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Greetings to SCNA Members!

Here we are at the beginning of a new year of collecting. Things appear much changed from this time last year. While our hobby remains strong there are signs that a slow down has taken place across the entire spectrum of the hobby. The uncertainty that we see in the economy seems to be affecting all areas of discretionary spending. That said, collectors are still showing interest at coin shows large and small. My wife and I attended the FUN show in January and while we were both able to add nice pieces to our collections, we felt there was not the floor traffic that we had seen in past years. While there are not very many ancient dealers at FUN because of the conflicting dates with the New York International Show, I was still able to find a couple of interesting coins to add to my collection. Both pieces were purchased at reasonable prices. In fact, the Agrippina Sestertius by Caligula in honor of his deceased Mother has always been one of my favorite pieces. To find one in decent condition at a fair price is no easy task.

In February we visited the Low Country Coin Club's show in Ladson, SC. While the show seemed active, it appeared to be less so than last year. Nonetheless, collectors were out trying to complete their collections as I noticed several with their lists in hand. The main thing is everyone seemed to be having a good time.

Again, while our hobby may be less active than last year it has clearly not taken the "hit" that other collectibles have and it continues to show the "king of hobbies" is alive and well. I hope you will continue to support our shows in South Carolina and surrounding areas.

Enjoy Collecting.

Jim

EDITOR'S NOTE

BY: ERIK S. LARSEN

Spring is in the air here in South Carolina and I hope that everyone has had some sort of success in either completing your collection, adding new pieces that you perhaps didn't collect before or at least getting out to a show to see some neat stuff. The US Mint has announced plans to scale back on the offerings that they typically have for collectors and while some agree that "the world's largest coin dealer" should cut back, there are some interesting new offerings this year including new Lincoln cents to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of the Lincoln Cent, quarters depicting the countries territories and the District of Columbia and the ultra high relief (UHR) \$20 gold piece. With the economy lagging as it has for over a year, it will be interesting to see if demand for the UHR wanes due to the cost of gold and the new bi-weekly pricing policy the Mint has adopted to deal with commodities price fluctuation.

I was able to attend one day of the FUN show this year along with the Camden and Low Country Coin Club Shows and it appeared that the crowds were lighter than normal but according to national numismatic publications, collectors are still buying.

All SCNA members need to offer congratulations to Mr. Austin Sheheen of Camden for being selected as the new American Numismatic Association's treasurer. This is a big honor and responsibility that Austin is taking on along with serving in the same capacity for the SCNA. Kudos to Austin!

I would be remiss in not thanking all of the SCNA club leaders for sending in information on shows, club news, pictures, articles, and news items that makes being the editor of this publication much easier. It is time to pass the torch though, as this publication will need another editor after 3 years of my stewardship. If you are interested, please contact President Jim Barry or any other SCNA Board members. Their contact information is on the SCNA website, www.sc-na.org.

This issue of the SCanner features the articles Collecting the US Coins of 1809-Our Circulating Coinage Two Centuries Ago by frequent contributor Arno Safran and The Dime by longtime SCNA member Robert W. Ross III. If you have written any interesting articles from the world of numismatics, please feel free to forward them to the Editor for inclusion to this publication. The best way to send them to me is via email at Larsen770@aol.com.

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Members and 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, 2009. Send nominations and a brief resume of the nominee's numismatic activities and service to:

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Any member of the SCNA can make nominations for either of these awards. Please forward any nominations to:

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

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Austin Sheheen Appointed ANA Treasurer

Austin M. Sheheen Jr. of Camden, S.C. has been appointed treasurer of the American Numismatic Association, President Barry Stuppler has announced. An ANA member since 1958, he replaces Adna G. Wilde Jr., who passed away in November.

Sheheen is a founding member of Sheheen, Hancock & Godwin, CPAs and former Air Force officer, who also served 24 years on the Kershaw County Council -- 16 as chairman. During his career he has earned numerous awards from the South Carolina Association of CPAs. He is an avid collector and former president of the World Society of Paper Money Collectors.

