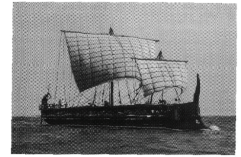




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President's Column

Dear colleagues,

Although, to my knowledge, I have received no Oscar this season, nonetheless I feel that it is incumbent on me as I leave office to thank the many people who have it possible for me to do my job. Randy Howarth above all has done an extraordinary job as Secretary/Treasurer, instituting many important changes including, but not limited to, the creation of the electronic listserv. (Please, please, those of you who have not signed up: do so! Messages from Randy are few and far between, but they contain time-sensitive material that you will want to have.) Our parliamentarian Pat Dintrone has remained a font of wisdom throughout. All our past presidents have generously made themselves available for consultation. Among them I am particularly indebted to our archivist, Gene Borza, and to Carol Thomas, who has been the soul of our Publications Committee and who was largely responsible for bringing to birth both PAAH 8 and our new PAAH 9, Tim Howe's *Pastoral Politics: Animals, Agriculture, and Society in Ancient Greece*. Our geographically diverse hosts and their able assistants have also put on a series of wonderful meetings.

Thanks are due as well to Konrad Kinzl, who has soldiered on under increasingly adverse circumstances. Members of the Association will shortly be hearing from me or my successor with requests to participate in organizing material for the new Directory of Ancient Historians in the United States that Konrad has kindly agreed to assemble. Those of you who have been AAH members for a while may recall that this Directory seems to rely for its existence on volunteers who assemble updates on the ancient historians in their geographical area, since for some reason individual ancient historians have not been diligent in reporting changes in their own information to Konrad. (As I have indicated in an earlier presidential column, *corrections and additions to the directory—including URLs of home pages—should be sent on an ongoing basis to Konrad at kkinzl@trentu.ca in order to keep the on-line version as up-to-date as possible.*) In addition, some ancient historians in the U. S. are not members of the AAH (although of course I would like to change this), so I cannot reach them in this column.

I herald the arrival of PAAH 9, and I look forward to seeing you in Tampa.

All best wishes,

Jennifer Roberts

Annual Meeting of the Association of Ancient Historians

To be held April 10th-13th 2008 at University of South Florida, in Tampa

For more details on the program, including abstracts of all the papers, see the official Conference Web Site:

<http://www.cas.usf.edu/history/aah-2008/>

Thursday, April 10th, 6 PM: Welcoming Reception, Hilton Garden Inn, Tampa North

Friday, April 11th: Morning and Afternoon sessions at Hilton garden Inn, Tampa North.

Welcome: 9-9.10

PANEL ONE: GLOBALIZATION (9.10-10.55)

The Eastern Mediterranean 1600-800 BC: The 'Global' Near East and the Coming of Empire: *Steven Garfinkle*, Western Washington University

The Cult of Demeter Malophoros in Selinus:

Allaire B. Stallsmith, Towson University

Who Spoke to Whom? Languages and Communication in the Achaemenid World and Alexander's Empire:

Pierre Briant, Collège de France, Paris

A Cultural *Koine* in the Hellenistic East? The Case of Phoenicia: *Jessica Nitschke*, Georgetown University

Reading Peer Polity Interaction from *sympoliteiai*:

Jeremy LaBuff, University of Pennsylvania

10.55-11.25 break

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Publications of the AAH are available at substantial discounts to members. Order directly from Regina Books, Post Office Box 280, Claremont CA 91711. Phone 909-624-8466, Fax 909-626-1345. Please add \$2.50 S&H for first book and \$1.00 for each additional.

#8 *Current Issues in the History of the Ancient Near East*. ed. Mark W. Chavalas (2007). Member price (paper) \$14.00.

#7 *Current Issues and the Study of Ancient History*. Stanley M. Burstein, Nancy Demand, Ian Morris, Lawrence Tritle (2002). Member price (paper) \$9.00.

#6 *Before Alexander: Constructing Early Macedonia*. Eugene N. Borza (1999). Member price: (paper) \$9.00

#5 *Ancient History: Recent Work and New Directions*. Stanley M. Burstein, Ramsay MacMullen, Kurt A. Raaflaub and Allen M Ward. directed by Carol G. Thomas (1997). Member price: (paper) \$9.00

#4 *Myth becomes History: Pre-Classical Greece*. Carol G. Thomas (1993). Member price: (paper) \$9.00.

The Coming of the Greeks. James T. Hooker (1999). Member price: (paper) \$9.00 (cloth) \$16.00.

Makedonika: Essays by Eugene N. Borza. Ed. by Carol G. Thomas (1995). Member price: (paper) \$12.00 (cloth) \$24.00.

