

CALENDAR FOR 2019

May 22Federico Castillo, *Latin American Token Denominations and their Socioeconomic Context*
June 22**Summer BBQ**, see inside
July 24**Speaker, Topic, & Location TBA***
August 28**Speaker, Topic, & Location TBA***
September 25**Speaker, Topic, & Location TBA***

* See "Speak Up!" below

SPEAK UP!

There is ample opportunity for **you** to make a presentation in the second half of 2019. Your presentation can even be something about which you have submitted or plan to submit a Paper. Email webmaster@pcns.org to sign up.

MEETING LOCATION UNCERTAINTY

It appears that the long-promised but oft-delayed renovations at our usual Fort Mason meeting space may actually happen this summer. We are in the process of finding an alternative location for at least July and August. If you have suggestions, please email webmaster@pcns.org. Stay tuned.

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1237th Monthly Meeting of the

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



Latin American Token Denominations and Their Socioeconomic Context

Part 2

Federico Castillo

Wednesday, May 22, 2019, 7:30 PM

Fort Mason Center, Building C, San Francisco

PCNS + PO BOX 475656 + SAN FRANCISCO CA 94147

DENOMINATION VERSUS VALUE

Back in 2017, our in-house expert on the tokens of Latin America,

Federico Castillo spoke about how different denominations of Latin American tokens often represented the same value, depending on local conditions.



Tokens were frequently used as payment for a set amount of work

or product; such as a specific weight of coffee

harvested or a particular amount of acreage cleared.

Many times, these tokens were only redeemable at company stores or for specific services.

Join us on May 22 at Fort Mason as Federico picks up where he left off in this fascinating discussion.



APRIL MEETING RECAP

Bill Hyder gave a fascinating talk on questions surrounding the origin of various replica Continental Dollars produced in the mid-19th Century. While most replicas are assumed to have been produced around the 1876 centennial of American independence, Bill's study of auction catalogs and advertisements, as well as tracing different strike patterns, leads Bill to the conclusion that many were struck in 1861 or 1862 using dies created by Robert Lovell, Jr.

Given the message of unity conveyed on the the Continental Dollar's reverse design, (the motto "We Are One" surrounded by a chain bearing the names of the original thirteen



colonies), it seems entirely plausible that replicas were struck as an appeal to the origins of our nation at the beginning of the Civil War.

Thank you, Bill, for another enlightening presentation!

APRIL MEMBER EXHIBITS

Ken: Chinese silver ingot pieces of various weights.

Jerry: Miscellaneous San Francisco tokens.

Ed: An 1800 over 179x large cent (aka "80 over 79") that he purchased when he was around 13 years old.

Charlie: The very first Thaler, a 1517 Joachimsthaller.

Stephen: 1776 replica coins.

Chris: A PPIE postcard and a GSA Carson City Morgan dollar in original packaging including a message from President Richard Nixon.

Federico: An Argentina token, a token of unknown Latin American origin to be researched, an 1837 Car. ¼ Real and an 1857 Go Mexico ½ Real in proof.

Bill: A Robert Lovett Jr. store card – Confederate cent style and a George H. Lovett store card.

APRIL DRAWING RESULTS

Ed: A 1971 proof set and a copper trial piece of uncertain origin.

Jason: PPIE admission tickets.

Charlie: Market Street Railway stock certificate.

Federico: Book on obsolete Iowa notes and scrip and a silver 1960 5-franc coin

SUMMER BBQ, SATURDAY, JUNE 22

In lieu of our regular June meeting, the annual PCNS BBQ will take place on Saturday afternoon, June 22, in the East Bay. The cost is \$20 per person, payable in advance, either in person at the May 22 meeting, or online by PayPal. Please RSVP by Monday, June 17 if at all possible. Directions will be provided to those who RSVP. Hawaiian shirts are encouraged but not required.