"We are truly fortunate to have someone with Austin's extraordinary credentials volunteer to serve as treasurer of the ANA," Stuppler said. "His knowledge and insight will be invaluable in helping the ANA re-establish its financial stability after several years of budget deficits."

As treasurer, Sheheen will serve as chair of the Finance Committee; work with the executive director and controller to ensure that appropriate financial reports are made available to the Board of Governors in a timely manner; review the annual budget prior to presentation to the Board; provide periodic written treasurer's reports to the executive director and Board; and review the annual audit and annual tax returns as prepared by the Association's accountants, among other duties.

He will begin his duties this month.

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Salvation Army Maj. Art Penhale says the anonymous donation has become a tradition. He says that money will help 3,200 families. The Salvation Army needed to bring in \$16,900 a day to reach its goal but only averaged \$13,000 for 2008.

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THE DIME

BY: ROBERT W. ROSS III, LM #3

He couldn't have been more than five or six at the time. It was one of those wondrous spring days, warm and sunny, and yet not hot. It was a Sunday and his father had decided to take him to visit the Gettysburg battlefield. In typical little buy fashion, he had meandered aimlessly over the fields and in the woods, something like a young dog with his master, and yet not really.

Jumping over a log and scattering the leaves, he fell heavily, grabbing at the earth to support himself. Dirt and leaves and something cold came up in his left hand. When he dropped the debris, he saw it, a dime. He was puzzled. Why is it here? Picking it up, he examined it. It was not too shiny and yet it looked somewhat new. Pocketing his discovery, he soon forgot about it. It was rediscovered when he was undressing for bed that night. Thinking that he was indeed fortunate to have discovered such a treasure, he sheepishly placed it in a cigar box which contained his baseball cards and other treasures.

Time passed, years really, a lifetime practically, and the memento of that day was treasured and handled fondly many times. He loved it because it was old and unlike any he had ever seen. The date was 1860 and must have been carried in a soldier's pocket. Years later, he learned that the "O" on the reverse meant that it was made in New Orleans and surmised that it must have belonged to a Confederate soldier. His later fascination in studying the battles of the War Between The States caused him to reflect that a soldier might have died there and laid unnoticed. Perhaps even as he had laid there, the dime may have fallen to the earth from a pocket in his threadbare uniform pants.

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THE DIME (CONTINUED) BY: ROBERT W. ROSS III, LM #3

Joey, or Joe, as he was later called in adulthood, lived a moderately successful life. He never thought a whole lot about the dime, it was just his. He never remembered to show the dime to his father or even tell him about it.

His father lived into his nineties despite having lost a leg as a result of a wound received in the Great War. Never a soldier himself, Joey idolized his father and always thought of him as a war hero. When his father died, Joey remembered he had never told his father about the dime.

As he looked down at his father stretched out in sublime peace at the funeral home, Joey suddenly wanted to correct his oversight. Rushing home, he took the dime from its hiding place and took it back to the funeral home. Slipping it into his father's pocket, he thought how appropriate it was for the dime to be going from one dead soldier's pocket to another.

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2009 COIN SHOW CALENDAR

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- May 2 Midlands Coin Show, American Legion Hall Post #6, 200 Pickens Street, Columbia, SC. Contact Ralph Ford, bourse chairman at 803-731-9203.
- May 14, 15, 16 Whitman Atlanta Coin Show, Cobb Galleria Center, Atlanta, GA
- June 12, 13 Anderson Area Coin Show, Anderson Recreation Center, 1107 N. Murray Ave., Anderson, SC. Contact Tommy Burriss, bourse chairman at 864-226-0779.
- July 30-Aug 1, 2, 3 American Numismatic Association World's Fair of Money, Los Angeles, CA.
- August 7, 8, 9 Low Country Coin Club, Exchange Park Fairgrounds, Ladson, SC. Contact Randy Clark, bourse chmn at 843-200-7416 or twobuckrandy@yahoo.com.
- September 12 Stephen James CSRA Coin Club, H Odell Weeks Activity Center, Aiken, SC. Jim & Helen Barry, jrbarry1@bellsouth.net.
- September 19 Camden Coin Club, Camden Recreational Dept., Highway 1 South, Camden, SC. Contact LoRan Ross, 803-432-0072.
- October 2, 3, 4 NCNA Coin Show, Hickory Metro Convention Center, Contact Halbert Carmichael, 919-832-4128.
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Note: A special "Thank You" to Bob Ross for compiling all of these historical data. More information will be printed in later issues of the SCanner.



