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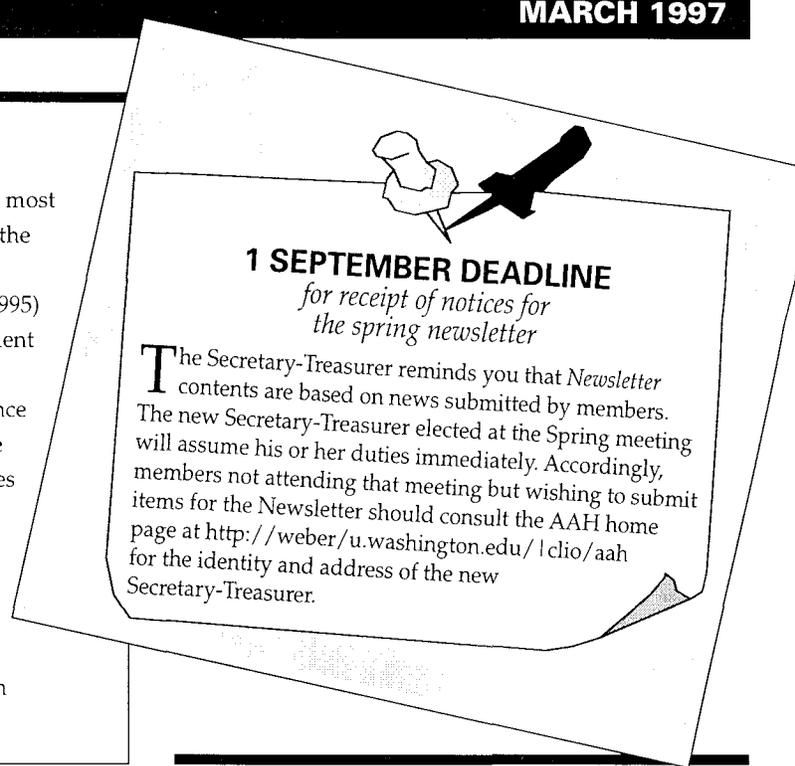
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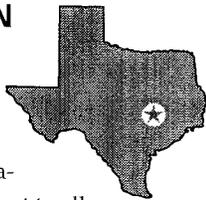
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SPRING 1997 ANNUAL MEETING IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS



Notices and registration forms were sent to all members in January. The deadline for registration and for reservations at the Menger Hotel, San Antonio, is April 1st. For further information please contact Colin Wells or Pamela Waddell at the Department of Classical Studies, Trinity University, 715 Stadium Drive, San Antonio, TX 78212-7200, tel. (210) 736-7647, fax (210) 736-7305. e-mail: cwells@trinity.edu

MINUTES OF THE 1996 BUSINESS MEETING: Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA

(In view of the presidential election, the Secretary-Treasurer chaired this meeting, where she also presented the annual report, responded to questions that it raised, and simultaneously tried to scribble down notes to produce these minutes. Please excuse any possible omissions — they are not intentional but rather the product of hectic circumstances. — D.D.)

- ☞ The Secretary-Treasurer called the meeting to order and presented her report. Minutes of the 1995 meeting were read. Kurt Raaflaub noted the following correction: the last paragraph of p. 2, col. 1, in *Newsletter* 69, should have read: "Kurt Raaflaub is collecting information about past annual meetings for the purpose of putting together guidelines for organizers of future meetings and that"
- ☞ "Richard Talbert again raised the matter of making the *Newsletter* available through electronic mail. The President suggested postponing discussion of this matter until later in the meeting when we would address electronic possibilities in a more general way.
- ☞ Nominations for Secretary-Treasurer were requested for next year.
- ☞ President Carol Thomas reported that our publications are strong. She



**NOMINATIONS
FOR SECRETARY
TREASURER**

**Patricia Dintrone
Frank Holt**

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

I suggest that we all could use some of Hesiod's stern counsel, as the academic year races by: "Work, then work harder!" Several of our colleagues have done just that. Thanks to the labors of Michael Arnush, a directory of graduate programs in ancient history will soon be available through Regina Books. A message will be posted to our home page (<http://weber/u.washington.edu/|clio/aah>) when more specific information is available; but, if you are interested and do not use computer communication, please contact me. And the contributions of Gene Borza, Stan Burstein, Ramsay MacMullen, Kurt Raaflaub and Allen Ward should result in two volumes in the *PAAH* series this calendar year.

