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LIMITED PRINT DISTRIBUTION OF APA NEWSLETTER

As announced in the October 2008 *Newsletter*, the Board of Directors has approved very limited production and distribution of the traditional printed version of the *Newsletter*. Institutional members of the Association (almost always libraries) will continue to receive printed versions of the December issue to ensure continuity in their collections. In addition, the Board recognizes that some individual members do not have adequate access to the Internet and has therefore authorized the Executive Director to send a copy of the printed version to any member on request.

This policy has been in effect for the December issue of the *Newsletter* for several years. It now extends to all issues. Members who responded to the October article by requesting printed copies will receive these through the December 2009 issue. There is no need to make a second request. Members wishing printed copies who have not yet submitted such a request should write to the Executive Director either by regular or electronic mail. In subsequent years, members will be able to request printed copies of the *Newsletter* on the annual dues bill.

These changes are part of an ongoing attempt to reduce Association expenses wherever possible so that our resources can be applied to essential programs as well as a response to the current decline in financial markets. We appreciate the members' cooperation with these efforts.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear APA members,

As my year as President of the APA comes to an end, the outlook of our nation has changed greatly in a very short time. What most of us considered virtually impossible has in fact happened, and the impact of the recess-

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PRESIDENT (from front cover)

sion has begun to affect the lives, work, and expectations of many of us. Academic institutions are forced to save, cut back, and postpone. As always in times of crisis, administrators will be tempted to balance budgets at the expense of small disciplines they do not consider immediately relevant to the challenges of our modern world. It is all the more important, therefore, to keep thinking positively and to remind those academic leaders that it is precisely the Humanities, and among the Humanities perhaps especially the Classics, that teach us to cope with crisis and focus on the essentials, not in terms of technology and economics, but in terms of the human spirit and the social and political values that help us maintain dignity and solidarity, overcome difficulties, and preserve a sound perspective even when we flourish. All those whose programs or departments might find themselves suddenly threatened — as has already happened and will no doubt happen more frequently in the months to come — should also remember that they are backed by a professional organization that has experience in dealing with such issues and has never hesitated to step in. The Classics Advisory Service (www.apaclassics.org/Administration/Comm/Advisory.html) and the Association as a whole stand by to give advice and render assistance when and wherever this is necessary.

Even more than in normal times, we need to make sure, therefore, that the APA remains a strong organization. We have noticed that a surprisingly large number of classicists on our continent are currently not members of our Association. I have written a letter to all those we were able to identify, inviting them to join or rejoin us and reminding them that the APA cannot function effectively if too many see it only as a last resort in times of desperate need. In order to do our best possible job we depend on a strong and dedicated membership. I appeal to all members to encourage nonmembers among their friends and colleagues to join the Association.

The APA itself is not immune to the challenges of these times. Most obviously, its endowment too has lost value, and this will inevitably affect the Association's budget. As I reported in my last letter, at its meeting in September the Board of Directors charged the Finance Committee to develop contingency plans and present these to the Board at the upcoming meeting in January. The Board also discussed the report of an *ad hoc* committee, composed of the six Directors "at large," that had

subjected to critical scrutiny all services and programs the APA currently provides. APA Vice Presidents and committees were asked to examine specific issues more closely and to present recommendations to the Board at the upcoming meeting as well. My successor will report on results and decisions in his letters to the membership.

It is disappointing, of course, that the recession hits us precisely when we are in the middle of a fund-raising campaign that so far has made tremendous progress and shown great promise. I express my sincerest gratitude to all who have made this possible and urge all those among us who are in a position to do so, to continue to contribute generously and to encourage others to do so as well. I have full confidence that the APA's Campaign and Development Committees will find ways to advance the campaign even in this more difficult climate. I am disappointed as well that two problems I have mentioned in previous letters have not yet found a positive resolution. The NRC has still not published its evaluation of graduate programs. Nor has the College Board shown any willingness to reverse its decision to abolish the AP Latin Literature exam. Still, supported by allies in other organizations, Lee Percy, our Vice President for Education, hopes to achieve compromises that will help mitigate problems of transition and adjustment.

To end on a more positive note, throughout my presidency I have been deeply impressed by the commitment, initiative, and hard work of all those who hold offices in the APA. Heartfelt thanks to all of them! In particular, I express my gratitude to all whose terms will come to end in January. Most especially, I thank those who really keep the APA going for their tireless efforts on all our behalf: the six Vice Presidents, the Executive Director, and the Staff of the APA Office. It is a vast understatement to say that their crucial contributions are greatly appreciated.

May the New Year bring you all good health, good success in your work, and much happiness! It has been a great honor to serve the APA as your President. I wish my successor, Josh Ober, much satisfaction in the coming year.

Kurt A. Raaflaub

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

This is a report on activity in the Association Office during 2008. It is intended to supplement information about Board and committee meetings and especially the reports of our very hard-working vice presidents that appear regularly in the *Newsletter*. The following paragraph appears, with few changes, in each of my annual reports, but it bears repeating at least once a year if not more often.

The APA is ambitious in that it operates programs that are similar to and sometimes even more sophisticated than those of much larger learned societies. Just a few weeks ago, a member told me that he had been bragging to his friends in the MLA that our Placement Service offered far more support and safeguards than theirs. If Classics is to continue to be a core discipline of the humanities, we have to do the kinds of things that MLA, AHA, College Art, and Religion do for their fields with a third or a fifth as many members. Volunteer labor, substantial amounts of it, is the only way we can provide the kinds of essential services that our bigger sisters do, and I am grateful to the many APA members who take on our work without compensation and sometimes without reimbursement of expenses.

In previous years I and my predecessors have delivered this report during the business meeting at the annual meeting, but it was Past President Ruth Scodel's useful thought to change the format of that session to make it less of a time when officers talked at members and more of an opportunity for interaction between members and the Board. We tried this new format last year, and I think it worked well. I will post this report on our web site a few days before the annual meeting in the hope that you will raise questions and make comments about it both in Philadelphia and afterwards.

Financial. Our fiscal year ends on June 30 of each year, and our auditors, Briggs, Bunting and Dougherty of Philadelphia, completed their audit of our financial statements for the 2007 fiscal year last Winter. The April *Newsletter* contained a summary of that report, and you can obtain the complete report on the APA web site at

<http://www.apaclassics.org/Administration/fin/FY2007%20Final%20Statement.pdf>

or from my office. If you look at Page 2 of this report, you'll see that our total assets increased by almost \$450,000, which is, of course, a good thing. However, you'll also note that those assets fall into three categories: unrestricted (money we can use for any Board-approved purpose), temporarily restricted (money that a donor has given us to spend over time for a specific purpose), and permanently restricted (money that a donor has given us to keep in perpetuity and invest so that we can use the proceeds of that investment for one or more of our programs). Depending on the terms of each endowment gift, the investment proceeds it generates can be unrestricted or temporarily restricted income.

