



President's Column

Dear Colleagues,
Spring is slowly blossoming in Central Illinois and that means that we need to get ready for our **Annual Meeting**. This year, the Meeting will be hosted by a former officer of the Association, Denise Demetriou, and her colleagues. Denise has done a wonderful job organizing everything and picking topics that are new and “fresh,” and I am looking forward to those papers. Unfortunately, and once again, we had to move the conference online because of the pandemic. My own university went fully face-to-face in the fall but I understand that this is not the case in many other universities. Still, I remain hopeful that the pandemic will wane and we will meet face to face in Florida next year.

I would like to draw your attention also to a change we would like to make in respect to the **Newsletter**. The Newsletter has been the main way in which news about the annual meeting and the successes of our colleagues has circulated as well as calls for papers, advertisements of different scholarly opportunities, memorials, and so on. Our Newsletter goes out via e-mail and post 3-4 times a year (we have kept it at three the last couple of years) and it has become rather costly to print and to send—not to mention the hours, stress, and hassle for the Secretary to get everything done and sent on time; plus, all the other e-mails the Secretary sends regarding job postings, grants, etc., which have deadlines. In 2022, I think that everyone who works or studies at a university or a primary and secondary educational institution has access to an e-mail account and computer where they can receive the Newsletter and print it, if they desire. **A constitutional amendment, therefore, is put forth that the Newsletter only be sent via email to our members and posted online.** Having received the necessary signatures as specified in Article 16 of the AAH Constitution, the motion to change Article 8 of the Constitution will be on our business agenda at the Annual Meeting. If this motion is passed by 2/3 of the members present, then the Newsletter will not be printed and/or sent through the post. Please see the motion on page 3.

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AAH Annual Meeting 2022 University of California San Diego April 28-30, 2022

The 2022 AAH annual meeting will be hosted by **The University of California San Diego**. Because of Covid-19 the conference will take place entirely online. The organizer is Denise Demetriou who can be reached at aah2022meetingucsd@gmail.com. ***Please note that the conference is currently scheduled to begin on Thursday morning which is a departure from our usual Thursday evening start time.***

Complete information, and the registration link are now available on the AAH website [here](#).

Denise's welcome letter is on page 2.

Please remember that all times on the schedule are in Pacific Time.

The Association of Ancient Historians Newsletter

Dear AAH Members,

The University of California, San Diego is pleased to host the 2022 AAH Annual Meeting. The program, registration, and virtual display booths by presses are all available at the conference's [website](#).

The meeting runs from 8am PDT on April 28 to 12p PDT on April 30 and will be held remotely. Through the generosity of UC San Diego's Center for Hellenic Studies registration is free but required. To register for the meeting please visit the [Registration](#) page. Once you register, you will receive the Zoom link for the AAH Annual Meeting.

This year's program explores various themes current in ancient history. It also highlights how ancient history is practiced both in the US and around the globe and discusses future directions for the discipline. The conference features two keynote addresses by Beth Digeser (UC Santa Barbara) and Greg Anderson (The Ohio State University). Please note that the two keynote speeches have different Zoom links than the rest of the conference. These are provided on the program and the Zoom registration page, and they will also be included in the confirmation you will receive once you register for the conference.

All attendees and members of the AAH have access to publisher's virtual display booths. Please visit the [Display Booths](#) page to access discounted titles and codes to purchase books directly from the presses at discounted prices. We will continue to update this page during the next month, as we receive more links to virtual display booths.

Here's to a successful meeting!

Denise Demetriou
UC San Diego
AAH 2022 Meeting Organizing Committee

President's column, continued

Another matter that needs your attention is the **donation from Gene Borza's estate**. A huge fan of the AAH and having been there for it since its foundation, as you know, Gene left us \$5,000.00 in his estate, for which we are extremely grateful. The money has been deposited into our checking account already. In consultation with his wife, Kathleen Pavelko, and several former officers, it was decided that a wonderful way to honor Gene in the Association would be the creation of a subvention for assistance with publications (fees for permits or pictures, funds for indexer, illustrator, etc.). **I am bringing to you, therefore, a proposal to create the Eugene Borza Publications Subvention for the AAH.** This proposal, having fulfilled articles 13 and 14 of our constitution, will be included as a motion in the business agenda at the Annual Meeting. If 2/3 of the members at the meeting agree to this motion, then we will use the Borza donation as seed money for the creation of the new subvention and fundraise for more. The Treasurer, Scott Perry, will set up a (separate?) account for it, in a format similar to the Travel Subvention we already have. Another suggestion is that we can put all the monies raised for both subventions in the Vanguard account, and draw predetermined percentages for both subventions from it. The latter will be easier and faster to accomplish. The Subvention Committee will be charged with the task to draw guidelines for the new subvention and it will choose the recipients according to those guidelines.

