

John Donne Society Newsletter

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Dues Renewal Notice: If you have not renewed your membership for **2007**, 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: Single, \$25; double, \$30; retired, \$15; student, \$15. Membership includes a one-year subscription to the *John Donne Journal*.

Invitation to the 22nd John Donne Society Conference: The John Donne Society will hold its 22nd annual conference on February 14-18, 2007 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 (<http://johndonnesociety.tamu.edu>).

MLA 2006 Special Session Papers: The Donne Society will sponsor two special sessions at the 2006 MLA meeting in Philadelphia:

“Amorous Delicacies: Donne and the Rhetoric of Sexuality”

Ilona Bell, Chair (Williams College)

- Maria Frangos, “Female Same-Sex Desire and the Problem of ‘Sameness’ in Donne’s ‘Sapho to Philaenis’”—Univ. of California, Santa Cruz
- Ben Saunders, “Desire unto Death: Revisiting Donne’s Rhetoric of Erotic Compulsion in ‘Farewell to Love’”—Univ. of Oregon
- Elizabeth Dolan Harvey, “Desiring Souls”—Univ. of Toronto

“Donne: An Open Session” **

Kate Narveson, Chair (Luther College)

- Sarah Powrie, “Transporting *Harmonia*: the immoderate metaphysics of ‘Love’s Growth’”—Univ. of Toronto
- Terry Reilly, “Donne and Contemporary Legal Discourse Concerning Death”—Univ. of Alaska, Fairbanks
- Ernest W. Sullivan, “Editing Donne’s Letters: Lies, Misogyny, and New Manuscripts”—Virginia Polytechnical Inst.
- Responder: Helen B. Brooks, Stanford Univ.

** This session will not appear in the MLA Program but will be held 29 December, 8:30-9:45 a.m in Rm. 405, Philadelphia Marriott.

New Donne Society Web Page: For information about the Donne Society visit our new web page at <http://johndonnesociety.tamu.edu>.

Donne at Kalamazoo: Kate Frost (Univ. of Texas-Austin) will organize a Donne session at Kalamazoo. Please contact her for more information and deadlines for papers.

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.

New Officers: Beginning in 2007, Sean McDowell (Seattle University) will take over as Executive Director (email: mcdowell@seattleu.edu). Brian Blackley (North Carolina State University) will be the new Secretary/Treasurer (email: blackley@ncsu.edu).

23rd Annual John Donne Conference will be held on February 20-24, 2008 at the Lod & Carole Cook Conference Center in Baton Rouge, LA.

2007 MLA Special Sessions: Mary Papazian will chair a session on "Politics, Presence, and Place in Donne's Sacred and Profane Poetry" and Greg Kneidel will chair the "Open Session." Send 8-11 page papers to them by Mar. 1, 2007.

Send information for the **Newsletter** to Sean McDowell (mcdowell@seattleu.edu)

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