In the 2007 fiscal year permanently restricted assets increased by over \$200,000, all of which consisted of contributions and pledges to the capital campaign. Temporarily restricted assets increased by a little over \$100,000 during the year. This figure is the result of a calculation (see Page 10 of the auditors' report) that adds new grant awards (*e.g.*, from the NEH) and restricted investment income (*e.g.*, proceeds from the Pearson Fund that can support only the Pearson Fellowship) and subtracts what the auditors call "releases," money spent in accordance with donors' instructions. Unrestricted assets also increased, by \$150,000, and the following page (Page 3) of the report shows that we owe this positive result to our investments. Near the bottom of the page there are, in effect, two "bottom lines," showing changes in assets before and then after income produced by our investments and changes in their values are considered.

As you look at these figures, please keep in mind the following details about them. First, the "before" figure, which includes all program income and the "releases" described above, is a deficit while the "after" figure shows a surplus. That alone shows you that our existing endowment, built up since the early 1980's, generates income that makes it possible for us to do all the things we do without imposing much higher fees on members. Second, our auditors are required to show changes in the value of our investments as if they were actual gains or losses even if we have held on to our securities during the entire fiscal year. Third, the funds we do draw down from our investments to support our activities consist in part of interest and dividend income but usually also consist of proceeds from liquidated securities. Our portfolios do not suffer significantly when assets are sold

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for this purpose in rising or even flat markets. When asset values suffer major declines like the ones experienced in the last six months, however, we can be put in the position of selling securities originally purchased at a much higher price.

The auditors report discussed above describes financial activity between July 2006 and June 2007, a period during which our investments gained in value. In the subsequent twelve months, *i.e.*, through June 2008, they lost about 10% of their value, and in the last six months, an additional 22%-24%. On Page 6 of the October 2008 *Newsletter*, I described the way we use income from our endowment (drawing down a maximum of 5% of the average value of a fund over the previous three years) and the steps that the Board of Directors, with the advice of the Finance Committee, is taking to respond to current financial difficulties. The first step, one that will save us about \$16,000 during the current fiscal year that ends on June 30, 2009, is to send the printed *Newsletter* only to members who request it, effective with the February 2009 issue.

Barring further major declines in financial markets, our investment advisers at BNYMellon feel that we can continue to draw down funds from our investments at the same rate as before. Of course, the 5% formula will produce a smaller figure to be withdrawn, and our substantial holdings in bonds, whose value has declined far less than our equity holdings, can be sold at a smaller loss. However, the more we can restrict our draw on the endowment to dividend and interest income and the less demand we make on depreciated securities, the better our position when financial markets recover. At the upcoming annual meeting, therefore, we will make a number of decisions about reducing expenditures in our budget. A few of these may be implemented during the current fiscal year, but our focus will be on the next (starting July 1, 2009).

I can report that in the fiscal year that ended June 2008, our basic operations generated a surplus of around \$40,000, but that this figure includes our usual 5% draw on investments. A preliminary statement that I have just prepared for the current year projects a similar surplus, and, if these projections seem to be accurate as we approach the end of the year, we will decrease the amount we withdraw from the General Fund to preserve the value of its principle as much as possible. We may be

able to limit withdrawals from the Pearson and Coffin Funds as well, but this is less likely.

Capital Campaign and Annual Giving. In the discussion above, I have made no mention of our fourth invested fund, the Research and Teaching Endowment which holds contributions to our current Gatekeeper to Gateway campaign. For at least the next two years, several positive events that took place this year are protecting this fund from much of the impact of the recent severe declines in financial markets.

First, this past March, we learned that the NEH's Division of Preservation & Access would award a final three-year grant to the American Office (AO) of *l'Année philologique*. (This is the grant mechanism that has supported the AO for over 40 years.) This NEH decision, which provides funding for the Office through June 2011, means that we will not have to draw on the new Endowment for this purpose until the Summer of 2011. All the other programs that the new Endowment will support (such as our digital portal and increased teaching awards and minority scholarships) were always scheduled to begin after the capital campaign concluded in 2011; so, the likelihood that we will need to liquidate securities in this fund at a loss has declined significantly.

Second, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation made the largest gift to date to the campaign at a critical moment for both our NEH challenge grant and for our investments. We received Mellon's major gift of \$325,000 in late September, just before the date (October 1) when the third installment (\$250,000) of NEH matching funds became available from our challenge grant. At that point, thanks to very generous pledges from Roberto and Alison Mignone (\$100,000) and the Horace W. Goldsmith Foundation (\$50,000), we had just gone past the \$1 million mark in total pledges and were just \$40,000 from the figure (\$1,090,000) we needed to claim the entire challenge grant installment. The Mellon grant obviously put us well past the amount needed for our matching grant claim and, in fact, put our total pledges at nearly \$1.4 million, or over half of the amount we need by December 2010 (\$2.6 million) to claim all NEH matching funds. The timing of the Mellon grant was also extremely favorable because the funds arrived when the troubles in financial markets became obvious to everyone. Our investment advisers have therefore kept these funds in very short-term securities since receiving them although

I hope that we can soon start to consider placing these funds in more long-term investments.

About a month later we received the \$250,000 in matching funds from the NEH. At the beginning of 2008 the Board accepted the Finance Committee's recommendation that we retain \$90,000 of this amount to offset fund-raising costs. We sent the remaining \$160,000 to our investment advisers who kept it, like the Mellon grant, in short-term securities.

The grant from Mellon, like the major gift we received last year from the Classical Association of the UK, is designated to support the American Office of *l'Année*. But the campaign is about more than scholarly resources. The American Office is at its core because *l'Année* is the place where Classicists start their work whether they are producing scholarship, lesson plans, or materials for lay audiences. It is a vital resource, but members and especially lay persons are also supporting our effort because of its promise to share our knowledge as widely as possible. In the twenty-first century, "as widely as possible" means a strong presence on the Internet, and this year, thanks to much hard work by Ward Briggs, we posted on our web site a demonstration video that shows how we will use scholarly resources to produce materials not just for ourselves as scholars but for teachers and students of Classics at all levels and for anyone interested in our field. This video has recently been revised and professionally produced, and if you come to the annual meeting, you will find a copy of the DVD bound into your Program. It will also appear on our web site, and can be obtained at no charge from the Association Office. Ward's video brings our gateway promise to life.

From May to December 2008 we received over a hundred new or additional pledges worth more than \$41,000 in response to our first mailing to all members about the capital campaign. This was a gratifying response, and we will need to ask our members to be even more generous in the few years remaining in the campaign. At the same time, while we know it imposes an extra burden, we need to ask members to continue to support our annual giving campaigns as well. As I have tried to explain in the previous paragraphs, the capital campaign is about our future, not just the American Office, but all of the scholarly, teaching, and outreach work that APA members do. Meanwhile, we need to maintain our cur-

rent activities at a time when—as described above—it would be prudent to reduce our draw on our existing endowment. Your annual giving support makes this possible.

