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President's Column

Season's Greetings to all! I hope this finds you all well, and everyone rested and ready for the New Year. The plans and program for the upcoming meeting at Mercyhurst College are equally ready. The Program is detailed (beginning to the right of this column and continued on p. 5), and it is filled with intriguing papers as well as a wonderful mixture of old friends and new faces. It promises to be a remarkable program. Meeting information and news follows on p. 6 (continued on p. 8) and the Registration form is on p. 7. Randy urges those intending to attend to make Hotel reservations as soon as possible. The deadline is April 1st (the website is at following URL: <http://www.starwoodhotels.com/sheraton/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=1728>). Members need to mention the AAH to get the special room rates when making reservations.

Greg Anderson has informed me that the editing for the online Directory of Ancient Historians in North America is virtually complete. Editing for the U.S. is done, and Leanne Bablitz is completing the Canadian section as well. It should be posted on the website in very short order. The Association owes a great debt of thanks to both Leanne and especially to Greg, who, in addition to editing, did the lion's share of the information gathering. This will be a great asset to the Association and its members, and we are most grateful to them and the others who helped in the project.

There are a number of other interesting and important announcements. First, I would like to remind graduate students and younger faculty of the Grants-In-Aid subventions for travel to the annual meeting available from the Association. The announcement for this is on p. 9 and the deadline is February 1st. There is also the announcement for applications for the Directorship of the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, details on p. 10. The Classics Departments at Florida State University and Newcastle University announce the revival of HISTOS, the Internet journal on historiography and biography, and solicit contributions for that as well (information on p.8). There are various news items and announcements from colleagues on pages 3 and 4.

The Publications Committee reports that volume 10 in the PAAH series (*New Directions in Military History*) is just about ready to go to press and that Tim Howe has preparations for volume 11 (*Trade in Antiquity*) well underway. The Committee would like to solicit suggestions from members for future volumes. Please contact Lee Brice at L.L.-Brice@wiu.edu, or any of the committee members (see p. 4) if you are interested in making a proposal.

The Minutes from the Business Meeting in Salt Lake City, and pictures from the Banquet and "After Party," are on pages 11 and 12 (nice reminders of a wonderful time). Along those lines, I would like to encourage anyone interested in hosting a meeting to contact me (winthrop.adams@utah.edu); though it has its tensions, it is a most rewarding experience and one I recommend. Anyone with corrections for the Minutes should contact Cindy, who also has some other notes and reminders for the members on p.13 in the Secretary-Treasurer's Notes.

Lastly, I would like to wish you all a HAPPY NEW YEAR, and look forward to seeing as many as possible in Erie for the annual meeting...

Winthrop Lindsay Adams

Program for the Annual Meeting Association of Ancient Historians May 5th – 8th, 2011 Mercyhurst College Erie, Pennsylvania

"Adaptation in the Ancient World."

Thursday, May 5th (5:30-7:30pm)
Welcome Reception at Erie Art Museum

Friday, May 6th

All morning panels will be held at the Erie Art Museum in Downtown Erie.

Coffee and Danish (7:30-8:00am, Erie Art Museum)

Organizer Welcome 8:00am
Randall Howarth (Mercyhurst)

Panel I: Military Service and Citizenship (8:00-9:30am)

Chair: Matthew Trundle (VUW)

Papers:

- K. Raaflaub (Brown), "Early Greek Evidence for a Connection between Military & Political Status"
- E. Millender (Reed), "Arms Do Not Make the Man: Wealth, War, and Political Power in Classical Sparta"
- D. Rosenbloom (VUW), "Naval Service and Political Power in Classical Athens: an Inverse Relation?"
- P. De Souza, "Military Service and Political Power – The Naval Dimension"

20 minute break

Panel II: Responses to Tyranny (9:50-11:20am)

Chair: Sian Lewis (St. Andrews)

Papers:

- L. Kaplow (Penn State), "Proto-populares and Political Discourse in the Late Republic"
- J. McGlew (Rutgers), "Tyranny, Citizenship, and the Oath of Demophantus in 5th c. Athens"
- K. Tuori (U Helsinki), "Greek Tyranny and the Severan Emperors"
- E. Zambon (U. Rome), "Local Responses to Sicilian Tyrannies"

10 minute 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. For U.S. shipping, please add \$2.80 for first book and \$1.00 for each additional book.

