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SPRING MEETING PLANS

The 2000 annual meeting of the Association of Ancient Historians will be held in Madison at the University of Wisconsin on May 4-7. All events take place in the Pyle Center, 702 Langdon Street. Sessions 1-5 convene in the Lakeshore Room. Registration materials have been sent to all members. If you have not received your registration or would like additional information, contact Dr. F. M. Clover, Department of History, 3211 Humanities Building, University of Wisconsin, 455 North Park Street, Madison, WI 53706-1483, email: fmclover@facstaff.wisc.edu or consult the AAH Web page (see address below).

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Thursday May 4

Inaugural Lecture (Vandenberg Auditorium, 3:30-4:30)
“Excavations on the Red Sea—New Light on Roman Trade with India” (Roger Bagnall, Columbia University)

Reception and Registration (Alumni Lounge, 6:00-9:00)

Friday May 5

Coffee and Registration (Lakeshore Lobby, 8:00-9:00am)

Session 1: Slaves, Tenants, and Clients (9:00-11:30)
Session 2: William Westermann-The Making of an Ancient Historian (1:30-4:30)

Saturday May 6

Coffee (8:00-9:00am)

Session 3: Greek Rhetoric and Law (9:00-11:30)

Session 4: Roman Rhetoric and Law (1:30-4:00)

Business Meeting (Lakeshore Room, 4:30-5:30)

Reception (6:00-7:00)

Banquet (7:00-10:00)

Sunday May 7

Coffee (8:00-9:00)

Session 5: Periodization (9:00-11:00)

The full program and other meeting details can be accessed on line at <http://depts.washington.edu/clio/aah/>; follow the “Annual Meetings” link.

For housing information, see page 4 of this Newsletter.

PRESIDENT’S COLUMN

We should all thank Carol Thomas and others for the special effort they again made this year through our Association to promote the presence of the ancient field at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association. Small this presence may be, but it is still visible and lively, and we should surely be committed to maintaining it at no less than the present level. Many of us, after all, hold positions in Departments or Schools of History, and thus want to see our field represented at the largest annual meeting of historians in North America, especially as interviews for positions are also held here.

Just how best to promote the ancient field's presence, however, is a problem that is about to become more taxing from 2001 onwards when AHA and APA will again be meeting more or less simultaneously, and in the first instance (as it happens) on opposite sides of the continent, in Boston and San Diego respectively. Most of us who care to attend these meetings opt for APA's for the justifiable reason that it has more to offer us (jointly with AIA), and I doubt whether this pattern will change significantly within the immediate future. Naturally, on the other hand, some of our members prefer AHA, and some may alternate between APA and AHA in different years. The challenge now for the Association of Ancient Historians is how best to consolidate, and preferably strengthen, the presence of our field at AHA. I welcome all views and suggestions on this issue, and hope we may be able to find an opportunity for informal discussion of it at our meeting this May in Madison, WI.

In any event, do please consider coming to Madison; the program is full and

wide-ranging, the location highly attractive. I look forward to seeing you there.

