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# President's Message

Hello Fellow Numismatists

What an exciting year we have going! We have had several well attended shows so far this year and several will open their doors in the near future. Check out our website for dates and times.

As you have already heard this year's convention will be back in the TD Center in Greenville. We are working very hard to make it bigger and better. Bill Latour has taken the helm as Bourse Chairman and is hard at work looking for a few new dealers. Unfortunately the Baltimore show has changed it's date this year and will be the same weekend. We have received confirmation from the Federal Reserve Museum in Atlanta they will attend and set up a display for the show. We are waiting to receive confirmation from the Mint and The Bureau of Engraving and Printing. There are several hurdles we must navigate for this to happen but I believe we can work them out.

Our email program has been under way for several months. We are collecting as many members email address as possible. Our plan is to have a program in place soon for notifying members of anything that happens in the SCNA. We will be able to notify everyone quickly rather than rely on the Post Card system. If you have not responded to us with your email address please send a message to me at [twobuck-randy@yahoo.com](mailto:twobuck-randy@yahoo.com). We can receive multiple email address for anyone who would like notification at home and office.

The SCNA will be considering applicants for the Club of the Year and Member of the Year. If you want your club or member considered, we will need a letter to Pascal Brock.

Mr. Will Gragg heads our YN programs. Plans are underway for the Boy Scouts merit badge program. We are also looking for several volunteers to supervise some of the YN programs like the Penny Search and others. If you can devote two hours we would be grateful. YN's are the future of Coin Collecting and we need to help them along as much as possible. Please contact Will or myself if you are interested in helping

I would like to ask all club officers to look at your clubs spot on the SCNA website and please update information as soon as possible.

Well, happy hunting and I look forward to seeing each of you at a show soon.

Randy Clark

*From The Editor:*

This issue is packed full of useful information as well as guest articles, please take the time to read it and of course look for publishing errors.



Wow! It's June 1 and summer is upon us! Where does the time go? The SCNA is in full swing preparing for the upcoming 46th Annual SCNA show which will be back at the TD Center in Greenville SC this fall. New Bourse Chairman Bill Latour is reporting close to a sell out in tables even with Baltimore Show moving their date on top of us. Congrats to Bill for all of his hard work and dedication during his first year as Bourse Chairman.

I also see the new YN coordinator tweaking the YN program this year for the show and it appears there will be a few new twist to the program which should prove to be fun for the YN's that attend on Saturday. Also noted is another year for the Boy Scouts Program which has been a welcome addition to the show!

As of this issue the US Mint, BEP are on the tentative list to attend and there is also a push to have the SC Archive and History exhibit at the show. There is also a push to bring back guest speakers during the show so if anyone is willing to do a 50min to one hour talk please contact us.

Last but not least, help us grow the hobby by mentoring a new numismatist. Membership in the SCNA, as well as member clubs are affordable so please sponsor or encourage others to be a part of this hobby and organization.

*Steve Twitty*

SCanner Editor

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## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

It is a pleasure to welcome the latest additions to our SCNA family and we thank you for your support. We trust that your association with the SCNA will be a rewarding and educational experience for

### New Members

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### **Robert W. Ross III**

#### **YOUNG NUMISMATIST of the YEAR AWARD**

Nominations are now being accepted for the **2018** Award.

The rules are as follows:

1. Eligibility: no more than 18 years of age.
2. Membership: in both local club and SCNA.
3. Achievements must be in the numismatic field.
4. Achievements must be described in written form and should be accompanied by pictures, if available.
5. Picture of nominee should accompany nomination.
6. Nominations must be submitted by local club no later than **September 1, 2018**
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## Chuck Goergen Presents “Elvira Elisa Clain-Stefanelli’s Legacy”

By Stephen Kuhl

“Have you ever heard of Mrs. Elvira Elisa Clain-Stefanelli?” This was the question posed by Chuck Goergen at a recent meeting of the Stephen James Central Savannah River Area Coin Club in Aiken, South Carolina. According to Chuck she has “affected every coin collector in the room”.