#9 *Pastoral Politics: Animals, Agriculture and Society in Ancient Greece*. Timothy Howe. (2008) Member price (paper) \$10.00

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

#7 *Current Issues & The Study of Ancient History*. S. Burstein, N. Demand, I. Morris, L. Tritle. (2002) Member price (paper) \$10.00

#6 *Before Alexander: Constructing Early Macedonia*. Eugene N. Borza (2000) Member price (paper) \$10.00

#5 *Ancient History: Recent Work and New Directions*. Stanley M. Burstein, Ramsay MacMullen, Kurt A. Raaflaub and Allen M. Ward (1997)
Member price (paper) \$10.00

#4 *Myth Becomes History: Pre-Classical Greece*. Carol G. Thomas. (1993) Member price (paper) \$10.00

The Coming of the Greeks. James T. Hooker (1999) Member price (paper) \$10.00

Makedonika: Essays by Eugene N. Borza. Carol G. Thomas, ed. (1995) Member price (paper) \$15.00

Directory of Ancient Historians In the United States. 2d. ed. Comp. Konrad Kinzl (1999) Member price (paper) \$9.00

* *Handbook For Ancient History Classes*, A. Jack Cargill. (1997) \$10.50 ***Out of Print**

* *A Guide to Graduate Programs in Ancient History*. Comp. Michael Arnush ***Out of Print**

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

Alexander's Empire: Formulation To Decay. (2007) Waldemar Heckel, Lawrence Tritle, Pat Wheatley, eds. 310pp. Pap. (\$24.95) Member price \$17.00

Alexander and His Successors: Essays From the Antipodes. (2009) Pat Wheatley and Robert Hannah, eds. 396pp. Pap. (\$24.95) Member price \$17.00

Crossroads Of History: The Age of Alexander. Waldemar Heckel and Lawrence A. Tritle, eds. (2004) 285pp. Pap. (\$24.95) Member price \$17.00

Macedonian Legacies: Studies In Ancient Macedonian History And Culture In Honor Of Eugene N. Borza. Timothy Howe & Jeanne Reames, eds. (2009) 310pp. (\$24.95) Member price \$17.00

Feelings In History: Ancient & Modern. Ramsay McMullen. (2003) 208pp. Cloth (\$24.95) Member price \$20.00

Polis And Polemos: Essays On Politics, War, and History In Ancient Greece In Honor Of Donald Kagan. Charles D. Hamilton and Peter Krentz, eds. (1997) 368pp (\$24.95) Member price \$17.00

Roman Agrarian History: In its Relation to Roman Public & Civil Law. (2008) 258pp. Max Weber, trans. by Richard I. Frank. Pap. (\$24.95) Member price \$17.00

Text & Tradition: Studies in Greek History and Historiography in Honor of Mortimer Chambers. (1999) Pap. (\$19.95) Member price \$15.00

News from and about colleagues

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 November 15th.

William E. Dunstan announces the publication of his textbook *Ancient Rome* (Rowman and Littlefield, 2011).

Robert Luginbill's *Author of Illusions: Thucydides' Rewriting of the History of the Peloponnesian War* is due out in January 2011. ISBN13: 978-1-4438-2649-5 ISBN: 1-4438-2649-9.

John Marincola announces that his two-volume, astonishingly high-priced *Companion to Greek and Roman Historiography* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2007) is now available in a handsome, more reasonably priced one-volume (complete) paperback edition.

Ronald Mellor tells us: "The Oxford University Press has just published my *The Annals of Tacitus* in the series Oxford Approaches to Classical Literature (eds. Kathleen Coleman and Richard Rutherford). I don't expect it will make anyone Christmas list, but who knows."

Benjamin Straumann happily lets us know of two publications this year:

- ❖ Alberico Gentili, *The Wars of the Romans. A Critical Edition and Translation of De armis Romanis*, edited by Benedict Kingsbury and Benjamin Straumann, translated by David Luper (Oxford University Press, 2010).
- ❖ Benedict Kingsbury and Benjamin Straumann (eds.), *The Roman Foundations of the Law of Nations. Alberico Gentili and the Justice of Empire* (Oxford University Press, 2010). (With contributions by Clifford Ando, Lauren Benton, Alexis Blane, Benedict Kingsbury, Martti Koskenniemi, Randall Lesaffer, David Luper, Noel Malcolm, Anthony Pagden, Diego Panizza, Pärtel Piirimäe, John Richardson, Peter Schröder, Benjamin Straumann, Jeremy Waldron, and Christopher Warren.)

Joseph Roisman and Ian Worthington announce the imminent publication (November 2010 in the UK and December 2010 in North America) of their Blackwell *A Companion to Ancient Macedonia*. The Companion has specially commissioned chapters dealing with the political and military history, archaeology, social, and cultural history of Macedonia from the Archaic to Roman periods, and a concluding part will - by way of rounding off the subject and bringing the reader to the present day - deal with Macedonia after the Roman rule and with ancient Macedonia and contemporary politics. A list of contents can be found at the Blackwell website: http://www.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-1405179368_descCd-tableOfContents.html.

Peter Toohey and Mark Golden have just published *A Cultural History of Sexuality in the Classical World*, Volume 1 in Berg's (Oxford) 7-volume *Cultural History of Sexuality*. It includes chapters by Daniel Ogden, Susan Lape, John Younger, Esther Eidinow, Holt Parker, Allison Glazebrook, Helen King and John Clarke.