Last, but not least, I am putting out **a call for volunteers for our different committees**. I know that we are all doing very much already for our students, families, departments, and universities; and we are all exhausted. For most of us (I know this is true for me, at least), the AAH has stood by us since the days we were graduate students: we presented papers, received travel subventions, met the profession's "stars," networked, and landed jobs, made friendships, and put together our next project. The AAH has always been a supportive and congenial group. Serving on one of our committees is an easy way to give back to our Association so it can continue to serve the next generation of ancient historians. Please get in touch with me at gtsouva@ilstu.edu.

I look forward to "seeing" you all at the meeting!





NEWS FROM AND ABOUT COLLEAGUES

Stanley Burstein notifies members that a German translation of his book *The World from 1000 BCE to 300 CE*, translated by Kai Brodersen, has been published by Wissenschaftliche Buchgesellschaft under the title *Antike Global: Die Welt von 1000 v. Chr. bis 300 n. Chr.* The book is available in three different ways [here](#), or on Kindle at Amazon.

Eric Orlin notifies members of his new textbook: *A Social and Cultural History of Republican Rome* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2021). More information can be found on the Wiley website [here](#).

Along with her co-editors Sulochana Asirvatham and Sabine Müller, Frances Pownall is delighted to announce the publication of *Monarchy and Power in Ancient Macedonia: The Courts of Philip II and Alexander the Great* (De Gruyter, 2022). The full announcement can be found [here](#).

Jenn Fin announces her new book, *Contested Pasts: A Determinist History of Alexander the Great in the Roman Empire*, which will be published by the University of Michigan Press on April 18. More information is at the Michigan website [here](#).



AAH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Motions for the 2022 Annual Meeting

- 1) **A Constitutional Amendment to article #8** regarding the Newsletter (signed by Georgia Tsouvala, Brian Messner, Lee Brice) from:
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To:

 8. The Officers, principally the Secretary, shall compose a newsletter three or more times per year, and see to its distribution **via e-mail** to all members. One issue shall be distributed conveniently before the Annual Meeting to include the program of the meeting, if the Organizing Committee so requests. **The Newsletter will also be posted on the AAH website.**
- 2) **Motion to create the Eugene Borza Publications Subvention** (signed by Georgia Tsouvala, Serena Connolly, and Brian Messner).
- 3) If #2 passes, we will need a motion to decide whether to create a new account specific to the Publications Subvention or to use the existing Vanguard account for it.

The Mentorship Committee

The AAH Mentoring Committee would like to extend an invitation to our members to build connections within the ancient history community and help out a younger generation of scholars in these difficult times. Become a mentor and/or request a mentor! The deadline (for both mentors and mentees) is **May 30th, 2022**. The forms will be up on the website shortly. Pairings will be made in June and the parties notified. This timeline will enable the mentor/mentee relationship to get started in the summer before the craziness of the fall term and the job market begin! If you have any questions, you can reach out to aahmentoring@gmail.com or to the committee's chair, Leanne Bablitz at leanne.bablitz@ubc.ca. The committee looks forward to facilitating these new relationships!

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AAH Membership Dues

Please remember to renew your AAH membership dues. It is possible to pay in advance for up to five years. Considering the costs of many other associations focused on history, we are still the best bargain out there! Members are notified of their membership status at the beginning of each year.

Payment can be made online though **PayPal** on the AAH website

<http://www.associationofancienthistorians.org/membership.html> or by traditional mail (see the dues form at the end of the Newsletter).

Membership	Dues
Regular Electronic	\$15.00
Associate Electronic (<i>students and contingent faculty only</i>)	\$7.00
Regular Postal	\$20.00
Associate Postal (<i>students and contingent faculty only</i>)	\$12.00
Life (<i>retired members over 60 only</i>)	\$200.00
Institutional	\$40.00

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For questions or information about dues, or other financial matters, please contact Scott Perry at Treasurer@AssociationofAncientHistorians.org. Members uncertain if they are current with their dues or with other member address updates can contact Brian Messner at Secretary@AssociationofAncientHistorians.org.



Donate to the Subvention Fund!

