

Minutes of Our Meeting of December 8, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting location was the Swanston Community Center at 2350 Northrop Avenue in Sacramento.

Officers in attendance were: President, Patrick Carpenter, Vice President Richmond Johnston, and Treasurer, Marty Hartzell. In attendance were 33 club members and six guests.

One member of our club who was not able to be present at the meeting, but was recovering from injuries from a car wreck is Dave Sperry. Many in attendance wished him well.

Dinner was served. Many thanks to everyone who brought so much wonderful food to share.

Minutes of the November 10, 2021 meeting were accepted.

Gold was \$1,783.70 Silver was \$22.45

The December edition of the club's newsletter was mentioned. It was distributed on December 2nd. It featured an article from Nancy Oliver & Richard Kelly about the baffling disappearance of fifty pieces of 1841 New Orleans Half Eagles. There was information about the 2022 design for the Native American Dollar celebrating Ely S. Parker, military secretary to General Grant during the Civil War. Also featured was information about a rare colonial recently auctioned for more than \$350,000. Many thanks to Nancy & Rich for their great research and writing. Thanks also to Nelson Sagastume for putting it all together.

The first prize of the evening was given for the folks who back in January guessed closest to the current price of gold and silver. The winner of the gold prize, a two-peso gold coin, was Rich Kelly. The winner of the silver prize, an 1885 O Morgan Dollar MS 64, was Bob Shanks.

Upcoming coin shows were mentioned.

Our club's coin shows in 2022 will be May 6 & 7 and September 23 & 24.

Marty Hartzell gave a treasurer's report:

Club's checking balance = \$16,870 Cash on hand = \$800

Profit from September coin show was approximately \$2,500

Members were reminded that it is time to pay their annual dues for 2022. There were no dues collected for 2021, except for folks that joined the club that year. For 2022, dues are \$10 for adults, and \$5 for youth members. Folks who had not paid their 2020 dues when we shut down for COVID will owe \$20. Lifetime memberships are recommended and cost \$100.

The Club President asked for volunteers for two key positions that are needed when we have "in person" club meetings. We are very glad and grateful that these fine club members volunteered for these positions:

Assistant Auction Coordinator – Troy Dinin

Assistant Treasurer – Marlain Minardi

The auction occurred with expert auctioneer, John Degen.

A drawing among those who wore festive holiday dress to the meeting occurred – Edward Stewart won a Slabbed Silver Eagle MS69 and a bottle of Amaretto.

The raffle occurred and Carla Knapp won the privilege of taking home the coolers and drinks and will bring them to our next "in person" club meeting. Carla also got to take home the top prize of a 1/10th ounce gold coin.

The Club distributed holiday gifts to all members present.

The meeting adjourned at about 9:15. The meeting room was cleaned up and we were out of the meeting place by 9:45.