We are having this fund-raising success in large part because of the work of the Campaign and Development Committees led by Michael Putnam and David Porter, respectively. We are very fortunate that they and their colleagues on the committees are willing to devote so much of their time and expertise to this important effort. After just 18 months in her position (minus a few for maternity leave) Julie Carew has quickly become familiar with the Association, its members, and its potential donors. This past year she installed new fund-raising software that has made it easier for us to issue pledge reminders and to prepare reports for the committees, the Board, and our auditors.

Membership. Our total membership remained essentially constant this year, 3,170 as compared with 3,166 at this time last year. This is the third consecutive year of either lower or flat membership numbers, and it is important that we reverse this trend, not just for the obvious financial reasons but because we need the intellectual strength that a larger membership can provide. I have worked closely with Kurt Raaflaub during his year as President to identify close to 200 Classicists in departments across the country who are not APA members although many of them hold senior positions, and he has kindly agreed to write to them just after the annual meeting and invite them to join or (in most cases) rejoin the Association.

The new departmental membership program not only enjoyed growth during 2008 (from 50 to 62 departments), but a larger number of departments participated in this program at the optional Sustaining and Supporting levels. This valuable program generates income that the NEH will match for both the American Office of *l'Année* and our TLL Fellowship. This is particularly important in the case of the American Office because the new Preservation and Access grant referred to above, the one that will make it possible for us to defer withdrawals from the new campaign endowment for almost three years, comes with a much higher requirement for matching funds than in previous years.

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Interactions with Other Organizations. I continue to benefit from my participation in the ACLS' Conference of Administrative Officers (CAO) and in the National Humanities Alliance (NHA). Please see my article on Page 23 of the October *Newsletter* about NHA's Humanities Advocacy Day this coming March. This is a program designed to inform members of Congress about the NEH and other issues of importance to the humanities. With many new faces in Congress this year and a new federal administration, this is a particularly important time to make sure that the needs of the humanities are not lost among the many other issues now confronting the federal government.

This year Heather Gasda or I attended all of the other Classics meetings that are regularly on our calendar: CAAS in the Fall, CANE and CAMWS in the Spring, and the ACL Institute in early Summer. Our most important interaction with ACL, however, took the form of a joint task force that our two societies formed this year to develop standards for secondary school Latin teachers, an effort that complements our work together a decade ago to develop standards for Latin students. Our Vice President for Education, Lee Percy, and ACL President, Sherwin Little are the effective leaders of this project, but Heather and I arranged this group's meeting in Philadelphia in May, and I have made some modest contributions to its deliberations. The APA Board and the ACL Executive Committee have approved the first draft prepared by the task force, and it will soon be published for comments by the members of both associations.

Our hope is that these standards will influence organizations that assess teacher performance, and that they will serve as guidelines that academic institutions can use to develop teacher-training programs specifically for Latin teachers. There are many training opportunities for foreign language teachers in general, but the specific needs of Latin teachers are rarely addressed. The lack of such training opportunities in turn makes it harder for would-be Latin teachers to obtain certification for public schools. More training opportunities, however, will support the capital campaign's goal of eliminating the current shortage of high school teachers, and capital campaign funds will serve as a further incentive for the development of such courses by providing scholarships for participants and stipends for master teachers and scholars from outside of the host institution.

Amphora. Our outreach publication continues to thrive under new Editor, Davina McClain, and her successor as Assistant Editor, Diane Johnson. I am an active participant on *Amphora's* editorial board, believing that the twenty years I spent outside of the profession make me more like the nonprofessional readers we seek. While the number of nonmember subscribers to *Amphora* remains quite small, discussions I have had, particularly at other Classics meetings, have convinced me that it has an enthusiastic audience, mainly on the web, about which we know relatively little. During the coming year I hope to find more about that audience and better ways to reach it.

Research Division. Last year I helped Lisa Carson and Kathleen Coleman write the grant proposals that resulted in the renewals of our American Office and TLL Fellowship grants this year. This year the Mellon Foundation offered us an opportunity to request a new grant to make further improvements in the online version of *l'Année philologique*. Thanks to a major grant from Mellon in 2004, searches for both ancient and modern authors now produce more useful results, fewer duplications appear in the database, and individual offices are beginning to post early versions of citations that will eventually appear in the official volumes. This March I attended a meeting at Mellon's offices along with Jeff Henderson, Dee Clayman, and Eric Rebillard representing the APA, and a number of Classics librarians from institutions around the country. Mellon's purpose in bringing us together was to identify areas in which the user interface of APh Online could be improved.

Those discussions were fruitful and during the Spring, I helped Eric to craft a proposal for a planning grant which we received at the end of June. At the end of this project he will be able to propose ways to improve APh Online's search interface and to link its citations to both ancient texts and modern scholarship. Actual improvements will be several years away and will undoubtedly require additional grant funding, but at a minimum the Mellon grant has gotten this work off to a good start, and I believe that our willingness to collaborate with Mellon on this project made the prospect of a major grant to the capital campaign more attractive to the Foundation.

Placement Service. The recent troubles in financial markets have naturally had repercussions in the Classics job market, but for now at least, the number of po-

sitions available, while down from significantly from last year, is about the same as it was just three years ago. There is no way of knowing how many jobs will be posted after the annual meeting; so, at this time of the year, the best way to compare markets in different years is to look at the number of institutions conducting interviews at the annual meeting:

- Philadelphia (2009) 55
- Chicago (2008) 85
- San Diego (2007) 70
- Montreal (2006) 55

In my ten-year experience the Chicago and San Diego numbers were the outliers as the number of interviewing institutions was typically in the 55 to 65 range. Also, this year the number of candidates registered before the annual meeting was about the same as last year, after two consecutive years of substantial increases. I do not present these numbers because I believe that this is a good job market for candidates but rather to point out that, at least so far, what we are experiencing is not a seriously depressed market but a return to a familiar level of opportunity after two unusually positive years.

Internally, the most momentous event in the Placement Service was Director Renie Plonski's medical leave in October and most of November. This made me Placement Director *pro tempore*, a post I was very happy to relinquish. With the help of a temporary worker, Pamela Braxton, I think we managed to maintain an adequate level of service, in part because Renie kept an eye on us electronically during her recovery. Given that disruption, I'm particularly grateful to Renie for following through on our plan to notify all candidates about interviews (or the lack of same) before the meeting provided that the candidate met our early registration deadline of November 17 (eventually extended to November 26).

