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NOTICES

1996 DUES WERE DUE ON 1 JANUARY. Anyone whose dues have not been paid since 1993 will be dropped from the membership/mailling list. The most recent paid up dues date appears above members' names on the mailing label. Members are encouraged to pay dues a few years at a time as this ensures paid-up status and simplifies record-keeping.

Non-U.S. members please note: you may now pay dues by foreign hard currency drafts at reasonable exchange equivalents of the appropriate American membership rate. The Association's bank in Providence has waived foreign currency conversion charges.

Paid-up members of AAH are entitled to a \$12.80 (20% discount) annual subscription rate to the *American Journal of Ancient History*. Write to: AJAH, Dept. of History, Robinson Hall, Harvard Univ., Cambridge, MA 02138. (Please do not direct questions concerning AJAH to the Secretary-Treasurer; the journal is an entirely separate operation.)

1 September Deadline for Receipt of Notices for Fall AAH Newsletter

The Secretary-Treasurer reminds you that the newsletter contents are based on news submitted by members.

So, please serve it forth! — D.D.

Spring Annual Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia

18-21 APRIL 1996

We will meet in conjunction with the Emory Classical Studies Symposium, **Nike: The Competitive Impulse in Greek Culture**. Members should have already received registration materials in the mail from Cynthia Schwenk, Dept. of History, Georgia State University, University Plaza, Atlanta, GA 30303-3083 tel. (404) 651-3255, fax (404) 651-1745; e-mail hiscjs@gsusgi2.gsu.edu

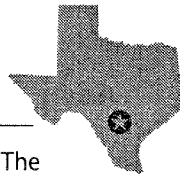
Rooms have been reserved at the Sheraton Colony Square Hotel, located in Midtown Atlanta. On Thursday evening, members have the option of attending a performance of Sophocles' *Ajax* at Emory University. Other highlights are the permanent collection at the Michael C. Carlos Museum and a special exhibition, **Nike: Competition and Victory at the Ancient Greek Festival Games**.

Session One: **Law and Social Control**, and Session Two: **Diplomacy and Interstate Relations**, are scheduled on Friday, followed by the business meeting. Bernard Knox will present the keynote speech that evening and a reception will follow.

Saturday is devoted to papers on competition in Greek culture; our traditional banquet follows that evening at the Crown Room of the Colony Square Hotel, which has a wonderful view of Atlanta.

Session Three: **New Directions in Ancient History** is scheduled for Sunday morning.

1997 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas



The 1997 annual meeting will be hosted by Trinity University. A block of rooms has been reserved at the historic Menger Hotel, of Teddy Roosevelt and Roughriders fame, next to the Alamo and a few paces from the Riverwalk. The opening reception on Friday, May 2, will be at the San Antonio Museum of Art, with access to the finest and largest collection of ancient art in the South and Southwest. The sessions on Saturday and Sunday morning, May 3-4, will be on the campus of Trinity University, on a ridge overlooking

the downtown area. The topics proposed for discussion are as follows:

Human Sacrifice in the Ancient World; Women and Property; and "the Invention of Tradition" (as defined and discussed by Eric Hobsbawm in the book of that title in relation to the 19th century).

A call for papers will be sent out in early Fall. The chair of the organizing committee is Colin Wells, Department of Classical Studies, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX 78212-7200, email: cwells@trinity.edu

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MINUTES OF THE 1995 BUSINESS MEETING: Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

President Carol Thomas reported on plans for forthcoming annual meetings: the 1996 meeting will be hosted by Georgia State in Atlanta, and the 1997 meeting will be hosted by Trinity University in San Antonio. Cynthia Schwenk noted that the change of date to April is in order to hold the meeting in conjunction with Emory University's symposium on **Nike, the Competitive Impulse in Greek Culture**. Colin Wells tentatively proposed the first week in May (Sat., 2 May 1997); we would stay at downtown hotels near the Riverwalk and hold the meeting on the campus with a possible reception at the San Antonio Museum of Art on Friday evening. Colin welcomes topic suggestions. Perhaps it might be time to say something about Carthage? Sacrifice in the ancient world was also suggested. Carol Thomas encouraged members to check with their institutions about holding the annual meeting there in 1998.

President Carol Thomas reported that if all goes according to schedule, there will be a pamphlet by Colin Wells within the next academic year. The Publication Committee would welcome suggestions about topics.

Carol Thomas further reported that as many of us communicate by e-mail, it seems a good idea to develop an e-mail list. Dan Tompkins reported that he is just about ready to put the e-mail list on the gopher. He can be reached by e-mail at pericles@astro.ocis.temple.edu. Richard Talbert suggested putting the newsletter on e-mail; but the Secretary-Treasurer advised that she cannot at present invest the time to master the software applications necessary to do so. Sarah Figuera remarked that it was our intention to create an e-mail directory.

