

PCNS CALENDAR FOR 2022

June 18, 2022.....**Summer BBQ**
July 27, 2022 (online only)*Speaker and Topic TBA**
August 23, 2022 (online only)*Speaker and Topic TBA**
September 28, 2022 (online only)*Speaker and Topic TBA**
* See "Speak Up!" below

SPEAK UP!

There are several opportunities for **you** to make a presentation in the second half of the year. You don't need to be in San Francisco to present. Your presentation can even be something about which you have submitted or plan to submit a *Paper*. Please email webmaster@pcns.org to sign up.

FUTURE PCNS MEETINGS - ONLINE ONLY

Due to technical difficulties at Fort Mason, we are resuming online-only meetings beginning in July. We will continue using the Zoom platform; a meeting code/invitation link will be emailed to all members separately the day before the meeting. Special occasions, such as the annual BBQ, will continue to occur in person.

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Miss a meeting? Beginning with the May, 2020 Meeting, you can also view a recording of the presentation on our [YouTube channel](#), available through links from pcns.org! Use a QR scanner/reader to open pcns.org via this code.



Bulletin of the

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



1274th Monthly Meeting

Summer Bar-B-Que

Saturday, June 18, 2022, 1:00 PM

Berkeley, California

PCNS + PO BOX 475656 + SAN FRANCISCO CA 94147

SUMMERTIME FUN

Join your fellow PCNS members and friends the afternoon of **Saturday, June 18** for the 2022 PCNS Summer BBQ! The fun begins at 1:00 PM. Good food and great company make for a delightful afternoon. And, the results of the most recent Papers Contest will be announced.

The cost is \$10 per person. To allow our hosts to prepare, please buy your tickets **now** if you haven't already. Go to the [Meetings page at PCNS.org](#) for details including a link to buy tickets. You can use a credit card or your PayPal account balance to pay online.

Important! Given the vulnerability of many of our members and the ongoing uncertainty regarding COVID-19 variants, all attendees are expected to be fully vaccinated. In addition, please bring a mask to safeguard everyone's health. Per PCNS tradition, Hawaiian shirts are encouraged, but not required.



MAY MEETING RECAP

Stephen Huston gave a presentation on some of the more interesting objects from the PCNS archive. He has 30-40 boxes of material to sort through, and not all of them have even been opened yet. His presentation focused on examples from several broad categories. Here are a few examples:

1. Non-numismatic items:

- An artist's plaster model sculpture design for the club's 60th Anniversary medal with the Palace of Fine Arts design. The model was round, with the design fitting inside the octagonal medals
- Plaster section from the original Palace of Fine Arts that was presented to the PCNS in 1965. It was most likely removed as part of the complete replacement of the plaster structure that took place between 1964 and 1974.
- A.N.A. plaque for "Branch No. 7" of the A.N.A. in 1916. At that time member clubs were called "branches" of the main organization, before club numbers were assigned.
- 1989 Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication award from the A.N.A.

2. Numismatic items given to PCNS but not issued by us:

- 1857 North Borneo one cent coin which survived the San Francisco earthquake and fire. Fire damage is clearly evident. From Farran Zerbe, given to the club in 1926 on the 20th Anniversary of the Quake.
- Zerbe's 1904 store card in aluminum, 50mm in size. This was from a time when aluminum was still somewhat valuable.
- A "1923 dime" with details that are completely obliterated. President Harding died at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco that year. Documentation with the dime

states that it was placed on the tracks of the train carrying Harding's body back home, and run over by that train.

- TAMS medals from 1979 depicting Farran Zerbe.
- CSNA 50 Year membership medal from 2007.

3. PCNS Tokens and Medals

- Farran Zerbe founder PCNS 1915/Token of Esteem 1930.
- PCNS 200th Meeting April 27, 1932.
- PCNS 250th Meeting July 22, 1936/Honored Guest Farran Zerbe.
- Silver Jubilee 1915-1940, the club's first octagonal medal.
- PCNS 682nd Meeting December 27, 1972. Honoring the betrothal of the PCNS president with the CSNA president.
- 60th Anniversary octagonal medal.
- 1978 banquet award honoring Maxine Bryce in 1978, plus banquet pieces given to attendees as well.
- 60th Anniversary medal in bronze, countermarked for the 65th Anniversary.
- 1982 800th Meeting silver and bronze octagonal medals.
- Various wooden nickels, plastic tokens, galvanos, and dies.

Stephen discussed where items are intended to go, and his thoughts on dispersing them in varying ways. There is still a lot to sort out, so look for another discussion of this in the future.

We invite you to watch Stephen's full presentation on the [PCNS YouTube channel](#).

MAY MEMBER EXHIBITS

Bill shared an unlisted 1868 shell card, possibly from California; and an 1896 Bryan Dollar struck by Moise.

Doug showed an example of the 1930 Farran Zerbe "Token of Esteem" in aluminum.

Federico shared his PCNS First Presentation medal from 2004. His presentation on Costa Rican coinage was the first of many he's given over the years.

Dean showed a Canadian 2021 Bluenose dime with a missing "C" in the word cents. A nice discussion ensued about the degree of that letter missing on different examples (and some dimes with even more letters missing). The consensus seemed to be that it was from a blob of grease that got stuck on the die. One coin that he showed had a slight divot next to the missing letter, which was likely a dislodged bit of grease forming the indentation with a subsequent striking.

Michael showed his Medal Collectors of America medal featuring an octopus hoarding a treasure chest of coins.

Stephen shared highlights of minutes from some archived PCNS meetings, where coins were reported to be handed out to members present: March 1922 meeting minutes where the secretary is noted to have passed away. At that meeting Mr. Frank exhibited and furnished the Alabama half dollar and 1921 Peace Dollars to members present; in April 1922 the Grant half dollar was given to members present; in June 1922 more 1921 Peace Dollars were handed out to members who had not received one before; April 1926- coins that had been through the 1906 earthquake and fire (20 years earlier) were distributed to members, a gift of Farran Zerbe.