

Minutes of Our Club's Meeting on ZOOM of June 9, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Officers in attendance were:

President	Patrick Carpenter
Recording Secretary	Nick Shell
Treasurer	Marty Hartzell

In attendance were 24 club members and one guest.

Minutes of the May 12, 2021 meeting were read and accepted.

Gold was at \$1,895.41 Silver was at \$27.90

The June edition of the club's newsletter was mentioned. Thanks to John Bither for a great article about one of the greatest US coin designers, Christian Gobrecht. Thanks to Nelson Sagastume for putting it all together.

Upcoming coin shows were mentioned. An update was provided about the progress in planning the club's coin show scheduled for September 24 & 25.

The clean up of the club's closet was mentioned. Thanks to the cleaning crew: Bob Shanks, John Degen, Rick Yadon, Nelson Sagastume and Patrick Carpenter.

An educational presentation was made by John Degen about the use of Ruthenium on collectable coins. The element is used to dramatically highlight a coin's design features creating great contrast as the element creates a black surface. At present, no mint is using it in their production of coins and so all coins with ruthenium are after-market modifications. Prices for such coins are fairly reasonable (often less than \$100). John showed many examples. Many thanks to John for a good presentation.

The mint's roll-out of the 2021 Morgan dollars was discussed. Many club members were frustrated in their attempt to order the coins from the mint.

It was noted that A&D Coin & Jewelry made a very nice donation to the club of all income coming from the sale of red books to club members. Thanks, again, go to Rick and John.

Our club has become a patron of the upcoming World's Fair of Money to be held in Chicago in August. Our donation of \$100 will help with the Fair's exhibits, programs and auctions.

Show and Tell:

- Mike Grieneisen presented an example of Swedish Plate Money, 4 Daler. Amazing!
- Bette Barr presented a 1566 sixpence with Elizabeth I and an Athenian tetradrachm that is about 2,500 years old.
- Tim Treichelt presented a \$100 Confederate States of America note from 1862.
- Scott Newens presented an 1829 Mexican 2 Real coin that his wife found while metal detecting.

The Show & Tell prize, a 1923 Peace Dollar, was won by Scott Newens.

The door prize, a 1921 S Morgan Dollar, was won by Bob Shanks.

Meeting was adjourned about 9 pm. The next meeting will be July 14, 2021.