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PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
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1287th Monthly Meeting

Early Toy Coins

John Duff

Wednesday, July 26, 2023, 7:30 PM PDT
Online



Toy coins are, thankfully, exactly what one would expect given the name. Basically, toy money takes the place of actual money in a wide variety of situations, from counting aids to educational settings to substituting for cash in board games or casinos. I wouldn't recommend, however, that you walk up to a craps table and ask the boxman for "toy money" in exchange for your cash.

Join us online on **Wednesday, July 26** when **John Duff** will tell ua about early examples of toy coins. Plan to exhibit your toy coins, coin toys, or your recent acquisitions. So that everyone may participate, please take pictures of your exhibits to facilitate viewing on Zoom.



JUNE BBQ HIGHLIGHTS

Eighteen PCNS members and friends gathered in Berkeley for the 2023 summer BBQ. The weather was beautiful, and the food spread was particularly delicious, with grilled meats and vegetables, beans, salads, and—naturally—dessert, most notably, homemade flan.



The agenda for a June gathering is very brief, focusing on announcements and the presentation of awards. President Jason Macario had the pleasure of distributing the following medals:

- First-time speaker medal for **Jeff Pritchard**, who, regrettably, couldn't join us.
- Second place medal for the 2023 Papers Contest to **William Hyder**, for *An 1876 Centennial Double Eagle Pictorial Shell Card*.

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PCNS MEETINGS

PCNS meetings take place at 7:30 pm on the fourth Wednesday of most months. Currently, meetings are held online using the Zoom platform, thereby allowing members, presenters, and guests to attend no matter where they are located. Everyone with an interest in numismatics is welcome to attend. A meeting code/invitation link will be emailed to all members separately the day before the meeting; non-members can request a link by emailing webmaster@pcns.org.

Special occasions, such as the annual BBQ, will continue to occur in person.

PCNS CALENDAR FOR 2023

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| July 26, 2023 | | John Duff, Early Toy Coins |
| August 23, 2023 | | Douglas Ward, Half Unions, Half Measures, and Hidden Treasurers |
| September 27, 2023 | | Speaker and Topic TBA* |
| October 25, 2023 | | Speaker and Topic TBA* |
| November 29, 2023 | | Speaker and Topic TBA* |

SPEAK UP!

There are always opportunities for **you** to make a presentation. Thanks to Zoom, you don't even need to be in San Francisco. Your topic can even be something about which you have submitted or plan to submit a *Paper*. Please email webmaster@pcns.org to sign up.

JUNE BBQ HIGHLIGHTS (CONT'D)

- First place medal for the 2023 Papers Contest to **Michael Wehner** for *The Nobel Prize Medals*.

Congratulations to all three honorees.

For the first in-person gathering in a year, we held a drawing, raising \$115 for the PCNS General Fund. Winners were:

- **Doug**: PCNS 800th Meeting Medal.
- **Paul**: 1980 US Mint Proof Set.
- **Bill**: Collection of West Coast tokens donated by Jerry Schimmel.
- **Federico**: 1971-S Uncirculated 40% Silver Eisenhower Dollar in original mint packaging (a.k.a., a "Blue Ike").
- **Mike**: Collection of bar tokens donated by Jerry Schimmel.

Once again, we thank Federico and Angela Castillo and their son Federico Jr. for their generous hospitality.



Milton Bradley's Toy Versions of a Quarter Eagle, Half Eagle, Eagle, and Double Eagle

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