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President's Column

Happy New Year!

The next school session is upon us, with new courses, many new students, and much anticipation. Looking ahead to Spring, the AAH will be meeting April 25-27 in Atlanta, GA, where Emory University will be our hosts. See below for details of the program. This promises to be a great meeting, and I look forward to seeing you there.

The Subvention Fund helps graduate students and junior faculty to attend. AAH Past-President Eugene Borza had the idea in 1997 to establish the Fund, and it was seeded by Gene and other generous donors with \$5000 in less than a year, with the first awards made in 1998. The Subvention Committee looks forward to handing out awards in 2019, the twenty-first anniversary of the Fund.

A priority for the AAH in 2019 will be to expand our membership. We currently have just over 760 members—a healthy figure—but we need to increase our numbers of graduate students and junior faculty, especially those who contribute to the diversity of the membership. If you have colleagues or graduate students who are not yet members, please do mention the AAH to them. And if they need additional information about the Association, direct them to me at president@associationofancienthistorians.org

Wishing you all a happy, healthy, and productive year,

Sesena Conusky



AAH Annual Meeting 2019
Emory University, Atlanta, GA
 25-27 April 2019

The 2019 AAH annual meeting will be hosted by **Emory University's Program in Ancient Mediterranean Studies in Atlanta, GA on April 25-27, 2019**. The organizers are Cynthia Patterson (cpatt01@emory.edu) and Judith Evans Grubbs (Judith.a.evans-grubbs@emory.edu), with John Black (jblack2@emory.edu) providing administrative support. The theme is "Connections and Receptions in the Ancient Mediterranean World." The conference will be preceded by a Reception on Thursday. The AAH Business Meeting and closing banquet will be on Saturday.

Complete information is available at <http://associationofancienthistorians.org/aah2019/>

PROGRAM TOPICS WILL INCLUDE:

- Alexander's Afterlife: Texts and Images [Jacobs Fund Panel]**
- Freedom, Slavery, and Citizenship in the Ancient Mediterranean World**
- Health and Healing in the Ancient Mediterranean World**
- Continuity and Change in Ancient Mediterranean Religions**
- Monument and Memory: Creation and Erasure of the Past**
- African American Reception of Ancient Mediterranean History and Traditions**

THE PRESIDENTIAL PANEL at Emory

In 2024, the Association of Ancient Historians will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of our constitution. That occasion offers us an opportunity to look back and consider the history of our Association, and its foundation and development within the context of a broad swathe of developments: intellectual, disciplinary, educational, institutional, cultural, and political. It lets us pause to consider who the current membership is and to consider how it differs from that in 1974. We might also look forward and consider how our Association will develop, as well as reflect upon the changing nature of our field and the institutions within which we work.

PRESIDENTIAL PANEL PROGRAM

Serena Connolly, chair

Graham Oliver, “The Institutionalization of Ancient History in North America and the AAH”

Jonathan Scott Perry, “Whose Revolution? Sir Ronald Syme's Address to the Seattle Meeting in 1979”

Lee L. Brice and Jennifer T. Roberts, “Data Mining AAH Conference History”

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The Atlanta program committee is hard at work. **Notifications to those who sent in paper proposals will be sent out on January 15**, and we hope that the finalized program can be posted soon after.

In addition to morning and afternoon panel sessions on Friday (April 26) and Saturday (April 27), the program will feature two keynote speakers, **Emily Greenwood (Yale)** and **Teresa Morgan (Oxford)**, whose talks connect with the themes of the larger meeting.

On Friday (April 26), **Elizabeth Marlowe (Colgate)** will lead a lunch time workshop in the Michael C. Carlos Museum on “Why Provenance Matters,” and there will be plenty of room for everyone who is interested. A light lunch of sandwiches and drinks will be provided at no charge for those who sign up. Please email John Black by April 22 at jblack2@emory.edu to reserve a lunch.

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REGISTRATION

Early Bird (before March 11): \$80 (student \$40)
On or after March 11: \$100 (student \$50)

The banquet is included in the registration fee (\$35 guest)

Please register early! It will greatly help your meeting organizers in their planning. Register online on the registration page on the AAH website: <http://associationofancienthistorians.org/aah2019/registration.html>

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ACCOMMODATIONS

The Conference Hotel will be the Emory Conference Center Hotel. The AAH rate is \$155 per night (plus tax). To make reservations call [800-933-6679](tel:800-933-6679) or use the link:

<https://www.reseze.net/servlet/SendPage?hotelid=1519&skipfirstpage=true&page=67180>

Please reserve early, as room space may be limited. Please make your reservations no later than April 4, 2019, to receive the conference rate.