Georgia Bonny Bazemore (Director of the Rantidi Forest Excavations, Cyprus) is pleased to report that her "The Syllabic Inscriptions of the Sanctuary at Lingrin tou Dhigeni: Part I. Report of the Rantidi Forest Excavations" has been accepted for publication in the *Report of the Department of Antiquities of Cyprus, 2010*. "This is the largest group of Syllabic inscriptions which has been published for more than three decades, and is only less than half of the new epigraphic finds from this site. Lingrin tou Dhigeni is the sanctuary site of the consort of the Goddess of Aphrodite and is closely related to the Homeric temple of Aphrodite in Paphos."

Dr. Bazemore has also been awarded the Jeffers R. Chertok Chair at Eastern Washington University in recognition of her work in ancient studies. This is the first named chair at EWU.

Randy Howarth had a wonderful time touring the Canadian Maritimes this autumn as the Guest Speaker for the Classical Association of Canada-East, engaging audiences at campuses in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia.

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From Mike Clover comes news of the Solmsen Fellows at UW-Madison Institute for Research in the Humanities, 2010-2011: Susan Lape (University of Southern California) and Gregory Aldrete (University of Wisconsin-Green Bay).

Richard Talbert notes that Seven large Wall Maps for the Ancient World — made at the Ancient World Mapping Center (UNC, Chapel Hill) and designed for instructional use at the survey level — are now available in both print and digital formats from Routledge: Egypt and the Near East 3000-1200 BCE; Egypt and the Near East 1200-500 BCE; Greece and the Aegean in the Fifth Century BCE; Greece and Persia in the Time of Alexander the Great; Italy in the Mid-First Century CE; The World of the New Testament and the Journeys of Paul; Roman Empire Around 200 CE.

Well into retirement and in the process of downsizing his library, household, and life, Gene Borza is disposing of most of his Loeb Classical Library. About 200* Loeb volumes are for sale for \$12.00 each, half of the publisher's listed price (although the prices at some discount services are slightly lower). Most volumes have original dust jackets and are in otherwise excellent-to-mint condition. Buyers are expected to pay shipping charges, although Gene will be happy personally to transport sold and unsold volumes to the 2011 meetings at Mercyhurst College. Interested persons should contact Gene at borza@comcast.net, by mail at 5 Chantilly Ct., Mechanicsburg PA 17050, or by phone 717-691-7556, and Gene will send a list of the Loeb's available for sale.

*The present Secretary-Treasurer notes that she and the Past Sec-Tr have already put dibs on 35 volumes, so the actual number available is closer to 165...see the perks one gets as Sec-Tr!



Members are reminded that nominations for President of the AAH are in order for the three-year term commencing at the Business Meeting of the 2011 Annual Meeting. A candidate becomes eligible for election when three members in good standing—each employed at separate institutions—submit written nominations to the secretary two full weeks in advance of the 2011 Meeting and the candidate indicates a willingness to serve.

The current President, W. Lindsay Adams, is eligible and has received three nominations from members in good standing.



The Publication Committee is pleased to report that work on two volumes, PAAH #10 *New Directions in Military History* and #11 on Trade, proceeds at a good pace. This is a particularly good time to get onboard with new ideas for future volumes. There seems to be a belief that anyone submitting an idea must be prepared to edit the volume that they propose, but this is not necessarily true. The committee is interested in all promising ideas for volumes that would be of interest and useful to members and non-members, even if you are too busy to edit the volume. Contact Committee Chair Lee Brice or any other Association Officer if you have an idea you think we should pursue. Publication Committee: Lee Brice (Chair), Carol Thomas, Gene Borza, Ken Harl, Tim Howe, Mark Chavalas, Jenny Roberts, Lindsay Adams (*ex officio*), and Steve Garfinkle (consultant).

Upcoming Archaeology Field Schools at both Palmyra and Apamea, Syria for 2011

Syro-American Expedition to Palmyra, Syria will begin May 1st and end May 30, 2011. The excavations in search of the missing Temple of Atargatis and Shrines of Malakbel and 'Aglibol will be run as a full Field School. Contact: Dr. Cynthia Finlayson-Director at calderfin@aol.com.

Syro-American Expedition to Apamea, Syria will begin May 31 and end June 30, 2011. The excavation focuses on the Great Roman Theater of Apamea. This theater vies with the Theater at Ephesus for the title of the largest extant Roman theater in the Roman Empire. The excavations will be run as a full Field School experience. Contact: Dr. Cynthia Finlayson-Director at calerfin@aol.com.