Directory of Ancient Historians in the United States. comp. by Konrad [H.] Kinzl. 2nd ed. (1999). Member price: (paper): \$9.00

A Guide to Graduate Programs in Ancient History. Michael Arnush (1997). Member price: (paper) \$7.00.

A Handbook for Ancient History Classes. Jack Cargill (1997). Member price: (paper) \$7.00.

*****Other Regina titles by AAH members*****

Alexander's Empire: Formulation to Decay. Eds. Waldemar Heckel, Lawrence Tritle, Pat Wheatley (2007). Member price: (paper) \$15.00.

Crossroads of History: The Age of Alexander. Eds. Waldemar Heckel and Lawrence A. Tritle (2004). Member price: (paper) \$13.00 (cloth) \$24.00.

Mercenary of the Gods: Memoirs of a Greek in Service to Judah and Egypt. Jack Cargill (2004). Member Price: (paper) \$16.00.

Feelings in History, Ancient and Modern. Ramsay MacMullen (2003). Member Price \$20.00.

Polis and Polemos: Essays on Politics, War, and History in Ancient Greece in honor of Donald Kagan. Eds. Charles Hamilton and Peter Krentz (1997). Member price: (paper) \$13.00 (cloth) \$24.00.

Text and Tradition: Studies in Greek History and Historiography in Honor of Mortimer Chambers. Eds. Ronald Mellor and Lawrence Tritle (1999). Member price: (paper) \$13.00 (cloth) \$24.00.

The editor solicits items of interest to members. Notices of publications, honors received, dissertations defended, etc., are all appropriate for this section. In addition, letters to the membership on subjects of general concern to members and/or our organization are solicited and will be printed, space permitting. All submissions are subject to editing for length. The deadline for submissions for the next newsletter is August 31.

Alan Appelbaum's article, "Another Look at the Assassination of Pertinax and the Accession of Julianus," arguing *inter alia* that there was no auction of the imperial office, appeared in the April 2007 issue of *Classical Philology*.

TammyJo Eckhart is much pleased to report the successful defense of her dissertation at Indiana University in November 2007. The title was "An Author-Centered Approach to Understanding Amazons in the Ancient World". Her chair was Eric Robinson.

Rose Mary Sheldon's new book, co-authored with Dutch writer Thijs Voskuilen, will be released on May 2008. The title is *Operation Messiah: St. Paul, Roman Intelligence, and the Birth of Christianity*. It will be published by Vallentine-Mitchell in London.

Philip J. Smith is pleased to report the imminent publication of his *The Archaeology and Epigraphy of Hellenistic and Roman Megaris, Greece* (=BAR International Series no. 1762) by John and Erica Hedges Ltd (Oxford).

AAH Presidential Election at the April meeting

W. Lindsay Adams, of the University of Utah (Salt Lake City), and Kenneth W. Harl, of Tulane University (New Orleans), have each declared for and have been nominated as candidates for the ninth Presidency of the Association of Ancient Historians. The term is three years with a two term limit. Both Lindsay and Kenneth are long time members and regular attendees of meetings of the AAH.

Lindsay has his PhD from the University of Virginia, is a full professor in the department of History at the University of Utah, and is the director of their graduate program. For more information, visit his web site:

<http://www.hum.utah.edu/history/?module=facultyDetails&personId=29&orgId=298>

Kenneth has his PhD from Yale University, is a full professor in the department of History at Tulane University. For more information, see his vita (<http://www.tulane.edu/~august/reskwh.htm>) and an article published about him in a Tulane University magazine

(http://www2.tulane.edu/article_news_details.cfm?ArticleID=3178)

The Ancient World

has now cleared its backlog of submitted papers and is accepting new submissions for consideration. Please send your manuscript to Prof. Martin C J Miller, %The Ancient World, PO Box 457, Chicago Ridge, IL 60415-0457.

The University of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier University are pleased to announce the launch of a joint MA program in Ancient Mediterranean Cultures, beginning this September (subject to government approval). For program details and admission requirements, go to either

www.classics.uwaterloo.ca or www.wlu.ca/arts/classicalstudies.

Roberts to Step Down in April

Jennifer Roberts steps down in April after her second term as the eighth President of the AAH. I think all would agree that her stewardship of the organization has been a successful one and that the AAH has benefitted by her leadership. Her thoughtful management of meeting venues—North, South, East, West, Canada—has made it more convenient for more members to attend and participate in the life of the AAH. Her arbitration of the mercurial temperaments of our often passionate membership has kept body counts to a minimum while keeping meeting conviviality to a maximum. For the success of the latter, we might fairly credit the wonderful post-banquet parties she has sponsored every year in her rooms; certainly these have been the capstone event of every successful AAH meeting. Jennifer will be a hard act to follow!!