Wow, that was some statement, and no small feat! As a member of the audience that night, I was not sure of this claim. In fact, I had never heard of this lady, so, on the surface, one might consider this assertion to be a bit of hyperbole. Perhaps it was not? As Chuck gave his presentation it quickly became clear that his declaration was true.



*Elvira Elisa Clain-Stefanelli*  
[Courtesy of Rahakabinetti  
Wordpress]



*Elvira & Vladimir Clain-Stefanelli*  
[Courtesy of Numismatics.org]

His presentation began with a history of this icon of the numismatic world.

She was born in Romania in the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century; She experienced, on a very personal level, both World Wars - to include spending approximately three years in the Buchenwald concentration camp with her husband Vladimir. It was noted that her husband was an internationally renowned and highly acclaimed numismatist. Perhaps they can be considered the first “power couple” of coin collecting!

As explained by Chuck, following the end of the Second World War Mrs. And Mr. Clain-Stefanelli immigrated to the United States. In 1956 they became the Curators of the National Numismatic Collection. This collection is held at the National Museum of American History in the Smithsonian Institution at Washington, D.C. Together, over many years, they helped expand this collection from 60,000 items to over 900,000! The current collection contains over a million items.

One of the Clain-Stefanelli’s achievements discussed by Mr. Goergen was that in 1968 they obtained (for the Smithsonian) 6,125 coins from the collection of pharmaceutical magnate Josiah K. Lilly. At the time this was one of the largest collections of domestic, foreign and ancient gold coins ever assembled, and was valued at \$5.5 million (\$24.8 million in 2018 dollars).



*Goergen with book authored by Elvira Clain-Steffanelli*  
[Courtesy Stephen Kuhl]

Unfortunately Mr. Clain-Stefanelli passed away in 1982. However, Mrs. Clain-Stefanelli continued her work, and became the Executive Director of the Smithsonian’s Coin Department. In addition to her duties as a Curator of the National Numismatic Collection, Mrs. Clain-Stefanelli was a prolific author.

She wrote many books on a multitude of numismatic topics, to include the tome *Numismatic Bibliography*, which, as its name implies, provided a comprehensive history of numismatics.

Mr. Goergen brought several of the books written by Mrs. Clain-Stefanelli for the Club members to review. At the end of the presentation he graciously placed one of the books up for auction, which resulted in a short but spirited bidding spree.



*Goergen with Denarius & Certificate of Authenticity  
– Ex-Elvira Clain-Stefanelli [Courtesy Stephen Kuhl]*

In addition to the books, Mr. Goergen brought some coins for the audience to look at. One very special item he had was a beautifully brilliant Roman Denarius, circa 211 – 206 BC, which was once owned by Mrs. Clain-Stefanelli (see Figure below). Obtaining a coin from her collection was “a dream come true” for Chuck! The coin was accompanied by a certificate of authenticity citing the Ex-Clain-Stefanelli attribution.

Chuck wrapped up his presentation by sharing the story of when he had the good fortune to personally meet Mrs. Clain-Stefanelli. Chuck had a cousin who was a Fellow with

the American Numismatic Society and knew Mrs. Clain-Stefanelli. Cousin arranged for he and Chuck to have a private tour of the Smithsonian’s collection and a “meet and greet” with her. They were taken to the non-public vault area and a Curator brought them a platter labelled “America’s Rarest Coins”. They were able to handle and examine these very rare coins, to include one of the two 1804 US Dollars in the collection! (Chuck said the full story of that tour will have to be a separate presentation. We can hardly wait to hear!) Following their inspection of America’s rarest coins, Mrs. Clain-Stefanelli spent time chatting with them about numismatics.

In a 1996 profile piece, *The Numismatist* magazine, (published by the American Numismatic Association) called her “a remarkable treasure in the world of numismatics.” Given the fascinating story of her life as presented by Chuck, it is easy to understand this characterization and to recognize that her legacy endures.