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Panel III: Swords and Sandals (11:20am-12:30pm)

Chair: Rachael Goldman (CUNY)

Papers:

- J. Stevens (UCLA), "Spartacus and Gladiators in the Arena of Cable Television"
- D. Cuff (York U), "The Reception of the *Clades Variana* in the Peiner Tapestries"
- G. Gessert, (Hood), "Cue Triumphator!: Modern History's Entrance into the Cinematic Forum Romanum"

12:30-2:00pm Lunch Downtown; bus to campus

All afternoon panels will be at the Taylor Little Theatre, Mercyhurst College

Panel IV: Historiography (2:00-3:30pm)

Chair: John Marincola (FSU)

Papers:

- E. Varto (Dalhousie), "Adapting kinship to history or history to kinship?"
- A. Ring (Franklin and Marshall), "Which Hercules?"
- J. Clark, (CSU-Chico), "Go Tell the Romans? Cato's Adaptive Historiography"
- V. Gorman (Nebraska), "Athenaeus and Hellenistic Moralizing Historiography"

20 minute break

Panel V: New Directions in Warfare (3:55-5:05pm)

Chair: Lee Brice (WIU)

Papers:

- J. Levithan (Kenyon), "The Moral Contexts of the Roman Siege"
- I. Pafford (Willamette), "The Tactics of Hallucination in Ancient Greek Warfare"
- G. Ward (UNC-CH), "Centurions: Discipline, Violence, and Authority in the Roman Army"

Reception (5:15-6:30pm, Cummings Gallery, Mercyhurst College)

Keynote Speech (6:45-7:30pm, DeAngelo Performing Arts Center, Mercyhurst College)

Lawrence Tritle (Loyola Marymount): "Abuses of the Past? Toward a New Age History of War."

Saturday, May 7th

All panels and the Business Meeting will be held at the Taylor Little Theatre, Mercyhurst College.

Panel VI: Political Theory (8:00-9:30am)

Chair: Ryan Balot (U. of Toronto)

Papers:

- S. Dmitriev (Ball), "The historical and political context of the 'Persian Debate' "
- S. Forsdyke (Mich), "Slave Resistance and Rebellion in Thucydides and Herodotus"
- M. Thatcher (OSU), "Access to *Archai*: Syracusan Identity between Tyranny and Democracy"
- B. Straumann (NYU), "Constitutional Thought in the late Roman Republic"

20 minute break

Panel VII: First Punic War (9:50-11:05am)

Chair: Richard Mitchell (UIUC)

Papers:

- P. Kent (UNC-CH), "Socii Navales: Misinterpreting Livy"
- G. Stern, (Berkeley), "Forgotten POWs in the First Punic War"
- S. Kendell (Georgia-Gwinnet), "The Claudii and the First Punic War"

10 minute break

Panel VIII: Maritime Connectivity (11:15am-12:30pm)

Chair: Elizabeth Greene (Brock)

Papers:

- P. Kaplan (UNF), "Pirates, Warlords and Thalassocrats: the Rise of Sea Power in the Mediterranean"
- J. Labuff (Penn-PH), "Interaction and Identity: the Role of Connectivity in the Evolution of Greek Identity in the Hellenistic Period"
- P. Salay Jr. (USC), "The Cala Sant Vicenç Wreck and Its Implications for Archaic Mediterranean Trade"

12:30-1:30pm Catered Lunch On Campus

Panel IX: Religious Adaptation in Empire (1:30-3:00pm)

Chair: Robert Von Thaden (Mercyhurst)

Papers:

- N. Andrade (WVU), "Palmyra: Piety, Cult, and Greek Civic Benefaction"
- D. Thomas (Brown), "Rome and Eleusis: Imperial Identity and Elite Status"
- R. Knöbl (Munich), "Political Conversion in Late Antiquity"
- C. Austino (Duke), "Women and the Financing of Hellenistic Cults"

20 minute break

Panel X: Images of Empire (3:20-4:50pm)

Chair: Cindy Nimchuk (Mercyhurst)

Papers:

- S. Richardson (Oriental Inst), "Authority and Its Others: Rebellion and a Mesopotamian Politics"
- C. Matarese (Albrechts, Kiel) "The Achaemenid kings: the adaptation of the previous imperial ideologies"
- W. Altman, (Sta Catarina, Bra) " The Egyptian Question in Roman Politics, 65-30 BC"
- D. Roller (OSU), "The Third Sibylline Oracle and Cleopatra VII: Messianic Thoughts in the Mid-First Century BC"

Business meeting (5:00-6:00pm)

Bus shuttle available to hotel and then to Banquet

Banquet (7:00 at The Brewerie, Downtown Erie)

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2011 Meeting News

A few words from the Organizer:

