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IN MARCH ROGER LYLES SPEAKS ON EARLY AMERICAN COPPERS

Roger Lyles, a prominent member of the Fremont Coin Club will enlighten us with a talk on 'Early American Coppers'. Join Roger and your fellow members for an evening of education and camaraderie, an auction, an opportunity to win some valuable Raffle prizes and enjoy some refreshments. Bring a friend or your children or grandchildren. We look forward to seeing you there.

March's Raffle Prizes include:

1. Austria 1915 1 Ducat gold coin (restrike, .1107 oz actual gold weight)
2. 1998 U. S. Premiere Silver Proof Set
3. 1970 U. S. Mint Set
4. 1988-S Olympics commemorative silver dollar, Proof
5. Canada 1992 "Stagecoach" sterling silver dollar, BU
6. 1873 three-cent nickel
7. 1913-S Barber half dollar
8. 1862 Indian Head cent
9. 1963 \$5 U.S. Note (red seal)
10. THE BOOK: "Discovering America - The Coin Collecting Connection" by Russell Rulau

San Jose Coin Club meets on the 2nd Wed. of each month (**March 10th this month**) at American Legion Hall; Post 318, 1504 Minnesota Ave., San Jose. Doors open at approx. 6:30 PM, Youth Activities at 7:00 PM and the General Meeting at 7:30 PM.

SEE YOU THERE



HAVE YOU MOVED?

Send changes to: Membership Chair, San Jose Coin Club, PO Box 5621, San Jose, CA 95150.

Events Coming Up . . .

March 10 - General Meeting:

- Roger Lyles presentation on 'Early American Coppers'
- Medal Designs due

March 22 - Board Meeting:

- Selecting the newest member of San Jose Coin Club's Hall of Fame

April 14 - General Meeting:

- Election of Officers and Board
- Anyone wishing to run for office, contact Nominating Chair, Al Lo 408.268.5808 allosj@cs.com
- Medal Design Contest - Designs (Obverse only) must be received by the March 10th general meeting (rules included)

April 19 - Board Meeting:

Last board meeting for the current board members

April 24 - Annual Banquet:

Saturday, April 24
"It's Mardi Gras Time"
SJCC Annual Awards Banquet
 No Host Cocktails
 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
 Dinner at 7:00 PM

This only happens once a year. You won't want to miss this night out with your fellow club members.

Don't forget, the first 40 reservations get a special limited edition banquet souvenir.

In Remembrance

Life Member, Neil Lockley of San Jose, CA passed away February 4th. Neil joined the San Jose Coin Club in January, 1964 and was Life Member #286. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Neil's family.

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GORDON DONNELL'S MEMORIAL SERVICE A JOYFUL EVENT



54 members of many of the bay area's coin clubs convened at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum at 734 Marin St. in downtown Vallejo for Gordon Donnell's memorial service. It was as Gordon wished; no tears, no mourning, just remembering him and the good times. Thanks to California State Numismatic Association President and San Jose Coin Club Life Member, Michael S. Turrini, with the help of SJCC Life Member, Past President and Hall of Famer, Sally Johnson, the event went off exactly as planned. Turrini opened with welcoming comments, followed by Sally's heartfelt eulogy outlining Gordon's early life through his final days. San Jose Coin Club President, Ryan Johnson delivered the Marine Corp Prayer, as Gordon served in the Marines from 1954 - 1958. This was followed with a 'Show and Tell' by a large number of Gordon's numismatic friends. There were stories of his dedication to the hobby, his traveling from show to show and meeting to meeting and the extremes he went to get rides to these events. And yes, there many humorous stories of his smoking and how it affected all that knew him. 25 door prizes were given out and a book of Gordon's woods was auctioned with Sally Johnson placing the winning bid.

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FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

AT THE FEB 10TH GENERAL MEETING

No meeting, due to missing key.