Richard Talbert

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CONFERENCES OF INTEREST

- The **Department of Classics of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, in conjunction with the International Plutarch Society and its North American section, announce a conference, "Sage and Emperor: Plutarch and Trajan," to be held in Chapel Hill, NC, from Saturday June 24 to Tuesday June 27, 2000. The twenty-year reign of Trajan, 98-117, inaugurated the longest period of stability and good government of the Roman empire, and witnessed the production of one of the most influential literary works of the Roman empire, Plutarch's Parallel Lives. This conference will explore the interaction of Plutarch with the contemporary elite of the Roman empire, and their mutual efforts to understand and control the world of their day. Special sessions will consider Plutarch and Trajan, Philosophy, History, Art and Architecture, Plutarch's Greece, Politics, and Trajan, Alexander, and the East. Information on the program and registration is available on the UNC Classics Dept. web page <http://www.classics.unc.edu/Plutarch/> or write to Sage and Emperor, Dept. of Classics, CB# 3145 Murphey Hall, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3145. Phone (919) 962-7660, FAX (919) 962-4036, e-mail stolle@email.unc.edu.
- The annual conference of the **National Coalition of Independent Scholars** (NCIS), entitled "Independent Scholars: The Public Intellectuals of the Future," will be held in Raleigh, North Carolina on October 27-29, 2000. Proposals for individual papers or panel discussions are solicited; deadline is May 1. Papers on individual research projects are welcome. For further details, contact Thomas C. Jepsen, program chair, 515 Morgan Creek Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-4931. (919) 933-0377, tjepsen@mindspring.com
- The fourth biennial Orality and Literacy in Ancient Greece conference, **Epea and Grammata: Oral and Written Communication in Ancient Greece**, will be held at the University of Missouri-Columbia, USA, from Tuesday June 6 (registration and first papers) to Saturday June 10, 2000. Convenors: Ian Worthington (History, Missouri-Columbia) and John Miles Foley (Classics and Center for Oral Traditions, Missouri-Columbia). Sessions (4-6 papers each) will include Oratory/law/society, Homer, Poetry/drama/religion, Philosophy, and Comparative Studies. As with previous conferences, each paper will be followed by a generous amount of discussion time, and refereed papers will be published by Brill as a fourth volume in the Orality and Literacy series. Registration is US\$45 (\$25 students; \$15 daily rate) and includes all conference materials, morning and afternoon teas, a social excursion and, it is hoped, all lunches. Accommodation (including breakfast) will be at the Ramada Inn in downtown Columbia (US\$46 single or double room + tax), which is about a 5 minute walk from the campus and conference venue. For registration information and more details, please contact as soon as possible: Professor Ian Worthington, Department of History, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO 65211. Tel (573) 882-0780; Fax (573) 884-5151; Email: WorthingtonI@missouri.edu

NEW BOOKS

CORRECTION: Our apologies to Robert Penella, whose book appeared with the wrong title in the last Newsletter. The correct information is:

- Robert J. Penella, *The Private Orations of Themistius* (University of California Press, 1999).
- Marie Cleary and Mark J. Meister, eds., *Cargoes from Three Continents: Ancient Mediterranean Trade in Modern Archaeology* (Arch. Institute of America, 1999).
- Ian Worthington, *Greek Orators Volume 2: Dinarchus 1 and Hyperides 5 & 6* (Warminster, Aris & Phillips 1999).

REGINA BOOKS

is the official publisher of AAH publications including *Before Alexander: Constructing Early Macedonia*, by Gene Borza; *Ancient History: Recent Work and New Directions*, by Burstein, MacMullen, Raaflaub, and Ward; *Myth Becomes History: Pre-Classical Greece*, by C. Thomas, , and *Directory of Ancient Historians in the United States* 2nd ed., comp. by K. Kinzl. Contact Regina at Post Office Box 280, Claremont, CA. 91711, Phone 909-624-8466 Fax: 909-626-1345 for a complete list and information about AAH discounts.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The AAH has had returned mail for the following members. Please let us know if you know how to reach any of them.

Mr. James C. Baker
Mr. Peter Cohee
Mr. Patrick R. Egan
Dr. George Harris
Mr. Paul Hartog
Dr. R. Rachel Magdalene
Prof. Paul Rahe
Mr. Kevin A. Stueven
Prof. David L. Silverman
Mr. David A. Timko
Ms. Karina Tokareva-Parker
Prof. Timothy Winters
Ms. T. J. Wray

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Carl A. Roebuck

Our colleague and long-time member, Carl Roebuck, died of pneumonia complicated by asthma on December 30, 1999. He was 85 years old. Canadian-born, Carl studied at the University of Toronto where he earned both his B.A. and M.A. degrees. Interest in archaeology that developed during his undergraduate years continued in Master's work with Homer Thompson. That association led to four years of work (1937-1940) at the American School of Classical Studies in Athens. In addition to his own dissertation research, these years found him excavating at Corinth and on the North Slope of the Acropolis, in the company of Oscar Broneer. Carl's doctoral study at the University of Chicago was guided by J.A.O. Larsen; his Ph.D. was awarded in 1941. His University service began at Dalhousie University (1943-48), brought him back to the University of Chicago (1948 - 1952) and then drew him to Northwestern University (1952 - 1979). On retirement, Carl and his wife Mary moved to their home on Orcas Island in the San Juan group of islands off the coast of Washington.