We're happy to present an exciting program of panels. The committee to vet abstracts has done an excellent job, in many cases having to make very difficult choices in winnowing down the 100 or so abstracts submitted to the 35 or so that survive. With regard to the practical logistics, veterans of previous AAH meetings will recognize the broad outlines of the arrangements I've already put in place. I have attended more than a few and the model is a good one. I have some recollections of my first meeting--Vanderbilt in 1995--perhaps worth sharing. As I recall, the opening reception was at the Parthenon, a full-scale mock up complete with a 50 foot Athena. In retrospect, it seems funny that I should have been surprised that the coldness of the concrete Athena standing over us was so easily belied by the warmth in the room and the gentle and supportive spirit I felt over that weekend. What a fitting place to meet many of the men and women whose books I had come to know so well in the previous years. I am happy to note that some of those from 1995 will be in attendance this coming May; this speaks volumes concerning the experience attendees have come to expect. I also note some I met that year who have since passed on. Briggs Twyman for one, an interesting man with a noble bearing and always the cowboy boots. Keith Hopkins for another; I remember this Cambridge Don defending the "after party" from the encroachment of a not-at-all amused Nashville gendarme. These memories speak to another part of our association that sets it apart from so many others, that is, in its emphasis on and opportunities for meeting and getting to know colleagues. It is so very satisfying to see attendees at the front end of their careers having experiences similar to those I recall and then returning in subsequent years. I think there have always been at least three really good reasons to come to an AAH meeting. First, no other North American organization features a variety of ancient history topics more effectively. Second, no presenter at an AAH meeting ever talks to an empty room; all papers are delivered in plenary session. And finally, to attend an AAH meeting is to actively experience a social atmosphere perhaps unique in its emphasis on providing opportunities for interaction. I am hoping to honor these traditions in 2011.



Conference details can be found here:

<http://associationofancienthistorians.org/meetinginfo.html>

Registration form can be found on p. 7 or here:

<http://associationofancienthistorians.org/regform2011.pdf>

Credit Cards: Canadian and other non-US registrants especially may find it useful to use your Visa or MC to register. **Fax** (*do not email*), your completed registration form, your card type, card number, expiry, name on card, billing address, and signature to this number: 814-824-2398 with the header 'Attention Howarth'



The AAH awards travel subventions for junior faculty and graduate student attendees. Please see below (p. 9) or visit the AAH website for pertinent information:

<http://associationofancienthistorians.org/>



Mercyhurst College is proud to host the 2011 meeting of the Association. Please visit our website for information about Mercyhurst College.

<http://www.mercyhurst.edu/>



Our airport is served by Delta, Continental, and USAir from Philadelphia, Detroit, and Cleveland. It's small and VERY convenient, but book early as there are only so many flights. You won't spend more than 20 minutes from debarkation to rolling out your luggage. Look for a special welcome when you arrive.



The airport is 10 minutes from the hotel by cab (about a \$15-\$20 ride).

Mercyhurst is arranging vans for transfers; just e-mail Randall in the week before the meeting with your arrival info and we handle everything as long as you are getting in at a reasonable hour.

For those who want to come early and explore—there is a lot to do in the area—Randall has arranged an excellent rate from the Toyota dealer for new car rentals of \$29.00 per day.

Derek, their rental manager, will arrange for the car to be at the airport or they will pick you up. You will be able to leave it at the airport when you are done with it. E-mail Randall and he will give you Derek's cell phone number (rhowarth@mercyhurst.edu).

Naturally, there are a limited number of cars available at this rate. Otherwise, there are other cars available from airport rental counters at the usual rates.

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REGISTRATION

Annual Meeting of the Association of Ancient Historians

May 5-8, 2011 at Mercyhurst College, Erie, PA

Name (Title: Dr., Ms., Mrs., Mr.): _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 City: _____ Prov/State: _____ Postal Code/Zip _____
 Institution (for name tag): _____
 Email: _____
 Telephone: () _____

Registration includes invitations to receptions Thursday **and** Friday evenings, Tickets to keynote speech on Friday night and the banquet on Saturday, as well as continental breakfasts and snacks at panel locations)

PAYMENT INFORMATION (please check all that apply)

- Regular Registration \$100 (**Before Ides of March**)
- Late Registration \$110 (**after Ides of March**)
- Student Registration \$60
- Late Student \$75
- Extra Banquet Ticket(s) \$40 x _____ (number)

Total payment: _____ (CAN/US funds at parity)

Canadian and other non-US registrants especially may find it useful to use your visa or MC to register. **Fax** (*do not email*), your completed registration form, your card type, card number, expiry, name on card, billing address, and signature to this number: 814-824-2398 with the header 'Attention Howarth'.

Please make checks payable to Mercyhurst College. Mail this completed form with your check to:

Dr. Randall S. Howarth
 Attn: I'm coming!
 Mercyhurst College
 501 East 38th Street
 Erie PA 16546

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The principal hotel, the Sheraton Erie Bayfront, is on Presque Isle Bay at the foot of the main drag in Erie. Randall has arranged a great price for attendees based on what we expect for attendance. The ordinary price for a room at the Sheraton is about twice the meeting rate of \$99.00.