NEWS FROM AND ABOUT COLLEAGUES

Werner Riess announces the publication of his edited volume, *Colloquia Attica. Neuere Forschungen zur Archaik, zum athenischen Recht und zur Magie* (Stuttgart: Franz Steiner Verlag, 2018).

Fred Naiden is pleased to announce the publication of *Soldier, Priest, and God: A Biography of Alexander the Great* from Oxford University Press.

Kenneth Atkinson reports the publication of *The Hasmoneans and Their Neighbors: New Historical Reconstructions from the Dead Sea Scrolls and Classical Sources* (London: Bloomsbury T & T Clark, 2018).

Richard Talbert sends word of his new book, *Challenges of Mapping the Classical World* (Routledge, 2019).

Timothy Doran's new monograph, *Spartan Oliganthropia* (Brill), is now available. The book considers the Spartiate population decline from the Classical to Hellenistic periods and the consequences of the decline, broadly considered.

Edwina Murphy has two new publications: Edwina Murphy, *The Bishop and the Apostle: Cyprian's Pastoral Exegesis of Paul* (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2018), and Bart J. Koet, Edwina Murphy, and Esko Ryökäs, *Deacons and Diakonia in Early Christianity: The First Two Centuries* (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2018).

Lee L. Brice and Brill are pleased to announce the publication of the first volume of the new peer reviewed journal *Research Perspectives in Ancient History*. Issue one, by Dylan K. Rogers, is *Water Culture in Roman Society* (9789004368941). Issue two, by Timothy Doran is *Spartan Oliganthropia* (9789004393158). Both issues are available as affordable monographs or e-books from Brill and Amazon. Each issue is one lengthy discussion on the historiography of a topic in ancient history. Please be sure to ask your institution library and every library you know to add this journal to its subscriptions (print ISSN 2542-5366 or online ISSN 2542-5374) or to buy the monographs. If you have questions, contact Lee (ll-brice@wiu.edu) or see the website: <https://brill.com/view/journals/rpah/rpah-overview.xml>.

Email **Clara Bosak-Schroeder** cbosak@illinois.edu to join a [slack](#) workspace for students, scholars, and instructors in classics, Greek and Roman history, classical archeology, or classical art history with disabilities, neuro-diversities, and chronic illness of all kinds. Members workshop problems, share research, and give each other support. Postings are private. Display names can be anonymous.

News from the Ancient World Mapping Center (<http://awmc.unc.edu>)

Additions to the Center's growing *Maps for Texts* series (all available gratis at <http://awmc.unc.edu/wordpress/free-maps/maps-for-texts/>): The Black Sea Region Described by Arrian around 130 C.E. (*Periplous*); Dionysius of Byzantium, *Anaplous of the Bosporus*; Hierokles, *Synekdemos*; Ptolemy, *Table of Important Cities (Kanon Poleon Episemon)*; Theophanes: *Journeys between Hermopolis and Antioch* (Rylands papyri).

Wall Maps for the Ancient World

Seven large maps produced by the Center and published by Routledge (2011) have gone out of print. With the rights now reverting to the Center, it is now making all seven maps available for download and, if you wish, printing (gratis for non-profit use). Please visit <http://awmc.unc.edu/wordpress/> for the available maps.

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AAH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subvention Grants, a note from Matthew Perry, Subvention Chair

What Are Subvention Grants?

The Association of Ancient Historians awards subvention grants to graduate students and junior faculty who are interested in attending our yearly conferences. Our goal is to help more members be present at our annual meeting and to encourage more colleagues to join what is truly a unique association of Ancient History professionals. Applicants for subvention grants must be members of the AAH but are not required to present papers at the annual meeting.

Donate to the Subvention Fund!

The account used to underwrite subvention grants is separate from the AAH general fund and is supported only by earmarked donations. In other words, we rely on the generosity of AAH members in order to support our junior colleagues. If you are interested in making a donation, you can use the PayPal link on the association website (<http://associationofancienthistorians.org/grants.html>) or make arrangements with the AAH Treasurer, Scott Perry (treasurer@associationofancienthistorians.org). All donations, no matter how small, are welcome.