The President further reported that Kurt Raaflaub is collecting information about the history of our annual meetings to guide

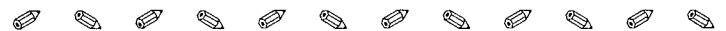
future institutions and that the Publications Committee believes it would be useful to have a directory of the programs in ancient history offered by our institutions. Michael Amush at Skidmore College, who was associated with the preparation of the APA directory of graduate programs in Classics, offered to assist. The Publications Committee would like to go ahead and make this available in a format parallel to the Talbert-Wallace guide to departments of history for sale to our members in order to recoup production costs. Carol Thomas asked for suggestions. Tom Martin suggested that the directory be computerized so that it can be updated. Carol Thomas announced that if there were no objections, she would continue to explore ways to do so.

Kurt Raaflaub recommended to the Publications Committee to think not only in terms of esoteric enlightenment but how the organization can reach out more to secondary school teachers to facilitate bringing ancient history into the classroom. Ramsay MacMullan suggested that members follow through on this, for example, compiling a list of currently available databases and distributing these to secondary schools.

Carol Thomas praised Richard Burns at Regina Books for his enthusiastic support. He is marketing our pamphlets to colleges.

OLD BUSINESS: Sherill Spaar urged Gene Borza to make last year's presentation available in the newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS: Bob Wallace noted that universities in the Chicago area contemplate holding a one-day consortium on various topics related to Athens and the emergence of democracy. Kurt Raaflaub again announced the ten fellowships at the Center for Hellenic Studies for the 1996-97 academic year for advanced assistant professors and associate professors (16 Oct. deadline). Colin Wells announced that a new edition of *The Roman Empire* will be available from Harvard in time for the Fall semester. Jennifer Roberts proposed a resolution of thanks to Athena, the Nashville Parthenon officials, and our hosts at Vanderbilt who worked so hard to make this meeting a success and it was unanimously so voted.



PERSONALIA AND BOOKS

Stanley Burstein reports the recent publication of two books: *Graeco-Africana: Studies in the History of Greek Relations with Egypt and Nubia*, (Caratzas) and *The Hellenistic Period in World History, Essays in Global and Comparative History* (American Historical Association).

Walter Eder reports the publication of *Die athenische Demokratie im 4. Jh. v.Chr.: Vollendung oder Verfall einer Verfassungsform?* by Frans Steiner Verlag (ISBN 3-515-06387-0).

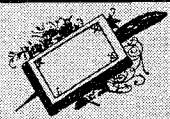
Nigel M. Kennell reports the publication by the University of North Carolina Press of his book, *The Gymnasium of Virtue: Education and Culture in Ancient Sparta*.

John A. Koumoulides reports the publication by Aristides Caratzas of *The Good Idea: Democracy and Ancient Greece. Essays in Celebration of the 2500th Anniversary of its Birth in Athens*.

Robert J. Rowland, Jr. has been honored by Oscar Luigi Scalfaro, President of the Republic of Italy, with the title of Cavaliere dell'Ordine al Merito della Repubblica Italiana.

Eckart Schütrumpf reports the publication of his translation and commentary, *Aristotles Politik Buch IV-VI*, (Akademie Verlag, 1996, ISBN 3-05-002521-2).

Stephen V. Tracy has been appointed Visiting Mellon Professor in the Institute for Advanced Study for academic year 1996/7. His book, *Democracy in Transition: Attic Letter-Cutters of 340-290 B.C.*, was also recently published by the University of California Press (ISBN 0-520-20018-7).



PUBLICATIONS OF THE AAH

Very few back issues of the Proceedings of the Association of Ancient Historians are still available for sale at a cost of \$10 each for vol. 1-3 (now out of print) and \$8 for vol. 4, postpaid:

- Vol. 1, Chester Starr, *Past and Future in Ancient History*;
- Vol. 2, Alan E. Samuel, *The Shifting Sands of History: Interpretations of Ptolemaic Egypt*;
- Vol. 3, Arthur Ferrill, *Roman Imperial Grand Strategy*;
- Vol. 4, Carol G. Thomas, *Myth Becomes History: Pre-Classical Greece*.

To order, send request and check made out to "Association of Ancient Historians," Eugene N. Borza, 1108 Kay St., Boalsburg, PA 16827.

Ordinarily, copies of *PAAH 4*, Carol G. Thomas, *Myth Becomes History: Pre-Classical Greece*, must be purchased from Regina Books, P.O. Box 280, Claremont, CA 91711 (\$11.95).

MAKEDONIKA, Essays by Eugene N. Borza, ed. Carol G. Thomas, is also available for purchase by members and their institutions from Regina Books (cloth, \$37.95; paper, \$18.95).