New Secretary/Treasurer needed in 2009 Let members also be aware that the constitutional limit of the term of the current Secretary Treasurer ends in 2009 at the Vancouver Meeting. The secretary invites inquiries from prospective successors as to the specific duties appertaining thereto. These are varied, but not especially onerous. There is naturally a burst of activity associated with each newsletter, a seat on the subvention committee, and a few hours every week managing the member roster. Specific benefits include regular interaction with colleagues here and abroad, guaranteed attendance at meetings of the AAH, and the pleasure of providing an important service to colleagues.

AAH 2008

Annual Meeting Information

Date: April 10-13, 2008

Host: University of South Florida

Conference Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn, Tampa North

13305 Tampa Oaks Blvd.

Temple Terrace, FL USA 33637

Tel: +1-813-342-5000; Fax: +1-813-342-6000

<http://www.tampanorth.gardeninn.com>

Please note that the registration deadline for the conference is March 21st. Refer to the conference website for registration forms.

The deadline for hotel reservations at the guaranteed rate is (was) March 18th.

Transportation:

Transportation to and from the conference hotel from Tampa International Airport (TIA) can be arranged at the airport upon arrival by cab for about \$55 (w/o tip). The hotel has an arrangement with a limo company called Florida Connections that will give a special rate of \$35 per passenger (less for groups of passengers traveling together). To set up transportation based on your arrival time, contact the company at the following number (813-458-3322). Another company that offers similar rates is called "Super Shuttle" (800-282-6817; <http://www.supershuttle.com/>). For additional details, as they become available, see the conference web site: <http://www.cas.usf.edu/history/aah-2008/>. Conference registrants are encouraged to rent a car. This is the best way to access local dining and shopping facilities and to explore the area. We are working on a special rate with Enterprise (details will be posted to the web site). Directions from the airport to the hotel (approximately 20 minutes in light traffic) will also be posted.

Additional Information from 'real people': If you have additional questions or needs related to the meeting in Tampa, and you want to speak to a real person instead of dealing with a web site, you may contact Bill Murray (wmurray@cas.usf.edu), the Chair of the Organizing Committee or you may contact Ms. Jennifer Dukes, our Program Assistant who has been assigned to this meeting. Her contact information is as follows:

Jennifer Dukes

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AJAH Enters a New Era

Founded in 1976, the *American Journal of Ancient History* was the first journal in any English-speaking country wholly devoted to ancient history. Ernst Badian founded *AJAH* at Harvard University, and edited and published the Journal for twenty-five years, until 2001; T. Corey Brennan launched a second series of the *Journal* at Rutgers University in 2002. Editorial board members are W.R. Connor, Erich Gruen, Sabine MacCormack, Christopher Mackay and Stephen V. Tracy. In 2007 *AJAH* entered into a production and distribution partnership with Gorgias Press to guarantee its timely appearance and to maximize its exposure in the scholarly world.

The journal will be produced in one volume annually, beginning in 2008. The price for the subscription is \$50 **per issue**; institutional and individual rates are the same. Members of AAH receive \$5 off from their subscriptions. To subscribe please contact the Gorgias Press customer service (180 Centennial Ave, Suite A, Piscataway, NJ 08854; Tel: 732-885-8900; email: orders@gorgiaspress.com).

Please note that the online price at www.gorgiaspress.com <<http://www.gorgiaspress.com/>> does not reflect the subscription price of the journal.

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PANEL TWO: OUTSIDE LOOKING IN (11.25-12.45)

Famous of Old for Brave Men:

Danielle Kellogg, Brooklyn College of CUNY

Being Greek and Persian under Rome: Personal History and Pontic Ethnography in Strabo's Geography:

Edward Dandrow, University of Central Florida

The Greek Intellectual and the Roman State: Plutarch and the Redemption of Hellenic Culture:

Michael Nerdahl, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Privileging the Liminal: Caracalla's Outside-In Imperial Strategy:

Julie Langford, University of South Florida

Lunch 12.45-2.00

PANEL THREE: NAVIES & NAVAL POWER (2-3.45)

Professional Officers Ashore and Afloat : *Fred Naiden*, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Financing and Maintaining the Peloponnesian Navy:

Kenneth Harl, Tulane University

Aegospotami: In Search of an Ancient Battle Site:

John Hale, University of Louisville

Improvising the Late Roman Navy:

Craig Caldwell, Furman University

Ancient Naval Warfare: Answers to Some Big Questions:

Philip de Souza, University College, Dublin

Break 3.45-4.15

PANEL FOUR: ROMAN LAW (4.15-6.00)

A Disputed Water Channel (D. 8.5.18 Iul. 6 ex Minicio):

Cynthia J. Bannon, Indiana University

The Roman Legal System and Skilled Workers:

Susan D. Martin, University of Tennessee

The Magic of Contract: Supernatural Elements and the Contractual Obligation:

Kaius Tuori, New York University/University of Helsinki

The *Interdictum de Migrando* reconsidered:

Paul Du Plessis, Edinburgh University

Comment: *Dennis Kehoe*, Tulane University

Saturday panels will be held at USF, Tampa campus. Shuttle transportation will be provided to and from conference hotel

PANEL FIVE: ECHOES OF ANTIQUITY (9.30-10.30)

The Rediscovery of the Roman Republic in 11th and 12th C Byzantine Historiography: *David Yates*, Brown University

Whose SPQR? Sovereignty and Semiotics in Medieval Rome:

Carrie Benes, New College

American Xenophons: The Anabasis and the U.S. Popular Imagination during the 19th Century: *John W.I. Lee*, University of California at Santa Barbara

Dream Cities: Archaeology and the Creation of Myth-Identities in Early National Athens and Rome: *Steve Dyson*, University at Buffalo (SUNY)

Break 10.30-11.00

PANEL SIX: ARCHAEOLOGY & HISTORY (11.00-12.45)

Shipsheds of the Ancient Mediterranean *Boris Rankov*, Royal Holloway, University of London

Herakles as a Symbol of Archaic Tyranny in Rome?

Christer Bruun, University of Toronto

Wine and Escargot: 'Small' Discoveries, Important Perspectives: *Annalisa Marzano*, Brasenose College, Oxford University

The Socioeconomic Impact of Urbanism: Using Archaeology to Read Livy on Mid-Republican Rome:

Seth G. Bernard, University of Pennsylvania

Golemo Gradište at Konjuh: Writing History without Sources: *Carolyn S. Snively*, Gettysburg College

Lunch 12.45-2.00

SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION (1.30-2.00)

Geomatics and Spatial Technologies: New Methods to Visualize the Past: *Travis Doering*, *Lori Collins*, University of South Florida

PANEL SEVEN: OPEN SESSION: (2.00-3.45)

3-D Visualization as a Tool for Ancient Historians:

Donald Sanders, Inst. for the Visualization of History

'Unwritten Laws' and Early Greek Warfare:

Michael Seaman, DePauw University

Pirate Bands or Naval Fleets? Thoughts on the Classification of Piracy in the First Century BC:

Andrea Gatzke, Pennsylvania State University

Redefining the *Spolia Opima*: A New Interpretation of the Ancient Sources: *Sean Lake*, Fordham University

The Conflict of East and West as Propaganda during the Roman Period: *Kenneth R. Jones*, Baylor University

Business Meeting of the AAH (following last presentation)

Banquet 6.30 PM at the Hilton garden Inn, Tampa North

2007 Meeting Call to Order at 4.50 PM by Jennifer Roberts

2006 minutes approved (Harl, McCoy: unanimous).

President's report: Roberts made a general welcome to new members.

Sec Treasury Report by R. Howarth. Howarth reported a financially sound condition of which the following is a summary:

The Balance of General operating funds at the Stanford Meeting was 19,014.62 Total income was \$ 5,108.88 (Dues 4472.13, Royalties 220.97, label sales 75.00, Interest on CD's 340.78). Total Expenses were 5285.74 (newsletter printing 509.17, postage, 548.44, Conference expenses 149.90, Web services 148.80, Office 142.43, Print and mail PAAH #8 3787.00). Balance of general Operating Funds at the Princeton Meeting was \$18,837.76. Balance of Subvention Account *after* 2006 disbursements was \$15,549.75 Investment in bonds yielded 892.56, donations received were 570.00; 2007 disbursements were 1000.00. Balance *after* 2007 disbursements was \$16,012.31.

Expenses remain under control partly as a consequence of Mercyhurst's continued partial subsidy of the newsletter and the progress in convincing members to forgo snail mail versions of the newsletter. Dues collection has improved as a consequence of more assertive reminders and the carrot of the recently published PAAH #8. There is no immediate need to rethink membership dues except perhaps for off shore members for whom the postage and printing costs of the newsletter now exceed dues. Howarth will make a proposal in the coming year on this matter. Howarth also reported a membership number of 644 (down from 653 last year) of which 55 are Canadian and 34 are other. 364 members are enrolled on the Virtual mailing List (up from 346 last year).

Subvention Committee (chair, Lindsay Adams reporting) Three members received awards this year: David Yates (graduate student at Brown) of \$400, Julie Langford-Johnson (junior faculty at USF) of 300, Fred Naiden (Junior faculty at Tulane) of 300. Urges continued support for this vital program which is funded apart from regular dues.