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- 4. Achievement(s) must be 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, 2009.
- 7. Nominations will be sent to:

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ANDERSON AREA COIN CLUB

The Anderson Area Coin Club is planning to have a coin show on June 12-13, 2009 at the Anderson Recreation Center on 1107 North Murray Avenue in Anderson. The hours for the show are Friday, June 12th from 10:00AM to 6:00PM and Saturday, June 13th from 10:00AM to 6:00PM. Tables are still available as of this printing and interested dealers can contact Tommy Burriss at 864-226-0779 or tommyburriss@hotmail.com.

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SCNA MEMBER CLUB NEWS, CONTINUED

The club also voted to amend its bylaws to allow Junior members (age 10 to 17) to no longer have to pay dues. Junior member dues had been \$6, or one half the Regular member dues. The meeting was the best attended so far, with 34 members and guests present.

The Myrtle Beach Coin Club meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at the Outboard Motor Club at 806 Folly Road in Socastee, S.C. Meetings, which are informal, begin at 6:30 pm and feature discussions and presentations of coin subjects, a raffle, door prizes (all who attend are eligible), an auction and refreshments. Guests are always welcome and are encouraged to attend. Admission is free. For more information, (843) 903-1223 or mbcoinclub@yahoo.com.

MIDLANDS COIN CLUB (COLUMBIA AREA)

The Midlands Coin Club's (MCC) recent elections saw Tony Chibbaro reelected as President. Other's elected were Michael Teague-Treasurer, Bill Malinowski-Secretary, Jack Khare and Greg Stowers-Board Members.

MCC meets every third Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Richland County Library main facility on Assembly Street in Columbia. An educational presentation and small member auction is conducted at each meeting. For more information about MCC contact President Tony Chibbaro (803-252-1881 or chibbaro@mindspring.com or send a written request to Midlands Coin Club, PO Box 8212, Columbia, SC 29202.

On March 19, 2009, the MCC held their annual banquet at Mark's Restaurant in Chapin, SC. A presentation on "Odd and Curious Money" was done by member Bill Malinowski. The 38 persons in attendance enjoyed the presentation, meal, camaraderie and numerous door prizes handed out to all members and guests. President Chibbaro even held a brief educational minute about the new Sacajawea dollar using the "Jeopardy" game show format

The MCC will also be sponsoring their biannual coin show on May 2nd, 2009 at the American Legion Hall, 200 Pickens Street, Columbia, SC. Public hours are 9am to 3pm. No admission. 28 dealer tables. For more information contact Greg Stowers (803-783-3307, gsstowers@msn.com) or Ralph Ford (duford@bellsouth.net).

In 1809 the United States Mint produced only five out of the ten authorized denominations; two in copper, the half cent and large cent, two in silver, the dime and half dollar and one in gold, the \$5.00 half eagle. The silver dollar along with the \$10 eagle had been suspended in 1804 and the half dime in 1805. The quarter last coined in 1807 was put on hold until 1815 and after 1808 the \$2.50 gold quarter eagle would not resurface again until 1821. In 1807 John Reich had been installed as Assistant Engraver to Robert Scot but for all intensive purposes was doing most of the work. All the coin types were based on his designs, known as Classic Heads for the copper and the Capped Bust facing left type for the silver and gold. To this date, no one really knows who the model for Miss Liberty was but the suggestion at a later time identifying her as Reich's "fat mistress" has never been substantiated and is probably untrue. The purchasing power of the four coins is equal to \$10.70 today.