AT THE FEB 22ND BOARD MEETING

At the February Board Meeting, **President, Ryan Johnson** called the meeting to order at 7:44 PM and welcomed twelve board members and one guest, **Ron Ishizaki**. Absent were **Youth President, Evan Menzes, Board Members, Renee Menzes and Richard Shusterman**. **Corresponding Secretary, Al Lo** received two returned show cards, an NCNA letter showing that we paid our dues (SJCC is NCNA Club #1), the usual coin club newsletters, and a thank you letter from **Joyce Kuntz**, thanking the Johnsons and the SJCC for inviting CSNA to the show and Al Lo for a great banquet, which **Treasurer, Ray Johnson** read to the board. **Ray** gave the Treasurer's Report. A discussion about how effective our show advertising is ensued. Some changes are anticipated for the 2011 show. **Historian, Sally Johnson** has pictures of **Gordon Donnell**, a card from **Joyce Kuntz**, and our NCNA Club #1 card. **Program Chair, Bill Hurja** noted that **Roger Lyles** will give his talk, "Early American Coppers" in March. **Nominating Committee Chair, Al Lo** reported that he is still working on nominations. The positions still open are for President, Vice President, and Youth President. **Banquet Chair, Ron Ishizaki** handed out a flyer titled, "San Jose Coin Club's 2010 Installation and Awards Banquet." **Ron** reported that our banquet will be on Saturday, April 24, 2010, at the Summit Steak House, 399 Silicon Valley Boulevard, San Jose. **Ron** requires that all reservations be made by April 14, and there will be no refunds. The first forty reservations will receive a banquet give-away. The theme of our banquet will be "It's Mardi Gras Time." Our banquet will be a buffet, so there will be no to-go boxes. It will be in an isolated room with bar, restaurant, and us. **Life Member, Dan Shattuc** donated bottles of wine for the event, however, if the wine is opened at the restaurant, the opener will pay a \$9.50 corkage charge. Guessing games will follow dinner, with everyone receiving prizes. There will be no bingo this year. **Youth Advisor, Sally Johnson** is investigating the cost of embroidering the club's red aprons for pages and ticket sellers at our annual show. **Newsletter Editor, Ray Johnson** received a Numismatic News article about **Gordon Donnell** from **Immediate Past President,**

Fred Davis. **Ray** passed it over to **Historian, Sally Johnson**. **Ron Ishizaki** asked **Membership Chair, Ed Sins** for a list of 15 Year Life Members and 50 Year Life Members. After checking his records, **Ed** noted that **Patricia Russ** is our only 15 Year Life Member this year. **Ed Sins** requested that our newsletter remind members that dues are due. **Ed** turned in an obituary for **Neil Lockley**. **Membership Chair, Ed Sins** received an application for membership from **Connie Michel**, sponsored by **Ron Ishizaki**. **Ed** moved to accept **Connie's** application. The motion passed. **Webmaster, Sally Johnson** noted that our club's web site at www.SanJoseCoinClub.org has 17471 hits currently. **Sally** will be upgrading our web site. A discussion about web hits ensued. **Life Member, Ron Ikebe's** father passed away at age 94. A condolence card from our club will be sent. **Hall-of-Fame Chair, Ed Sins** received four letters of nomination for two club members. These nominees will be voted on at the March board meeting.

