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CONFERENCES

The Fifteenth Annual NAPS Meeting was held at Loyola University in Chicago on May 24-26, 2001. It was the largest gathering of the Society to date, with 136 papers offered in 39 sessions and 228 people in attendance.

The Executive Board of the Society convened on Thursday morning of the meeting. The Board minutes are available on the NAPS web page (see above).

Congratulations to our new NAPS Board members: William Tabbernee, Phillips Theol. Seminary (Vice-Pres) Jane Merdinger, Catholic Univ. of America (MatL) Karen Jo Torjesen, Claremont Graduate School of Religion (MatL)

The returning Society Board members include: Rebecca Lyman, The Church Divinity School of the Pacific (President) Paul Blowers, Emmanuel School of Religion (MatL) David Brakke, Indiana University (MatL)

The Sixteenth Annual NAPS Meeting is scheduled for May 23-25, 2002, to be held once again at Loyola University in Chicago.

Please be advised that the **Fourteenth Annual**

International Patristics Conference is slated to be held in Oxford, England on August 18-23, **2003**. This change from the previously announced dates of August 11-16 was made necessary by scheduling conflicts among the Oxford schools.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Any Society member in good standing who wishes to read a paper at the 2002 NAPS Annual Meeting should send a title and 300 word abstract by January 15, 2002 to:

William Tabbernee
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Abstracts will receive a blind review and thus should not bear the author's name on the title page. Please indicate if 'Power Point' or audio-visual equipment is required.

Those who are willing to chair a session at the meeting should notify Bill Tabbernee as well. Participants need not read a paper in order to chair a session, but should indicate a general area of interest.

Proposals for complete sessions (normally 4 papers) are always welcome. Fresh suggestions for other special sessions (e.g., the discussion of a recent book) are also

encouraged. We want to make the annual meeting as valuable as possible for all members, and we appreciate ideas by which the program may be improved.

NEW SERIES EDITOR

The Society welcomes Philip Rousseau of the Catholic University of America to the position of editor of the Patristic Monograph Series. Rousseau was selected from among a number of well-qualified applicants. He replaces our recent NAPS president, Joe Lienhard, as editor of the series.

BEST FIRST ARTICLE

Congratulations to the winner of this year's NAPS 'Best First Article' award, Daniel Keating. Mr. Keating's article, 'The Baptism of Jesus in Cyril of Alexandria: The Re-creation of the Human Race,' appeared in *Pro Ecclesia* 8 (1999), 201-222.

Again this year, NAPS will award a prize of \$250 for the best first article in the field of patristics (which includes any discipline represented by the Society) that was published by a NAPS member in a scholarly journal. Articles should have appeared in print no earlier than January 2000. Any member of the Society may submit an article to the

competition, regardless of whether that person is the author. Materials may be sent as offprints or photocopies. A short cover letter should state that the article is the author's first scholarly publication. Deadline for submissions is March 1, 2002, with a winner to be announced at the NAPS annual meeting in May 2002. Please submit all articles to:

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NAPS CONSTITUTION

Anyone who wishes to view the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society may find them posted on the NAPS web page. Thanks to Joe Lienhard for his valuable work in this regard.

BOOKS

Dyson, R.W. *The Pilgrim City: Social and Political Ideas in the Writings of St Augustine of Hippo*. Rochester, NY: Boydell & Brewer, 2001.

Holman, Susan R. *The Hungry are Dying: Beggars and Bishops in Roman Cappadocia*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2001.

McKinion, Steven A. *Life and Practice in the Early Church: A Documentary Reader*. New York: NYU Press, 2001.

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