

The cost of \$80 for members and \$83 for non-members includes transportation in a 47-passenger bus and the exhibit entry fee. Lunch will be on your own. The cost is based on a minimal participation of 15 people. Cancellation with full refund must be received by the treasurer in writing before the deadline for payments. Substitutes are allowed.

Excursion on February 25, 2012

- 8:00 a.m.** Depart Holiday Inn Crossroads at Staples Mill Rd. and Bishop Rd., just north of Broad St.
- 10:00 a.m.** Arrive at National Geographic Society to tour the exhibit *Anglo-Saxon Hoard* at 10:30 a.m.
- 12:45 p.m.** Drive to the National Gallery of Art.

Lunch on your own.

Afternoon on your own to visit the National Gallery or other nearby museums on the Mall.
- 4:00 p.m.** Depart for Richmond.
- 6:00 p.m.** Approximate arrival time at Holiday Inn Crossroads.



**The Mediterranean Society
of America, Inc.**

announces an
Excursion to

**The National Geographic
Society's Exhibit of**

**“Anglo-Saxon Hoard: Gold
From England’s Dark Ages”**

February 25, 2012

Washington, D.C.



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Reservation

**National Geographic Society's
Exhibit of the Anglo-Saxon Gold
Hoard**

February 25, 2012

Please reserve the following place(s) for
the excursion on February 25, 2012:

_____ place(s) at \$80.00 each for members
of the Mediterranean Society.

_____ place(s) at \$83.00 each for non-
members.

TOTAL ENCLOSED

\$ _____

NAME(s)

ADDRESS

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The reservation deadline is February 9,
2012. Please mail this form and your
check, payable to the **Mediterranean So-
ciety**, to:

**Nancy S. Saylor, Treasurer
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**National Geographic Society's
Exhibition of the Anglo-Saxon Gold
Hoard**

Don't miss the only U.S. appearance of the
Anglo-Saxon Hoard!

On July 5th 2009, Terry Herbert, a metal
detector enthusiast, discovered the largest
collection of Anglo-Saxon gold ever found.
From farmland near Lichfield in Stafford-
shire, England, Terry and a team of archae-
ologists unearthed more than 3,500 pieces
from hundreds of individual objects dating
to about 650 A.D. Valued at close to \$5 mil-
lion, the hoard includes exquisitely crafted
artifacts, most of which are military in na-
ture.

More than 100 of these artifacts will be on
exhibition at the National Geographic Mu-
seum including elaborate gold and garnet
sword fittings, decorative elements for hel-
mets, crosses, and a gold strip bearing a
Latin inscription from the Bible.

Explore the history behind the gold hoard as
you travel back in time thirteen hundred
years to Mercia, one of the most powerful
and aggressive kingdoms of the Anglo-
Saxon era. Although it may never be known

who buried the hoard or why, the gold treas-
ures offer clues about warfare, the spread of
Christianity, and Saxon craftsmanship.

Learn more about the find and ongoing con-
servation work on the U.K. website The
Staffordshire Hoard.

*This description is taken verbatim from the
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