A testimonial from a grateful recipient:

“Without the subvention grant and Betty Coate award I received from the AAH as a graduate student, I would not have been able to attend the Annual Meeting at Mercyhurst College where I presented my first conference paper as a graduate student. My initial experience was so favorable, it inspired me to return as an active participant in the AAH for many years. It remains a critical component of our organization, and I encourage everyone to support the AAH Subvention Fund as generously as possible.”

Jeff Stevens

Department of History, University of Missouri



The AAH Committee on Mentoring

The AAH Committee on Mentoring is committed to providing opportunities for members to participate in mentoring relationships to support career development and academic growth. Discussions between mentors and mentees in previous iterations have focused on such topics as the publication process, plans for fulfilling tenure requirements, family and work/life balance, and negotiating the job market.

To that end, the committee has created **two applications on the AAH Website**: one for potential mentors and one for potential mentees. We encourage anyone who is interested in serving as a mentor or a mentee in either a traditional (matching early career scholars with those in later stages of their careers) or co-mentoring relationship (matching those in similar stages of their careers in a more reciprocal relationship) to complete the appropriate application. (If you are interested in a co-mentoring relationship, please fill out the mentee application). With the responses received, the committee will match appropriate mentors and mentees as closely to the desired qualifications as possible.

The program coordinators envision that these mentoring relationships will entail a rather minimal time commitment, with regular contact every 6-8 weeks (to be dictated by the needs of the mentee). At the start of the relationship, purposeful communication should be initiated so that the expectations of both parties are clearly understood. While not required, we are hopeful that it will be possible for many of these pairs to meet in person at the annual meeting. It is our goal that the mentoring program will assist in creating new relationships and continuing to promote a congenial atmosphere within the field. We are especially keen on increasing mentor participation in the program, so we encourage those of you who might serve in these positions to give of your time to this important initiative.

If you have any further questions, please contact Jenn Finn at mentorship@associationofancienthistorians.org



Introducing the Committee on Teaching. At the 2018 meeting in Williamsburg, AAH Past-President Ramsay MacMullen made the excellent suggestion of gathering teaching resources, especially syllabi, and making them available to our

members. In response, an ad hoc Committee on Teaching has been formed, which will explore ways in which the AAH can support its members' teaching. The Committee comprises Joe Frechette, Eliza Gettel, Jinyu Liu, Jenna Rice, and Jeff Ropp. Thank you for agreeing to serve!

AAH Membership Dues

Please remember to renew your AAH membership dues. The Treasurer, Scott Perry, will send you a reminder in February if your membership is due for renewal. It is possible to pay in advance for up to five years. Considering the costs of many other associations focused on history, we are still the best bargain out there!

Payment can be made online through **Paypal** on the AAH website <http://www.associationofancienthistorians.org/> or by traditional mail (see the dues form at the end of the Newsletter).

Membership	Dues effective January 1, 2015
Regular Electronic	\$11.00
Associate Electronic (<i>students only</i>)	\$7.00
Regular Postal	\$16.00
Associate Postal (<i>students only</i>)	\$12.00
Life (<i>retired members over 60 only</i>)	\$160.00
Institutional	\$32.00

Please mail dues to:

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For questions or information about membership, dues, or other financial matters, please contact Scott Perry at Treasurer@AssociationofAncientHistorians.org. The AAH Secretary Brian Messner can be contacted at Secretary@AssociationofAncientHistorians.org.



Reminder: Please remember to designate the AAH as your charity of choice at Amazon Smile and shop through the Amazon Smile website. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com> to do so. (Everything else at Amazon's website stays the same, including your account.) A percentage of your Amazon orders will support the AAH!



EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Balkan Heritage Field School (BHFS)

The 2019 Balkan Heritage Field School (BHFS) season offers archaeological field schools at different excavation sites and historic places in Bulgaria, Greece, the Republic of Macedonia, and Montenegro that are related to all the major cultures and civilizations that once existed in the Balkans from the first Neolithic farmers in Europe through the Ottomans. Conservation workshops/courses and excursions available. See <http://www.bhfieldschool.org> for information and to apply.

The Malcolm H. Wiener Laboratory for Archaeological Science

The Malcolm H. Wiener Laboratory for Archaeological Science in collaboration with the American School's Agora Excavations offers a **full week-long Field School on Site Formation, Stratigraphy, and Geoarchaeology in the Athenian Agora**.

