

PCNS EVENTS

Oct 26 Round Table Discussion:

Noteworthy Numismatic Books

Also: Nominating Committee appointments

Nov 23 Herb Miles will speak

Dec 28 Annual Business Meeting & Holiday Party

* Please email webmaster@pcns.org if you can present a program during one of the unscheduled meetings. Topics can even be something about which you're writing a *Paper*.



1206TH Monthly Meeting of the PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

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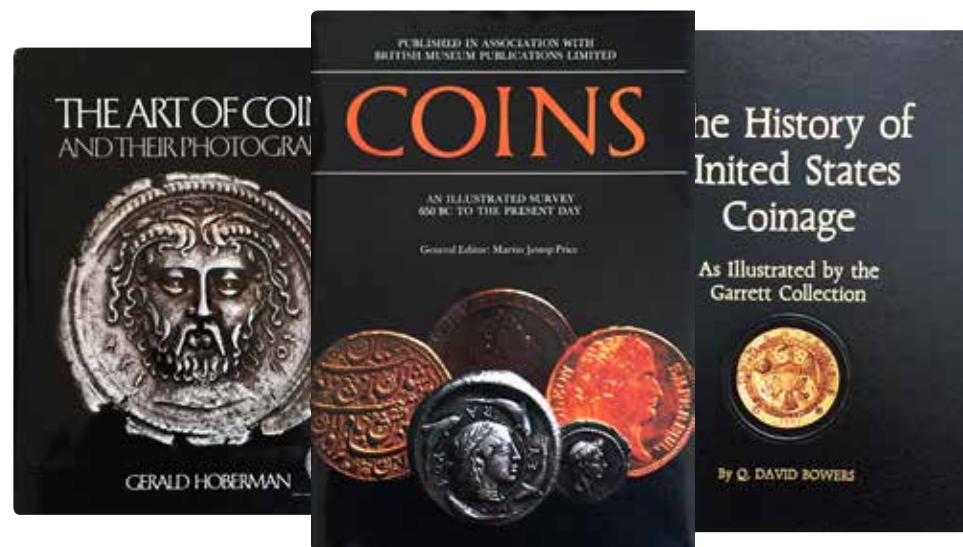
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Noteworthy Numismatic Books Round Table Discussion

Wednesday, October 26, 2016, 7:30 PM
at Fort Mason Center, Building C, San Francisco

OCTOBER TOPIC

Noteworthy Numismatic Books

All members are encouraged to attend and bring one or more numismatic books (and maybe a coin or two that goes with them) as we share our reasons for appreciating numismatic literature.

Bob Somers will lead our discussion.

SEPTEMBER RECAP

Numismatic Tales

We were entertained with an extended *Members' Exhibits* session by Stephen Huston, Herb Miles, Ken Takahashi, Mark Wm Clark, and Bob Somers. Our guest for the evening was Scott Griffin, who discussed how he became a coin dealer and chess enthusiast.

Stephen showed a Byzantine bronze *follis* from one of his auctions in the 1980s. He withdrew the lot for further research after Byzantine specialist Simon Bendall suggested that it was from an undocumented military mint for one of the warring Emperors named "Isaac" (there were two Isaacs *circa* 1190 AD). It is rare enough that he's has found no matching specimen in the published collection catalogs, nor in any illustrated sales during the decades since then.

Herb brought a counterstamped US Half Dollar of the mid-1800s, purchased from Frank Kovacs, who had obtained it from a dealer in Berlin. It bears the counterstamp of a gunsmith named *Lintel*, a German immigrant who worked in Little Rock, Arkansas. Herb has compiled some clippings and photos regarding Lintel and his family. (Possibly the beginnings of another PCNS Paper?)

Ken showed the last of his ancient coins, primarily coins of the Bible: Shekels of Tyre, "Tribute penny" Roman *denarii* of Tiberius, and "Widow's Mite" *leptons* of Judaea. He also



mentioned his coins of Genghis Khan and The Golden Horde.

Mark brought a PPIE bronze medal which he accidentally plated silver by using a "cleaning solution" which had become silver-enriched from cleaning other coins. He also had some Philippine copper coins obtained in Mexico, with misengraved inscriptions (some retrograde letters), noting that these crude copper types are almost always found in Mexico.

Chris showed a 1992 proof set of Spain celebrating the 500th anniversary of Columbus' first voyage to the new world.

Bob had a "short set" of silver National Medals in the *Statue of Liberty* series, struck by the US Mint. He noted that there were also larger medals with matching designs which were struck by the Medallic Art Company.

SEPTEMBER DRAWING

Prizes: British 1970/1 coinage change set, 50th Anniversary medal for the movie *Gone with the Wind*, glass paperweight from the California Midwinter Fair, South African 1966 specimen set, and a *redwood dollar* souvenir flat issued by the San Francisco Coin Club in 1980 for their 20th Anniversary.

Winners: Chris, Ken, Bob, and guest Scott Griffin.

NOMINATION & ELECTION OF 2017 OFFICERS

If you are interesting in serving on the PCNS Board, plan to attend the October meeting. President Bill Hyder will be appointing the Nominating Committee to select officers for 2017, and volunteering for that committee gives you a strong say in who will (and who won't) be asked to serve next year. Think of serving on this committee as a chance at either self-promotion or self-preservation, depending on whether you do or do not want to be an officer.

The Election will take place during the December meeting, with the new PCNS Board taking office that night.