We offered this incentive for early registration because we think it is a false economy for candidates to wait to see if they have interviews before registering with the Service. Registration costs \$20 before the advance deadline and \$50 afterwards. Registration means candidates receive job listings via e-mail twice a month instead of having to wait to see them posted on the APA and AIA web sites once a month. We are careful to protect the privacy of candidates. There's absolutely no requirement that a candidate submit his or her c.v. for the Place-

ment Book, and the only people who will know that a candidate is looking for a position are the people to whom the candidate submits applications. The Service cannot schedule an interview with a candidate who has not completed its registration form, and it is the institution (not the Service) that has the task of getting in touch with the candidate to remind him or her to register. It is not a frequent occurrence, but institutions have simply dropped candidates from their interview lists rather than taking on this additional work just before the holiday break. Finally, of course, we encourage early registration because it makes it easier for us to operate the Service, but the most important thing it accomplishes is to gather the information that, in turn, allows us to keep the hiring process as fair as it is.

Annual Meeting. The meeting in Philadelphia will probably attract around 2,200 paid registrants. This is a lower figure than we had hoped, but it is still a good number in light of cutbacks in travel funds and the reduced number of institutions interviewing. Last year in Chicago, paid registration was just over 2,600, but, like the Placement numbers in that year, this registration figure is an outlier. We had 2,450 paid registrants in Boston in January 2005, but in almost all other years the numbers have ranged from 2,000 to 2,300.

Members seem to be satisfied with the Board's decision not to mail the *Program* in advance of the meeting since it is posted on the web site. This obviously saves the APA considerable expense, and it also makes it easier for my office to produce an up-to-date document needing few last-minute changes in the Schedule-at-a-Glance handed out at the meeting.

Heather Gasda and I are extremely grateful to Joe Farrell of Penn and Robin Mitchell-Boyask of Temple who co-chaired the Local Arrangements Committee. I hope you saw and will make good use of the guide to Philadelphia that they prepared and that Robin posted on the web site about a month ago. We also very much enjoy working with the hard-working Program Committee, especially the Chair, Bob Kaster, who sometimes seems to understand our logistical pressures better than we do.

University of Pennsylvania. I continue to make annual presentations about the APA and the state of affairs for Classics in American academia to the entering graduate students and postbaccalaureate students in the

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Classical Studies Department. Partially because of these presentations, I am enjoying a greater level of informal communication with these students and with the faculty.

As I reported last year, we anticipate leaving Claudia Cohen Hall, as it is now called, this coming Summer. A society can hardly complain when one of its constituent departments becomes so successful that it needs to reclaim the space it had previously been able to provide. We do anticipate remaining at Penn for at least the next three years (see next paragraph), but the space available and the financial terms are not likely to be as favorable as they are now.

This coming Thursday the Board of Directors will vote on my request to extend my term as Executive Director for three years (until June 2012). My previous terms have been five years, but I asked for this shorter term because I hope the Association will conduct a major strategic planning exercise in early 2011 at the end of the capital campaign, and because it is unclear how moving our offices from Cohen Hall will affect our operations and finances. If the planning exercise recommends a different administrative structure, or if our new location becomes too burdensome, the APA will be able to make the necessary changes.

We established a procedure for reappointing an Executive Director in 2003 when my previous term was set to expire: the President reviews my performance with current and recent vice presidents and other volunteers at my request. In this instance, because fund raising has taken up so much of my time in recent years, I asked Kurt to discuss my work with David Porter and Michael Putnam who have been, in effect, our vice presidents for development over the last few years. The President then develops a file consisting of the comments of the vice presidents and my annual performance evaluations. The Executive Committee reviews that file and makes a recommendation to the Board. Kurt has informed me that the Committee is recommending my reappointment, and I look forward to continuing to serve the Association.

Conclusion. I want to conclude by thanking all members, especially those on committees and the Board, for their support of my office's efforts. I look forward to welcoming many of you to our home city later this week,

and I urge you to let me know if you have any questions or suggestions about Association operations.

Adam D. Blistein
Executive Director
January 6, 2009

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 26-27, 2008
Philadelphia, PA

The Board of Directors of the American Philological Association met at the Radisson Plaza-Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia, PA, on September 26, 2008. Those present were Prof. Kurt A. Raaflaub, President, Dr. Adam D. Blistein, Profs. Ruby Blondell, Barbara Weiden Boyd, Ward W. Briggs, Cynthia Damon, Alain M. Gowing, Judith P. Hallett, Jeffrey Henderson, Robert A. Kaster, David Konstan, and Donald Mastronarde, Dr. Lee T. Percy, and Profs. Ruth Scodel and James Tatum. Profs. S. Georgia Nugent, Josiah Ober, and James J. O'Donnell were absent.

Prof. Raaflaub called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Prior to the meeting Prof. Raaflaub had asked the six Directors at large to conduct a review of Association programs and services with Prof. Damon as Chair of this group. These Directors had each taken responsibility for activities within one of the Association's divisions and, in collaboration with the vice president of that division, some committee chairs, and Dr. Blistein, had gathered information about each specific program. The Directors at large then evaluated each activity according to the same three criteria: Did the field of Classics need the program? Did the Association do it well? Did other organizations competently provide something similar?

Prof. Damon reported that in many cases the Directors had concluded that the Association competently provided a service needed by the field that was not available elsewhere. The report generated by this group, which the Board had received in advance of the meeting, had concentrated on areas where improvements or changes might be called for. She noted that the Association was already beginning formal reviews of some of the areas identified as potential problems by the Directors at large. For example, the Division on Publications intended to

hold a retreat the following year to examine the APA's entire program in scholarly publishing.

The Board then reviewed the report of the Directors at large and asked for a number of reports for its upcoming meetings in January. The Board asked

- the Committee on Ancient History to review its mission statement in the Regulations and consider how its activities fit that mission
- the Committee on Education to review the guidelines and procedures for the selection of both collegiate and precollegiate teaching award winners to determine whether these awards could better reflect the Association's commitment to teaching excellence and attract more nominations
- the Committee on Outreach to review and support the ongoing effort to increase the number of nominations for the Outreach Prize
- Dr. Blistein to collect information on amounts awarded by other learned societies for their various prizes
- the Committee on the Classical Tradition to develop a mission statement for review by the Board
- Dr. Blistein to explore sources of funding for the Association's efforts to collect data about the field of Classics
- the Committee on Research to consider its future role now that two major programs (the *Barrington Atlas* and the Database of Classical Bibliography) had been completed during the current decade

The Board then adjourned for the evening at 9:20 p.m.

The Board resumed its meeting on September 27, 2008. Prof. Raaflaub called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. All Directors present on the previous evening plus Prof. Ober were in attendance. In addition, Mr. Ronald Scaramuzza of Briggs, Bunting, and Dougherty, the Association's auditors, was present by invitation. The Board had received an agenda for the meeting as well as minutes of its conference call on June 17, 2008.

Action: The Board approved the agenda for the meeting.

Action: The Board approved the minutes of its conference call of June 17, 2008.

