NAPS Conference 2006

The Nineteenth Annual NAPS Meeting will be held on 25-27 May 2006 at the Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza. Note that we return to our traditional meeting week but have changed the venue for our gathering. The event will be organized by Summit Meetings Inc. of Colorado, who will coordinate housing, registration, and travel needs. Registration will be held by forms distributed via USPS and email, or by a link to be placed on the NAPS website: www.patristics.org

Again, be aware that this meeting is at a new location!

Call for Papers

If you wish to read a paper at the annual meeting, send a paper title and abstract of 300 words by 15 January 2006 to:

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Vice-President, NAPS  
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Only NAPS members in good standing may read papers. If you send your abstract by email, entitle the message as ‘NAPS abstract’. Abstract pages should show the paper title but not the author’s name. Committee members read abstracts with the following criteria in mind:

1. clear thesis  
2. knowledge of sources  
3. awareness of relevant methods, historiographical, or philosophical issues  
4. originality  
5. subject matter that falls within the parameters of late antiquity & patristic studies

Please indicate if Power Point or audio-visual equipment is needed, or if any scheduling constraints apply.

If you are willing to chair a session, please let David Hunter know. You need not read a paper in order to chair a session. Proposals for new sessions, usually comprising four papers, and for special sessions, such as a discussion of recent books, are welcome.

Best First Article

NAPS will again award a prize of $250 for the best first article in the field of patristic study published by a NAPS member in a scholarly journal. Articles should have been published no earlier than January 2004.

Any Society member may submit an article, regardless of whether that person is the author. A short letter should state that the article is the author’s first scholarly work and include an email address. Members of the JECS Board will serve as judges, with the winner announced at the annual meeting. Send two copies of the article, either as off prints or photocopies, by 1 March to:

Maureen A. Tilley  
303 Park Drive  
Dayton, OH, 45410-1413

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. Send nominations to any committee member at:

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(jchryssavg@aol.com)  
Andrew Jacobs  
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Kate Cooper  
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Announcements

Congratulations to this year’s winner of the best first article prize, Arthur Urbano, for his article “Donation, Dedication, and Damnatio Memoriae: The Catholic Reconciliation of Ravenna
The University of Exeter is staging a conference on *Pagan Monotheism in the Roman Empire* be held at Exeter on 17-20 July 2006. The aim is to examine pagan monotheism as a religious phenomenon and to place it in its social, political, and cultural context. The focus will be on philosophical and literary texts, as well as evidence from epigraphy, archaeology, and material culture. The conference will also examine various strands of monotheistic ideas and practices, and the way that these interact with diverse religious developments in the Roman Empire up to the fourth century. Conference booking will start in October. Expected accommodation costs (3 nights, full-board) will be in the range £200-250.

More information may be found on the website:

http://www.ex.ac.uk/classics/news/index.htm

Further questions may be directed to:

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The Center for the Study of Early Christianity and the Semitics Department of CUA in cooperation with the Dorushe Graduate Student Association announce the forthcoming *Dorushe Syriac Studies Conference*. The gathering will be held at the CUA campus in Washington, DC, on 3-5 February 2006. For further details see:

http://csec.cua.edu/conference/Dorushe2006.cfm

New Books


Change of Address

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Reseda, CA 91335

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