA News: 2026 World's Fair of Money

By Dan and Cam S.

Held this month will be one of the American Numismatic Association's (ANA) most exciting events: the World's Fair of Money, from August 25–29 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. One of the world's largest coin shows, the show will feature some of the world's largest numismatic companies, exhibits, youth activities, educational presentations, and auctions.

The bourse area will feature over 100 dealers, specializing in all numismatic areas. The most exciting participants include Heritage and Stack's Bowers auction companies; the major third-party grading services; and the U.S. and many other world mints. Besides dealers, the bourse will showcase exhibits from the ANA's Museum, including a 1913 Liberty Head Nickel, an 1804 Dollar, and various rare medals relating to American Independence, and from the Tyrant Collection, a collection of Byzantine coins.

In addition to the bourse, attendees may attend the excellent "Money Talks" presentations; this year's line up includes presentations on the Newman Numismatic Portal, the New Orleans Mint, the coins of Ancient Thasos, and many others. Members of Early American Coppers, the Numismatic Bibliomania Society, Tokens and Medals Society, and the Society of Paper Money Collectors, and many other specialty clubs will be able to attend their meetings, which may include auctions and dinners.

The American Numismatic Association (<https://www.money.org/>) is the world's largest society of coin collectors and dealers. As District Representative volunteers and beneficiaries of the ANA's resources, we aim to provide information about it in this column, and are happy to answer any questions you may have about it.

Submit Your Medal Design for 2027!

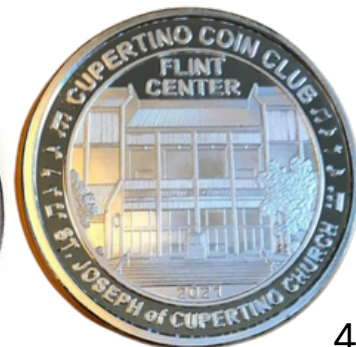
By Emile M.

Our August general meeting will feature the medal design contest for our 2027 medal. If you want to submit a design, please read the rules below:

- Members in good standing (all dues paid and current) are eligible to submit a design.
- The design must be on unlined paper in a circle of six to eight inches in diameter.
- The subject matter of your reverse design should be something memorable about Cupertino, of cultural significance, or historical in nature. Repeat or similar designs of past medal will not be accepted. Your design may be in the form of a single photo, postcard, or group of drawings in one design. Not all members of our club are artists, so the subject matter may consist of cutout pictures and the like. The better the artwork, the better the design work with our minter.
- You may submit an explanation of your design.
- You may submit a maximum of two designs.
- The designer's name or initials may not appear on the design or design explanation. Initials will be added after the winning design is selected.
- If your entry is of a private, commercial, trademarked, or copyrighted subject matter, then you must obtain written permission from the rights holder. If permission is not granted, then the runner-up design will be used.
- The following information must be included on the design: "53rd Coin Show" and "St. Joseph of Cupertino Church". Because we don't yet know the date of our 2027 show please insert just the year 2027 into your design. We reserve the right to add the full date of the 2027 show once it has been decided upon and confirmed with the location.

- All entries may be submitted at a general club meeting or mailed to the club at: CCC Medal Design, P.O. Box 448, Cupertino, CA 95015-0448.
- All entries must be delivered to Medals Chair Emile M by 8:00 PM at our August 7, 2026 meeting or arrive at our club's PO Box by July 31, 2026. The entries will be voted upon by our membership at our August 8, 2026 general meeting.
- In the event of identical design submissions, the first design submitted will be entered in the design contest.
- The winning design becomes the property of Cupertino Coin Club and will not be returned. All other entries will be returned. The Cupertino Coin Club Board of Directors reserves the right to modify the winning design to meet the requirements of the minting process. Any modifications will be cleared with the designer.
- The winning designer shall receive one copper medal of their design as the winner's prize.

Previous Winners



General Meeting Minutes from 10 July, 2026

By Steve C.