Old Business: **Ray Johnson** wanted to explain why we could not get into the meeting hall, canceling the February General Meeting. About three years ago, the locks were changed at the club house. **Richard Boston**, who regularly opens the hall, received the only current key. All of the other old keys no longer worked. The American Legion did not notify our club about the lock change, assuming **Richard** would notify the board. He did not. **Ryan** and **Ray Johnson** asked club member, and locksmith, **David Thorpe** to come down and make a key. **Ray Johnson** made copies of the key and **Ryan** will assign keys to responsible members. **Ed Sins** noted that we had 265 continuous meetings before our 266th meeting in February. **Ron Ishizaki** recommended documenting who has keys to the club house and that the President's bag, with key, should move to the new President. At our February Board Meeting, **Ryan Johnson** issued keys to **Board Member, Keith Scott**, and **Librarian, Ed Sins**. **Sally Johnson** announced **Gordon Donnell's** Memorial Service will be held at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, 734 Marin Street, Vallejo, on Sunday, February 28, 2010. RSVP's are needed by Wednesday, February 24, 2010, because food will be served. **New Business:** **Ron Ishizaki** asked about SJCC T-shirts and suggested that we make 3" patches with our SJCC logo. **Keith Scott** suggested a pin-back with our club logo. **Lyle Okamoto** suggested gluing a pin-back on our club medals to sell more medals. A discussion about our club logo ensued. **Ed Sins**

recommended that **Recording Secretary, Lyle Okamoto** research our logo/medal design. **Ed** moved to table the issue until **Lyle** can complete the research. **Ray Johnson** seconded. The motion passed. **Ron Ishizaki** stated that the Treasurer's Annual Report should be delivered one month after the close of the fiscal year. The end of our fiscal year is April 30. A discussion about club officers fulfilling their fiscal year terms ensued. **Sally Johnson** moved to change the board meeting to the third Monday in April. The motion passed.

Show Business: **Bourse Chair, Ray Johnson** is working on improving the floor plan for the 2011 show. In 2011, we will have the Double Tree Hotel's Bayshore Ballroom from Friday through Sunday, January 28-30 only; Thursday is not available. Dealer set-up will be on Friday from 8 AM to noon. Public show hours will be noon - 6. Saturday and Sunday will be regular show hours. **Ray** noted that holding a stamp show upstairs at the same time as our show did not pan out. **Ray** reported some show expenses and income. A final report on the show should be complete by the next board meeting. **Ray** stated that there were no surprises from the hotel bill. The Double Tree Hotel did an outstanding job of setting up. **Ron Ishizaki** said that he had to move some chairs that were not set up right. **Ray** had to move some chairs too, but he regarded this as a minor thing. **Ray** recommended some adjustments in the 2011 bourse fees. **Ed Sins** moved to accept **Ray's** recommendations for bourse fees in total. **Al Lo** seconded. The motion passed. **Board Member, Bill Hurja** asked about having a 'dealers-only' day on Friday. Saturday and Sunday could be regular public days. **Ray** suggested 8 AM - 2 PM on Friday for dealers and 2 PM - 8 PM for the public. **Ray** noted that we committed to 85 room-days last year at the Double Tree Hotel. For 2011, the number 105 room-days was thrown around. **Ron Ishizaki** suggested that we get non-local dealers to fill up rooms. **Ray** said that there was a problem renting a badge printer. A badge printer and supporting equipment and supplies were purchased for \$1564. **Board Member, Herb Davidson** moved to accept the purchase of the badge equipment. **Martha Davis** seconded. The motion passed. **Ryan Johnson** will buy a black ribbon to print the backs of the badges. The backs will have a message like, "If you lose this badge, you will pay us \$25." **Ed Sins** suggested that details of small purchases be tabled for committee.

SJCC OFFICERS & BOARD

15 Seated Members

- President - **Ryan Johnson**
- Vice President - **Bill Hurja**
- Treasurer - **Ray Johnson**
- Youth President - **Evan Menzes**
- Recording Sec. - **Lyle Okamoto**
- Corresponding. Sec. - **Al Lo**
- Historian - **Sally Johnson**
- Librarian - **Ed Sins**
- Immed. Past Pres. - **Fred Davis**
- Curator - **Bill Hurja**
- Bourse Chair - **Ray Johnson**
- Webmaster - **Sally & Ryan Johnson**

BOARD MEMBERS

- Martha Davis**
- Herb Davidson**
- Renee Menzes**
- Keith Scott**
- Gordon Stubbs**
- Richard Shusterman**

Hall of Fame Members are Board Members Emeritus with full voting privileges.

