

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society
May 25, 2011

Board Meeting:

Discussion of the banquet. We have 10 so far and others are thinking about it.

Whalen asked for speakers for the July meeting. No one knew anything.

He also talked about the fact that there is a problem getting our room open and set up before 7.

Wells Fargo incorrectly assessed our account \$12. Whalen got them to rescind it. But he announced that if they do that again, he will move the account to a better bank. Herb is going to check with his BofA and see if they would waive the service charge.

Whalen introduced Dwight Larkin and his wife, Hisaiyo. He told a little of the background of Dwight's father's coins and what he wants to do with them. The red book is helping him and he wants to dispose of them.

After about 20 minutes Whalen closed the board meeting and we took a short break.

At 7:45 Whalen called the meeting to order. He introduced Herb for his talk.

The Buffalo Soldiers is the name of his talk. They were the result of the all Black volunteer forces during the Civil War. There were 179,000 soldiers. 51,000 died at Gettysburg. After the war Congress created 6 all Black regiments during reconstruction. One was the 10th Cavalry under W T Sherman. They served in three key battles in the Spanish American war. Roosevelt and his Rough Riders got all the credit but the 10th Cavalry carried the brunt of the battles. The 10th Cavalry was the only regiment to serve in WWI, while the 9th Cavalry first assigned to California and they were the first park rangers at Yosemite. Private William Cathey turned out to be a woman. She had an unremarkable career in the Buffalo regiments; except that they never found out she was a woman.

For Show and Tell

Jerry Schimmel told about 2 black saloonkeepers. Headquarters was the 24th infantry regiment. About 1902 or 3 they broke up. They knew the NO JAZZ men, i.e. Jelly Roll Morton. Dance Hall girls sometimes were available. Crow's Nest was mixed race and owned by Sam King, one of the black saloonkeepers.

Ken Takahashi shared mail sent on Wells Fargo mail service in Stanislaus County. Sent by a Chinese person to a Chinese business, the name on it was illegible. Knight's Ferry was the address. 27 IRS stamps - tax stamps for things like playing cards. All are cancelled WF and Co. Dates 1864 circa.

Federico had an ostrich farm token from South Pasadena. The Audubon society said don't consume native bird feathers, buy ostrich.

Dan Hipple brought an 1892 Columbian Exposition medal. A 1916 Gold for Iron medal and an 1879 Philadelphia US Grant municipal parade medal.

Whalen shared a Remember the Maine medal, Grover Cleveland medal, Al Smith medal, and a Marion Davies medal.

Mark Clark shared a Mexico 5 peso commemorating 1810, 1910, and 2010. 2008 Independence and revolution; 12:10 SF Club Broadside for luncheons because that was the time it started. 1810 8 reales with heraldic eagle. 1866 Maximillian peso.

Stephen Huston a cast bronze coin of Garibaldi's 1849 Roman Republic. They couldn't strike coins, as they needed machinery for the army.

Herb ran the raffle with lots of good prizes.

Whalen won a shingle from Washington'

Whalen won lost Kennedy half dollars. 2002 and 2003

Lew took the penny set.

Dan Hipple won Ohio Depression Scrip Note.

Lew won a 1971 proof San Francisco silver Ike in an original mint set.

Submitted by Sandra Whalen in the absence of the secretary.