An 1809 Classic Head large Cent grading Fine-15 This is considered the "toughest" date of the series. [Magnify to 200% to see details.]

John Reich's Classic Head cent was minted from 1808 through 1814 inclusive. It was approximately 29mm in diameter and weighed 10.89 grams of pure copper. The design is arguably the most attractive of all large cent types but eye appealing chocolate copper toned specimens free of porosity and other problems have been difficult to acquire. According to the *A Guide Book of United States Coins, (AKA the Official Red Book)*, "the copper used was softer, having more metallic impurity." As a result the coin wore out sooner than the previous Draped Bust type (1796-1807). During this timeframe, the main source of copper planchets came from Matthew Boulton's manufactory located in Birmingham, England. This time the planchets did not measure up to Boulton's previous standards. To make matters worse, the inferior planchets were placed in large wooden kegs and stored in the holds of the ships for transport which could take

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BY: ARNO SAFRAN

several months to reach America from England. Upon arrival many had become blackened from the moisture seeping through.

During a normal coinage year, more than a million large cents were produced but in 1809 only 222,867 were struck, the second lowest for the Classic Head series. The '09 is considered the 'key" and brings higher prices even in the lower grades than any of the other dates including the 1811 which had a slightly lower mintage. Finding one with chocolate brown color free of porosity is difficult.

In 1809 the population of the United States was 7,040,000, about the size of New York City today. The center of the population was located well east of the Mississippi River and closer to the Atlantic coast, so while a one million cent mintage may have been sufficient to meet the needs of commerce a mintage of only two hundred thousand fell short.



An 1809 classic Head Half Cent grading VF-30 [Magnify to 200%]

In 1809, the Classic Head design was placed on the half cent. It was 23.5mm in diameter weighing 5.44 grams of pure copper. With a reported mintage of 1,154,572 it represents the high water mark of the entire half cent run (1793-1857).

The date comes with three popular *Red Book* die varieties, the normal date shown in column 1, a small o inside a large O and the 9/6 now referred to as a 9 over and inverted 9 shown below



1809/6 1/2¢ detail. [Magnify to 200%]

STEPHEN JAMES CRSA COIN CLUB (GREATER AIKEN AREA)

The club celebrated the holidays by having a very nice dinner at Houndslake Country Club in December. The January program was presented by Vice President, Jim Barry, on "Tokens of the Confederation". In February member, Walt Kubilius, gave an interesting power point program on "The Coins of Italy". March programs consisted of members bringing in interesting "show and tells", recognizing those members who worked two or more hours at the 2008 coin show and election of new officers for our fiscal year beginning in April. Refreshments were served.

The new officers for 2009-2010 are: Steve Kuhl, President, Jim Barry, Vice President, Helen Barry, Secretary and Sharon Smoot, Treasurer. "Retiring" President, Willie Simon, and Treasurer, Patricia James, were presented with plaques for their service for the past seven years. They are also founding members of the club which began in 2001.

The club held a "Road Show" of coins in February at the Aiken Library. The event was conducted by several members for the public to come in to have coins, tokens, paper money and exonumia evaluated.

Our 2009 one day show will take place Saturday, September 12 at the H. Odell Weeks Activity Center on Whiskey Road (Rte 19, South). Aiken's Makin also takes place that weekend. A great weekend for all kinds of collectors!

MYRTLE BEACH COIN CLUB

At its March 3 meeting the members of the Myrtle Beach Coin Club took two major actions. They elected the following officers for the coming year:

Richard Samples, Secretary David Quante, Treasurer Bob Ahlquist, Vice President Ernie Turnes, President

Mr. Ahlquist is a new officer, with the others remaining in their previous positions.

SCNA MEMBER CLUB NEWS

LOW COUNTRY COIN CLUB (GREATER CHARLESTON AREA)

The Low Country Coin Club Annual Winter show was held Feb 6 7 8 2009. Forty dealers were set up in 68 tables. The show was again held at the Exchange Park Fairgrounds in Ladson SC, just outside of Charleston. The Bourse floor opened to the public at 1:00PM on Friday and closed at 6:00PM. Saturday was 9:00AM until 6:00PM and Sunday from 9:00AM until 4:00PM.

