

PCNS MEETINGS, EVENTS, SPEAKERS

Feb 22 Federico Castillo, *speaker*

Mar 22 *To be announced*

Apr 26 Jason Macario, *speaker*

May 24. . . . Dan Hipple, *speaker*

June Banquet or BBQ (some Food Event, also *TBA*)

July – Nov.. *To be announced **

* Please email webmaster@pcns.org if you can present a program during 2017. Topics can even be something about which you're writing a *Paper*.

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1210TH Monthly Meeting of the PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



France's 1931 Colonial International Expo *by Federico Castillo*

Wednesday, February 22, 2017, 7:30 PM
at Fort Mason Center, Building C, San Francisco

FEBRUARY TOPIC

France's 1931 Colonial International Expo

Who would've guessed that Federico Castillo has been collecting French medals? Or at least he became interested in the 1931 French expo and will inform and entertain us with his presentation on the topic, including his medals.
(Bring expo medals & memorabilia, or recent acquisitions.)

JANUARY PROGRAM REPORT

Herb Miles presented

Florence Evelyn Nesbit Thaw: the girl on the mirror

He described her life as a teenager modeling for artists, her transition to the theater, and her eventual affair with Stanford White, which, though it ended before her eventual marriage to Thaw, finally ended badly when her slightly deranged husband decided to kill her former lover. Thaw was tried and then retried for the crime, Evelyn managing to divorce him during his period outside of a mental facility. He was eventually acquitted in spite of having committed the crime before a public audience!

JANUARY MEMBERS EXHIBITS

Dan — a rectangular medal from a New York 1913 Sanitation expo, a Bay Bridge Opening event badge, and a copper trial stamp for the Hawaii 50¢ coin of 1883, along with a “neutron dime.”

Don K. — the actual US Mint invoice to Henry Chapman for *restriking the Bechtler gold pieces!*



Bill — California Midwinter Expo piece (1894) good for a camel ride in the Dahomey Village at the expo, a Hayes-Tilden satirical medal following their election (which was decided by jiggering the electoral college) with a reverse accusing publisher Charles Dana of the *New York Sun* of yellow journalism. Also a fancy-shaped 1880s Roos Bros. brass store card from SF.

Stephen — Ptolemy X bronze coin acquired this month, struck around the end of the 2nd Century BC for Cyprus, but it's not certain if the mint is Paphos or another provincial mint.

Bob — a recently-obtained specimen of his Grandfather's formal calling-card, acquired from someone who found it in an estate sale; an octagonal Good For 50¢ token from Ted's Place in Durand, Michigan.

Chris — a beautiful 1834 English 6d slabbed as Mint State 64.

Federico — two tokens from Texas which illustrate the cross-border nature of the economy in some small towns, as these were both denominated in Mexican Reales — a 1R of Peña, TX, and a ½R from Gongora.

JANUARY DRAWING

The drawing included many items: books, mint sets, antique postcards, maps, Siamese currency, and even Hell banknotes. Winners included Bill, Don, Dan, Mark, Chris, and Bob — some of them more than once!