

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society
February 26, 2014

Board Meeting

Recorder Hyder called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Board members present: Stephen Huston, Bill Hyder, Jerry Schimmel, and Ed Treuting.

Members present included: Michael Wehner and Scott Annechino.

Minutes of Previous Meeting were approved via email.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$11,790.57 on February 26, 2014.

Firehouse 8 was briefly discussed as a possible alternative meeting location, although parking was identified as a possible problem.

We had further discussions about a white elephant auction and PPIE remaining materials as a fundraiser.

Michael Wehner volunteered to speak in March.

New member requests were received from Dan Wildon of Carson City, Nevada and Blake Rotter of San Francisco.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30.

General Meeting

Recorder Hyder called the meeting to order at 7:45.

Members present included: Stephen Huston, Bill Hyder, Jerry Schimmel, Mark William Clark, Chris Donaldson, Michael Wehner, Scott Annechino, Ed Treuting, and Federico Castillo.

Guests included Blake Potter who applied for membership.

Federico Castillo presented his talk: These Aztec Calendar: Its Meaning and Symbolism in Mexican Numismatics.

The famous Aztec Stone Calendar was carved about 1479 shortly before the Spanish arrived. It was discovered in the Zócalo, the main square of Mexico City, on December 17, 1790 during repairs to the Cathedral. It was displayed in the Cathedral until 1885 when it was made a National Symbol of Mexico.

The stone—carved from basalt—is approximately 12 feet in diameter and 3 to 4 feet thick. It is not really a calendar; rather it was used in ceremonies and has calendar components. It can be used to calculate a point in time based on a year of 365 days and a religious cycle of 260 days based on the cycles of Venus.

Francisco then discussed and displayed a variety of coins, medals, and tokens that incorporate the stone or components of the stone into their designs.

Exhibits:

Stephen Huston shared an example of war money, 10 marks kriegsgelt from 1917 Saxony.

Chris Donaldson shared purchases from the Old Mint show, a 1791 Condor half penny and a George Gordon / Britons Rule medal.

Scott Annechino displayed an 1819G Guatemala $\frac{1}{4}$ Real, NGC MS 63 and an extremely rare 1829 – NG M Guatemala 1 Real. Catalogs report 4 known, Scott believes around a dozen actually exist.

Bill Hyder displayed a souvenir watch fob from the 1906 San Francisco earthquake. The so-called dollar sized medal on the fob appears to be the well known earthquake piece cataloged by Hibler and Kappen, but it is not. Bill also displayed an 1899 Spanish American War return of the veterans souvenir badge with an original ribbon and pin bar.

Michael Wehner exhibited a 1932 silver-plated award medal from the Dhalia Society of California made by Larson & Co. of San Francisco. He also shared a 10gm Golden Gate Bridge commemorative silver bar.

Raffle:

Chris Donaldson won a 1700-1800 World Coins Catalog, a Colorado Springs Coin Show print, and a Russian medal.

Ed Treuting won a set of Numismatics International bulletins and a Penny Weight.

Bill Hyder won a 1967 Redbook.

Jerry Schimmel won a silver round.

Federico Castillo won a bag of coin capsules.

The general membership meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