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SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as of 3/10/95 **\$3713.38**

INCOME:

Dues received	3626.92
Donations	369.00
Royalties	0
Proceeds from labels sales	145.00
Bank interest	51.28
Reimbursement of cash contribution to <i>Makedonika</i>	1500.00
Sales of <i>PAAH</i> back issues	50.00
Total Income:	\$5742.20

EXPENSES:

Newsletters 66-67-68	
Printing	730.00
Postage	433.02
Labels, envelopes	112.48
Misc. supplies	19.35
Bank charges	7.60
Transportation of officers to annual meeting (balance)	425.00
Graduate Directory postage	90.56
Subventions: Nashville and Atlanta meetings	1000.00
Total Expenses:	\$2818.01
Balance as of 3/1/96	\$6637.57

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

The Secretary-Treasurer proposes the following, non-constitutional procedural change: to carry existing members who have failed to pay current dues for two rather than three years. Printing and postage costs continue to rise. Each *Newsletter* now costs about \$.50 per copy to print; although bulk-rate *Newsletter* mailing has substantially reduced domestic postage costs, mailing a *Newsletter* overseas costs \$.60, \$.46 to Canada, and all foreign mail must be sent in envelopes. Currently, foreign associate dues do not even cover basic printing and postage charges; when any members, U.S. or foreign, neglect to pay dues, our deficit is increased. Two years seems like a sufficiently generous time to carry members who have not paid current dues. The Secretary-Treasurer would like to call for a vote on this resolution at the next annual meeting.

MEMBERS REPORT

- * **Mike Clover reports** that the University of Wisconsin-Madison **Edson Lectures** will be held Wed., 27 Mar., at 1:30 & 3:30 p.m. (tentatively in the State Historical Society Auditorium). Thomas Martin will discuss "The Worst Day in Athenian History," and Joseph Manning will speak about "Ptolemies, Peasants and Local Power." For further info., contact Mike at the Dept. of History, 3211 Humanities Bldg., Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison, WI 53706-1483, tel. (608) 263-1800, fax (608) 263-5302.
- * **President Carol Thomas reports:** thanks to the skill and effort of Konrad Kinzl, revision of the *Directory of Ancient Historians* in the U.S. is progressing nicely. As we learn of changes or additions, Konrad is entering them on directly at <http://www.trentu.ca/classics/aahtdir.html>. If you have not contacted by Konrad, Carol or someone overseeing a number of listings, please supply any changes regarding, address, rank, interests, telephone numbers, fax and email addresses to Konrad (KKinzl@trentu.ca) or Carol (carolt@u.washington.edu). Printed copies will be available for the cost of print-

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ing and postage when revision is as complete as possible (conversion will be done at the University of Washington).

Michael Arnush has also given many hours to the creation of a Directory of Graduate Programs in Ancient History. Response to the questionnaire Michael mailed out has been disappointing. To date he has not received information from: Brown, Cal/Berkeley, Cal/San Diego, Cal/Santa Barbara, Chicago, Cincinnati, Conn., Emory, Florida State, Harvard, Hawaii, Iowa, Louisiana Tech., Loyola/Chicago, Memphis, Mich., Minn., Miss., Nebraska, NY State/Buffalo, Northwestern, Ohio State, Oklahoma, San Francisco State, S. Carolina, S. Dakota, Stanford, Texas/Austin, Texas Tech, Tufts, Tulane, Tulsa, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin/Madison, Western Ill. He has been told that there is no program at Appalachian State, Cal. State/LA, Duke/Classics, Evansville, Georgia State, Lamar, Montana State, NYState/Albany, Rutgers, Southwest Baptist, Trinity, Wisconsin/River Falls, Wright State.

If you have received but not returned a questionnaire, please do so as soon as possible. If you are at an institution not listed above, would you contact Michael (marnush@skidmore.edu) with (a) the information that there is no program in ancient history at your school; or (b) an offer to provide information if a program exists. Thank you in advance.

The program for our annual meeting in Atlanta is exciting; you can view it on the AAH home page. Information, including a registration form, has been mailed to members. Another feature is that the publisher of Association projects, Richard Burns of Regina Press, will attend.

I hope to see many of you there. *Carol*



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If you find a mistake in your address or in the spelling of your name, please send in a correction, using the AAH Member Information form on page 3. Please realize that the computer program used limits addresses to a maximum of four brief lines. Therefore, please do not "correct" an adequate address merely because it has been abbreviated.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS?

Please keep the Secretary-Treasurer advised if you move. The membership form (on p. 3) can be used to update addresses.

LOST MEMBERS

The newsletter of the following member was returned by postal authorities due to undeliverable to the addresses currently on record for:

Robert Develin

If any colleague can supply a current address, it would be appreciated.