The Board of Directors Meeting convenes on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 PM.

This Month, March 22, 2010

ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

Meeting Place
Denny's Restaurant
2077 North First Street
(408) 436-8481

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar 10 SJCC General Meeting
Speaker - Roger Lyles
'Early American Coppers'
- Mar 13,14 West's Token Jamboree
Red Lion Sacramento Inn
Sacramento, CA
- Mar 14 Livermore Valley Coin Show
Elk's Lodge, Livermore, CA
- Mar 19,20 Sacramento Coin Show
Spring 2010
Red Lion Sacramento Inn
Sacramento, CA
- Mar 22 SJCC Board Meeting
- Apr 14 SJCC General Meeting
Elections & Medal Design Contest
- Apr 19 SJCC Board Meeting (3rd Monday)
- Apr 23,24 Old San Francisco Mint Coin Show
Old San Francisco Mint
- Apr 24 Annual Awards Banquet
Holiday Inn - South San Jose
Summit Steak House
- May 12 SJCC General Meeting
- May 24 SJCC Board Meeting

visit: www.sanjosecoinclub.org for more info.

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Neil H. Lockley (1929 - 2010)
By Edward Sins

According to the obituary documents, Neil Lockley was born in Boston in 1929 to Lawrence and Phyllis Lockley. As early as junior high school, he learned printing as a hobby, a skill that he would retain for the rest of his productive life. Upon graduation from high school, he entered the army, training as a signal corpsman, and serving in Japan, in Korea, and later in Germany with the military.

The writer first met Neil in 1964. By that time, he had left the military, and was employed as an agent for Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance. He lived at that time with his wife, Kathe at his current home on Morse Street, across the street from his parents. He was introduced to the San Jose Coin Club by his mail carrier, Samuel Fleshman, who was very active in the club at the time. He joined the club as (now life) member #286 in January 1964, holding continuous membership since that time.

Neil joined a number of coin clubs during the period that followed. He was elected Librarian-Historian-Curator in 1965. (At that time, the functions were performed by a single officer.) He continued in this post until an occupational change prevented him from attending meetings. He had taken employment as an ambulance drive on the night shift.

Printing kept him close to the hobby. He typed and printed, at cost, the bulletins for the Lockheed Coin Club, Collectors' Coin Club, and Los Gatos Coin Club. He printed the quarterly issue of the Northern California Numismatic Association newsletter during the writer's term as editor from 1966 through 1972, and the special (blue cover) issues for the tenth, fifteenth, and twenty-fifth anniversary conventions.

Neil printed my publicity articles for the first San Jose Coin Show in 1969. Later, he typed and printed the club bulletins when I was appointed the first editor in September 1969. He continued to type and machine-fold (but not mail) the bulletins until the membership size dictated going to a mailing service.

The Prospect Press eventually became a full time occupation. He moved from the garage behind his house to a print shop on Stockton Street, in San Jose. His giant Kluge letter press and the folding machine were donated to the city museum.

After retirement, Neil and Kathe traveled extensively in their giant motor home. In his later years, he returned to the club meetings on a fairly regular basis, health permitting. He continued to remain active until his recent passing.

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Ryan and Ray Johnson bought a lap top computer to go with the badge printer. The computer's operating system did not work with the printer, so they reimbursed the club for that computer and bought a second computer that did work with the printer. Ron Ishizaki questioned how show attendees will be counted for each day. A discussion ensued. Sally Johnson suggested using colored wrist bands at our show. Bill Hurja inquired about the Dannicks Auto Care free ad in our show program. Ray answered that Dannicks has saved him a considerable amount of money on his van repairs. With the amount of miles the Johnsons put on their van for club business, Ray thought it appropriate to put a free ad in the show program. Several other ads are included in the show program for free to people or organizations who contribute to the show's success. Al Lo moved to adjourn. Keith Scott seconded. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:14 PM.