You should call and arrange your room(s) *as soon as practical* as this will ease the angst of the organizers whose sweat and arm-twisting is making this all possible. The current deadline to get this deal is *April 1st*, so book early! Check out the hotel website for details:

<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/sheraton/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=1728> (please paste URL into your browser)

...or just call them at (814) 454-2005 for reservations. *You must mention the AAH to get the special rate.*

All meeting sites will be either on campus (less than two miles from the hotel) or within walking distance of the hotel. The city of Erie is providing dedicated public transport for movements between the hotel and campus.

Finally, we have the closing banquet on Saturday night at the *Brewerie*, a brewpub located in the old Union Station in Erie. The trains still rumble by, stopping only once a day in each direction (from NYC and Chicago) at a teeny little stop right next door.

Nowadays, it is a great place for a banquet with first class beer. If the arm-twisting works out right, Randall will have an ensemble from Mercyhurst College for some entertainment.

Graduate students and those on a stringent budget, contact me privately and I will make recommendations to suit your circumstances.

This will be a handicapped friendly event; email me with special needs in the weeks just before the meeting.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in May!

Randall S. Howarth (rhowarth@mercyhurst.edu)

Announcements

HISTOS

The Classics Departments at Florida State University (US) and Newcastle University (UK) announce the revival of *Histos*, the ancient historiography Internet journal run from Durham University (UK) between 1996 and 2000.

Our brief remains the same: rapid publication of high-quality articles and notes on all aspects of ancient historiography and biography (including the Gospels and later Christian material) and of in-depth reviews of recent publications in the field. It is not our intention to publish material that is per se historical, unless it illuminates the qualities of ancient historians or biographers (this will be a matter of balance and judgment). All submissions will be anonymously refereed by experts. We aim for a turn-around time of a maximum of three months. We will publish in English, French, German and Italian.

New contributions will be posted at the website as soon as they have been accepted and will then be collated into volumes. In order to maintain continuity, we will resume publication at volume 5 for the year 2011. The earlier material (volumes 1-4), currently located at the Durham website, will be moved to the new site, and will be re-published in PDF form.

Histos will be available both online, in a full open-access version (in PDF form), and in a printed version. All the papers accepted for publication will appear in both formats. Readers' responses are welcomed. Online versions will be open to named readers' comments and may themselves generate further articles and notes.

Inquiries on any matters may be made to the Editors (jmarinco@fsu.edu; j.l.moles@ncl.ac.uk).

Submissions may already be made to histos@ncl.ac.uk.

For conventions to be observed in submissions, please see the website, www.histos.org.

Colleagues: Please post and/or advise appropriate candidates of this opportunity.

**Attention Graduate Students and Junior Faculty
of Ancient Greek, Roman, and Near Eastern History
The Association of Ancient Historians
invites applications
for grants-in-aid**

for the purposes of underwriting travel expenses of graduate students
and junior faculty who want to attend the annual meeting of our
Association to be held,

at Mercyhurst College, Erie, Pennsylvania.

Applicants are not required to present papers.

From 2004 through 2010, the AAH awarded a total of \$7675.00 to
31 candidates, about half of whom presented papers.

**We invite you to sample the atmosphere of our annual meeting and join this
unique association of Ancient History professionals.**

We do not stand on ceremony; we are founded on collegiality.

We want you to know more about us.

Submit a letter of application, vita, and one letter of recommendation by **February 1, 2011** to:

Dr. Cindy Nimchuk

Department of History, Mailbox 165

Mercyhurst College

501 East 38th Street

Erie, PA 16546-0001

All applicants for the subvention must be members of the AAH at the time of their application and state in the letter why they want to attend the meeting. Letters of recommendation should establish a lack of alternative funding. Graduate student applicants must be advanced and actively seeking a degree in Ancient History. The AAH welcomes all individuals to membership and attendance at AAH events. The subvention account is separate from the AAH general fund and is funded entirely by earmarked donations.

POSITION AVAILABLE

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Conference Reminder

**The 125th Annual American Historical Association meeting
Boston, MA, January 6-9, 2011.**

Theme: History, Society, and the Sacred

Conference website: <http://www.historians.org/annual/2011/index.cfm>

The annual meeting of affiliated society representatives' during the AHA Annual Meeting in Boston.

As in past years, the affiliates meeting is generally an informal conversation led by the AHA president-elect (currently Tony Grafton of Princeton University), which allows us to discuss any concerns about the relationship between the affiliates and the AHA. In recent years, it has also provided a forum for discussing some issues of common concern to the historical organizations. Any suggestions of issues that should be discussed or addressed at the meeting can be sent to Robert Townsend (email: rtownsend@historians.org).

Please feel free to join the discussion on Friday, January 7, at 4:45 p.m. in Hynes Convention Center, Room 300. Light refreshments (soft drinks, water, and cookies) will be provided.