Publications Committee (Roberts reporting) Lee Brice now joins Carol Thomas, Mark Chavalas, and Jennifer Roberts on the committee. The next volume, presumably #9 on Ancient law is in the works, no certain finish date. The committee seeks new ideas and commitments to follow them through. It is noted that Richard Burns of Regina Books has made mention of inevitable retirement and therefore the need to explore alternative models for publishing our series. One suggestion eliciting disagreement from the floor was to progress to a strictly electronic format. No consensus view emerged except that good value and convenience was derived from both hard copy and electronic formats and any strategy moving toward electronic publication should not abandon hard copy.

Web Report (Roberts, Howarth reporting) Konrad Kinzl's site at Trent is, for institutional reasons, no longer viable. Temporary measures have been taken by Howarth to relocate some of Kinzl's work to a new site (associationofancienthistorians.org). This site will become the foundation of a permanent non-affiliated site but a new webmaster needs to step forward to design it. This stimulated much discussion from the floor. Sentiment was expressed by members that a committee be created to establish guidelines and explore the limits and intersections of the practical, the desirable, and the possible. A motion was passed (Dintrone, Northrup: 40, 0, 3) assigning the president that task.

Old Business Roberts made official the dates for the 2008 meeting April 10-13 in Tampa. Bill Murray of USF made sundry announcements concerning increased affordability and easy accessibility of the meeting and promised to have a call for papers out by mid summer. Hotel convention rates will be in effect for 3 days before and after the meeting for interested members. Phi Alpha Theta (the undergraduate and graduate History Honors society) will co-sponsor the event.

New Business. Leanne Bablitz of the University of British Columbia at Vancouver tendered an official invitation for the 2009 meeting. The dates will be May 14-16 and will follow directly after the 2009 meeting of the CAC which is planned to run 5/11-5/14. Bablitz mentioned possibilities of tours of surrounding area and possible joint sessions of the AAH and the CAC. Motion to accept the invitation (Dintrone, Gaughan) was passed unanimously.

Roberts made mention of the recent passing of Bob Rowland, a long time friend of the AAH and of many of its members. Dennis Kehoe spoke of the memorial held at Loyola, in particular the sentiments of affection made by Rowland's students. Ken Harl, on behalf of himself and his family, expressed gratitude for the kind regards sent to them by members of the AAH on the passing of his father, Sidney Harl. Sidney Harl was a regular patron of the AAH having arranged a number of generous gifts to the organization from the William Paley Foundation. Roberts asked for a moment of silence on behalf of all recently deceased members.

Bruce Frier moved a vote of thanks to the Princeton organizers (Nimchuk), motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn (Raaflaub, Adams) passed unanimously at 6 PM.

Travel to Italy, Greece and beyond with experienced scholars and teachers.

For over 50 years, the Vergilian Society has offered study tours to classical lands designed to appeal to secondary teachers, college students and interested laypeople. We are pleased to offer scholarship support specifically for secondary school teachers! For Itineraries, Applications and Scholarship information, see <http://vergil.clarku.edu/>

Alexander G. McKay Prize Announcement

The Vergilian Society is pleased to announce the establishment of the Alexander G. McKay Prize for the best book in Vergilian studies. The prize, which is accompanied by a cash award of \$500 or a life membership in the Vergilian Society (valued at \$750), will be awarded every other year to the book that, in the opinion of the prize evaluation committee, makes the greatest contribution toward our understanding and appreciation of Vergil or topics related to Vergil. Works of literary criticism, biography, bibliography, textual criticism, reference, history, archaeology, and the classical tradition are all eligible, provided that Vergilian studies represent a significant portion of the discussion. The first competition will cover books published during the years 2005 through 2007. The winner, who will be selected by two members of the prize evaluation committee appointed by the President in consultation with the executive committee, will be announced at the Vergilian Society session at the annual meeting of the American Philological Association in January, 2009 and every two years thereafter. The authors of books being considered for the McKay Prize must be members of the Vergilian Society at the time their books are submitted.

A copy of each book to be considered must be sent to both members of the prize evaluation committee by April 15, 2008. The two members for this cycle are:

Richard Thomas (chair) Department of the Classics 204 Boylston Hall Harvard University Cambridge, Mass. 02138

Sarah Spence Department of Classics Park Hall University of Georgia, Athens, Ga. 30602

The Department of Classics at the University of Texas at Austin announces the following courses in Intensive Beginning Greek, Advanced/Graduate Latin and Advanced/Graduate Greek for Summer, 2008. For information on registration, tuition, housing or other logistical matters, contact Lynn Gadd (ugclass@www.utexas.edu).

A. UT-Austin's renowned program in **Intensive Summer Greek** will continue this summer (June 5-August 18). Using the techniques devised by the late Gareth Morgan, Professors Lesley Dean-Jones and Thomas Palaima will lead students through all the fundamental elements of Greek morphology and syntax and extensive readings in Homer, Euripides, Lysias and other authors. For information on the content of this course, contact Lesley Dean-Jones (ldjones@mail.utexas.edu), or see the detailed description on line (<https://webspace.utexas.edu/gadd/intensivegreek08.pdf?uniq=-vxjtn5>).