The account used to underwrite subvention grants is separate from the AAH general fund and is supported only by earmarked donations. In other words, we rely on the generosity of AAH members in order to support our junior colleagues. If you are interested in making a donation, you can use the PayPal link on the association website (<http://associationofancienthistorians.org/grants.html>) or mail a check to the AAH Treasurer, Scott Perry, Department of History SMC C263, University of South Florida—Sarasota-Manatee, 8350 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34243. All donations, no matter how small, are greatly appreciated!



Reminder: Please remember to designate the AAH as your charity of choice at **Amazon Smile** and shop through the Amazon Smile website. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com> to do so. (Everything else at Amazon's website stays the same, including your account.) A percentage of your Amazon orders will support the AAH!



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Honors program at Loyola University of Chicago is in need of a part-time instructor to teach within a team-taught freshman course on the Western Tradition (loosely defined), in-person in the Fall of 2022. Historically, we have had a classicist provide lectures on Virgil, Homer, Ovid, or Greek tragedy. The instructor of Classics would be responsible for lecturing to the entire freshman class (of approximately 350 students) on 2-3 texts, and then they would lead a discussion group of 20-25 students three times a week for the entire Fall semester, in which they would lead discussions on all the texts on the syllabus. The course counts as 6 credit hours. There is great possibility for continuation in the program

beyond the Fall semester. Any interested recent PhD's or soon-to-be PhD's in Classics or adjacent fields (who live or plan to live in the Chicago area) should contact Jenn Finn at jfinn4@luc.edu.



PUBLICATIONS

The AAH Publications Committee invites suggestions for new volumes of the PAAH. (Please note that a suggestion for a volume does not bring with it the obligation to be its editor!) The *Publications of the Association of Ancient Historians* surveys scholarship in various areas of Ancient History. The primary audience is members of the AAH, but our volumes have also been adopted as textbooks. The most recent volume, *New Directions to the Study of Ancient Geography* by Duane Roller was published by Eisenbrauns and is available for purchase through their website (<https://www.eisenbrauns.org/books/titles/978-1-7340031-1-6.html>). To contact the Publications Committee, send an email to David Ratzan at publications@associationofancienthistorians.org.



A list of previous PAAH volumes is available on the AAH website. Several PAAH volumes are now available free as pdf downloads on the AAH website [here](#). AAH archivist Serena Connolly also has copies of *The Legacy of Ernst Badian* edited by Carol Thomas available. Members are welcome to contact Serena at serena.connolly@gmail.com to receive a copy for \$15 which defers the mailing cost for the volume. Payment can be made by mail to AAH treasurer Scott Perry (address above) or on the PayPal link on the [membership page](#), and mark the \$15 as an unrestricted donation.



In Memoriam: Eugene N. Borza, 1935-2021

Eugene (Gene) N. Borza, who died September 5th, 2021, was a founding member of the Association of Ancient Historians at its birth in May 1969 at McMaster University. Even before we had officers, he organized the fourth annual meeting, at Penn State, in 1972. Gene went on to serve two terms as president (1984-1989), and he, along with his wife Kathleen, were a familiar sight at annual gatherings until illness made his attendance impossible. His festschrift, *Macedonian Legacies*, was presented at the AAH business meeting in 2009, complete with a formal Honoring.

Gene was a native of Cleveland, Ohio, the child of Romanian immigrants. After receiving a BA from Baldwin Wallace College in 1957, he taught high school for a few years before entering the graduate program at the University of Chicago, where he studied under Stewart Irwin Oost, who directed his PhD thesis on Diodoros's Book 17. He would go on to become a leading voice not only in scholarship of Philip II and Alexander the Great, but also took the vanguard of an emerging field: Macedonian Studies itself, or "Macedoniasts," as his friend Ernst Badian dubbed them.

Gene was hired by Penn State in 1964, where he taught in the history department until his retirement in 1995. During that time, he published more than 50 peer-reviewed articles (and dozens more in non-academic papers, journals, and magazines), as well as his groundbreaking *In the Shadow of Olympus* (1990, rev. 1991) from Princeton Univ. Press, on pre-Alexander Macedon, also *Before Alexander: Constructing Early Macedonia*, and a number of edited collections. He served as an AIA lecturer for 40 years, and was an invited visiting professor at five colleges and universities beyond PSU. In 1981, he was a historical advisor to the National Gallery of Art's groundbreaking exhibition, *The Search for Alexander*.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Kathleen Pavelko, as well as his daughter, Dr. Karen Borza Arabas, his son Michael John Borza, and his granddaughter, Julia Arabas. A celebration of his life will be held in late July; the program and a video of his life will be made available.

An obituary (with information for memorial donations) is [here](#).

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Membership Information Form

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