Minutes of the 2010 Business Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah

Meeting was called to order at 5:15pm by President Lindsay Adams.

In memoriam: Adams called for a moment of silence in memory of Colin Wells, George Paul, and Martin Ostwald.

Corrections to 2009 minutes: spelling of Allan Samuels changed to Alan Samuel (Borza, Harl). Since copies of the 2009 minutes were unavailable, Pres. Adams asked any further changes to be sent to Sec-Tr.

OLD BUSINESS:

Publications Committee: Lee Brice presented the report for the committee [Lee Brice (Chair), Carol Thomas, Gene Borza, Ken Harl, Tim Howe, Mark Chavalas, Jenny Roberts, Lindsay Adams (ex officio), and Steve Garfinkle (consultant)]. The next volume of PAAH (*New Directions in Military History*) is ready and anticipated for 2011 publication. Other publications are in the works. Those with ideas for future volumes, please contact Lee Brice, Lindsay Adams, or any of the committee.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report:

(1) Membership: S/T Cindy Nimchuk noted that total memberships was at 693, up from 627 in the 2009 report; 596 US members (up from 540), 58 from Canada (up from 48, due to Vancouver meeting), 39 International, and 3 Life Members. That said, 258 members were behind on their dues (from 186 in 2009), and she reminded members to renew [134 members paid to end of 2009, 92 to end of 2008, 32 to end of 2007]. The website should help with renewals. The S/T has email addresses for 588 members (up from 512), and hopes this will continue to increase. Electronic membership stood at 200 members (up from 157), likely due to increasing web presence.

(2) Subvention Committee: S/T Nimchuk reported for the committee [Denise Demitriou, John Lee, and Cindy Nimchuk (*ex officio*)]. Four awards were granted this year, totalling \$1100.00. Graham Wrightson (U. of Calgary) received the Betty Coates Award this year. Additional recipients were Gaius Stern (Berkeley), David Lunt (Penn State), and Isabelle Pafford (Santa Clara U.). Nimchuk noted that Subvention funding was down and urged members to give generously!

(3) Finances: The balance of the Subvention Fund after the 2009 awards was \$17,324.49. Investment net gains were \$1387.12; Donations were \$545.00; awards granted in 2010 were \$1100.00. The Subvention Fund balance after the 2010 awards was \$18,174.61. The balance of the operating funds in Vancouver (2009) was \$20,436.78. From the 2009 meeting to the 2010 meeting, total income was \$4833.92 [Dues \$4137.81, Royalties \$641.88, Interest \$54.23]. Total expenses for that period were \$2466.75 [Newsletter Printing \$831.20, Postage \$474.69, Conference expenses \$721.26, Web services \$54.00, PayPal Fees \$100.51, Misc. Office \$285.09]. Balance of operating funds at the 2010 meeting in Utah was \$22,803.95. The S/T thanked everyone who helped as she learned the ropes. Report was unanimously accepted (Gaughan, Harl).

Web Coordinator: Patricia Dintrone reported that the AAH website is undergoing a gradual evolution with some content change. The newsletters can be accessed through the website. In addition, dues, general donations, and subvention donations can be made online through PayPal. New conference information and calls for papers will be posted as they are sent around on the list. Greg Anderson is working on the Directory of Ancient Historians, which will be placed online as soon as it is compiled. Suggestions and queries for the website can be sent to Pat Dintrone. [Discussion of the Directory of Ancient Historians followed, along with a reminder by Adams that a 'call for assistance' was placed in the newsletter, specifying the areas still needing coverage.]

President's Report: Pres. Adams thanked everyone for coming, given the economic constraints. He pointed out that the Annual meeting was the Heartbeat of the Association. Pres. Adams entreated members to donate to the Subvention Fund...the Fund was why there were so many new faces at recent meetings! He reiterated that new members are vital to our organization, and encouraged old hands to welcome and chat with the new folks if they hadn't already done so. Pres. Adams reported that future meetings looked rosy, with several offers lining up. He encouraged everyone that anyone could do the meeting; it took organization, but was fun!

NEW BUSINESS:

Future Meetings:

(1) Howarth, in an animated presentation, reported on preparations for the 2011 meeting at Mercyhurst College, Erie, PA, including transportation, accommodations, and venues. Howarth issued the call for papers, noting that panel chairs would be responding to the papers (the call would also be published in the Fall newsletter, and in the list announcements).

(2) Fred Naiden issued an invitation on behalf of UNC and Duke to host the 2012 Annual Meeting (May 3 to May 6), with one day of papers at Duke, one at Chapel Hill. After the presentation of the amenities of the Triangle area, the invitation was unanimously accepted (Gaughan, Brice). Pres. Adams offered thanks to Naiden and the colleagues at UNC/Duke.

