

## SVCC Meeting Minutes of February 12, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. This meeting convened at our regular meeting spot, Swanston Community Center in Sacramento.

Metal closing prices:                      Gold:    \$ 2,904.17                      Silver: \$ 32.23

Gold was up about 5.1% over the last meeting and silver was up about 4.6%.

### **Club Officers in attendance:**

President – Gary Cathey

Vice President – Flavio Huizar

Treasurer – Patrick Carpenter

Assistant Treasurer – Nick Shel

Corresponding Secretary – Mike Grieneisen

Recording Secretary – Rick Yadon

**Guests:** We had 6 guests at the meeting as follows: Keitha Hunter, Pat Carpenter's spouse, and special thanks Keitha for keeping Pat mobile and at our meetings while he convalesces as well as helping with many tasks and clean up.

Bev Harris (who said she would be rejoining the club in the near future, but as of now she is a guest)

Other guests were Adam Jabes, Diane Branton, Bridget Branton and Niko Saladojevic.

**Attendance** – Plus guests referenced above, we had 56 club members in attendance, including 5 new members as follows:

Daniel Wilson

Damon Walcott

Jarad Haselton

Stewart Evans (a past member who hasn't been active for quite a while - he joined as a life member)

Monique Cox

**Total in attendance, guests and members, 62.**

**New Club Members** – A few of these were club members for a while, we had just not done the proper club business of officially voting. New members include Stewart Evans (no slip), Annur Malik, Jenny Collins, Colin Schultte, Blake Fields, Jarod Haselton, Daniel Wilson and Monique Cox. Of note, guest Damon Walcott applied for membership and was resoundingly approved by the members at large. Welcome to all!

**Members ill or injured** - It was reported by Beverly Harris that member Jim Anderson had passed away on January 15, 2025. Jim's last official meeting was the Induction dinner of January 8, 2025, at The Lake Natoma Inn in Folsom. Jim belonged to over 30 clubs including historical and music clubs. His wit and in-depth knowledge of coins and associated history will be sorely missed by all. RIP, dear friend Jim.

**Past Meeting Minutes** - Minutes of our last club meeting, the regular club meeting on January 22, 2025, were provided to club members by email several days before the meeting. The reading of the minutes of our last meeting were waived and the minutes were approved.

**Financial Report** – No financials were reported at this meeting and will be presented at the February 26, 2025, meeting.

**Other Announcements** - Time for members to pay club dues. Please see Pat Carpenter to settle up by February 28 to keep your membership in good standing.

The SVCC 2025 calendar, a work in progress by the SVCC Board, has been published on the SVCC website and is complete through June/July 2025. As progress is made, updates will be published to the website.

We still need members for educational forums for the 2025 calendar year. Please see President Gary Cathey to volunteer to make SVCC members just a little bit smarter. We look forward to your educational forums.

President Gary C. announced that as of Sunday, February 9, 2025, President Trump ordered the US Mint to stop production of the US Cent. Seigniorage is now about 3.7 cents per coin. Also noted is that the seigniorage for the US Nickel is about 13.8 cents. Updates will follow.

**Upcoming Coin Show News** – Bob Shanks reported that the Spring SVCC show will be on April 17 - 19 at The Four Points by Sheraton at 4900 Duckhorn Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834.

Other near-by shows and times: Discount coupons are on the table at the meeting room door.

Redwood Empire Coin Club - hosts a coin show this weekend, February 14 and 15 in Santa Rosa.

Sunnyvale Coin Club, March 21 and 22

Cupertino Coin Club, April 13

SVCC coin show, Thursday April 17 - 19 in Sacramento at The Four Points by Sheraton at 4900 Duckhorn Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834

Pat passed a sign-up sheet for volunteers for the show as well as pinged membership to sign up for one of the 8 slots available for exhibit opportunities. Thus far 22 slots have been taken with 14 to go. Also, for participating in the Exhibits portion of the show, 2 slots have been filled leaving 6 to fill.

