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2003 International Conference at Oxford

The 14th International Conference on Patristic Studies will be held in Oxford, England on 18-23 August 2003. Information about the conference may be found on the website:

<http://www.theology.ox.ac.uk/news/patristics.shtml>

The conference, which is held in Oxford every four years, is sponsored by the International Association for Patristic Studies (IAPS). As is the custom of NAPS on those years, there will be no annual meeting in Chicago this Spring. Members are advised to look for details of the 2004 NAPS annual meeting in the Fall edition of the *Patristics* newsletter.

Other Conferences

Please be reminded that Dalhousie University will host the annual meeting of the **Canadian Society of Patristic Studies** in Halifax, Nova Scotia on 28-30 May 2003. While the deadline for submission of papers has passed, general information about the meeting is available from the Program Chair:

Lorraine Buck
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A conference entitled **Reconsiderations: A Conference on Contemporary Augustinian Scholarship** will be held at Villanova University in Villanova, PA on 4-6 December 2003. The gathering will be sponsored by Villanova University and *Augustinian Studies*, in collaboration with the Patristic Institute *Augustinianum* of Rome, Italy.

The **Reconsiderations** event is offered on the occasion of the 2003 St. Augustine lecture by Peter Brown of Princeton University. This international meeting will examine the present state and future prospects for current Augustinian scholarship. Four sessions on Augustine's view of theology, the Roman African church, humanity and Christ, and various issues of authority, conversion and asceticism will feature a variety of guest speakers.

Additional information about the conference is available at:

<http://www.augustinian.villanova.edu/reconsiderations/program.htm>

Call for Papers

Villanova University will host a conference related to Augustine's *Confessions* on 22-23 January 2004. The co-sponsors of the event include

the Department of Humanity and Augustinian Traditions, Institute for the Study of St. Augustine and the Augustinian Tradition, and the Office of Mission Effectiveness. Among the featured speakers are Phillip Cary, Eric Plumer, Charles Mathewes, and Thomas Martin, with a plenary paper to be offered by James J. O'Donnell of Georgetown University.

The submission of shorter papers by scholars in the field of Augustinian studies is encouraged, with a \$100 prize to be awarded to the best student offering. Please submit titles and abstracts (100 words) to the conference coordinator by 01 August 2003:

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Announcements

The appearance of the first **discussion group dedicated to Gregory of Nyssa** is now available on the Internet. This collaboration on Gregory's life and writings is designed for academics with an aim toward promoting access to key resources and the opportunity to engage other scholars in contemporary

dialogue. The principal language is English, but German, Italian, Spanish, French, Greek, and Latin are admitted.

All topics of discussion that are connected with Gregory of Nyssa are accepted, including announcements of new publications, research projects, suggestions, and questions. The discussion group is moderated, so that every message will be available to the group's membership list. The website may be found at:

<http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/nissenus/>

Further information may be obtained from:

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The **American Society of Church History** invites

applications for the position of Executive Secretary. The Society sponsors Winter and Spring meetings for scholarly exchange and business, publishes the journal *Church History*, maintains a website, and awards five prizes for commendable research and writing. The Executive Secretary is responsible for arranging meetings, handling finances, and conducting correspondence. The current stipend of \$12,000 may be negotiated depending upon qualifications. Applicants should send a letter, *CV*, and two letters of reference by 15 April to:

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Interviews will take place at the ASCH Spring meeting in Louisville, KY on 8-9 May.

For more information about the Society, see:

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