Carl's scholarship is evidence of the force of these early associations. Corinth, Athens and Ionia in the preclassical period receive much of his attention. His writing is permeated by a recognition of the significance of archaeological evidence in historical study, the interplay between economy and society, and the nature of the Greek polis especially in its inchoate form. Perhaps best known of his scholarly publications is the monograph Ionian Trade and Colonization (Archaeological Institute of America, 1959). His abiding interest in the economy of early Greece brought the invitation to contribute the chapter on trade in Archaic Greek Society to the second edition of the Cambridge Ancient History, Volume 4 (1988).

But his focus was wide: his The World of Ancient Times (Scribner's, 1966) has been a standard text for decades; The Muses at Work (MIT, 1969), which he edited, ranges over Greek and Roman activities; "The Settlements of Philip II with the Greek States in 338B.C." Classical Philology 43 (1948) 73-92 treats the polis world in its altered context created by the Macedonian success. The article is one of ten essays published as Economy and Society in the Early Greek World: Collected Essays by Carl Roebuck (Ares Publishers, 1979).

The quality of Carl Roebuck's work has been recognized throughout his career: he was a Guggenheim Fellow in 1953-4, the President's Fellow of Northwestern University in 1962-3, and National Endowment for the Humanities Senior Fellow in 1968-9.

The years at the American School affected Carl's life in a more personal way as well. At Corinth he met Mary Campbell then a student at the American School and also engaged in excavation at Corinth. Her Ph.D. in archaeology was awarded by Bryn Mawr. They married in 1947. Their life together joined common interests in archaeology, evidenced by the co-authored "A Prize Aryballos," Hesperia 24 (1955) 158-163; included regular attendance at conferences and annual meetings; and, more recently, demanded protecting their Orcas garden from the depredations of rabbits and deer.

Those privileged to have known the Roebucks and to have studied with Carl will recall the meticulous care they both gave to their work and that Carl expected of his students. Their love of Greece was deep; until recently they visited Greece, often simply to see their favorite sites again. They took joy in their island retreat with its vast library. Since ferry travel to the mainland made for a relatively easy commute they often attended lectures and special meetings in Seattle.

Carl will be remembered as a pioneer in combining physical and literary evidence, examining the interaction between all basic aspects of a society, and digging to the roots of developments. His success and his calm integrity made him a model that many now follow.

Carol Thomas

HOUSING FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

The local organizers have reserved blocks of rooms at the four housing facilities listed below. Those attending AAH 2000 are urged to reserve rooms directly with the housing facility, as early as possible. Upon making the reservation, mention the AAH meeting, so that the convention rate is assured. THE COMMON RESERVATION DEADLINE FOR ALL THE HOUSING FACILITIES IS APRIL 3RD, YEAR 2000. After that date rooms may still be available, *but the convention rate is not assured.*

The four facilities:

(1) Best Western Inn Towner, 2424 University Ave., Madison, WI 53705.

Rates: double \$89.00 + tax, single \$79.00 + tax. (Tel: 608-233-8778 or 800-258-8321, fax 608-233-1325)

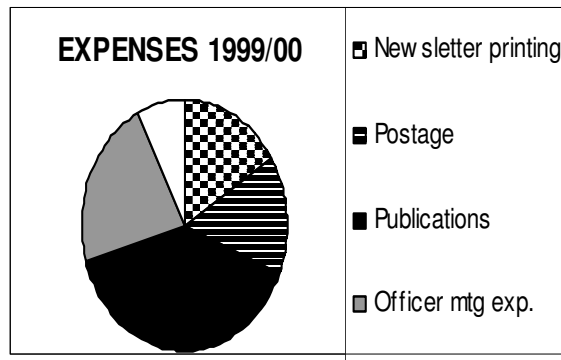
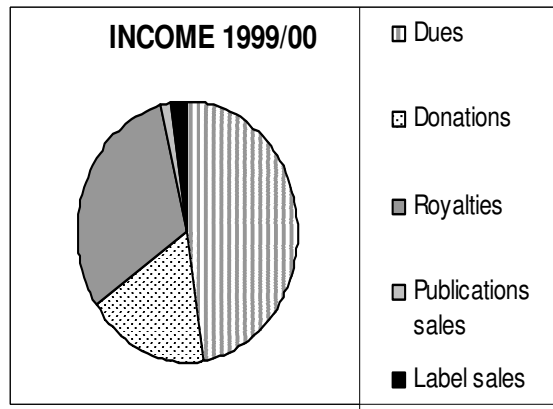
(2) Madison Concourse Hotel and Governor's Club, 1 West Dayton St.,