**Roman Republic; 211-206 BC. AR Denarius. Anonymous**  
**Obv: Helmeted head of Roma right, with triple earring, spike above visor, X behind.**

**Rev: The Dioscuri riding right, ROMA in linear frame below.**  
**Ref: Sear5# 38, Cr 53/2; Syd 229. 3.65g; Ex: Elvira Clain-Stefanelli Collection [Courtesy of Chuck Goergen]**

Mr. Goergen’s presentation was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience! The Club is thankful to Chuck for sharing his numismatic items, and appreciative of the effort he expended in researching and developing this program. Well Done!

**Author’s Note:** Chuck Goergen is a member and Treasurer of the Stephen James Central Savannah River Area Coin Club, and the owner of AikenAncients. Chuck has been a collector since childhood and his interests include ancient Roman and Greek, Spanish Colonial, and modern US coinage. Chuck may be contacted at [aikenancients@gmail.com](mailto:aikenancients@gmail.com).



***Attention Member Clubs***  
***We want you to come and enjoy the***  
***46th Annual SCNA Convention!!***

The SCNA will reimburse your club up to \$300.00 for rental of a vehicle/van to bring club members to the convention.

The member club must bring a minimum of 4 members and present a receipt from a car rental company.

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**SCNA CONVENTION**  
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

SCNA extends its sincere appreciation to the volunteers who worked at the 2017 Convention.

**We need volunteers again this year**

**October 26-28th, 2018,**

**TD Convention Center Greenville, SC 29607**

**People are needed to help set up and take down the showroom, run errands during the show, and work at the registration table during the show.**

**Anyone interested in helping at the show should contact:**  
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## **AREA COIN CLUB NEWS**

Thank you to all the clubs that submitted news for the Scanner.  
If you know your club has news to share please send that information as soon as it is ready for publication. We want to spread the news around and acknowledge the clubs and all the hard work you are doing.

### Midlands Coin Club Update

Happy Spring, soon to be the dog days of summer. The Midlands Coin Club is just rolling along and reports good attendance with our monthly meetings averaging 12 – 20 members in attendance. The club approved funds for a collection of Confederate currency to be donated to the Cayce Historical Museum. Two club members will be working together with the curator to display notes of the seventh issue by the Confederacy. These were printed in Columbia SC in 1864 on the historical site where a Publix now stands. The more difficult \$500 dollar note will be donated by a member. The club is excited to assist the museum by displaying a complete set and educating the public. Hopefully we will have pictures in the next Scanner.

The Midlands Coin Club is also excited to announce that one of our very own, Joshua Lazenby was awarded the Austin Sheheen Young Numismatist Scholarship from the SCNA and will be attending the ANA summer seminar in June. He was able to get the “Grading US Coins” Seminar which is Sunday through Wednesday and a mini session on Sunday evening called “US Patterns & Errors”. He is excited and will be full of knowledge when he returns!

Our Spring show was once again a success. We had two dealers not show up at the last minute but attendance was good and the dealers appeared to be pleased with the turnout. The Boy Scout Merit Badge program did well too. We had 8 scouts that earned their badge on May 5<sup>th</sup>. So proud of our newest future collectors.

The Midlands Coin Club meetings are the second Thursday of every month at the Cayce Historical Museum, 1800 12th St, Cayce, SC 29033. We have an “Under the microscope” session, sometimes featured speakers, a general business meeting and a fun auction. Visitors are welcome, come join the fun!

## SCNA AWARDS TWO ANA

# AREA COIN CLUB NEWS

### Camden Coin Club News

March 17<sup>th</sup> was the Camden Coin Club's annual spring coin show at the [Camden Recreation Department](#). We had a full Bourse and the largest attendance that we have had in several years. Our hourly drawing for door prizes was held on the hour between 10 am and 2 pm. We would like to thank all the dealers who setup at our show and all the people who attended for making this show very successful for the Club and hopefully the dealers. Looking forward to everyone returning for our fall show on September 22. We anticipate having another full Bourse at the fall show.

