Twin Cities Ancient Coin Club Meeting Notice

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Politics and Elections in the Roman Republic

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The Roman Republic is often considered to have been a classical closed oligarchy, composed of a small group of noble families who shared power among themselves through only nominally democratic republican institutions. This is for the most part an accurate depiction of the Roman political system. Almost all of the Consuls came from a handful of noble families and voting was skewed to favor the wealthy. However, a closer look at the politics and elections of the Roman Republic reveals a surprisingly important role for "the people" to play in decision making and elections. This discussion will explore the voting systems of the Romans and what these institutions can tell us about their society.

Member Notes:

- Check out the club's website at http://rmcvay98.wix.com/tcancientcoinclub
- For those who enjoyed Jim Hazelton's presentation last month and want to learn more about Domitian, see Jim's website (at http://hazeltoncoll.com)
- Jerry Kolton continues his work with Scouts to encourage coin collecting. If you have coins you wish to donate (for him to give away to Scouts at these events), please bring them to a club meeting; we'll make sure they find their way to Jerry.

MEETING AGENDA:

- Social Hour 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
- Treasurer's Report
- Presentation

UPCOMING COIN SHOWS:

Central States Numismatic Society 80th Anniversary Convention: Wed. - Sat. April 24-27, 2019; Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center, Schaumburg, IL. More info at http://www.centralstates.info

One of the largest coin shows in the Midwest

Meyer's Coin Show: Sunday, April 28 & May 19, 2019 from 9am to 4pm; South St. Paul VFW; 111 Concord Exchange South, South St. Paul, MN 55075

Bloomington Coin & Currency Show: Sunday, May 5, 2019 from 9am to 4pm; Crowne Plaza Intl Airport, 3 Appletree Square Bloomington, MN 55425

Roseville Coin Show: Saturday, May 11, 2019 from 8:30am to 4pm; Roseville Skating Center, 2661 Civic Center Drive, Roseville, MN 55113

AMA Coin & Stamp Show: May 18 (9am-5pm) & May 19, 2019 (9am-4pm); Sioux Falls Convention Center, 1201 Northwest Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104

A WARM WELCOME TO THE CLUB!

We normally meet on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (presentation begins at 8:00PM) in the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 104 Snelling Avenue in St. Paul, MN. Coffee and snacks are provided. Members are asked for \$2.00 donation to cover room rent. Annual dues are payable in January. Guests and the curious are exempt from any such fees until they become hooked on the Club. For more information, contact the Club Secretary, Todd Ballen at taballen@comcast.net