B. **Three-week Summer Advanced Latin**: Livy and the Origins of Rome (LAT 365/385; Instructor: Tim Moore)
This course is designed specifically with teachers of Latin in the secondary schools in mind but should be useful for any advanced undergraduates or graduate students. The class will meet for three weeks (June 9-27, 2008) for three hours each day. The stories of Livy's early books (Romulus and Remus, Lucretia, Horatius at the bridge) are incomparable both for their inherent excitement and for what they tell us about how the Romans viewed themselves. We will read and discuss a number of these stories, paying particular attention to the mixture of history and myth in Livy's account, Livy's view of what it means to be Roman, and how the stories can best be put to use in the classroom. Students may receive three credits of either upper-division or graduate credit. Prerequisite: 5 semesters of undergraduate Latin or equivalent. For information on the content of this course, contact Tim Moore (timmoores@mail.utexas.edu).

C. **Advanced Greek**: Lyric Poetry (GK 365/385; Instructor: Andrew Faulkner).
For the first time in recent history, the University of Texas at Austin will offer a course in advanced Greek during the second summer session (July 14-August 18). Students will examine in detail a representative selection of archaic Greek lyric poetry, including works of Sappho, Alcaeus, Archilochus, Pindar, and Bacchylides. Throughout the course, students will become familiar with the language, metres, structures, literary motifs and tropes, and performance context of the poems. Attention will be given to defining the boundaries and qualities of the genre(s) of archaic Greek lyric poetry and its influence on later literature. Students may receive three credits of either upper-division or graduate credit. Prerequisite: 5 semesters of undergraduate Greek or equivalent. For information on the content of this course, contact Andrew Faulkner (afaulkner@mail.utexas.edu).

The Department of History at Emory University invites nominations and applications for the newly endowed Betty Gage Holland Chair in Roman History. The department seeks an outstanding scholar with a distinguished record of publication, teaching, and service. Scholars at the level of full professor in all periods of Roman history, including Late Antiquity, are welcome to apply. Ability to contribute to both the undergraduate and graduate programs in ancient history is required. A letter of application, c.v., and the names and addresses of three referees should be sent to James L. Roark, Chair, Department of History, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322. Review of applications will begin in August. Emory University is an EEO/AA employer.

ITEM ONE: The following amendments to the Constitution of the AAH are now proposed by former Secretary-Treasurer, Pat Dintrone (second, Howarth). According to provisions 14 and 15 of our constitution, the notice provided herein constitutes a valid movement and second. According to paragraph 17, a 2/3 majority is required for constitutional amendment.

Effective at the conclusion of the meeting: [~~strike out that which is in brackets~~]; insert that which is underlined.

3. Membership of the Association shall be open to all persons [domiciled in Canada or the U.S.A. and engaged in the teaching of Ancient History above high school level or in research in Ancient History] with an interest in the study of the ancient Mediterranean world.

(a) Members shall pay an annual subscription, the amount to be determined by majority vote at the Annual Meeting, on recommendation of the President and Secretary-Treasurer.

[4.]

(b) Associate Membership shall be [open] available to [any person not thus qualified] members enrolled in a school, college, or university. Associate members shall pay an annual subscription, the amount to be determined by majority vote at the Annual Meeting, on recommendation of the President and Secretary-Treasurer.

(c) Life Membership shall be available to retired members who are at least 60 years old upon payment of a one-time subscription equal to ten times the then-current annual Member subscription.

(paragraphs now numbered 5-18 shall be renumbered 4-17)

12.

(f) Members, Associate Members, and Life Members of the Association shall be entitled to attend the Annual Meeting, to take part in the business meeting of the Association, and to submit business for it.

[(g) Associate members of the Association or other persons may attend the Annual Meeting at the discretion of, and on any terms fixed by, the Organizing Committee. They shall not attend the business meeting of the Association or submit business for it.]

-----end of proposal-----

Effects: There are three main effects of the proposed changes: first, Associate membership will exclusively denote student membership. Secondly, retired members, members resident abroad, students, and non-academics will no longer be barred from attending business meetings or participating in the governance of the organization. Third, retired members will gain a special membership option without forfeiting the right to participate in governance. The special emphasis accorded to members resident in Canada and the US remains in place by virtue of paragraph 2 of the constitution.

Rationales: This is, first of all, an attempt to align *thesmos* with *nomos*. Retired, offshore, student, and non-academic members routinely participate in the life of the organization, despite their constitutional disability. That said, there is little rationale for gradations in membership except the recognition of limited financial competence. In the latter category most prominently reside students. Retired members are not nearly so encumbered as students or, for that matter, junior faculty. Nevertheless, the life membership category recognizes and preserves a privileged status. We have had several inquiries on this question. The proposed membership structure comports with financial considerations as well. Other than graduate students and retired, the largest category of Associate members are members resident abroad the postage costs to service which are substantially higher than any other category.