**Show and Tell** – Tonight's theme was designated "Superbowl" or AKA, Chiefs and Eagles.

Nick S. - Shared an 1877 15 Rouble coin from Russia. Of note this was a 1-year type and the eagle depicted had 2 heads. Nick had just had this coin graded as it was supposed to be UNC but came back at AU 58.

Troy D. - Troy shared a "hook neck" 8 Reales from Mexico. Noted as a hook neck because it is a side profile instead of the eagle head on. This was a 2-year type, being minted in 1823 and 1824 only.

Steve W. - Shared a Kennedy half dollar, and noted it depicts "Commander in chief" (Kennedy on the obverse) and a shielded eagle on the reverse.

Marty H. Shared a raw 1908 1/2 Eagle in XF condition. Marty noted that the native American (Chief) on the obverse depicts a chief and on the reverse is an eagle,

Mike R. - Shared a 2021 2 dollar silver coin from The Cook Islands, depicting 2 eagles on the reverse instead of a usual single eagle. It is even deemed a "double eagle" by The Cook Islands.

Gene C. - Shared a medal depicting the Patriots beating the Eagles in the Superbowl of 2005

Mike G. - Mike shared 2 bank notes with eagles from 1919, Armenia of 100 Roubles (the currency unit which Armenia used from 1918-1920). The eagle has a sword and the snake in his talons is cut in half, probably depicting their revolution against Russia at that time. He also shared a 1987 dated 5 oz silver medal from the ANA show that year, which had the traditional Mexican eagle on the reverse.

Bill W. - Shared an American Silver Eagle, first depicting a privy mark. Contracted by the US Mint to a company called "Nice Game." Watch for others depicting several DC Comic characters as privy marks.

Glenn S. - Shared a bi-metallic coin from Mexico depicting an eagle.

Byron S. - Shared an Eisenhower dollar with the commander in chief on the obverse and an eagle on the reverse. It was slabbed and graded at MS 70.

Rick K. - Shared an 1874 CC half dollar depicting an eagle on the reverse, and a gold coin with Indians on the obverse and an Eagle on the Reverse. He just recently acquired a 1908s.

Damon W. - Shared a 1935 half dollar he just got back from PCGS, without chiefs or eagles, however it does depict the Spanish Trail, which runs from St. Augustine, FL, to El Paso, TX, and the trail does pass through New Orleans, thus the Super Bowl Connection.

Ross - a renowned currency collector, shared a \$20 gold note from 1886 depicting an eagle, and a black eagle note depicting a black eagle.

Gary C. - Shared an Indian chief \$5 note from 1899, successors to the Educational Series, which was cancelled in 1899.

Pat C. - Shared an Austrian Florin from 1886, the country from which Pat's grandfather originated. It depicts a double headed eagle, which was used since 1519. He also shared a 2 Zloty coin from Poland depicting a white eagle, which stands for the country's strength, sovereignty and freedom.

**Break time** started at 7:48 p.m. and ended at 8:05 p.m.

**Auction** - The auction began at 8:10 p.m. with John Degan presiding as auctioneer. Assisting as runners for auction items were Christine Spring, Bob Shanks, Marty Hartzell and John Bither. There were 2 donated items followed by 90 lots of numismatic items that club members submitted for bidding and purchase. The auction was completed at 9:08 p.m.

**Raffle** – The top prize, a 1/10<sup>th</sup>-ounce British Britannia gold bullion coin, and was won by former club President, Bruce Williams. Congratulations to Bruce!

**Next Meeting** – Our next club meeting will be in two weeks on February 26, 2025. The meeting will be an educational forum with Dennis Hengeveld, Senior Numismatist of Stack's Bowers Galleries. Dennis will be discussing his recent book, "Paper Dreams: A History of California Through Its Paper Money," which explores the history of California through its currency, highlighting the cultural, economic, and social developments of the state. Of course, we will also enjoy an auction, our regular meeting raffle, and other coin collecting fun.

The meeting concluded at 9:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, February 19, 2025 - Rick Yadon, Recording Secretary SVCC