2010 National Coin Week

April 18 - 24

'Beautiful Places:

Landmarks and Mintmarks'

is the theme of 2010 National Coin Week. The theme celebrates the many historic and scenic places that have inspired designs on coins and paper money throughout U.S. and world history. ANA has several projects leading up to National Coin Week. For more information on how to participate, log onto the ANA website www.money.org, then click on Events.

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A dinner of corned beef and cabbage and biscuits and gravy, Gordon's favorite dishes, was served. Tickets for a 50/50 drawing were sold during the activities, taking in a surprising \$450. San Jose Coin Club Life Member and Current Board Member, Martha Davis won \$225 and donating the other half to the American Cancer Society in Gordon's name. It was a well planned and well executed event to memorialize one of the bay area's most avid and passionate numismatists; our 'Roving Ambassador'. We will all miss this kind and gentle man.

LOCAL COIN SHOW LISTINGS



LONG BEACH Coin, Stamp & Collectible Expo

June 3 - 5, 2010
September 23 - 25, 2010

Kids' Treasure Hunt Sat. 11 - 2 PM

ADMISSION:

General Admission: \$6.00
Children 7 & Under: **FREE**
Seniors 65 & Up: \$3.00
Club Members (w/ Membership Card): \$4.00

SHOW HOURS:

Thursday & Friday: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

CLOSED SUNDAY

Long Beach Convention Center
100 South Pine Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90802

www.longbeachexpo.com

WESTERN STATES TOKEN SOCIETY'S WEST'S TOKEN JAMBOREE 2010

March 13, 14, 2010 Sat 10 - 5:30 Sun 9 - 2:30

Red Lion Sacramento Inn, 1401 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA
Next to Sears - Capital City Frwy (Bus. I 80) & Arden Way

Early Bird Swap & Jam Session (Members Only)

Halabird - Kagin Exonumia Auction

Michael Wehner (415) 928-4469 www.exonumia.homestead.com

LIVERMORE VALLEY COIN CLUB'S 48TH ANNUAL COIN SHOW

Sunday, March 14 10 AM - 5 PM

Elk's Lodge, 940 Larkspur Dr., Livermore, CA
(First St. Exit (Springtown) Off of Highway 580)

Free Admission & Parking

SACRAMENTO COIN SHOW - SPRING 2010

March 19, 20, 2010 Fri 10 - 6 Sat 10 - 5

Red Lion Sacramento Inn, 1401 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA

Next to Sears, Capital City Frwy (Bus I80) & Arden Way

Admission \$3 (\$1 off w/ show ad card)

Parking Free

Peter McIntosh www.mcintoshcoins.com



April 9 - 11, 2010
November 19 - 21, 2010

Kids' Treasure Hunt Sat. 11 - 2 PM

General Admission: \$6.00
(Good for all 4 days)
Children 7 & Under: **FREE**
Children 8-16: \$3.00
Seniors 65 & Up: \$3.00
Club Members (w/Membership Card): \$3.00

SHOW HOURS:

Thursday 11AM - 7PM
Friday & Saturday 10AM - 7PM
Sunday 10AM - 3PM

LOCATION:

Santa Clara Convention Center
5001 Great America Parkway
Santa Clara, CA 95054

Free Parking

www.santaclaraexpo.com

OLD SAN FRANCISCO MINT COIN SHOW

April 23, 24, 2010 Fri. & Sat. 10am - 6pm

5th Street (Between Mission & Market Streets)
San Francisco, CA

Old San Francisco Mint Tours • Door Prizes

Admission \$5 (\$2 off with coupon)