ITEM TWO: The following changes to the dues structure are now proposed by Randall S. Howarth, Secretary treasurer), and seconded by Jennifer Roberts, President. According to provisions 14 and 15 of our constitution, the notice provided herein constitutes a valid movement and second. Pursuant to paragraphs 3 and 4 of the constitution, a majority vote is required for passage.

A) Effective at the conclusion of the meeting, dues for regular members will be increased from 7.50 per year to 12.50 per year. Dues for associate members will be increased from 5.00 per year to 10.00 per year.

B) All members choosing to receive their newsletter exclusively by electronic means will receive a 5.00 annual discount on the membership.

ITEM THREE: That the secretary/ Treasurer, in consultation with the President, be authorized to engage the services of a professional web designer for the purposes of redesigning the AAH web page with downloadable newsletter and (the capability of) PAAH archive capability and member access to on-line dues paying capability.

William Harris (Columbia) awarded Andrew V. Mellon Foundation's Distinguished Achievement

The awards are intended to underscore the decisive contributions the humanities make to the nation's intellectual life. Amounting to as much as \$1.5 million each, the awards honor scholars who have made significant contributions to humanistic inquiry and enable them to teach and do research under especially favorable conditions while enlarging opportunities for scholarship and teaching at the academic institutions with which they are affiliated. In contrast to other notable awards that benefit individual recipients exclusively, the Distinguished Achievement Awards are designed to recognize the interdependence of scholars and their institutions. Accordingly, while these grants honor the achievements of individuals, the funds that accompany them support institutional activities that will enhance both research and teaching and permit the recipients to deepen and extend their own scholarship.

Three scholars were selected this year one of whom was William V. Harris, William R. Shepherd Professor of History at Columbia University. A scholar of the highest distinction, Harris' command of the technical aspects of studies of ancient Rome and Greece is impeccable. He is known especially for his creativity, transformative impact, and appetite for taking on big questions. His contributions cover a remarkably wide range of topics, including war and imperialism in the ancient world, economic history, Roman law, religion, literacy, and the emotions including rage and its control and most recently madness in the ancient world. Highly influential in his own discipline, Harris has successfully communicated his findings to scholars in fields well beyond history. In a succession of books and edited volumes, he has opened ancient history to questions and approaches that have characterized historical study of the more recent past. As director of Columbia's Center for the Ancient Mediterranean, Harris has brought together archaeologists intellectual historians and social historians to develop and explore significant new understandings of the ancient world. The many students he has trained and mentored are highly regarded in the profession and produce their own significant contributions to the field.

The Mellon Foundation has conferred Distinguished Achievement Awards every year since 2001. **Previous recipients** included: 2001: **Peter Brown**, Philip and Beulah Rollins Professor of History at Princeton University, and 2003 **Roger S. Bagnall**, Professor of Classics and History at Columbia University.

Each award is for a three year term, with funds being granted to, and overseen by, the recipients' institutions. Although the recipients' uses of funds differ in each case and reflect a wide range of scholarly interests and institutional settings, in general, the awards underwrite a portion of their salaries and their research expenses, while also providing support for colleagues and students engaged in collaboration with the awardees who are expected to spend at least two of the three years on their home campuses. Previous years' awards are being used to bring co-workers and visiting scholars to the recipients' institutions; to provide postdoctoral and graduate fellowships to subsidize instruction in areas not offered by their institutions; and to support an array of scholarly projects including the preparation and editing of texts, the development of electronic scholarly tools, seminars and meetings to explore promising new directions in the relevant fields, and archeological excavations. Recipients are chosen from such fields as classics history, history of art, musicology, philosophy, religious studies, and all areas of literary studies, including the study of foreign literatures. Recipients of the awards must hold tenured appointments at US institutions of higher education.

For more information about The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, see <http://r.vrvrv.mellon.org>.

Further description of the Distinguished Achievement Awards, and the Foundation's programs for research universities and humanistic scholarship, is available at [http://www.mellon.org/newsPublications/annual-reports-essa\);|presidents-essa\];|the-foundation-s-programs-for-research-universities-and-humanistic-scholarship/](http://www.mellon.org/newsPublications/annual-reports-essa);|presidents-essa];|the-foundation-s-programs-for-research-universities-and-humanistic-scholarship/)

Bob Rowland died on March 14, 2007, the victim of a rapidly spreading, untreatable cancer. He was at the time of his death Professor of History at Loyola University in New Orleans, where he had previously served as Dean of Arts and Sciences. Much of his teaching career was spent at the University of Missouri, a time he remembered with special affection. Between Missouri and Loyola he had been Chair of Classical Studies at the University of Maryland.