The Club has change it meeting location to The Lily Pad at 1036 Broad Street in down town Camden. One of our members, Bill Bake, has located his coin shop in the back of the store. If you are in Camden stop by and visit with Bill in his shop.

The Club will take a break during the months of June, July and August. We will be meeting only on first Tuesday of the month during these months. We will return to twice monthly meetings in September.

Our fall show is scheduled for September 22 at Camden Recreation Department, 1042 West DeKalb Street, Camden SC 29020. The show hours will be from 9 am until 3 pm. We are expecting a full Bourse with all the dealers from the spring show returning. Hope to see you at the fall show.

For more information about the Camden Coin Club email [camdenclub@gmail.com](mailto:camdenclub@gmail.com) or call 803-438-2866.





# **STEPHEN JAMES CSRA COIN CLUB**

## **Groundhog Day in March?**

Do you remember the 1993 movie *Groundhog Day*? In the movie Bill Murray stars as Phil, a weatherman who is covering the emergence of a groundhog from its burrow to “predict” the amount of winter remaining. Caught in a blizzard he didn't forecast, he finds himself trapped in a time warp, where his fate is to relive the same day over and over again until he gets it right.



On March 1, 2018 the SJCSRACC Board of Directors had their version of Groundhog Day. For another successive year, the entire Board graciously agreed to stand for re-election in their current positions. And the Club's membership graciously agreed to allow them to serve again!

But seriously, Folks, speaking on behalf of the entire Board, we are very thankful for the opportunity to serve the Club for another year, as we work to make the SJCSRACC the best it can be. And we sincerely appreciate the kind remarks and encouragement we heard from several members during the meeting.

As we go through this new year, please remember that the Clubs' continued success lies with new ideas and energy from its members, not just the Officers. Remember to give your time to grow our Club, it is well worth it!

## **AUGUSTA COIN CLUB NEWS**

The Augusta Coin Club publishes an exciting club newsletter (by Arno Safran) that can be viewed at the link below.

<http://www.augustacoinclub.org/index.php/monthly-newsletters>



# CALL FOR OFFICER NOMINATIONS

To comply with the South Carolina Numismatic Association Bylaws, President Randy Clark hereby calls for nominations of officers for 2018-2019 as follows:

**President**

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**Board Members (3 positions)**

The offices of President, First Vice-President, and Second Vice-President are for one year. Board Members serve two year terms.

Any Member and or Member Clubs in good standing may submit nominations. Those nominated should be reputable, experienced in some area of numismatics and willing to serve if elected.

The nominating period closes **August 25, 2018**. Send nominations and a brief resume of the nominee's numismatic activities and service to:

**Pascal Brock SCNA Secretary P.O. Box 693 Lugoff, SC 29078**



## **CALL FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS**

On behalf of the SCNA's Officers and Board Members, President Randy Clark calls for nominations for the following:

**Most Outstanding Numismatist**

**Most Outstanding Coin Club**

**Young Numismatist of the Year**

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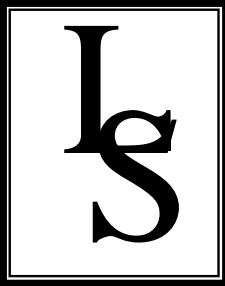
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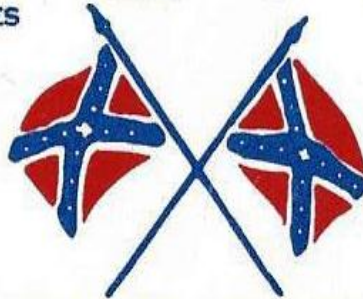


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All YN exhibitors must be members of the SCNA. All questions can be directed to the SCNA Exhibits program chairman,  
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# The YN Corner

## By Will Gragg

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### YN Corner - Starting a Coin Collection

In this section you will learn step-by-step about **starting a coin collection** and continue on to learn all you need to know to become a successful coin collector. You **can** start your own coin collection with the coins you receive in change on a daily basis while you are learning all the ins and outs of the hobby **at the same time**. That way, you can actually get a taste of coin collecting without worrying about spending a lot of money or taking a chance of actually losing money.