Use BART - Old San Francisco Mint is ½ block
From Powell St. Bart Station

37 Tables

SAN JOSE COIN CLUB MEDAL DESIGN CONTEST RULES

1. The design must be submitted by a San Jose Coin club member.
2. The design shall be on 8½" x 11" unlined paper in a circle of a minimum of 4" to a maximum of 8" in diameter.
3. A maximum of two designs is allowed per person.
4. The subject matter of each submitted design may be in the form of a single drawing, photo, postcard or a group of drawings in one design. Since most members of the club are non artists, subject matter can be cut out or photocopied pictures, etc.
5. The subject matter of the reverse design (not included in this contest) will be the San Jose Coin Club logo and/or club information, as designated by the board of directors.
6. The subject matter of the obverse design shall be of the designer's choice and include the year of the next show. (no show information) The Board reserves the right to reject any questionable subject matter designs.



(This design cannot be used)

7. A written explanation of the submitted design can be included for clarification.
8. No names or initials are permitted on your design; these will be added to the winning design after the judging.
9. If the entry is of a private or commercial subject matter, the designer must obtain written permission from that owner and submit this permission with the design. If permission is not granted, the design will be disqualified.
10. Entries may be mailed to the club address (San Jose Coin Club, PO Box 5621, San Jose, CA 95150) or brought to the General Meeting. Entries must be submitted in a sealed envelope, with the member's name, and the words 'Medal Design Contest Chair' on the outside of the envelope.
11. All entries must be postmarked or submitted on or before the date of the regular March General Meeting.
12. In the event of IDENTICAL designs, the first submitted will be entered in the contest.
13. The winning design becomes the property of the San Jose Coin Club and will not be returned; all others will be returned.
14. The San Jose Coin Club Board of Directors reserves the right to modify the winning design to meet the requirements of the minting process. Any modifications will be cleared with the designer(s).
15. If the Medal Design Contest Chair submits a design, the President, at his/her discretion, shall appoint an alternate Medal Design Contest Chair to conduct the medal design contest process.

**San Jose Coin Club's 2010 Installation and Awards Banquet
Saturday, April 24, 2010**

No-Host Cocktail - 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM / Dinner - 7:00 PM

Holiday Inn - South San Jose - Summit Steak House

399 Silicon Valley Boulevard, San Jose, CA

(Easy access from Hwys 101 and 85 - Ample parking

Separate banquet entrance on right side of Summit Steak House)

“IT’S MARDI GRAS TIME”

- Featuring:
- * **“Blind” Gold Treasure Chest Auction**
 - * Games and Prizes and free Mardi Gras Tokens and Beads
 - * First forty reservations will receive a special limited edition banquet souvenir

Come Eat ‘til You Pop!!

- * Prime Rib with Au Jus
- * Pasta Prima Vera with Chicken
(Fettuccine with Fresh Spring Vegetables topped with Basil Wine Sauce & Chicken)
- * Garden Salad
- * Steamed Vegetable Medley
- * Dessert
- * Chefs Potatoes
- * Rolls and Butter
- * Freshly Brewed Coffee & Tea

Please make reservation and payment by April 14, 2010. Reservations made after April 14 - \$10.00 additional. Reservation Checks to be made payable to: **“San Jose Coin Club”**
If you would like a room at the Holiday Inn - South San Jose, call (800) 465-4329 or Holidayinn.com.

Mail or hand deliver at club meeting to: Ron Ishizaki
4931 Scarlett Way
San Jose, CA 95111

Cost prior to April 14th: \$30.00 per Member/First Guest - More than one (1) guest - Additional \$10.00.
Late reservations additional \$10.00. Promises to be a fun evening - bring extra cash for the Gold Chest Auction. **No refunds given.**

PLEASE DO NOT MAIL TO THE CLUB POST OFFICE BOX

San Jose Coin Club's 2010 Installation and Awards Banquet

Name of Member and Guest:	Cost Per		Late fee if applicable
1. _____	\$30.00	+	\$10.00
2. _____	\$30.00	+	\$10.00
3. _____	\$40.00	+	\$10.00
4. _____	\$40.00	+	\$10.00
			Total: \$_____