Madison, WI 53703. Concourse Hotel rates: double \$109.00 + tax, single \$99.00 + tax. Governor's Club rates-- double \$149.00 + tax, single \$139.00 + tax. (Tel: 608-257-6000, tel. 800-356-8293, fax 608- 257-5280.)

(3) Madison Inn, 601 Langdon St., Madison, WI 53703. Rates: double \$62.00 + tax, single \$52.00 + tax. (Tel. 608-257-4391, fax 608-257-2832).

(4) The Lowell Center, 610 Langdon St., Madison, WI 53706. Rates: double \$62.00 + tax, single \$52.00 + tax. (tel. 608-256-2621, fax 608-262-5445).

PRELIMINARY FINANCIAL REPORT (AS OF MARCH 1, 2000)



OPERATING FUNDS	
Balance as of 3/14/99:	7169.64
Income:	
Dues received	2916.5
Donations - General	1100
Royalties	1874.96
Publication Sales	80.00
Label sales	150.00
Total Income:	6121.46
Expenses:	
Newsletters	
Printing	758.33
Postage	736.89
Publications	1874.96
Officer meeting charges	1048.00
AHA Panel	365.00
Bank charge	8.00
Total Expenses	4791.18
Balance 3/1/00	8499.92

SUBVENTION FUND	
Balance as of 3/14/99:	10005.03
Income:	
Donations	1886.05
Interest and Dividends	549.87
Total Income:	2435.92
Expenses:	
Grants Awarded	0
Bank fees	0
Balance 3/1/00	12441.22

MINUTES OF 1999 BUSINESS MEETING

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm.
MSP (Lauritsen, Frank) to approve the 1998 minutes. Passed unanimously.

President's Report (Carol Thomas): (1) Meeting invitations have been accepted for 2000 and 2001. Invitations for later years are needed; please consider hosting the Association. Guidelines are available to help potential meeting planners. (2) Antony Raubitchek, Ernst Badian, and Erich Gruen were each awarded the Austrian Cross of Honor. Richard Mitchell was congratulated on his retirement. (3) A new volume of the Publications, by Gene Borza, is currently in press. A second publication co-sponsored by the Association is also in preparation. Stanley Burstein and Carol Thomas are the current members of the publications committee. Regina Press has recently published a Festschrift for Mortimer Chambers. (4) The AAH will co-sponsor a program at the Chicago AHA and will also sponsor a program on late antiquity organized by Elizabeth Digeser. MSP (Adams, Spaar) to accept the report.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report (Patricia Dintrone): (1) The subvention fund has reached \$10,000 and is invested in a Vanguard Bond Fund. (2) After two years of deficits, resulting from a heavy publications schedule, the Association hopes that the increase in dues will allow it to keep pace with expenses. MSP (Adams, Mitchell) to accept the report.

Old Business: (1) Gene Borza reported on the subvention fund and thanked the membership for reaching an ambitious goal. Stephen Felder is the recipient of this year's Betty Coate grant. We need more applicants. Senior members are asked to encourage applications

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AAH INFORMATION FORM

Check boxes that apply:

- Change of address (or use the on-line form at <http://rohan.sdsu.edu/~pdintron/aah/update.html>)
New or renewal membership Regular (\$7.50/year)
 Associate (\$5/year*) (*Associate membership is available only to students, retired professors, and non-residents of the U.S. or Canada)

New member Renewal Most recent year paid (from mailing label) _____

Payment enclosed: \$_____ for _____ years (limit 5 years in advance)