Financial Matters

Auditors' Report. The Directors had received copies of the final report for the 2007 fiscal year prepared by the Briggs firm. Mr. Scaramuzza noted that the report was "unqualified" and directed the Board's attention to an accompanying letter which stated that the firm had obtained "reasonable but not absolute assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatement and are fairly presented in accordance with U. S. generally accepted accounting principles."

Mr. Scaramuzza then commented on several aspects of the report. A good measure of the Association's financial health was to compare its unrestricted net assets to its annual operating budget. As of June 30, 2007, the Association had just under \$2.0 million in unrestricted assets, which was equivalent to about 22 months of operating expenses at its current spending level, an increase from 19 months the previous year. This was a high level of reserves as compared to those of other not-for-profit organizations. Note #3 to the statement described funds owed to the Association which now included capital campaign pledges payable over several years. As a result, the amount owed had been discounted slightly. The value of the Association's investments had grown by over \$350,000 in part because of capital appreciation and investment income but also because of contributions received to the capital campaign. Net assets had increased in both 2006 and 2007, but in both years, assets would have decreased without investment income.

Mr. Scaramuzza explained how the auditors applied membership revenue to two different fiscal years because the APA's membership year does not coincide with its fiscal year and noted that fellowship expenses appeared on the Association's statement in the fiscal year in which they were awarded. Dr. Blistein noted that because the Association typically awards fellowships in one academic year to be taken in the next, and because its fiscal year ending on June 30 is very similar to the academic year, fellowships typically appear in the statement in the year before they are used. Mr. Scaramuzza also discussed changes in both temporarily restricted and permanently restricted assets as well as the assumptions used to allocate salary and other expenses to the Association's various program areas. Both income and expenses had decreased slightly in 2007 as compared to 2006. The cost of supporting services (ad-

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ministration, member services, and fund-raising) had decreased from 16% to 12% of all expenses, but Dr. Blistein noted that this was a temporary drop because the Development Director had begun work on the first day of the 2008 fiscal year.

Mr. Scaramuzza then reviewed two letters which his firm had written to the Board. The first noted that no changes in accounting policies had taken place during the fiscal year, and that his firm had had to make only one audit adjustment to the statements supplied by the Association, *i.e.*, to apply a discount to campaign pledges that would be fulfilled over a number of years. The second letter stated that the necessity for this adjustment represented a deficiency in the Association's internal financial controls. Mr. Scaramuzza noted that the firm had been required to issue this letter because the professional standards under which his firm operated had changed, not because of any change in the APA's procedures. As a result of the change in his professional standards, the auditors themselves could no longer be considered Association staff. He also noted that a deficiency of this type was normal in organizations with staffs as small as the APA's. Dr. Blistein stated that with the example of the previous year's adjustment and with better information he would obtain from the Association's new fund-raising software, the auditors' adjustment and hence the letter describing the control deficiency might not be necessary for the 2008 fiscal year. The Directors discussed several aspects of the report with Mr. Scaramuzza and thanked him for his helpful explanations. He then absented himself from the meeting.

Action: The Directors asked Dr. Blistein to provide additional information about funds currently restricted for publications and to attempt to record campaign pledges for the 2008 statements himself in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Investments. The Directors had received a table showing the performance of the Association's investments during the 2008 fiscal year. The General, Pearson, and Coffin Funds had lost between 5% and 6% of their value after eliminating the impact of additions or disbursements. As a result of new contributions, the Research and Teaching Fund had grown from \$111,000 to \$570,000 during the year, but its investment performance was worse than that of the other three funds in part because of its more aggressive investment strategy and in part

because the calculation of the percentage loss had been skewed by the very small beginning number.

The funds had lost a further 6%-7% of their value since June 30 while the Association had taken its normal disbursements from the General and Pearson Funds. During the current financial market decline, Dr. Blistein would suspend disbursements from the General Fund for a few months if possible, and the next Pearson and Coffin disbursements were not scheduled until January and April, respectively. Since the Association had received a final NEH Preservation and Access grant for the American Office of *l'Année philologique* to run through June 2011, there would be no disbursements from the Research and Teaching Endowment until then.

Dr. Blistein was listening to regular conference calls held by BNYMellon executives to discuss financial markets. During a recent call BNYMellon staff had predicted that markets in general would not improve significantly until housing prices started to recover, and that this recovery would not occur until at least early 2010. In the interim, the firm's emphasis on quality investments was serving it well, particularly in the fixed income area, and some other investment opportunities might become attractive.

Preliminary Financial Statement for 2008 Fiscal Year. The Directors had received a preliminary statement for the fiscal year just completed that projected a modest surplus for the year on basic operations (program income plus disbursements from investments less expenses). Dr. Blistein reviewed the few changes in this statement from the one he had given to the Board in June. The final audited financial statement would reflect losses in the value of investments and a substantial amount of new assets resulting from new pledges to the capital campaign.

Revised Budget for 2009 Fiscal Year. Dr. Blistein had distributed a version of the budget approved by the Board in June that had been updated to reflect changes in the underlying assumptions of various items. He described those changes and pointed out that the budget still showed a small surplus of about \$2,500 while Association budgets typically anticipated a modest deficit. The Board discussed the possibility that further declines in the Association investments might make it necessary to make further reductions in Association expenses.

Action: The Board voted to discontinue mailing the *Newsletter* to all members beginning with the February 2009 issue. The Development Committee was asked to consider including a notice of this change in the forthcoming annual giving appeal. Otherwise Dr. Blistein would send a separate letter. Members could still opt to receive a printed copy of the *Newsletter* on request. In future years, the dues bill would give members the opportunity to receive a printed copy.

Action: The Board asked the Finance Committee to develop a list of other expenditures that could be reduced if conditions required.

Development. The results of the Spring annual giving campaign had been low because of overlap with a capital campaign mailing. It was not yet known how many new donors had responded to the challenges offered by several Directors and Development Committee members. In the next year it would be possible to leave more time between mailings.

About a week before the Board meeting the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation had informed the Association that it would make a gift of \$325,000, the full amount requested, to the Research and Teaching Endowment. Once that gift was received, the campaign would have just under \$1.4 million in pledges, and just over \$850,000 in hand. This would enable the APA to claim its next installment of NEH matching funds, \$250,000. Because the federal government had not passed a budget for the fiscal year that would begin on October 1 and was not expected to do so until Winter, it was unclear when the matching funds would actually be received.

The next installment of matching funds (\$190,000) had to be claimed by January 2010, and the Association needed just over \$2 million in pledges to do so. It would be preferable to have at least \$2.3 million in pledges by then if the APA were to have \$2.6 million actually donated (not as pledges) by January 2011. If the Association did not meet the 2011 deadline, it would either have to request an extension of the deadline (and many challenge grant holders do), or return some matching money to the NEH.

