

PCNS 100th Anniversary Banquet

Thank you to Mary Lannin for calling the Mint's attention to our anniversary.

1915 - 2015: PCNS is celebrating 100 years!



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Mr. Herb Miles
President
Pacific Coast Numismatic Society
5423 Highland Avenue
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Dear Mr. Miles:

I am very pleased to congratulate the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society on its 100th anniversary in September 2015.

Since Farran Zerbe founded your society a century ago, it has played an important role in preserving our numismatic heritage. The Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, the second oldest numismatic club in the United States, has been involved in the production of commemorative coins and medals that recognize important events in our nation's history. In addition, the club's preservation of photographs and San Francisco history dating back to 1915 will ensure that these records are available for future generations.

As you celebrate the centennial of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, I commend your efforts and offer my best wishes for continued success!

Sincerely,


Rhett Jeppson
Principal Deputy Director
United States Mint



1194th meeting of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society

7:30PM Wednesday October 28, 2015

Re-use of Seleucid Obverse Dies

by

Mary Lannin

1193rd meeting, September 26, 2015

We held our 100th Anniversary Banquet at the Argonaut Hotel near Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco. Forty-two members and guests, including two 50 year (or longer) members, attended the banquet.

Our guest speaker, David McCarthy presented a talk on **The 2013 Saddle Ridge Gold Coin Hoard**.

"We all dream about discovering buried treasure; seeing the real thing in person – piles of gold coins encrusted in dirt and rust – the experience was just indescribable," said McCarthy. "Never in my wildest dreams would I imagine coins coming out of the ground in the kind of condition that I saw in front of me. Many pieces were finer than anything known in major collections or museums." David went on to catalog and picture many of the rarities found in the hoard.



PCNS member and newly elected ANA governor, Don Kagin, presented David with a certificate from the ANA for his numismatic education efforts. Don then presented President Herb Miles with an ANA certificate honoring the PCNS on its 100th Anniversary.

Exhibits:

Jerry displayed a variety of PPIE items including an award certificate.

Dinner attendees received a brass striking of our 100th Anniversary medal. The silver version is pictured below. All those who ordered medals received your orders at the dinner or you should have received them in the mail in the week following the banquet. In addition all those attending the banquet received a commemorative booklet and copies of the booklet were mailed to members who were unable to attend.



Literary Awards Presented at the Banquet:

First Place: Jerry Schimmel for "Chinatown Tales: La Chinesca."

Second Place: Mark Benvenuto for "Explaining the 'Most Common' Designs; From Castles and Lion to Bald Eagles and Arrows."

Third Place: William D. Hyder for "PCNS Medal Archives."

2015 meeting Schedule:

November 25, 2015: Building C, Fort Mason

December 23, 2015: Building C, Fort Mason