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Registration for NAPS Annual Meeting to Open in Mid-March

The NAPS Annual Meeting will be held 22-24 May at the Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza Hotel in downtown Chicago. Registration will open in mid-March. Early registration rates will be available through 27 April. Members will receive a copy of the registration brochure by mail or may register online at www.patristics.org via the conference link.

Through support from NAPS, registration fees remain as before and the Friday banquet will offer an enhanced buffet and drink tickets. Room rates are \$134 per night and may be divided by those willing to share with roommates (up to four persons per room). For Holiday Inn reservations, call 312-836-5000. To receive the discount rate, specify that you are with NAPS. Reservations may also be made through the conference link.

New Book Review Editor for JECS

Since the early days when the *Patristics* newsletter was mostly a publication of book reviews in patristic studies, NAPS has always valued its role as an avenue for analysis and distribution of research.

In recent years under the guidance of the *Journal for Early Christian Studies*, the coordination of book reviews has been led by such notable Society members as Michael Slusser, L. Michael White, and Joseph Kelly.

Most recently, the task of the *JECS* book review editor has been ably directed by **Louis Swift**, a founding member of the Society. It is with some sadness that NAPS observes the departure of Swift from this role after his resignation earlier in the year. NAPS offers its appreciation for his years of Society service.

At the same time, the Society announces that **Rick Layton**, Assoc. Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Illinois has agreed to assume the reins of book review editor for future issues of the *Journal*. We welcome him to his new role. Questions about *JECS* book reviews may be directed to Prof. Layton at:

Program for the Study of Rel. University of Illinois 3019 Foreign Language Bldg 707 S. Mathews Ave. Urbana, Illinois 61801 (rlayton@uiuc.edu)

Announcements

The Society announces the recent establishment of the **Thomas C. Oden Patristic**

Studies Institute based in Jerusalem, currently under the direction of Petra Heldt. For further information about the institute and its work in patristic studies, readers are directed to make contact at the following addresses:

TOPS POB 32030 91319 Jerusalem Israel Tel/Fax: 972 2 672 4237 (www.topsinstitute.org.il)

Congratulations are extended to Peter Martens, Visiting Assist. Professor of Theology at Yale Divinity School, for receiving an NEH fellowship for the 2008-2009 academic year. Martens will translate a 5th century Greek treatise, Hadrian's 'Introduction to the Divine Scriptures,' offering an interpretive essay that locates the work among other late antique introductions to classical literature and the Bible.

New Books

Burrus, Virginia. Saving Shame: Martyrs, Saints, and Other Abject Subjects. Philadelphia: UPenn, 2007.

Harmless, William. *Mystics*. New York: OUP. 2007.

Drobner, Hubertus. *The Fathers of the Church: A Comprehensive Introduction.*

Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 2007.

+Hill, Robert C., trans.

Commentaries on the Twelve
Prophets. Vol. 1: St. Cyril of
Alexandria. Fathers of the

Church 115. Washington: CUAP, 2007.

+Hill, Robert C., trans. Library of Early Christianity. Vol. 1: The Questions on the Octateuch, Vols. 1-2 by *Theodoret of Cyrus.* Washington: CUAP, 2007.

Toom, Tarmo. *Classical Trinitarian Theology: A Textbook.* London/New York: Clark, 2007.

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