President's Report

Prof. Raaflaub described initiatives in which he had been involved during the year. These included recruitment of

members, responding to the College Board's decision to eliminate an AP Latin examination, reappointment of the Executive Director, and preparing articles in *Newsletters* describing important issues facing the Association. He asked the Board to consider how the Association could best honor persons or organizations outside of the field for their contributions for Classics.

Action: The Board asked the Committee on Outreach to consider guidelines for a presidential award to persons or organizations outside of the field of Classics.

Board Policies

Over the Summer the Board had reviewed drafts of a conflict of interest policy via e-mail and had received copies of this document along with other materials for the meeting.

Action: The Board adopted the language of the conflict of interest policy draft dated August 20, 2008, and changed the title of this document to Policy on Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest.

Dr. Blistein stated that the Association should also develop "whistleblower" and document retention policies because a new version of the annual Internal Revenue Service (IRS) form completed by not-for-profit organizations, a public document, would specifically ask about the existence of such policies. The Association's auditors had provided sample policies from the Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations, and Dr. Blistein described the issues and procedures in each one.

Action: The Board asked Dr. Blistein to submit drafts of "whistleblower" and document retention policies to the Executive Committee with the goal of having drafts for approval by the Board in January.

Reports of Vice Presidents

Research. Prof. Henderson reported that the Database of Classical Bibliography (DCB) had completed its task of creating digital versions of all volumes of *l'Année philologique* published prior to 1995. DCB Director Dee Clayman was now seeking a means of archiving this data. He asked Prof. Raaflaub to write a letter thanking Prof. Clayman for this outstanding work.

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With the help of the American Office, issues of *l'Année philologique* were appearing on schedule. Prepublication of entries prepared by individual offices was not yet occurring but should do so soon. The German office was raising the question of having editors sign abstracts in *l'Année*.

In the Spring NEH grants to both the American Office and the TLL Fellowship had been renewed. The grant to the American Office was the last one it would receive from the NEH, but that grant meant that no money from the campaign endowment would be needed until the second half of 2011. Funding for the TLL had increased as the NEH had increased the limit on stipend amounts. At Prof. Henderson's request, members of the Board put forward issues for consideration by the Research Committee.

Education. The Directors had received a draft of standards for Latin teachers developed by a joint APA-American Classical League (ACL) task force at a meeting in late May and by subsequent e-mail. Once endorsed in principle by both societies, the draft would be posted on their web sites for members' comments.

Action: The Board approved the outline and principles of the standards for Latin teachers prepared by the joint APA-ACL task force.

Dr. Percy described the Association efforts to respond to the College Board's decision to eliminate one of the two Latin Advance Placement exams. He suggested that the APA respond to this decision as follows: to deplore the College Board's making this decision without consultation; to urge that the change not be implemented until the College Board had fully discussed the new single test with all affected teachers and until those teachers had sufficient opportunity to modify their curricula; and to assist the College Board as much as possible in arranging these discussions. A first opportunity would be a meeting in early November to which the College Board had invited a number of chairs of college-level Classics departments, including several APA Directors.

Action: The Board expressed support for Dr. Percy's response to the College Board and urged him to attend the meeting in early November if possible.

Outreach. Prof. Hallett described efforts to increase the number of nominations for the Outreach Prize. She also described APA participation in a project for which the Aquila Theatre Company had just received an NEH grant. The Committee on Ancient and Modern Performance would help the Company to identify scholars who could lead audience discussions of performances. She also described panels that the Outreach Division had organized for a meeting of the College Language Association and hoped to organize for the next meeting of the Classical Association of Canada.

Professional Matters. Prof. Konstan stated that the Subcommittee on Professional Ethics was dealing with one difficult case. He hoped that the Association would be able to adopt a policy on the use of adjunct faculty.

Program. Prof. Kaster noted that for the upcoming meeting in Philadelphia the Association had received about the same number of panel proposals as the year before, but that the number of individual abstracts submitted had declined. The Program Committee was concerned about the quality of some of the panel proposals it had received from other committees, and Prof. Kaster offered to comment on early drafts of future proposals.

Publications. In Prof. O'Donnell's absence, the Directors discussed submission statistics for *Transactions* as well as the possibility of establishing an editorial board for the journal.

Prof. Raaflaub thanked the vice presidents for their hard work.

By-Laws and Regulations

Action: The Directors adopted language for the Regulations concerning Amphora that had been suggested by Prof. Hallett, Dr. Blistein, and Prof. T. Davina McClain, Editor of the publication.

Executive Director's Report

Office at University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Blistein described several projects, including an upgrade to the Association's web site, work on its databases, member recruitment, and the use of new development software that would require a more aggressive use of temporary help during the Fall. The previous week he had submit-

ted to Prof. Raaflaub a request for a 3-year extension of his appointment from July 2009 to June 2012. Because the Association would need to leave Claudia Cohen Hall in the Summer of 2009, he would begin the search for alternate space next week. He anticipated that he would recommend moving to space elsewhere on the Penn campus that would require a much higher rental rate. However, he had determined that the rental, though higher, was reasonable for the local market, and remaining at Penn would allow retention of current staff and information technology support. He thanked the faculty of the Penn Classical Studies Department for continuing to exchange offices during sabbaticals in a way that enabled the Association to remain in Cohen Hall as long as it had.

Membership. The Association currently had just over 3,000 members. This figure was about 60 below the number of members at the same time the previous year. Planned member recruitment activities would affect numbers for 2009 rather than 2008.

Annual Meetings. It was too early to predict registration for the 2009 annual meeting in Philadelphia although meetings on the East Coast were typically well attended. Joseph Farrell and Robin Mitchell-Boyask had agreed to be Co-Chairs of the Local Arrangements Committee. The Committee on Ancient and Modern Performance would again organize a staged reading, this time of a sixteenth century English *Thersites*. Thanks to assistance from Prof. O'Donnell, it seemed likely that the Association could borrow about a dozen iPods so that the speakers in the Outreach Committee's panel on podcasts could "post" samples of their work in the exhibit hall. Dr. Blistein urged Directors to attend the traditional breakfast for first-time registrants at the meeting on January 9.

Dr. Blistein was continuing to explore the possibility of offering online submission of abstracts for future meetings. Planning for the 2010 meeting was progressing well with a volunteer for the Local Arrangements Committee Chair already in place and an attractive and inexpensive venue for the opening night reception. The Association's current agreement with its third-party planner, Experient, would expire with the 2012 meeting. APA and AIA needed to decide whether to continue this agreement before exploring sites for 2013 and beyond.

Placement Service. The number of candidates registered for the Service was about 20 higher than at the same time the previous year. The number of jobs being offered was about the same as the previous year, but a smaller number of institutions was offering them. Between Christmas and New Year's Day Placement Director Renie Plonski intended to notify candidates who registered by the early deadline of November 17 whether any institutions had yet requested interviews with them.

