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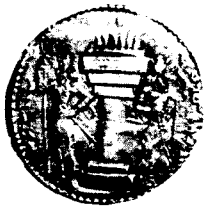

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Thursday, June 27th
Eskil Broburg: Sassanian Coinage

In AD 224, the prince of Persis, Ardashir, overthrew the Arsacid dynasty in Parthia and set up the Sassanian empire, a much more aggressive state. The Sassanian conquests extended from India to Asia Minor. The last Sassanian ruler, Yezdegird III, was killed by the Arab invaders in AD 651.

Join us at our next meeting, June 27 at 7:30 PM for a fascinating look at the coinage of the Sassanians. They issued a long-lasting and interesting series of coinage. Each monarch portrayed on the coins has his own crown, allowing relatively easy identification.

Eskil Broburg will bring several Sassanian coins as well as enlarged photographs of Sassanian coins. He'll describe some of the books that are essential for collectors and give some tips on attributing the coins to the appropriate rulers.

Do join us for this review of a little known, but highly interesting, coinage. This will be our last meeting before the summer break. Don't miss it!

Dues are Due

_____ If there is a red check-mark on this line, your 1996 dues have not yet been paid. Your $5.00 annual dues cover the cost of these newsletters, keeping you informed of our meeting dates and happenings in our club. Please pay club Treasurer Bob Stumm at the June meeting, or send your dues to the club Secretary: **Bill Daehn, 7933 Louisiana Ave. N., Brooklyn Park, MN 55445**. Due to the need to reduce our expenses and better manage our mailing list, those who haven't paid by June 30th will be dropped from the mailing list. Thank you for supporting your club.

Election of Officers

The annual election of club officers will take place at this month's meeting. Your club needs YOU! Please consider serving your club in this way. The time commitment is minimal and it's fun. We need your participation to enable our club to continue on its successful course.

Donated Literature at June Meeting

We will have a box full of numismatic literature available at this month's meeting. Earlier this year, Bill Wheelock donated many original editions of the now-defunct magazine devoted to ancient and medieval coinage—*The Voice of the Turtle: The North American Journal of Numismatics*. Bill also donated a long run of *Seaby Coin & Medal Bulletin*. And Whitney Lindwall donated some copies of *The Voice of the Turtle* as well as several issues of *SAN—The Journal of the Society for Ancient Numismatics*, and *ANS Museum Notes*.

These donated materials will be available for you to review at the meeting or borrow for reading and research. Thanks again to Bill Wheelock and Whitney Lindwall for their generosity to the club.

Upcoming Coin Show

<u>July 14, Holiday Inn International</u> I-494 and 34th Avenue, Bloomington. Hours: 9 AM to 5 PM.

About Our Club

The Twin Cities Ancient Coin Club is devoted to the study of ancient and medieval coinage and culture. Our monthly programs focus on coins, history, archaeology, and ancient art.

The club meets once a month at Immanual Lutheran Church, 104 South Snelling (corner of Snelling and Goodrich) in St. Paul. USE THE BACK DOOR, off the alley. The front door will be locked. We're usually in the basement meeting room. Look for a sign inside the door. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM.

An auction is held at each meeting. Members are encouraged to bring coins and books to sell. There is no fee charged—all proceeds go to the owner of the item. Items may also be auctioned with proceeds donated to the club treasury if you wish.

Annual dues are $5.00, payable each January. This covers the cost of the newsletter. In addition, members are asked to donate $1.00 to "The Cup" at each meeting to cover the cost of renting the room.

Please join us. Visitors are always welcome. Bring a friend. And bring some coins to "show and tell."

Do you have items that should appear in the next newsletter? If so, call club secretary Bill Daehn at 425-3988.