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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY ANNOUNCES 2019 GALA HONOREE

The American Numismatic Society (ANS) is pleased to announce that on Thursday, January 10, 2019, it will honor its esteemed former First Vice President Mike Gasvoda with the Trustees' Award at the Annual Gala Dinner at the Harvard Club in New York City.

Mr. Michael Gasvoda has been a collector for decades, and has at various times built magnificent collections of Roman and Greek coins, medals, and US large cents. A retired environmental engineer, he for twenty years owned and managed Gasvoda & Associates, Inc., a firm specializing in water and wastewater treatment, pumping, and control. That business was sold to the employees in 2009.

Mr. Gasvoda has been an ANS Member since 1996, was elected a Trustee in 2010, and served as First Vice-President from 2013 until his retirement from the Board in 2016. During his tenure on the Board he had a major impact on the Society through his work as chairman of the Strategic Planning, Personnel, and Development Committees. He has also been a longtime generous supporter of ANS programs and appeals, notably of the Campaign to Endow the Chair of the Executive Director.



In the numismatic community Mr. Gasvoda is well known both for his connoisseurship as a collector and for his educational outreach. In addition to his work with the ANS, he has been active with the American Numismatic Association (ANA), as well as the Chicago Coin Club and Tucson Coin Club and has lectured and exhibited parts of his collection over the years at such venues as the Chicago International Coin Fair, the ANA's World's Fair of Money, and the ANA Summer Seminar. He has also written numerous articles for The Celator magazine and is a frequent contributor to The Numismatist.

Nearly always in his many activities and travels, Mr. Gasvoda is joined by his wife, Lynn, an artist who works chiefly in fused glass. They split their time between their their home in Crown Point, in northwest Indiana, and their second home in Tucson, Arizona.

Recently Mr. Gasvoda purchased from Victor England and Eric J. McFadden the assets of Classical Numismatics Group, Inc. (CNG), a leading dealer in ancient, medieval, world, and British coinages. Mr. England and Mr. McFadden will remain as Senior Directors at the new company, renamed Classical Numismatic Group, LLC, with Mr. Gasvoda taking on a supervisory role as Managing Director.

"We are so fortunate to have supporters like Mike in our Society, who care about numismatics as a hobby and an academic discipline. Few people have a broader knowledge and love coins and medals as much as Mike," says Sydney Martin, President of the Board of Trustees.

In acknowledgment of his exemplary commitment to numismatics and his great generosity to the ANS, the Board of Trustees of the American Numismatic Society is delighted to bestow upon Mr. Gasvoda the Society's singular honor for 2019.

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Past recipients of the Trustees' Award include such notable numismatists and donors as Ms. Shelby White and Mr. Leon Levy, Mr. Jamie Stewart, Mr. Kenneth L. Edlow, Mr. George Kolbe, Mr. Q. David Bowers, Mr. Chester L. Krause, Mr. Donald G. Partrick, Mr. Harvey Stack, Mr. Victor England, Jr., Mr. Ira Goldberg, Mr. Larry Goldberg, Mr. Harlan J. Berk, Mr. Roger S. Siboni, Mrs. Marian Scheuer Sofaer and the Honorable Abraham D. Sofaer, Mrs. Elizabeth Forbes Hazard Scott and Mr. Stanley DeForest Scott, and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Adams, Anthony J. Terranova, the Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society and the Newman Numismatic Portal, and the Rosen Family.

Every year the American Numismatic Society raises critical revenue through Gala ticket sales, program advertisements, sponsorships, contributions, and the proceeds from a live auction. These funds are used to further the Society's mission of supporting research and education in numismatics.

For information on purchasing tickets or program advertisements, please contact Emma Pratte at 212-571-4470, ext. 117; [membership@numismatics.org](mailto:membership@numismatics.org); or visit the ANS website: [numismatics.org/gala2018](http://numismatics.org/gala2018).

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