The course will take place from June 2 to 8, 2019, the application deadline is **March 1**. Complete details at <https://www.ascsa.edu.gr/programs/international-field-school-on-archaeological-science>

The Oscar Broneer Traveling Fellowship

ASCSA is offering the Oscar Broneer Traveling Fellowship in Athens and Greece for 2019-2020. Applications due March 15, 2019. Please see <https://www.ascsa.edu.gr/apply/fellowships-and-grants/graduate-and-postdoctoral> for complete details.

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PUBLICATIONS

The AAH Publications Committee invites suggestions for new volumes of PAAH. (Please note that a suggestion for a volume does not bring with it the obligation to be its editor!) The *Publications of the Association of Ancient Historians* surveys scholarship in various areas of Ancient History. The primary audience is members of the AAH, but our volumes have also been adopted as textbooks. The most recent volume, *Traders in the Ancient Mediterranean* (ed. Timothy Howe), is available through Amazon in print and as an e-book, and a list of previous volumes is available on the AAH website. There you will also find an early and important publication of the Association, John W. Eadie and Josiah Ober (eds.), *The Craft of the Ancient Historian: Essays in Honor of Chester G. Starr* (1985), freely available in electronic format. To contact the Committee, send an email to publications@associationofancienthistorians.org



The **Ancient History Bulletin** is currently accepting submissions. AHB is a peer-reviewed digital journal that promotes scholarly discussion in Ancient History and ancillary fields (such as epigraphy, papyrology, and numismatics). For over 30 years AHB has combined high standards with a timely review and editorial process, publishing articles and notes on the history of the ancient world from the Bronze Age to Late Antiquity. Although contributors are encouraged to submit articles in English, submissions in French, German, Italian, and Spanish are welcome. <https://ancienthistorybulletin.org/>



The Journal of Ancient History continues to invite submissions of articles. The *Journal of Ancient History* aims to provide a forum for scholarship covering all aspects of ancient history and culture from the Archaic Period to Late Antiquity. We are committed to a speedy process from submission to publication while maintaining high standards of peer-review. Please see our website for submission information: <http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/jah>



CONFERENCES

Shifting Frontiers in Late Antiquity Biennial Conference 2019

“Communal Responses to Local Disaster: Economic, Environmental, Political, Religious”, Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA, March 14-17, 2019

The 13th Biennial meeting of Shifting Frontiers in Late Antiquity has as its theme “Communal Responses to Local Disaster: Economic, Environmental, Political, Religion.” Specialists in art and archeology, literature and philology, history and religious studies, working on topics from the 3rd to the 8th century CE, will present a series of papers examining the impact of disasters on late-antique communities, including their susceptibility to disaster, the means by which they coped, and factors that increased resilience and facilitated recovery from disasters. In order to foster the thematic breadth and interdisciplinary perspective for which Shifting Frontiers is well-known, the papers will consider the full range of traumatic events, and also long-term processes that could distress communities: economic, environmental, political and religious.

For information, see <https://www.cmc.edu/history/shifting-frontiers-in-late-antiquity>, for inquiries, please contact Shane Bjornlie (Claremont McKenna College) at sbjornlie@cmc.edu

Attention Graduate Students and Junior Faculty of Ancient Greek, Roman, and Near Eastern History!

The Association of Ancient Historians
invites applications
for conference and travel grants-in-aid

for the annual meeting of the AAH at
Emory University, Atlanta, GA
April 25-27, 2019

Applicants must be members of the AAH but are not required to present papers.

The Association of Ancient Historians was founded with two essential objectives. The first of these is to foster a regular forum for scholarly interaction among historians of the ancient world, and secondly, to do so in a manner that emphasizes collegiality and social interaction. We invite you to experience the convivial atmosphere of our annual meeting. The AAH welcomes all individuals to membership and attendance at AAH events!

Complete Application Details are at:
www.associationofancienthistorians.org under the “Meetings” tab.



Questions or Applications (due January 31, 2019) to:

Dr. Matthew Perry, Subvention Committee Chair
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(or) John Jay College
City University of New York
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The subvention account is separate from the AAH general fund and is funded entirely by earmarked donations.

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Membership Information Form

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- Regular Electronic membership (\$11.00 per year)
- Associate Electronic membership [students only] (\$7.00 per year)
- Regular Postal membership (\$16.00 per year)
- Associate Postal membership [students only] (\$12.00 per year)
- Life Membership [*retired members over 60 only*] (\$160.00)
- Institutional Membership (\$32.00)

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

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

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