Another sort of contribution is solicited: namely, an invitation to host our annual meeting in 2000. (We have been invited to the University of Illinois by Richard Mitchell for 1998 and will receive an official invitation for 1999 at this year's meeting.) Isn't it time to return to Canada or the western U.S.?

Having enjoyed a visit from Colin Wells just recently, I know how pleasant our meeting in San Antonio will be and hope to see you there.

Carol

CALLS FOR PAPERS

The Classical Association of the Atlantic States invites individual and group proposals for its Fall meeting, October 10-11, 1997, at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. Individual presentations are limited to 15 minutes, group presentations to 90 minutes. Anonymous abstracts of approx. 300 words, cover letter and a brief c.v. should be sent in triplicate to Prof. R. Leon Fitts, CAAS Conference Coordinator, Dept. of Classical Studies, P.O. Box 1773, Dickinson College, Carlisle, PA, 17013. Inquiries should be directed to Dr. GailAnn Rickert, CAAS Program Chair, Office of Academic Advising, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA 17325. Deadline for submission of abstracts is 2 June 1997.

Minutes of the 1996 Business Meeting *Continue from Page 1*

requested ideas for topics and contributors to add new works to our pamphlet series; forthcoming volumes are by Gene Borza on Macedonia and C. Wells on the army and social change in the early Roman Empire. The auction of three Rostovtzeff posters from Wisconsin, donated by Sherrill Spaar, at the annual banquet was next announced. The President reminded members of the availability of *Makedonika* and advised that Gene Borza is informally acting as Association archivist and encouraged members to let him know if they have items that might be of interest.

- ☞ The President next introduced Richard Burns of Regina Books, who announced that he is looking for materials in our area, including conference and instructional materials. Regina is paying back to the Association 15% of proceeds from sales of works by Association members that it publishes.
- ☞ The President announced that Konrad Kinzl is assisting her to put together an electronic directory of members, which is now about fifty percent complete, and that Michael Arnush's directory of institutions with graduate programs in ancient history has not received a stellar response. She further advised members that the Association's home page is a good place to check for current information. In response to her observation that Konrad Kinzl, who does the Newsletter for the Classical Association of Canada, knows how the Newsletter might be electronically disseminated, Briggs Twyman noted that this could be accomplished by a program called PINE. The President noted that the Association would like to establish more links. She then suggested formation of an ad hoc committee to investigate additional electronic possibilities (i.e., the *Newsletter*) and read a note from Joe Scholten concerning the kinds of lists members want and information about who would be moderators of those lists. The President next announced that the Association now has available for anyone who would like to host an annual meeting guidelines prepared by Kurt Raaflaub. We have plans for next year and for 1998, but are uncertain about 1999.
- ☞ On behalf of Colin Wells, Briggs Twyman confirmed Trinity University's invitation to host the 1997 annual meeting. Proposed topics were discussed and members were encouraged to suggest additional panel topics.
- ☞ Richard Mitchell, from the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana, invited us to meet there on the last day of April and first weekend of May 1998. The meeting will be held on a large estate with its own mansion, gardens, statues, and walks; there is even a good field for baseball. Overflow will be put up at the nearby town or will shuttle from Champaign-Urbana.
- ☞ The presidential election was conducted and Carol Thomas was unanimously re-elected.
- ☞ **OLD BUSINESS:** Sherrill Spaar again requested Gene Borza's speech from the previous year's banquet and suggested that we urge him to publish it.
- ☞ **NEW BUSINESS:** The proposed resolution to carry existing members of the Association whose dues are in arrears for two rather than three years was unanimously passed. In response to the Secretary-Treasurer's expression of concern about rising costs to print our *Newsletter* and for non-domestic postage, which may occasion difficulties at some later date because more and members are paying dues at the current rate for ten, fifteen or even 20 years in advance, there was much discussion. Advance payment of multiple dues is much appreciated because it saves the Secretary-Treasurer labor. Sarah George Figuera made a motion, seconded by Ramsey MacMullen, that advance payment of dues be capped at five years, while grandfathering members who had paid dues more than five years in advance. In the course of discussion, the general consensus was that the Secretary-Treasurer should exercise her discretion in this matter and that it would be taken under advisement. Sherrill Spaar then proposed abolishing an associate dues rate, but it was voted to postpone consideration of such a measure.
- ☞ Fred Lauritsen expressed thanks to our hosts, Georgia State and Emory Universities, on behalf of the membership.