#### First Step - Start Your Own Coin Collection

If you are just **starting a coin collection** the best place to start is with coins from circulation. When you start a coin collection with coins from your pocket or purse, you don't have any risk. For instance, after a while, if you find that coin collecting is not for you, you can just spend the coins. [State Quarters](#) are the most frequently chosen coin series for people

**starting a coin collection**. In fact, this particular series is responsible for bringing thousands of new coin collectors into the hobby. The series has lots of interesting coins since each state's coin has a unique design and they are perfect for someone just **starting a coin collection**.

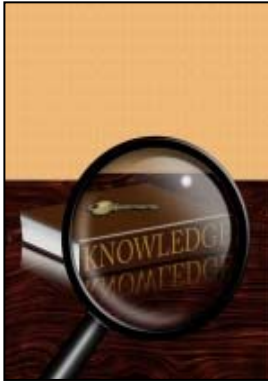


Another great series for **starting a coin collection** is the [Presidential Dollar Series](#). Although, in my experience, this series of coins is not as widely available in circulation as the state quarters. If you are interested in collecting Presidential Dollars, you can check with your bank to see which coins they have available, or you can search eBay or [Amazon](#). Presidential Dollar coins for the current year can be found on the [U.S. Mint's site](#). You may also decide that you want to start your collecting hobby with [Lincoln Cents](#), [Jefferson Nickels](#), or [Roosevelt Dimes](#).

#### So, here is how you start your own coin collection:

Start saving coins from the change you receive for everyday purchases. It could be State Quarters, Presidential dollars, or

whatever series of coins you decide to star with. It is best to narrow your focus when **just starting a coin collection**. If you try to collect too many different series at once, you may overwhelmed. After you get a few coins together, you might want to purchase an inexpensive album to keep the coins organized. They are available with a slot for each coin that you will need to complete the set, and they will work fine for circulated coins. Find a good [reference book](#), search the Internet or subscribe to some weekly and monthly [publications](#) about the area of coin collecting that you are most interested in. You might want to start with a book about [State Quarters](#) or [Presidential Dollars](#), or just US coins in general and begin studying.



**Knowledge is the Key to Success** in coin collecting as it is in just about any other hobby or area of interest you pursue. If you don't take the time to educate yourself, you run the risk of wasting a lot of money on coins that are either over-graded, counterfeit or have some other problem. So, please take the time to educate yourself while you are enjoying your first taste of coin collecting with a fun collection of coins from circulation.

If your collection is not growing as fast as you would like it to, you can purchase rolls of coins from your local bank. Sort through the coins and find the ones you need to complete the set, then take the ones you don't need back to the bank and start the process all over again.

As your collection is growing, continue to learn all you can about coins and coin collecting so that when you are ready to increase your collection to include more rare and valuable coins you will have the knowledge and confidence to know that you are also making a good investment.

Start small when you are **starting a coin collection** and then work your way up to more valuable coins as your knowledge increases. Learn all about modern coins and their history, then work your way back to older and rare coins. Get a solid foundation before you spend much money.

Just remember, **starting a coin collection** is not hard. In fact, it can be quite fun and educational. And there are no set rules about what your collection should contain. The most important thing is to have fun with it.

## Lost SCNA Life Members

**Over the past several years SCNA has lost contact with many of its Life Members. We need your help finding them. I have listed our “lost” Life Members below with the last know location of the member. If you know the Life Member please ask them to contact me or you can send me an email or letter with any information about their whereabouts.**

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# **Collecting the Coronet \$5 Half Eagles – Or at Least the Common Ones**

**By Mark Benvenuto**

When it comes to building a great coin collection, the king of the metals is undoubtedly gold. Throughout history, coins have been made from copper, silver, or gold – with some brass and other alloy coins thrown in there as well. But of the three elemental metals, gold is always used for the coins of highest value. This all sounds wonderful and rather historic, but the fly in the ointment for many of us wanting to collect is the prices. Gold is always expensive compared to the other two.