Additional donation enclosed: \$_____. (For meeting subvention fund Yes No)

Check appropriate title (furthest left box will be used on your address label)

Prof. Dr. Ms. Mr. Other: _____

Last name: _____ Other names: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State or Province _____ U.S. 9-digit Zip _____ - _____

Other Postal Code _____ Country (non-North America) _____

E-mail address _____

DUES INFORMATION

- Annual dues are \$7.50/year for regular members and \$5.00/year for Associate members (students, retired, and non-residents of the US or Canada). Dues may be paid up to 5 years in advance. Payments received in 2000 can cover years up to and including 2005.
- The year for which you most recently paid dues can be found as the first line of your mailing label. Members are dropped from the mailing list after three years of non-payment of dues.

Business Meeting Minutes

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from graduate students and junior faculty. (2) Andrew Wolpert reviewed the plans for the Madison meeting in 2000 and distributed a call for papers.

New Business: (1) The Secretary-Treasurer announced that Richard Talbert was the only nominee for President. MSP (Lauritsen, Frank) to dispense with the election and elect Talbert by acclamation. Passed unanimously. (2) MSP (Dintrone, Mitchell) to endorse the AAUP Statement on Academic Freedom and Tenure. There was spirited debate. MacMullen and others supported the motion as an affirmation of academic freedom. Gabbert and others opposed it because it implied AAH support for the AAUP itself. Bagnall argued that some institutions do not or cannot follow the guidelines. MSF (Huntsman, Drews) to endorse the 1940 Statement but not the 1970 Interpretations. Original motion passed on a voice vote, not unanimously. (3) Briggs Twyman extended an invitation to meet in 2001 at Texas Tech. MSP (Twyman, Adams) to accept. Twyman said that a call for papers would be issued shortly. (4) Jennifer Roberts extended an invitation for a post-banquet party. (5) MSP (Roberts, Borza) to extend our thanks to Roger Bagnall and Columbia University.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30.

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NOMINATIONS FOR AAH SECRETARY-TREASURER

Nominations are now in order for the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the AAH. The election will be held at the May meeting in 2000.

The current Secretary-Treasurer, Pat Dintrone, has been nominated as a candidate for a second and final term.

Others wishing to make nominations are reminded that nominations must reach the Secretary-Treasurer not later than two weeks before the first day of the Annual Meeting at which the vote is to be taken. Thus, the deadline for nominations is **April 20, 2000**.

Nominations must be signed by three members of the Association not belonging to the same institution [different campuses within the same university system shall be regarded as being different institutions], and must be countersigned by the nominee. The President and the Secretary-Treasurer shall not belong to the same institution.

RECENT DISSERTATION

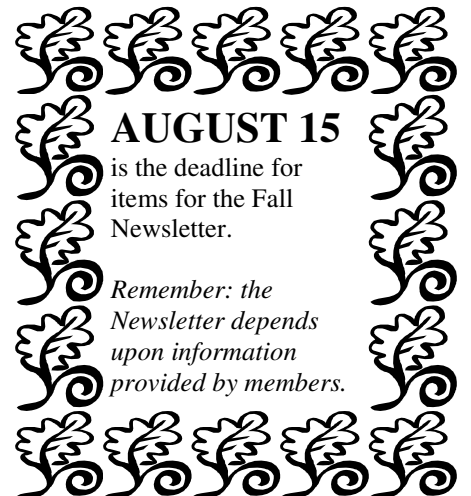
Martha Jenks, *From Queen to Bishop: A Political Biography of Radegund of Potiers* (University of California, Berkeley, directed by Susanna Elm).

PERSONALIA

Ernst Badian was awarded an Honorary Lit.D. by the University of Canterbury.

AJAH DISCOUNT

Paid-up members of the AAH are entitled to a 20% discount on an annual subscription to the *American Journal of Ancient History*. Write to AJAH, Dept. of History, Robinson Hall, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 02138. (Note: AJAH is not an AAH publication and the Secretary-Treasurer has no information about it; please direct all questions to the Secretary of AJAH.)



AUGUST 15

is the deadline for
items for the Fall
Newsletter.

Remember: the
Newsletter depends
upon information
provided by members.