Association Awards

Action: The Board unanimously approved the presentation of a Distinguished Service Award to Prof. Barbara McManus.

Action: The Board authorized the Executive Committee to act on the recommendation of the Outreach Prize Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

DECEASED MEMBERS

During 2008 the Association learned of the deaths of the following members. We offer condolences to their families, friends, and colleagues.

Howard Marblestone
John T. Quinn
Arnold Ross Scaife
Charles Zabrowski

APA 50-YEAR CLUB

The APA salutes the following members who have supported its work for a half century or more. The year in which each joined the Association is given in parentheses. Please advise us if you observe any errors or omissions.

William S. Anderson (1955)
James I. Armstrong (1948)
Harry C. Avery (1955)
Charles L. Babcock (1951)
Anastasius C. Bandy (1957)

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David D. and Rosemary H. Coffin Fellowship for Travel in Classical Lands

In 2009 the American Philological Association (APA) will again award the David D. and Rosemary H. Coffin Fellowship for study and travel in classical lands. The Fellowship was established in 2004 by the friends and students of David and Rosemary Coffin to honor the skill, devotion, learning, and kindness with which they educated students at Phillips Exeter Academy for more than thirty years.

The Fellowship is intended to recognize secondary-school teachers of Greek or Latin who are as dedicated to their students as the Coffins themselves by giving them the opportunity to enrich their teaching and their lives through direct acquaintance with the classical world. It will support study in classical lands (not limited to Greece and Italy); the recipient may use it to attend an educational program in (e.g. American Academy, American School) or to undertake an individual plan of study or research. It may be used either for summer study or during a sabbatical leave, and it may be used to supplement other awards or prizes.

Candidates for the Fellowship must have been teaching Latin or Ancient Greek at the secondary level (grades 9-12) in North America as a significant part of their academic responsibilities for three years out of the five prior to the award. Membership in the APA is not a requirement for application, although it is expected that applicants will have demonstrated an active interest in the profession and in their own professional development. Selection will be made on the basis of written applications by the Coffin Fellowship Committee. The amount of the award for 2009 will be \$3,000 (an increase of \$500 from 2008). Recipients of the award will be expected to file a written report on their use of the Fellowship, which the Association may include in one of its publications.

Applications should consist of a) a *curriculum vitae*; b) a statement of how the Fellowship will be used and how it will further the applicant's teaching; c) three letters of recommendation, at least one of them from the applicant's chair or principal, and at least one from a former student. Applicants should send **four** copies of the c.v., the statement, and the letters of recommendation to the APA Office so that they **arrive** in the Office no later than **Monday, February 2, 2009**.

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Hazel E. Barnes (1940)
 Herbert W. Benario (1950)
 Janice M. Benario (1953)
 Anna Shaw Benjamin (1952)
 Charles R. Beye (1955)
 J. David Bishop (1946)
 Francis R. Bliss (1951)
 Edward W. Bodnar (1948)
 Alan L. Boegehold (1957)
 Lucy Brokaw (1927)
 Edwin L. Brown (1956)
 T. V. Buttrey (1959)
 William M. Calder III (1953)
 Howard Don Cameron (1956)
 Mary Eileen Carter (1948)
 Lionel Casson (1937)
 Mortimer H. Chambers (1954)
 John R. Clark (1953)
 David D. Coffin (1947)
 Edward E. Cohen (1959)
 W. Robert Connor (1958)
 Edith Croft (1949)
 Stephen G. Daitz (1955)
 Mervin R. Dilts (1959)
 Norman A. Doenges (1955)
 Samuel F. Etris (1946)
 Louis H. Feldman (1950)
 Edwin D. Floyd (1959)
 Gordon Buell Ford (1956)
 Ernst A. Fredricksmeier (1957)
 Frank J. Frost (1959)
 Daniel J. Geagen (1959)
 Douglas E. Gerber (1956)
 Marie Giuriceo (1953)
 Leon Golden (1957)
 Frank J. Groten (1949)
 Richmond Hathorn (1948)
 James M. Heath (1957)
 Charles Henderson (1950)
 Kevin Herbert (1955)
 Herbert M. Howe (1942)
 Louise Price Hoy (1947)
 Rolf O. Hubbe (1950)
 Henry R. Immerwahr (1941)
 William T. Jolly (1957)
 Elias Kapetanopoulos (1958)
 George A. Kennedy (1952)
 B. M. W. Knox (1959)
 Edgar Krentz (1954)
 Donald R. Laing (1958)
 Mabel Lang (1945)
 Gilbert Lawall (1958)
 Valdis Leinieks (1955)
 John O. Lenaghan (1956)
 Robert J. Lenardon (1952)
 Flora R. Levin (1956)
 Saul Levin (1948)
 Philip Levine (1952)
 L. R. Lind (1932)
 Robert B. Lloyd (1952)
 T. James Luce (1956)
 Hubert M. Martin (1956)
 Philip Mayerson (1949)
 P. J. McLaughlin (1944)
 Elizabeth M. McLeod (1955)
 Wallace McLeod (1957)
 Edwin P. Menes (1958)
 Robert T. Meyer (1948)
 Mary E. Milham (1952)
 Anna Lydia Motto (1953)
 Grace Freed Muscarella (1953)
 Chester F. Natunewicz (1958)
 Francis Newton (1951)
 Helen F. North (1946)
 Michael J. O'Brien (1955)
 Martin Ostwald (1949)
 Cecil Bennett Pascal (1955)
 John Peradotto (1959)
 Emil J. Polak (1959)
 Sarah B. Pomeroy (1957)
 Pietro Pucci (1959)
 Michael C. J. Putnam (1959)
 Kenneth J. Reckford (1958)
 Margaret Elaine Reesor (1950)
 L. Richardson, Jr. (1951)
 S. Dominic Ruegg (1958)
 Ursula Schoenheim (1956)
 William C. Scott (1956)
 James E. Seaver (1948)
 Stanley J. Shechter (1959)
 Wesley D. Smith (1957)
 Robert P. Sonkowsky (1957)
 Olin J. Storvick (1952)
 Thomas A. Suits (1956)
 P. Michael Swan (1958)
 Roy Arthur Swanson (1955)
 Myra L. Uhlfelder (1946)

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Martha Heath Wiencke (1956)
 Michael Wigodsky (1958)
 Elizabeth Lyding Will (1945)
 John C. Williams (1951)
 Alice S. Wilson (1950)
 William F. Wyatt (1959)

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Bologna University Summer School in Latin Language and Classical Culture, 29 June-17 July 2009.