Keeping the price of gold in mind, it is worth looking about to see if there are any series of gold coins that might be collectible, even though we know the price tags will never be chump change. A quick look lands us at the Coronet \$5 gold pieces that were issued and used in the United States from 1839 all the way up to 1908.

The design work for the Coronet gold pieces – for they were made as \$2.50 quarter eagles, \$5 half eagles, and \$10 eagles right from the beginning – is that of Mint Engraver Christian Gobrecht. For the first full decade of their production as half eagles, there are not too many dates or mint marks we could consider common today; so let's look at this collection from the other end. Let's start with the twentieth century issues.

Issued up to 1908, there are eighteen different dates and mint-marks from which to choose, if we make the year 1900 our start point. All are now well over one hundred years old, making them real pieces of U.S. history. Nine are from the main Mint in Philadelphia, seven are from the West Coast branch Mint at San Francisco, and the other two are the only two years of issue for these gold pieces from the branch Mint in Denver. Three of these eighteen dates saw mintages of more than a million coins, with the 1901-S being the most common by far, with just over 3.6 million as its official total. So, if we want to start a collection here, what is the baseline cost for each piece?

As this is being written, many of the common date Coronet \$5 gold pieces cost about \$450 in MS-60. While that's not a great number in terms of a grade for a mint state coin, it does represent a piece that shows no wear. If the cost induces a bit of sticker shock, let's do some basic math. First and obviously, these are gold coins, and so will never be the stuff of bargain bins. Second, each contains 0.24187 ounces of gold, so when gold metal on the world markets is \$1,300 per ounce, there is \$314.43 of gold in each coin – meaning there is only \$135 of the price that is above and beyond the cost of the gold. Third, and perhaps most importantly, the price of one of these coins in a grade as low as fine, or F-12, is still about \$400. So for that extra \$50, you are getting a much better coin.

Armed with these figures, \$450 might still be more than we normally spend on a single coin. If that is the case, well, it's time to save up. If we are brutally honest with ourselves, we will probably find there is some waste in our daily spending. It may take a month or two to gather an extra \$450, but it's not an impossible goal.

In that run from 1900 until the end of the series, we'll find that there are a few dates or mint marks that are scarce enough that they will not ring in at the price we just mentioned. It's worth a sigh or two, but it's probably best to move on. After all, in building this type of collection, it is not as if we are trying to fill holes in pre-cut cardboard sheets. We have to expect a few missing dates or mint marks.

Keeping our base price in mind, a serious glance through any of the major price lists shows us that we can probably stick to that price all the way back to 1879. That's fascinating really, as the 1879 official mint tally is 301,920 coins. Admittedly, this mintage is not a super rare half eagle, but the 1880, for example, has a mintage of 3.1 million and costs the same, at least at the MS-60 grade and any below it.

What we might call this discrepancy in the prices of half eagles exists for a very simple reason: not many people collect an entire date run or date and mint mark run of any United States gold coin series.

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The perception is that it is just too expensive. Most people therefore stick to something like assembling a type set of U.S. gold coins. Start with one each of the quarter eagle, half eagle, eagle, and double eagle (if that last one is within the budget). Perhaps that quartet can be expanded with a one-dollar gold piece and a three-dollar piece. But since that is where many of us stop, this influences the market, keeping the price down for some half eagles that may be worth a bit more. That then means pieces such as the 1879 become quite the bargain. There may be others as well.



If you have read this far, and are still uncertain about the possibility of forming a collection of Coronet \$5 gold pieces, keep two tips in mind. Number one: purchase what you can afford, but nothing higher. If it takes a few months to save up for even one of these half eagles, that's okay. Good collections do take time. Number two: keep in mind that this hobby is supposed to be fun. Don't let the quest for a specific date or mint mark detract from the overall collection you are building.

