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NAPS Conference 2005

The Eighteenth Annual NAPS Meeting will once again be held in Chicago at Loyola University on 2-4 June 2005. Participants are reminded that this year's meeting will be a week later than our traditional date. We hope that you have made plans to join us in our usual setting, and we look forward to seeing you in Chicago.

Call for Nominations

The Nominating Committee of NAPS seeks names for the positions of Vice-President and two Members-at-Large. Elections will take place at the annual meeting in June. Please send nominations to any committee member at:

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Best First Article

NAPS will again award a prize of \$250 for the best first article in the field of patristic study published in a scholarly journal by a NAPS member. In order to be considered, articles should have been published no earlier than January 2003.

Any Society member may submit an article, regardless of whether that person is the author. A short letter should indicate that the article is the first scholarly publication of the author and should include an e-mail address. Members of the *JECS* board will serve as judges, with the winner announced at the annual meeting. Please include two copies of the article, either as off prints or photocopies.

Send submissions by 1 April 2005 to the following:

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Announcements

The Core Humanities Program of Villanova University is issuing a call for papers for an upcoming conference entitled **Living in Antiquity: Jews, Greeks, and Christians**. The meeting is scheduled to be held on 5-7 October 2005 and will feature plenary speeches by Daniel Boyarin (Univ. of California), Remi Brague (The Sorbonne, Paris), and Paula Frederiksen (Boston University).

Scholars recognize that in the Greco-Roman world various groups negotiated cultural and religious space within the

empire. Some were official, some tolerated, and others illicit. Recent scholarship on the complexity of these relationships and interactions has opened new ways by which to understand western tradition.

This conference focuses on the intersection of Jews, Greeks, and Christians in antiquity. The gathering is an interdisciplinary effort to examine this period from different religious, social, philosophical, and cultural perspectives. The aim is to deepen our understanding of how these three traditions thought of their gods, themselves, and the world around them.

The organizers welcome a wide range of approaches to the topic. Some papers will proceed historically, with a consideration of how diverse communities actually lived in each other's company. Other papers will proceed with a view toward elucidating philosophical or theological issues across traditions. Still others will take a literary approach to key texts. There is special interest in papers that seek an interdisciplinary audience. The deadline for paper proposals is 31 March 2005.

Those who are interested in the conference are invited to

visit the following website for more information:

http://www.geocities.com/lgustafs/antiquity.swf.

Otherwise, please contact one of the following conference coordinators:

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