Respectfully submitted, D.D.

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AAH PUBLICATIONS

Very few back issues of the Proceedings of the Association of Ancient Historians are still available for sale at a cost of:

\$10 Vol. 3, Arthur Ferrill,
Roman Imperial Grand Strategy,

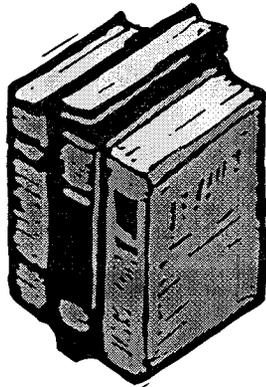
\$8 Vol. 4, Carol G. Thomas,
Myth Becomes History: Pre-Classical Greece, postpaid.

Volumes 1 and 2 (Starr and Samuel) are now completely out of print.

To order, send your request and check made out to the "Association of Ancient Historians," to Eugene N. Borza, 3602 River Drive South, Fargo, ND 58104.

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).



SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as of 3/14/96: \$6,591.41

Income:

Dues received	3,942.42
Donations	582.05
Royalties	340.14
Proceeds from labels sales	525.00
Bank interest	112.39
Reimbursement of cash contribution to Makedonika	500.00
Sales of PAAH back issues	104.00
Partial refund of Atlanta subvention	300.00

Total Income: \$6,406.00

Expenses:

Newsletters 69-70-71	
Printing	87.89
Postage	416.67
Labels	99.13
Envelopes & other supplies	61.84
Bank charges	-0-
Transportation of officers to annual meeting	966.50
AHA annual meeting display registration fee	25.00

Total Expenses: \$2,357.03

Balance as of 3/14/97: \$10,640.38

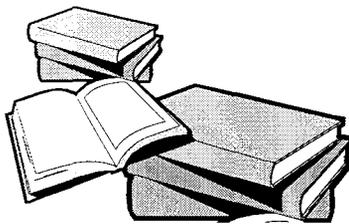
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NEW BOOKS

- **Kurt Raaflaub** and **Mogens Hansen** have edited *Studies in the Ancient Greek Polis* (Historia Einzelschrift 95, Stuttgart 1995) and *More Studies in the Ancient Greek Polis* (Historia Einzelschrift 108, Stuttgart, 1996).
- **Mogens Hansen** has also edited three volumes of Acts of the Copenhagen Polis Centre, published by the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences: I: *The Ancient Greek City-State* (1993); II: *Sources for the Ancient Greek City-State* (1995); and III: *Introduction to an Inventory of Poleis* (1996).
- Classicist **John T. Ramsey** and physicist **A. Lewis Licht** collaborated on *The Comet of 44 B.C. and Caesar's Funeral Games* which has just appeared in the APA American Classical Studies Series (Atlanta, 1997).
- **George J. Szemler**, **William J. Cherf** and **John "Chris" Kraft** announce the publication of their book, *THERMOPYLAI: Myth and Reality in 480 B.C.* (Chicago: Ares Publishers, 1996).



PERSONALIA

- **Clifford John Dull** reports that his biography was included in the latest edition of *Who's Who in the Midwest* for his work as a religious groups analyst.
- **William Klingshirn** reports that his book, *Caesarius of Arles: The Making of a Christian Community in Late Antique Arles* (Cambridge University Press, 1994) has been awarded the 1996 James Henry Breasted Prize by the American Historical Association.

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Ever since we began bulk-rate mailing our *Newsletter* in 1994, undeliverable issues are not returned and we are not notified of changes in addresses by the Post Office. Meeting registration materials of the following members were, however, returned to Trinity University as undeliverable. If anyone can supply a current address, it would be appreciated:

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