Overall, if we have never collected coins that cost at least \$450 each, this first foray into gold might seem a bit daunting. But if we stick to a budget, and keep in mind that we are building a collection that is fun as well as historical, this jump into the deep end can be a jump into a wonderful new aspect of numismatics.

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Application blanks may be obtained by writing or e-mailing the SCNA Secretary, Pascal Brock, P.O. Box 693, Lugoff, SC 29078 or [pascalbrock@gmail.com](mailto:pascalbrock@gmail.com).

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Name of Nominee if Different from Applicant

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Address

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Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

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I give permission for the applicant to apply for the SCNA Scholarship and attend the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado if awarded. The decision of the Scholarship Committee is final. I also give permission to use and publish photographic images of the scholarship winner. Winners are asked to write a report on his/her ANA Seminar experiences.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

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Signature of Applicant (YN)

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(Completed application, self-nomination letter, at least 2 nomination/recommendation documents, and any other supporting material for this application must be returned to the SCNA Secretary noted above by December 31.)

SCNA Secretary, Pascal Brock, P.O. Box 693, Lugoff, SC 29078

**SCNA**

**2018 CONVENTION**

**SENIOR EXHIBIT PROGRAM**

First Prize is a Quarter Ounce (1/4) Gold Piece

Second and Third Prize is a One Tenth Ounce (1/10) Gold Piece

Show cases will be provided, exhibitors should compete an application and forward to the exhibit chairman before

October 15, 2018. Rules and application are available upon request. Questions should be directed to

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# **SCNA 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention**

## **Letter from Bourse Chairman**

### **Bill Latour**

The 2018 SCNA Convention is back in Greenville at the TD Convention center. Well sort of, same place and same convention hall, however the TD Convention Center is being renamed the Greenville Convention Center effective October 1<sup>st</sup>. As of April 28<sup>th</sup>, 103 tables have already been confirmed for the show. Despite Baltimore having scheduled their fall show the same weekend, we are well on our way to having a full bourse floor. For those dealers and up-and-coming dealers who have not signed up for the convention you are strongly encouraged to do so soon. As always, returning dealers will have priority the following year. Why is that important, six dealers have chosen to go to Baltimore and will be replaced this year with no guarantee of a table next year.

The Federal Reserve Atlanta Museum has committed to the show. The U.S. Mint and Bureau of Engraving and Printing have been invited but cannot confirm until next year's federal budget is approved. We have added another supply dealer to the show with a much more expansive inventory of reference materials and gold panning is back.

We expect to stay at the Greenville Convention Center for years to come. However, we will have a new semi-permanent home within the Greenville Convention Center beginning in 2019 as we will move to the front end of the TD Convention Center to Conference Hall #1 downstairs. We will still have the same amenities, better public parking and for dealers, the continued ability to drive into the bourse room to unload and pack out.

We will continue with our longstanding tradition of the Sunday morning Awards Breakfast and this year we will again be opening it up to all SCNA members and dealers. We will have breakfast on the bourse floor in the meeting room starting at 8:30am on Sunday. Please note that it is a sit-down breakfast and we will present SCNA awards and conduct the Installation of Officers.

This convention is as much your convention as it is ours. If you see something that's just not right or have a recommendation please let me or any SCNA board member know. If you have any questions regarding the convention, please call me directly at 843-532-5089 Mon-Sat before 6PM or email me at [lowcountrycoins1@bellsouth.net](mailto:lowcountrycoins1@bellsouth.net).

Thank you,

**Bill Latour**  
**Bourse Chairman, SCNA**

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## ***46h Annual SCNA Convention TD Convention Center***

Exposition Drive Greenville, SC 29607

Friday, October 26, 2018 10am– 6pm

Saturday, October 27, 2018 10am– 6pm

Sunday, October 28, 2018 10am– 3pm



The SCNA Young Numismatist Program will be held on Saturday, October 27th. This free event gives youth an opportunity to meet fellow collectors, learn about numismatics and continue the hobby we all love.

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