Bob had a great love of history and a great fascination with the varied byways of ancient historical research. He learned to master philological Roman history at the University of Pennsylvania, but his interests soon took him into new methodological pathways and into a range of time periods. He was more open to the evidence of archaeology than many ancient historians of his generation and delighted in archaeological field research. Epigraphy and numismatics posed no problems for him. He could enter into the often bizarre world of Mediterranean prehistory and mine medieval Sardinian property registers for social and economic history. His forte was the carefully crafted article in which he explored some topic that interested him. However, he also delighted in the wider sweep of history. That was made manifest in his two, end of life books on Sardinia. It was also evident in the pleasure he took in teaching general history courses during his last years at Loyola.

One did not really know Bob Rowland, until one had spent time with him in Sardinia. According to 'received history' his interest in Sardinia started with a self assignment in a Missouri graduate seminar on the Roman provinces. It became his central scholarly passion and the source of his most innovative and important research. He loved the island, its landscape, its monuments, its people, and its long, fascinating and often tragic history. I spent many a fascinating hour with Bob, as we explored the nuragic countryside, or he searched on the shelves of some dusty Cagliari bookstore for an additional treasure for his vast Sardinian library. He could debate the best of the Sardinian scholars, but also exchange island lore with the local shopkeeper.

Others can speak in more detail about his administrative accomplishments. For classicists the most important was his long service as executive secretary of the Vergilian Society, whose mission he valiantly attempted to articulate and expand and whose institutional problems he tried patiently to address.

Bob was the most delightful of companions. Field archaeology can test the best of friendships, but ours emerged even stronger from our years of survey in Sardinia. His patience with the foibles of colleagues and students was inexhaustible. His capacious memory provided the anecdotes to delight many a meal. Indeed the dinner table was always one of his great pleasures. Long before it was fashionable in academic circles, Bob distinguished himself as a gourmet cook. His was a rich, full life that was sadly cut too short.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Dyson

Charles J. Zabrowski (1945-2008)

Charles J. Zabrowski died at home of lung cancer on Wednesday 30 January 2008. He is survived by his wife, Patricia A. Beedle. Zabrowski graduated *summa cum laude* from Canisius College in 1967 with a B.A. in Classics. After earning an M.A. in Classics and Ancient History at the University of Toronto, and spending a year (1973-1974) as the Seymour Fellow at the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Greece, in 1984 he was awarded a Ph.D. in Classics by Fordham University. Zabrowski's two primary passions were paleography, in particular the editing of the Byzantine manuscripts of the ancient Greek dramatist Aeschylus and the *scholia* attached to those manuscripts, and the teaching of Classical Greek to undergraduates. The recipient of several grants for his research in palaeography, he published a number of articles in academic journals. He taught briefly at Elmira College, and at Boston College, and from 1979 until 1986 at Creighton University. In 1987 he came to teach in the Department of Classics at Gettysburg College, where he progressed through the ranks to Full Professor, served as Secretary of the Faculty (1995-1998) and as Department Chair (1998-2004), and taught his beloved classical Greek to an astonishing variety and number of students. Wearing his academic gown as a symbol of his profession, he was a well known figure on the campus and in the local community. Zabrowski was on sabbatical leave from Gettysburg College at the time of his death.

The Department of Classics at Gettysburg College will sponsor a memorial event later in the spring semester.

Respectfully submitted, Carolyn S. Snively

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Notes from the Secretary:

PAAH #9 should be in the post by the time of this mailing. All members in the US and Canada whose dues were recorded on Feb 29th as paid through 2007 will receive a copy sent directly from the printer. Members who update their dues after this date will receive a copy from me in late April or May (by which time I will receive the balance of books printed).

Non-US and non-Canadian members should remit (to me) \$5.00 to cover the additional postage costs, or alternatively, provide a US or Canadian address to which I might send the volume.

On another note, members with yahoo addresses should check the settings on their email. For some reason, yahoo addresses have begun kicking back my bulk messages. You may have to "allow" mail from associationofancienthistorians.org

R. Howarth

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Interim Financial Report (May 07 to March 08)

Operating Funds on hand May 07 18,837.76

Income May to March 15 \$4952.95

Total Expenses May to March \$4206.94#

Operating Funds on hand March 15 \$19,583.77

Subvention Account Balance March 31, 07 \$16,012.31

Total Income (as of Feb 29, 2008) \$*1775.00

Subventions disbursed March 1 \$1500.00

Subvention Balance (after disbursal) \$*16,237.31

Total Assets of the Association \$*35,821.08

* Est. pending March quarterly report of Investment Account

This figure does not include March mailing or balance due Regina for PAAH 9

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