Club President **Gran G.** called our July general meeting to order at 7:51 p.m. and welcomed everyone. There were thirty-three adults and six youth in physical attendance.

Don P. conducted our club auction, and **Suzy T.** was our auction chair. **Jason A.**, **Mateo R.** and **Diego R.** were our runners. **Bill H.** drew our winning Buyer's Prize ticket. **Howard W.** won the Buyer's Prize (0.999 fine one-ounce copper round).

Announcements:

- **Gran G.** welcomed our guests.
- **Lyle O.** announced the upcoming coin shows:
 - **July 17 & 18:** Bill Green Reno Coin Show.
 - **July 25 & 26:** Fremont Coin Club Show at the Fremont Elks Lodge
 - **August 7 & 8** Central Valley Coin Show, Modesto.

A guest drew our winning Attendance Prize ticket. Our attendance prize (0.999 fine one-ounce copper round) winner was **Steve C.** (right).



We wished "Happy Birthday" to our members with July Birthdays. Our Birthday Prize (0.999 fine 1 oz. copper round) winner was **Bianca A.**



This meeting, **Art B.** was our guest speaker. He spoke on "U.S. Semiquincentennial Quarter Dollars—Celebration and Controversy"

Don P. introduced show and tell;

- **Preston C.:** 1876 Trade Dollar & 2026 \$50 Gold
- **Ken B.:** repousse Barber coin three piece fob
- **Don P.:** ANA Mini Mint medal mated pair overstrike

- **Paul J.:** 1964 Nevada Medal
- **David G.:** Summer Seminar sample slab (right)
- **Martha D.:** 1911-P Australia Sovereign
- **Ivan L.:** Two Ancient Roman coins
- **Bill H.:** War Nickel with c
- **Howard W.:** Kilo Silver Libertas Americana medal replica
- **Jason R.:** VTA coin machine change
- **Suzy T.:** 2026 Silver Proof Set



Al L. drew the winning show and tell prize ticket. Our show and tell prize (0.999 fine one-ounce copper round) winner was **Ken B.**

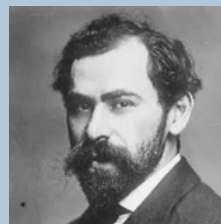
Our general meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Steve C.

CCC Recording Secretary

Quiz Column: Lincoln Cents

1. Who did Theodore Roosevelt initially enlist to design a new one-cent piece?
2. In what country was the cent's eventual designer, Victor David Brenner, (right) born?
3. What was the source of Lincoln's portrait on the cent?



1. What unusual material was used to make 1944-46 cents?
2. What metal was used to make pattern cents while exploring cheaper alternatives to copper in the early 1970s?

(answers on page 7)

Board Meeting Minutes from 16 July, 2026

By **Steve C.**

This month we had an online Zoom board meeting. In attendance were:

- President: **Gran G.**
- Vice President: **Suzy T.**
- Recording secretary: **Steve C.**
- Corresponding secretary: **Al L.**
- *Coin Press* Editor: **Cam S.**
- Youth President: **Jason A.**
- Webmaster: **Ivan L.**

Board Members (five): **Don P., Dan S., Steve T., Art B., Alex R.**

Club President **Gran G.** called our July board meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. and welcomed everyone. There were twelve board members and chairs in attendance.

Recording Secretary **Steve C.** reported nothing new.

Corresponding Secretary **Al L.** reported on the correspondence received in July:

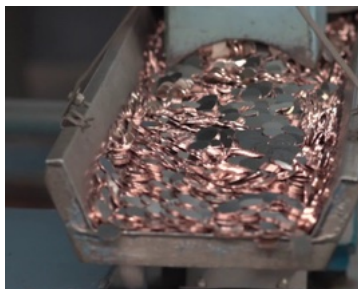
Magazines and newsletters

- July 2026 *The Numismatist* (American Numismatic Association)
- May 2026 *NCNA Heads and Tales* (Northern California Numismatic Association)

Historian **Griffin G.** was not present at this meeting but reported that pictures will be uploaded from the July meeting.

