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The SOCIETY meets the Third Thursday Monthly at the Veterans Memorial Bldg., 2290 Willow Pass Road. Doors open at 6 PM. Meeting starts 7 PM SHARP.

The next gathering will be the 608th meeting of the Society, Thursday, January 15th, at the hall. Please plan to attend.

Happy Holidays!

December's Meeting

**There will be no regular
December meeting due to the
Annual Banquet**

Welcome New Members

Lizzy Prince of Berkeley, Lindy Rewinkel of Walnut Creek and Lawrence Chizmar of Concord

Join us for the 49th Anniversary Awards Banquet to be held on Wednesday, March 18th at Marie Calendar's in Concord. Please see the attached sign-up sheet included with this newsletter. Note: there will not be a regular meeting in March.

Officers to serve for 2009 are as follows:

President – James Laird

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Board of Directors – Mark Clarkson, Steve McClure, Larry Casagrande

Membership Dues are due for 2009

Dues are now being collected for 2009 membership. Adults are \$10.00 and Juniors are \$5.00. You may pay at the meeting or by mail:

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November Meeting Review:

John Russell hosted his annual Coin Grading Clinic. It was again an interesting and challenging event. Thanks John!

Winners, were as follows:

On Time: Mike Turrinni

50/50: John Russell, \$44.00

Show and Tell: Karen Stephenson, with 16 participants

Raffle Drawing: Brad Lee x2, Paul Romesburg, Beth Stockholm, Steve McClure, James Laird, Glen Stephenson, Lyle Okamoto, Jon Marish, Dean Mason, Harry Davis and Syrus Flyte

1/10 oz. Gold – Darril Duthie

Membership Drawing: Slabbed Dollar – Bill Hickman, not present
2008 Silver Eagle – Bob Luna

This Month in American Coin/Currency History:

12/05/1900 – Treasury orders genuine bronze for mint medals

12/10/1690 – Massachusetts colony bills of credit for soldiers are first official currency in America

12/13/1978 – First Anthony dollar coins (dated 1979) struck for circulation

12/23/1963 – President Johnson approves Kennedy half-dollar

12/24/1912 – First coinage of nickels in San Francisco

12/31/1970 – Coinage law authorizes Eisenhower dollar

12/31/1974 – PL93-373 allowed gold ownership for U.S. citizens

Diablo Numismatic Society 49th Anniversary Awards Banquet

When: Wednesday, March 18th, 2009

Time: Conversation and Cocktails – 6:00 PM
Dinner served at – 6:45 PM

Where: Marie Callender's
2090 Diamond Blvd.
Concord, Ca.

Menu: #_____ Country Fried Steak

#_____ Roasted Turkey Dinner

#_____ Braised and Slow Roasted Pot Roast

Dinner includes Caesar Salad, Cornbread and choice of Coffee, Iced Tea or fountain drinks. The meals also includes a slice of Apple, Chocolate Cream or Lemon Meringue Pie.

Pie Choice: #_____ Apple

#_____ Chocolate Crème

#_____ Lemon Meringue

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Reservations must be received no later than March 13th.

Name: _____

Number in Party _____

X \$20.00 per attendee= _____