

PCNS CALENDAR FOR 2020

June 24Jason Macario, *The Great Cornerstone Mystery*
July 22Speaker & Topic TBA*
August 29Summer BBQ
Subject to change due to COVID-19 restrictions
September 30.....Speaker & Topic TBA*
October 28Speaker & Topic TBA*
November 25Speaker & Topic TBA*
DecemberHoliday gathering and election

* See "Speak Up!" below

SPEAK UP!

As can be seen above, there are ample opportunities for **you** to make a presentation. Your presentation can even be something about which you have submitted or plan to submit a *Paper*. Send an email to webmaster@pcns.org to sign up.

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1250th Monthly Meeting of the PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY



The Great Cornerstone Mystery Jason Macario

Wednesday, June 24, 2020, 7:30 PM
online

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SUMMER'S HERE, AND THE TIME IS RIGHT...

For reruns?

Back in 2017, Jason Macario gave a Hardy-Boys-themed presentation entitled *The Secrets of the Old Mint*. One segment from that presentation dealt with the famous cornerstone of the second United States Branch Mint at San Francisco, which was laid with great fanfare 150 years ago last month.

Join us on June 24 to learn about the treasures that the cornerstone may—or may not—hold, and why no one can definitively identify the cornerstone today. We invite you to share your San Francisco-minted treasures, or whatever else strikes your fancy.



The Second U.S. Branch Mint at San Francisco Under Construction

MAY MEETING RECAP

Bill Hyder presented a finely researched talk on Santa Barbara saloons and their tokens. After a trip to Santa Barbara with his wife, Bill became interested in researching the infamous saloons of the area including The Enterprise Bar, Bonetti and Pierce's Monarch Bar, The Lacey Bar (the most disorderly saloon), as well as The San Diego built in 1903 by John A. Raithel and James McEvoy. The typical token for these establishments were good for one drink or five or ten cents in trade. The story of these saloons include financial problems, a troubled partnership, a riot and even arson. We look forward to Bill's article in The TAMS Journal.

PCNS MEETINGS IN THE AGE OF COVID-19

In-person meetings of PCNS are suspended until further notice. Meetings will, however, be held online, enabling those who are unable to be in San Francisco to join us for a meeting. We are exploring the possibility of streaming and/or recording future meetings once we resume meeting in person.

One unfortunate consequence of the shutdown is the postponement of our summer BBQ from June 27 to August 29. Look for more information in next month's *Bulletin*.

MAY MEMBER EXHIBITS

Charlie: A gold piece with a story

Paul: A Monroe Doctrine commemorative half dollar, an Austrian 500 schilling, and a trivia question

Stephen: Postcard views of the 500 block of State Street, Santa Barbara

Dan: A PCNS business card from the early 2000s

Bill: The Bank token and The Banc token

Michael: Cafe New Amsterdam tokens and a song

Erik: Swiss coinage of different eras

Robert: Sacramento, Days of '49 & Pocatello, Days of Old Fort Hall tokens that depict a miner panning for gold

ZOOMING

Our June 24 meeting will take place online using the Zoom platform. If you're already familiar with Zoom, then you're all set. A meeting code/invitation link will be emailed to you separately.

If you're new to the Zoom service, you'll need to do a few things ahead of the meeting. **Don't wait until the last minute to get set up!**

Setup is fairly straightforward, but could be intimidating to those who aren't used to installing software. For detailed instructions, please see the April issue of the *Bulletin*.

Making Yourself Heard: When you join the session, your microphone is automatically muted, so no one will be able to hear you. When you wish to be heard, click the microphone icon at the bottom of the screen. Then, please re-engage the mute function. Sometimes a cough or background noise can cause you to pull the focus away from the presenter.

Member Exhibits (a.k.a., "Sharing"): Take pictures of any items you wish to exhibit, upload them to your computer or device, and share the pictures when the time comes. Holding objects up to your computer's camera **does not work**.

See you—virtually, at least—on the 24th!