

## CALENDAR FOR 2019

Jan 23 .....Federico Castillo, US Token Denominations And Their  
Socioeconomic Context **at the Mechanics' Institute**  
Feb 27 .....Speaker & Topic TBA\* **at Fort Mason Center**  
Mar 27 .....Speaker & Topic TBA\* **at Fort Mason Center**  
Apr 24 .....Speaker & Topic TBA\* **at Fort Mason Center**  
**Apr 24 .....Deadline for Papers submissions**  
May 22 .....Speaker & Topic TBA\* **at Fort Mason Center**  
June .....Saturday BBQ, date TBA

\* See "Speak Up!" below

### SPEAK UP!

A quick look at the Calendar above reveals that there is ample opportunity for **you** to make a presentation in the coming months. Your presentation can even be something about which you have submitted or plan to submit a Paper. Email [webmaster@pcns.org](mailto:webmaster@pcns.org) to sign up.

### MEETING LOCATION AND TIME CHANGE

Due to scheduled construction at Fort Mason Center, the PCNS meeting in January 2019 will take place at the Mechanics' Institute in downtown San Francisco. This meeting will start at **7:15pm**.

### 2019 PCNS BOARD OF GOVERNORS

**President** .....Daniel Hipple  
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Meetings of the Board of Governors normally take place 30 minutes before the membership meeting in the same location.

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## 1233<sup>rd</sup> Monthly Meeting of the PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



### U.S. Token Denominations And Their Socioeconomic Context *Federico Castillo*

**Wednesday, January 23, 2019, 7:15 PM**  
**Mechanics' Institute Board Room**  
**57 Post Street, 4th Floor, San Francisco**

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## TOKENS, IN CONTEXT

Throughout history, tokens have served multiple functions in multiple contexts. Their uses range from advertising pieces or mementos, to in-house currency or even de facto coinage. Most serve multiple

functions.

In addition to the different uses of tokens, to the extent they are intended to have something other than intrinsic value, tokens can vary in their stated denominations, ranging from mills (\$0.001, usually in the form of sales tax tokens) to multiple dollars, as in the case of transit tokens, gambling chips, or tokens for “houses of ill repute.”



Join us on January 23 at the Mechanics' Institute as Federico Castillo discusses the variety of U.S. token denominations and the socioeconomic context in which they were—and are—used. Bring your tokens of various purposes and denominations.

**Remember: This meeting is at the Mechanics' Institute and begins at 7:15pm.**

## WRITE NOW!

The submission deadline for the 2019 Papers Contest is the **April 24** meeting. **Important:** Refer to the publication section of [pcns.org](http://pcns.org) for the contest rules and our copyright policy.

## 2018 IS IN THE BOOKS

The traditionally low-impact December meeting was true to form in 2018. A feisty group of PCNS members gathered at the Mechanics' Institute for fellowship and good cheer, and nobody left the party hungry or in a less festive mood than when they arrived.

Following announcements about upcoming coin shows (which have now passed) and the financial state of PCNS (healthy), the membership authorized Stephen Huston to proceed with arranging for the 2018 Papers to be printed. The membership was reminded that 2019 membership dues of \$20 are now due and payable (see the red box to the right).

President Hipple announced the slate of officers for 2019. There were no nominations from the floor, and the following were re-elected to serve for another year:

**President** .....Daniel Hipple  
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William Hyder continues as a member of the Board of Governors in his position of Immediate Past President.

The meeting adjourned, and attendees were treated to an assortment of sandwiches, potato salad, chips, cookies, cupcakes, and wide-ranging conversation.

## DECEMBER MEMBER EXHIBITS

**Jeff:** A large, 1978-dated bronze medal of New York City produced by the Paris Mint.

**Bob:** Two 1976 Colorado Centennial National Commemorative Medals in gold and bronze.

**Federico:** Two San Francisco tokens and two San Francisco medals.

## DUES ARE DUE

With the dawning of 2019, we enter a new membership year for PCNS. Dues are due and payable as of January 1.

Membership dues remain \$20 per year, and support the oldest numismatic organization in the West. If you haven't paid your dues already, we recommend that you do so today so that your membership doesn't lapse. Members who haven't renewed by March 31 are dropped from the membership rolls. We don't want that to happen!

Not sure if you've paid yet? Send an email to [webmaster@pcns.org](mailto:webmaster@pcns.org)

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