The bourse floor was brisk as there were approximately 1200 in attendance. The dealers and club members were treated to a Bar-B-Que dinner Friday at 6:30, provided by the club. It must have been good food, as everyone was quiet so that the bourse chairman took the opportunity to thank everyone for attending.

The Saturday bourse floor was brisk and the highlight was the appearance of President Abraham Lincoln. Dealers who have not received their picture should email TWOBUCKRANDY@YAHOO.COM. President Lincoln (Alex Gilchrist Jr) went around to each table to talk to the dealers and thank several dealers like Jim Bristo, Norman Boggs and Hugh Lofton for voting for him during his original Presidential Campaign. Many customers used their camera phone to have their pictures taken with Mr. Lincoln. The president gave out 1943 steel cents in 2 x 2 's to young numismatists. Alex Gilchrist did such a great job that he has been invited to make an appearance at the Pee Dee Area Coin Show and the North Carolina Numismatic Association's annual convention in Hickory NC in October 2009.

Arthur Darr set up the Young Numismatist table and had 59 YN's register for prizes. Arthur is an error collector and gave away coins to the YN's. He held a drawing to give away a Whitman's cent book full of errors and varieties and gave away 3 free memberships to our club.

As always, there was a great caterer at the show to provide lunch and snacks for everyone and this show we added a hostess to fetch the dealers food and drink.

The next show will be held August 8, 9, 10 2009.

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BY: ARNO SAFRAN

Unlike the 1809 large cent, both the 1809 and 1809/6 half cent varieties are fairly common and not expensive in VF grade. The 1809 dime is much scarcer however.



An 1809 Capped Bust dime; First year of type grading VF-30 [Magnify to 200% to view details.]

The last year of the Draped Bust series for dimes was 1807. Its reported mintage was 165,000, low by today's standards but by far the largest mintage up to that time for the 10¢ denomination. No dimes with the 1808 date were made. In 1809 John Reich's Capped Bust type facing left replaced Chief Engraver Robert Scot's Draped Bust facing right. The reported mintage for the first year of the new type was a scant 51,065. This was far less than either the 1807 or the 1805 that preceded it and yet, in VF-20, the 1809 is priced at half the figure of the 1807 Draped Bust type in the same grade. The reason is due to lower demand. For type collectors there are only two dates of the Draped Bust 10¢ series that are deemed affordable; the 1805 and 1807. All the remaining dates; the 1796, thru 1804 are scarce to extremely rare and expensive. The 1809 Capped Bust dime begins a series that lasted through 1837 and while a number of dates are absent, there are still many common dates from which the collector can choose for type.



An 1809 Capped Bust Lettered Edge Half Dollar grading VF-20 The reported mintage for all varieties of the date was 1,410,810

COLLECTING THE US COINS OF 1809-OUR CIRCULATING COINAGE TWO CENTURIES AGO (CONTINUED)

BY: ARNO SAFRAN

Once the Government suspended dollar coinage in 1804, the 50¢ denomination became our largest circulating silver coin and as with the Morgan dollar towards the end of the 19^tcentury, the Bust half became our most significant source of specie payments within the business and banking community. John Reich's Capped Bust type design first appeared on the half dollar denomination in 1807. In 1809, the obverse was slightly modified. To the casual observer the differences are hardly noticeable but upon careful scrutiny one can see the changes.



1807 & 1809 Bust half dollar obverses [Magnify to 200%to observe differences.]

The overall figure of the Bust on the 1809 has been slightly reduced. It is sometimes referred to as the "small head" sub-type. It continued through part of the reported mintage of 1834 when it was modified slightly again by William Kneass who assumed the post of Chief engraver in 1824 after the death of Robert Scot in 1823.

