



*Bulletin of the*  
**PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**  
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**1299<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting**  
**Mystery of the Maiden of Holland's Freedom Hat**  
***Jeff Pritchard***

**Wednesday, July 24, 2024, 7:30 PM PDT**  
**Online**



The Maiden of Holland is a traditional representation of the nation of the Netherlands. Many images include her with the usual Liberty Pole topped with a version of the Freedom Cap (see image to the left; the Maiden is on the right). But it isn't the traditional Phrygian Cap, but rather a more contemporary man's hat (see enlargement at the right). Why the difference? It's a mystery, to me, anyway.



Join us online on **Wednesday, July 24** when **Jeff Pritchard** will hopefully reveal whether your editor interpreted the mystery correctly. Plan to exhibit your Dutch coins, Old Dutch Cleanser, or your recent acquisition. So that everyone may participate, please take pictures of your exhibits to facilitate viewing on Zoom.

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**JUNE BBQ HIGHLIGHTS**

A small—but enthusiastic—group of PCNS members and friends gathered in Berkeley for the 2024 summer BBQ. The weather was beautiful, and the food spread was particularly delicious, with grilled meats and vegetables, beans, and salads.



The agenda for a June “meeting” 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 medals for **John Duff** and **Matt Ruttle**, who, regrettably, couldn't join us.
- Second place medal for the 2024 Papers Contest to **Michael Wehner**, for *Medals of the San Francisco Mechanics' Institute Industrial Expositions*.
- First place medal for the 2024 Papers Contest to **Stephen Huston** for *A River of Gold*: *(continues...)*

## 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](mailto:webmaster@pcns.org).

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

## PCNS CALENDAR FOR 2024

**July 24, 2024** .....Jeff Pritchard, *Mystery of the Maiden of Holland's Freedom Hat*  
**August 28, 2024** .....Speaker and Topic TBA\*  
**September 25, 2024**.....Speaker and Topic TBA\*  
**October 23, 2024** .....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](mailto:webmaster@pcns.org) to sign up.

## JUNE BBQ HIGHLIGHTS (CONT'D)

*Coinage and the European Dark Ages.*

- Award for the inaugural 2023 Presentation Contest to **Jeff Pritchard** for *American Slavery and the Liberty Cap*.

Congratulations to all honorees!

For the only in-person gathering in a year, we held a drawing, raising \$50 for the PCNS General Fund. Winners were:

- **Scott**: 1904 Louisiana Expo medal, and a set of three 1959/60 Roosevelt dimes.
- **Ed**: PCNS 800th Meeting medal.
- **Federico**: 1976 U.S. Bicentennial first-day cover with a bronze Thomas Jefferson medal
- **Bill**: Collection of mixed coins and tokens donated by Jerry Schimmel, and a 1992 Endeavour Maiden Flight medal.
- **Charlie**: 1989 San Francisco Marathon medal and a



*Maiden of Holland Image From the Batavian Republic  
(During Napoleonic Occupation)*

Renaissance Faire medal.

- **Toti**: *Coins of the World* book.

Once again, we thank Federico Castillo for his generous hospitality.

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