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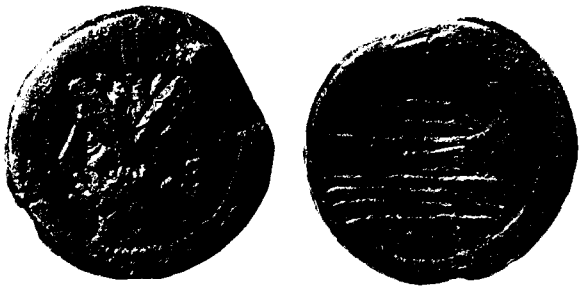

TWIN CITIES ANCIENT COIN CLUB

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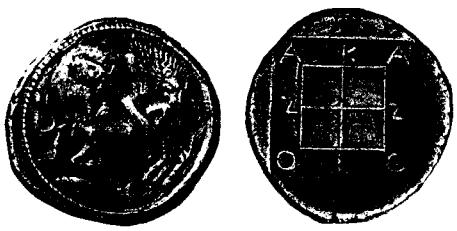
Featured Program, October 26th

Roman Culture and Society: Dave Sims Answers Your Questions

What things have you always wanted to know about ancient Roman society? What questions do you have about the fascinating world of the Romans? Start writing down your questions so you don't forget to ask them!

On Thursday, October 26th, Dave Sims will speak to us about Roman culture and society. Dave is a Latin teacher as well as a knowledgeable and experienced historian and numismatist. He'll begin with a brief summary of the political situation in the first century BCE. Then he'll lead us through a discussion based upon our questions. Be ready to participate!

Club News



Literature Available

Remember, the club has many issues of *SAN* and *The Voice of the Turtle* available for members to check out. Don't you need some new reading material about ancient coins?

1995-96 Officers

It's safe to return to the club—you won't be drafted into being a club officer! At our September meeting, last year's club officers were unanimously re-elected for another term. A big "thank you" goes out to those who work to make our club fun and educational for us all: President, Elwood Rafn; Vice President, Bob Drechsel; Treasurer, Bob Stumm; and Secretary, Bill Daehn.

Upcoming Coin Show

<u>October 28-29. Annual M.O.O.N. Coin Show</u> Holiday Inn International Airport. 3 Appletree Square. Bloomington. (Take the 34th Ave. exit from I-494). Show hours: 9 AM to 4 PM.

The Minnesota Organization of Numismatists Show is one of the largest and best coins shows in Minnesota. Plan to attend.

Bill's Commentary

One of the reasons we belong to TCACC is to get the opportunity to actually see quality ancient coins. Unfortunately, only a small number of members actually bring items to share with others. And let's face it...Minnesota is not a haven for ancient coin dealers. Therefore, most of us only get to see quality ancient coins when we travel to out-of-state shows. And for most of us, that is far too infrequently.

What can we do to improve upon this dismal state of affairs? We should all make a point to bring something to show, whether it is a newly purchased coin, or one that has been sitting in our collections for years. Maybe even <u>you</u> haven't looked at it in a while. You don't necessarily need to pass your treasured coin around the room. But merely share it with a few others who you know are interested in the same type of coins you collect. If we all do this, we'll all get to see some wonderful coins. And wouldn't that make our meetings more fun and educational for all of us?

Please make a note to pull something special out of that safe deposit box and bring it to the next meeting. And remember to be very careful when handling someone else's coin. If the coin is not sealed in a holder, be sure to handle it only by the edges. Always keep a hand under the coin in case it is dropped. You don't want to put any edge-dings on your buddy's favorite Nero sestertius!

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. We're usually in the basement meeting room. Look for a sign inside the door. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. The remaining 1995-96 meeting schedule is:

October 26	March 28
November 16	April 25
December (holiday dinner date to be announced)	May 23
January 25	June 27
February 22	July (picnic date to be announced)

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.