# John Donne Society Newsletter

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**Dues Renewal Notice:** If you have not renewed your membership for **2008**, now is the time to do so. Please send a check payable to the John Donne Society in the appropriate amount to:

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The dues are: Professors, \$50; Associate Professors \$40; Assistant Professors, \$30; Adjuncts, Independent Scholars and Retirees, \$20; and students \$10. Membership includes a one-year subscription to the *John Donne Journal*.

**Invitation to the 23rd John Donne Society Conference:** The John Donne Society will hold its 23rd annual conference on February 21-24, 2008 at the Lod & Carole Cook Conference Center & Hotel on the Louisiana State University campus in Baton Rouge, LA. See the call for papers. Please check our new website for further details (<a href="http://johndonnesociety.tamu.edu">http://johndonnesociety.tamu.edu</a>).

**MLA 2007 Special Session Papers:** The Donne Society will sponsor two special sessions at the 2007 MLA meeting in Chicago:

## **Current Research in John Donne Studies**

Saturday, 29 December, 12:00 noon-1:15 p.m., Acapulco, Hyatt Regency

Presiding: Gregory Kneidel, Univ. of Connecticut, Hartford

- 1. "'No Piece of Chronicle'? Narrative and Narrativity in Donne's *Songs and Sonets,*" Heather Dubrow, Univ. of Wisconsin
- 2. "Donne and Shakespeare's Patron: Discovery of a Poem Potentially Composed by the Earl of Southampton," Lara Massey Crowley, Univ. of Maryland
- 3. "Inscribing 'A Jeat Ring Sent': A Cognitive Approach," Michael A. Winkelman, Johnson State College

## Politics, Presence, and Place in Donne's Sacred and Profane Poetry

Sunday, 30 December, 1:45–3:00 p.m., Field, Hyatt Regency

*Presiding:* Mary A. Papazian, Lehman Coll., City Univ. of New York

- 1. "'All This Seed Pearl': John Donne and Bodily Presence," Blaine Greteman, Univ. of California, Berkeley
- 2. "'When First and Last Concur': Closure in 'Upon the Annunciation and Passion Falling on the Same Day,'" Raymond Jean Frontain, Univ. of Central Arkansas

3. "'Poor Donne Was Out': Attribution, Influence, and 'Donne' in the Poetry of Margaret Cavendish," Lara A. Dodds, Mississippi State Univ.

Respondent: Michael Carl Schoenfeldt, Univ. of Michigan

**Donne Society Web Page:** For information about the Donne Society and for the John Donne visit our new web page at <a href="http://johndonnesociety.tamu.edu">http://johndonnesociety.tamu.edu</a>.

**Donne at Kalamazoo:** Scott Vander Ploeg (Madisonville Community College) is organizing a Donne session at Kalamazoo. Please contact him (email: scott.vanderploeg\_at\_kctcs.edu) for more information.

**The John Donne Society Distinguished Publication Awards for 2005** go to Jeanne Shami for *John Donne and Conformity in Crisis in the Late Jacobean Pulpit* (D. S. Brewer, 2003) and M. Thomas Hester, Robert Parker Sorlien, and Dennis Flynn, eds., for *John Donne's Marriage Letters in The Folger Shakespeare Library* (The Folger Shakespeare Library, 2005).

**Reminder:** When you publish an article or book on Donne, inform the MLA Bibliography so that your work may be considered for the John Donne Society Award for Distinguished Publication in Donne Studies. In addition, some single authored texts that have a chapter on Donne, but not Donne's name in the title, may be overlooked by the MLA Bibliography. If you think this may be the case for your publication, please notify the chair of the Awards Committee (Ernest Sullivan) or Sean McDowell (email: mcdowell@seattleu.edu).

**2008 MLA Special Sessions:** Theresa DiPasquale will chair a session on "Donne and Time," and Dennis Flynn will chair a session on "Using the Variorum Edition." Send 8-11 page papers to them by 1 March 2008.

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