Other:

(1) Georgia Tsouvala has been appointed to the APA committee for Ancient History. She will meet with the committee in January, and urged anyone with comments or suggestions to get in touch with her. She noted that Serena Connolly is also on the committee and can be contacted as well.

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(2) Leanne Bablitz initiated discussion regarding having members fill out a survey at meetings to gather feedback on the meeting and suggestions for future meetings. Pres. Adams and S/T Nimchuk volunteered to formulate a prototype. The proposal was voted on and passed (Brice, Gaughan).

(3) Stan Burstein moved to thank Lindsay Adams, the University of Utah, and the graduate students for a wonderful meeting and friendly hospitality. Unanimous applause! (Roberts)

(4) Adams thanked the membership and called everyone to gather at Mercyhurst College in 2011. He reminded everyone that the After Party would be in Room 303.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm.



Memories (Utah in 2010)...



ONE bartender?! What were they thinking?!!



A lovely dinner with friends and colleagues...

A successful AfterParty ... folks spilled into the hallway, but thankfully not over the railing!
(thank you to Jennifer Roberts and Lindsay Adams for their funding for the party)



AAH Information Form

Please check all that apply:

- Change of address
- New membership
- Renewal memberships
- Regular membership (\$12.50 per year)
- Regular with electronic option (\$7.50 per year)*
- Associate membership [students only] (\$10.00 per year)
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Dues Information: Annual Dues are currently \$12.50 per year for regular members and \$10.00 per year for Associate members (students only). Members who choose to receive the newsletter exclusively by electronic means can claim a \$5.00 per year discount on renewals (valid on both regular and associate memberships)*. Payment can be made up to 5 years in advance. Payments received in 2011 can cover years up to and including 2015 in addition to any back dues. The last year for which our records show dues were paid can be found just in front of your name. Please let us know if this or any other member information is incorrect. Life memberships are available; please inquire. Members are automatically dropped from the mailing list after three years of non-payment of dues.

Payment enclosed: \$ _____ (limited to five years in advance)

Additional donation: \$ _____ Is this additional donation designated for the subvention fund? _____

Please check appropriate title: Prof. _____ Dr. _____ Ms. _____ Mr. _____ Other (please specify) _____

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Notes from the Secretary's Pen

Let it snow, Let it snow, Let it snow ... but not TOO much! Happy holidays to all!

Randy Howarth has been working hard at finalizing the panels for the upcoming meeting in Erie (p. 1ff.) and lining up all the ducks (we all know that ducks can be obstreperous)! It is shaping up to be a fun and engaging meeting. The registration form is on p. 7; note the deadlines and instructions for using a credit card.

I've included the minutes for the 2010 Annual Business meeting at Utah (pp. 11-12). Please let me know if there are any corrections/errors.

As always, please pass on to your graduate students and junior colleagues the notice for our subvention fund. We have seen a number of new colleagues in recent years, and want to continue the trend (p.9).

Keep in mind that we are still accepting nominations for the office of President of the AAH. See p. 4 for

details. The current President, Lindsay Adams, has received 3 nominations.

And for those who didn't get the Loeb edition they wanted in their stocking, check out Gene Borza's notice on p. 4!

A gentle reminder: please check your dues expiry date (located just before your name on the hard copy). If you haven't renewed, I encourage you to do so with the form above or on our website <http://associationofancienthistorians.org/membership.html>. (Please note that 1*10 is NOT the dues expiry date; that is a Post Office code.)

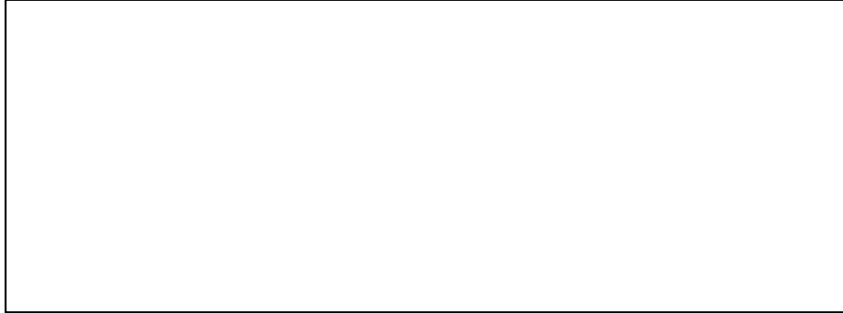
Cheers
Gindy Nimchuk

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This is the last year for which our records indicate you have paid dues. See previous page for renewal information.



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Members may send announcements intended for redistribution to the list to: aah.nimchuk@gmail.com. The Secretary will review these and forward announcements to the membership that are consistent with the mission and purpose of the AAH. Members will not receive more than a couple of messages a month; most of these will pertain to the annual meeting of the AAH and/or calls for papers. If you have received any e-messages from the Secretary in 2010, you are already subscribed. Questions may be emailed to the Secretary at aah.nimchuk@gmail.com.



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