On the Bust half the thickness of the large coin is sufficient to provide lettering incused into the edge which reads HALF DOLLAR OR FIFTY CENTS. In 1809, the mint experimented with two additional symbols between the words. One was the appearance of four x.'s (xxxx); the other four Roman numeral I's (IIII). Both are popular *Red Book* varieties, each carrying a slight premium in VF & XF.

With patience and a little saving, a collector on a middle class discretionary income can eventually assemble this four piece set of circulating 1809 coinage at an affordable price because the grades for each example shown are modest yet still posses a modicum of eye appeal. The one gold coin issued that year, alas, is another matter.

SCNA MEMBER CLUB NEWS

CAMDEN COIN CLUB

The Camden Coin Club held its annual banquet for members and guest on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at Plum's in Lugoff. Members and guests enjoyed a buffet meal followed by the installation of Officers and Board members for 2009. Then a raffle was held for members and guest.

On a rainy, dreary March Saturday, the Camden Coin Club held a very successful spring coin show. The show had 24 tables and was well attended. The Bourse Chairman stated he felt the show was well received by the public and the dealers were well satisfied. The Club members are already working on the annual fall coin show to be held on September 19, 2009 at the Camden Recreation Department. For information about the Bourse, contact LoRan Ross at 803-432-0072.

Fall Coin Show

On Saturday, September 19, 2009 the Camden Coin club will hold its annual Fall Coin Show at the Camden Recreation Department on Hwy. #1 South in Camden, SC. The coin show will be open from 8 am until 4:00 pm, with free admission and parking. The public is invited to visit for buying, selling, trading or just general interest in coins, paper money, and stamps. The Bourse Chairman is LoRan Ross. From 10 am to 2 pm, an hourly door prize drawing is held for registered visitors who are present at the time of the drawing. Part of the proceeds from the show will be donated to charities in Kershaw County. The Camden Coin Club would like to thank the dealers and guest who participated in our previous shows. The success of the 2008 shows has made it possible for the Club to make a donation to the Kershaw County Animal Shelter.

The Camden Coin Club will hold a spring coin show in March 2010. Date will be announced later this year.

For inform about the Camden Coin Clubs coin shows contact LoRan Ross at 803-432-0072.

PHOTOGRAPHS FROM SCNA & ANA MEMBER CLUB'S SPRING SHOWS



Midlands Coin Club Secretary Bill Malinowski poses with his wife Rosemary at the recent banquet. Bill gave a talk on "Odd and Curious Money" and is shown holding a large piece of stone money from the Island of Yap

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COLLECTING THE US COINS OF 1809-OUR CIRCULATING COINAGE TWO CENTURIES AGO (CONTINUED)

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An 1809/8 \$5.00 Half Eagle graded AU-58 by NGC It realized \$10,350 at the October, 2008 Dallas sale. (Courtesy of Heritage Auctions Archives)

The 1809/8 \$5.00 gold coin pictured above is probably unaffordable to most of us reading this article. It was designed by John Reich and first struck in 1807. The 1809 comes from one die in which the 9 was punched over an 8 (1809/8). It was the only gold coin struck that year and had a reported mintage of 33,875 of which an estimated 1% survive in XF to AU according to the late numismatic scholar Walter Breen. In 1809, \$5.00 had the purchasing power of \$87.00 today but its numismatic value in the AU-58 grade shown is over \$10,000.

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PHOTOGRAPHS FROM SCNA MEMBER CLUBS' SPRING SHOWS



Sam Norris at the Upstate South Carolina Show Imparting Knowledge to Young Numismatists. The Upstate Show was put on by the Greenville and Parker Coin Clubs



SCNA President James Barry, Abe Lincoln (a.k.a. Alex Gilchrist Jr.) and Helen Barry Make and Appearance at the Low Country Coin Winter Show in Ladson in February

PHOTOGRAPHS FROM SCNA & ANA MEMBER CLUB'S SPRING SHOWS



Dick Smoot, Jim Barry, and Jack Seech Conducting the Road Show of Coins for the Stephen James CRSA Coin Club



Walt Kubilius presents Coins of Italy at a Stephen James CRSA Cloin Club Meeting

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