Program Chair **Suzy T.** reported on our upcoming club events.

- August 14 will be the 2027 Medal design contest with Costco sandwiches and a potluck.
- August 15 will be our Joint Coin Club Picnic with the San Jose Coin Club at Las Palmas Park Sunnyvale.
- At our general meeting on September 11 our guest speaker will be **Don P.**, on the minting process
- October 9 is Youth night, where **Jason A.** will be



running the meeting and **Cam S.** will be the guest speaker, on YN involvement in numismatics.

Membership Chair **Al L.** reported that two applications were received in the past month;

- **Lorrie P.**, whose birth month is December.
- **Sid P.**, whose birth month is January.

The board members voted and accepted these two new club members. Welcome Lorrie and Sid!

Coin Press Editor **Cam S.** reported that he would like everything for our newsletter by July 31.

Facebook Chair **Suzy T.**

reported that she updated the upcoming events list and recognized members with July birthdays on the Facebook page (above left).

Ivan L. also reported about some updates to the website show page.

Members discussed making changes in regards to who has access to the website and how the website redirects the contact information on the show page.

Although he was not at this meeting, Youth Advisor



Emile M. reported that there were six youth present at the July general meeting.

Old Business

The members

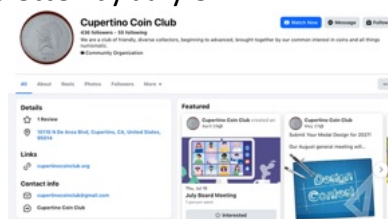
discussed the details about our joint coin club picnic August 15 (above left).

New Business

Ivan L. and the board members discussed about access to the network hoster for the website. There is an error due to a certificate problem that possibly needs an update. Also, there seems to be a problem with the club instagram account. **Suzy T.** and her son, **Alex**, will work on to resolve the issue.

The board members discussed the details about August's sandwich potluck.

The board members had a discussion about an offer to host a numismatic symposium in the South Bay. **Al L.** moved to adjourn the (continued next page)



Board Meeting Minutes from 16 July

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Respectfully submitted,

Steve C.

CCC Recording Secretary

Upcoming Coin Shows

- **7 and 8 August:** Central Valley Coin & Collectibles Show, 3500 Coffee Road, Modesto, CA 95355
- **21 and 22 August:** Santa Clara Coin Show, American Legion Post 419, 958 Homestead Road, Santa Clara
- **23 August:** Sacramento Coin Show, Lion's Gate Hotel / Officers Club, 3410 Westover Street, McClellan, CA 95652
- **12 September:** CoinExpo San Jose, DoubleTree Hotel, 2050 Gateway Pl., San Jose, CA 95110
- **24–26 September:** Sacramento Valley Coin Club Coin Show, Four Points By Sheraton, 4900 Duckhorn Dr., Sacramento, CA 95834
- **6–7 October:** Sacramento Coin Show, Lions Gate Hotel, 3410 Westover Street, Sacramento, CA 95652

Quiz Column: Lincoln Cents Answers

1. Augustus Saint-Gaudens, who did redesign the eagle and double eagle, but who died in August 1907 before his cent design (right) was completed.



2. The Russian Empire in 1871, in a city now part of Lithuania. He emigrated to New York in 1890.



3. A bronze plaque that Brenner designed as the centennial of Lincoln's birth approached. This plaque was based on a Civil War-era photographic portrait of Lincoln (right) by Anthony

Berger, a member of Mathew Brady's photography team.

4. Used shell cases from World War II ammunition
5. Aluminum; while about 1.5 million aluminum cents were minted, nearly every piece was recovered and melted, with the one legal example (left) in the Smithsonian.



Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday cheers go to our members with August Birthdays. Happy Birthday: Gran G., Betty H. Alvin K., Madison L., Ivan L., Laurin M., Rita M., Allison P., Keith S., Jessica S., Nathan S., Richard S., and Mike W.! Last month, Bianca A. won the birthday prize. Congratulations to Bianca!