The Department of Classics (<http://www.classics.unibo.it>) and the Department of International Relations of Bologna University are organizing a Summer School in Latin Language and Classical Culture. The courses will be focused both on language and on literature; further classes will touch on moments of Roman history and the history of art, supplemented by visits to museums and archaeological sites (especially in Rome). The course will be held in Bologna for a total of 60 hours (50 hours of classes + 10 hours of cultural activities). No specific qualification is required for course admission. On the basis of their previous knowledge of the Latin language, the participants will be divided into classes of different levels (beginners and intermediate). All tuition will be in English. For further information (e.g. application form, credits, accommodation, etc.) please visit: <http://www.unibo.it/summerschool/latin> E-mail: diri_school.latin@unibo.it

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES / FELLOWSHIPS

NEH Summer Seminars and Institutes. American educators across the country are encouraged to apply now for 2009 summer study opportunities in the humanities. Each summer, the National Endowment for the Humanities supports rigorous national, residential seminars, institutes, and workshops located in the United States and abroad. Program participants receive stipends to help defray travel and living expenses.

For the 2009 Summer Seminars and Institutes, interested teachers must apply for the respective seminars and institutes, 19 for college and university teachers and 31 for school teachers, by **March 2, 2009**. School teachers can apply to no more than one program, and college and university teachers can apply to no more than two

programs. Seminars and Institutes are 2-6 week programs that take place in the United States and abroad. Summer Seminars and Institutes for School Teachers provide K-12 educators with a means to deepen their understanding of important subjects in the humanities. Summer Seminars and Institutes for College and University Teachers allow faculty members to gain a deeper knowledge of current scholarship in key fields of the humanities and advance their own teaching and research.

For more information about the 2009 summer programs in the humanities for teachers, including eligibility and application information and details about each of the seminars, institutes, and workshops offered, please visit <http://www.neh.gov/projects/summer09.html>.



Newberry Library Fellowships in the Humanities, 2009-2010.

The Newberry Library, an independent research library in Chicago, Illinois, invites applications for its 2009-2010 Fellowships in the Humanities. Newberry Library fellowships support research in residence at the Library, and all proposed research must be appropriate to the collections (excluding the Terra Foundation Fellowship and certain short-term awards). Our fellowship program rests on the belief that all projects funded by the Newberry benefit from engagement both with the materials in the Newberry's collections and with the lively community of researchers that gathers around those collections. Short-term residential fellowships are intended for postdoctoral scholars or Ph.D. candidates from outside the Chicago area who have a specific need for Newberry collections. The tenure of short-term fellowships varies from one week to two months. The amount of the award is generally \$1,600 per month. Applications for most short-term fellowships are due **March 2, 2009**. For more information or to download application materials, visit our website at: <http://www.newberry.org/research/felshp/fellowshome.html>. If you would like materials sent to you by mail, write to the Committee on Awards, 60 West Walton Street, Chicago, IL 60610-3380. If you have questions about the fellowships program, contact research@newberry.org or (312) 255-3666.



The University of Cincinnati Classics Department is pleased to announce the **Margo Tytus Summer Fellowship Program**. Tytus Summer Fellows, in the fields of philology, history and archaeology will come to Cin-

cinnati for a minimum of one month and a maximum of three during the summer. Apart from residence in Cincinnati during the term, the only obligation of Summer Fellows is to pursue their own research. They will receive free university housing. They will also receive office space and enjoy the use of the University of Cincinnati and Hebrew Union College Libraries.

The University of Cincinnati Burnam Classics Library (<http://www.libraries.uc.edu/libraries/classics/index.html>) is one of the world's premier collections in the field of Classical Studies. Comprising 225,000 volumes and other research materials, the library covers all aspects of the Classics: the languages and literatures, history, civilization, art, and archaeology. Of special value for scholars is both the richness of the collection and its accessibility -- almost any avenue of research in the classics can be pursued deeply and broadly under a single roof. The unusually comprehensive core collection, which is maintained by three professional classicist librarians, is augmented by several special collections such as 15,000 nineteenth century German Programmschriften, extensive holdings in Palaeography, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies. At neighboring Hebrew Union College, the Klau Library (<http://library.cn.huc.edu/>), with holdings in excess of 450,000 volumes and other research materials, is rich in Judaica and Near Eastern Studies.

The application deadline is **February 15**. Applicants must have the Ph.D. in hand at the time of application. A description of the Tytus Summer Fellowship Program is available online at <http://classics.uc.edu/resources/tytus2.html>. There is an online application at <http://classics.uc.edu/resources/tytussummerap.lasso>. Questions can be directed to secretary@classics.uc.edu.



The American Research Institute in Turkey (ARIT) will offer fellowships for participation in the intensive advanced Turkish language program at Bogaziçi University for summer 2009 in Istanbul. This intensive program offers the equivalent of one full academic year of study in Turkish at the college level. The fellowships cover round-trip airfare to Istanbul, application and tuition fees, and a maintenance stipend. Full-time students and scholars affiliated at academic institutions are eligible to apply.

Application materials are available at the ARIT web site (<http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/ARIT/ARITSummerLanguageProgram.htm>)

The application deadline is **February 1, 2009**.

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR APA MEMBERS

February 2, 2009	Receipt Deadline for Abstracts for Organizer-Refereed Panels for 2010 Annual Meeting
February 2, 2009	Receipt Deadline for Applications for 2009 Coffin Travel Award (see page 14)
February 2009	Receipt Deadlines for Abstracts for Affiliated Groups for 2010 Annual Meeting (various dates)
March 16, 2009	Receipt Deadline for Panel Proposals for 2010 Annual Meeting and Applications for Charters for Organizer-Refereed Panels and Affiliated Groups for 2011 Annual Meeting
May 8, 2009	Receipt Deadline for Individual Abstracts for 2010 Annual Meeting
January 6-9, 2010	141st Annual Meeting, Orange County (Anaheim), CA (Note: Meeting will run from Wednesday to Saturday)
January 6-9, 2011	142nd Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX
January 5-8, 2012	143rd Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA

Capital Campaign News

The APA's Gatekeeper to Gateway Campaign will establish an Endowment for Classics Research and Teaching and obtain the gifts necessary to receive funds offered in an NEH Challenge Grant. The Association is undertaking this Campaign to ensure that its members will have the scholarly and pedagogical resources they need to do their work for decades to come. The Campaign also shares with a wider public the excitement and commitment that APA members have for their subjects.

- We have already raised \$1.4 million of the \$2.6 million necessary to receive the entire NEH match.
- Over 100 members pledged almost \$42,000 in response to the first campaign mailing to all members sent in May 2008, and we continue to receive additional responses.
- A demonstration of the digital portal that the campaign will make possible has been posted on the APA web site since the Spring. Thanks to the hard work of Senior Financial Trustee Ward Briggs, we now have a revised, professionally produced version of this demonstration. A DVD of the new version was bound into the *Program* for the recent annual meeting in Philadelphia and will soon appear on the web site as well. Members wishing to receive a copy of the DVD at no charge should write to the Association office.

Further information about the campaign is available at the Association's web site:
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