

# The Diablo Die Break



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**The SOCIETY meets the Third Thursday monthly at the Concord Police Community Meeting Room located at 1350 Galindo Street in Concord.**

The next gathering will be the 679th meeting of the Society, Thursday, March 19, 2015. Please plan to attend.

**There will be no March general meeting because of the annual March Banquet!**

**Dues are now payable for 2015  
LAST DAY MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>!**

## **February Review:**

Roger Lyles, our guest speaker spoke on "Early American Coppers" providing samples of French & English coins used prior to statehood. He then showed examples of state coinage and the different Federal coins from 1792-1857.

## **Monthly Winners:**

**On Time:** Andrew Futterman won the 2015 Harry S. Truman Dollar Coins P&D.  
**Show & Tell:** The theme was scouting. There were 9 entries. Jim Doyle won the 2015 Harry S. Truman Dollar Coins P&D for showing his One Billion Dollar note and Ike Dollar Coin used for promoting chocolate sales for the Boy Scouts in the 1970s.

**50/50 Drawing:** \$106 was the total pot. Rob Schussman won \$53.

**Grand Prize:** 5oz. Silver Bar from the Gold Rush Coin & Jewelry Shop was won by Linda Cunha. James Laird won the secondary prize of 7 Silver Certificate Dollar Bills.

**Membership Drawing:** Mike Stanley was not present to win the 1989 Silver Eagle ungraded. Bill Green was presented to win the 1964 slabbed Kennedy ½ Dollar.



### March 2015 DNS Awards Banquet Drawing Prizes

<u>NR</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
1	Morgan Dollar	1885	MS-64	\$ 75	NGC
2	Morgan Dollar	1884-O	MS-63	50	PCGS
3	Morgan Dollar	1886	MS-63	50	PCGS
4	Morgan Dollar	1887	MS-63	50	PCGS
5	Morgan Dollar	1888	MS-63	50	PCGS
6	Morgan Dollar	1900-O	MS-63	50	PCGS
7	Morgan Dollar	1904-O	MS-63	50	PCGS
8	Morgan Dollar	1921	MS-63	50	NGC
9	Franklin Half	1955	MS-64	45	NGC
10	Large Cent	1838	VF	45	The Young Head
11	Seated Lib. Half	1874	Good	37	Arrows at Date
12	Franklin Half	1963	MS-64	32	PCGS
13	Walker Half	1942-D	AU	25	
14	Silver Bullet	N/A		25	Character Bullion
15	Mercury Dime	1937	MS-66	25	PCGS
16	Mercury Dime	1939	MS-66	25	PCGS
17	Proof Set	1995-S		25	
18	Copper Round			<u>3</u>	
				712	

TOTAL COST

(12) COINS CERTIFIED

(3) COINS RAW

(3) MISCELLANEOUS



### **This Month in American Coin/Currency History:**

03/03/1791 – Congress authorizes a Mint in a resolution.

03/03/1793 – The first circulating coins--11,178 copper coins are delivered.

03/30/1795 – First coinage, half dimes

03/23/1836 – Philadelphia Mint struck first coins on steam-driven presses at 10:35 AM

03/28/1838 – First branch mint coinage (Charlotte, half eagles)

03/03/1849 – Gold Dollars and Double Eagles approved

03/03/1851 – 3-cent coinage approved

03/03/1863 – Fractional currency notes

03/03/1863 – The Denver Branch Mint opens.

03/03/1875 – 20-cent issue approved

03/11/1878 – Philadelphia Mint struck first Morgan Silver Dollars

03/16/1933 – U.S. prohibits gold coins

03/24/1964 – Kennedy half-dollars distributed

03/23/1975 – Old San Francisco Mint saved as historical landmark

03/31/1988 – The West Point Bullion Depository becomes an official United States branch Mint.

03/13/2000 – Maryland State quarter released.

03/12/2001 – North Carolina State quarter released.

03/11/2002 – Ohio State quarter released.

03/17/2003 – Alabama State quarter released.

03/29/2004 – Florida State quarter released.

03/05/2009 – Anna Harrison coin and medal released through the First Spouse Coin and Medal Program.

03/26/2009 – Mint issues the FIRST coin with READABLE BRAIALLE at the National Federation of the Blind headquarters in Baltimore.

03/30/2009 – Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Quarter is released.

03/18/2010 – Abigail Fillmore coin and medal released through the First Spouse Coin and Medal Program.

03/23/2010 – Boy Scouts of American Centennial Silver Dollar released. (Mint Press Release, March 16, 2010)

## Upcoming Shows:

April 3-4 Sacramento	"2015" Wests Token Jamboree, Western Token Society, Clarion Hotel, 1401 Arden Way, Sacramento, Bourse: Merle Avila (707) 585-3711 or (707) 824-4811 evenings
May 1 & 2 Sacramento	Spring Coin Show, Sacramento Valley Coin Club, Four Points by Sheraton 4900 Duckhorn Drive Sacto. Call Robert Shanks 916/204-5168. Free Parking
May 17 Vallejo	43 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Vallejo Coin Show, Vallejo Numismatic Society, Florence Douglas Senior Center, 333 Amador, Edwin Hoffmark, (707) 642 - 8754
June 20-21 Modesto	Stanislaus County Coin Club's Modesto Coin and Collectibles Expo, Modesto Centre Plaza, 1000 L Street, Modesto, Bourse: Dan Brown, SCCC, P.O. Box 1672, Modesto CA 95353, (800) 471-2319 Ext. 1
June 28 Alameda	Alameda Coin Show, details TBA , Bourse Chair: Mike Leong, Phone (510) 529-8129, Email <a href="mailto:mleong12@sbcglobal.net">mleong12@sbcglobal.net</a>

## Youth Section:

### Connecting America Through Coins

### 2012 Anniversaries Making American History (US Mint)

Kids' interactive timeline: <http://www.usmint.gov/kids/campCoin/timeline/>

United States Mint Education pages: <http://www.usmint.gov/kids/games/>

<http://www.usmint.gov/kids/teacher/network>

If you have an interesting story or article that you want to share with the membership, please submit a word document to [misterbbl@yahoo.com](mailto:misterbbl@yahoo.com). Your submission can also appear on our website under "Did you know?"

### From the Board of Directors:

Our Board of Directors is requesting the general membership assist in more of the club duties. At our monthly meetings, we need help with attendance count, On Time as well as Show & Tell ticket distributions. We need members with computer skills, website contacts, mailings and other items as needed. If you have suggestions for improvements or wish to volunteer, please contact an officer or Board member. Thank you for your consideration.

# Diablo Numismatic Society 55th Anniversary Awards Banquet



**Thursday, March 19th, 2015  
Denny's Restaurant  
1313 Willow Pass Road  
Concord, CA**

Time: Social hour - 5:00 P.M.

Dinner served at – 5:30 P.M.

## Menu:

- #\_\_\_\_\_ Wild Alaskan Salmon
- #\_\_\_\_\_ Country Fried Steak
- #\_\_\_\_\_ Sirloin Steak
- #\_\_\_\_\_ Spaghetti with Meatless Sauce

Beverages and 2 sides included. Broccoli, Mac & Cheese, mashed potatoes, corn

Remit Check Payable to D.N.S.

Promptly mail this form and check to:

Diablo Numismatic Society  
P.O. Box 177  
Concord, Ca. 94522-0177

Reservations must be received no later than February 28th.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number in Party \_\_\_\_\_

X \$15.00 per attendee= \_\_\_\_\_

*No regular monthly meeting.*

*Great Prizes!*