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2007 International Conference at Oxford

The 15th International Conference on Patristic Studies will be held in Oxford, England on 6-11 August 2007. Information about the conference may be obtained from the following:

Oxford Conf. Management 27 Ditchley Road Charlbury, Oxford OX7 3QS United Kingdom (info@oxconf.co.uk)

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 that this year's meeting is one week earlier than usual and should make plans accordingly.

Other Conferences

Students and scholars in the field of patristics study are invited to attend a conference entitled **Evil and Suffering** in the Patristic Period, to be held on the campus of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, Massachusetts on 12-14 October 2006.

Details are available on the 'Announcements' link of the NAPS website at:

http://www.patristics.org

The 32nd Annual Byzantine Studies Conference will be held at the University of Missouri, St. Louis, from 10-12 November 2006. The conference is an annual forum for the presentation and discussion of papers on every aspect of Byzantine studies, and is open to all, regardless of nationality or academic status. For more information, see the conference website at:

http://www.byzconf.org

Call for Nominations

The Nominating Committee of NAPS seeks names for the positions of Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer, and two Members-at-Large. Elections will take place at the annual meeting in May 2008. Please send all nominations to any committee member at:

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Membership Directory

The next edition of the NAPS Membership Directory is scheduled for publication in October 2006. Members are encouraged to insure that their mailing addresses are up to date with Johns Hopkins University Press in time for that publication.

Announcements

Congratulations to this year's winner of the **best first article prize**, Franklin T. Harkins, currently of Valparaiso University, for his article 'Nuancing Augustine's Hermeneutical Jew: Allegory and Actual Jews in the Bishop's Sermons,' *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 36 (2005): 41-64.

The Board of Directors for NAPS announces the creation of a new **Distinguished Service Award** for persons who have made significant contributions to the life and development of the Society. Members are encouraged to submit the names of possible recipients to the Board for consideration.

Congratulations are offered to Prof. Elizabeth Clark of Duke University as the first recipient of the new award. Prof. Clark was recognized for her contributions to the Society at the recent 19th Annual NAPS Meeting held this past May in Chicago.

New Books

Behr, John. *The Nicene Faith:* Formation of Christian Theology. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2006.

Brakke, David. Demons and the Making of the Monk: Spiritual Combat in Early Christianity. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2006.

Harvey, Susan Ashbrook. Scenting Salvation: Ancient Christianity and the Olfactory Imagination. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2006. Hill, Charles E. From the Lost Teaching of Polycarp. WUNT 186. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2006.

Jefford, Clayton N. *The Apostolic Fathers: An Essential Guide*. Nashville:
Abingdon Press, 2005.

_____. The Apostolic Fathers and the New Testament. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers, 2006.

Valantasis, Richard. *The Beliefnet Guide to Gnosticism and Other Vanished Christianities*. New York: Three
Leaves Press, 2006.

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