

Committee on Centers and Regional Associations (CARA)
ANNUAL MEETING 2008
The Catholic University of America
Washington, D.C.

The annual meeting of CARA will take place at The Catholic University of America (CUA) in Washington, D.C. on October 2-4, 2008. Enclosed is information about travel and the conference hotel, a registration form, and the program for the meeting. Special events this year include visits to the Walters Art Gallery in Baltimore and to Dumbarton Oaks in Washington. The conference hotel is located just a short walk from the National Gallery of Art with its superb medieval and Renaissance collections.

Information about Travel to Washington, D.C.

Washington is served by three airports and all the major airlines: National Airport (DCA), Dulles International (IAD), and Baltimore-Washington International (BWI). When searching for fares on airlines choose one airport and check the "within 80 miles" box for neighboring airports. National airport provides the least expensive and easiest access to campus by ground transportation but does not always have the best air fares. There is a Metro Station at National Airport (Yellow and Blue lines). CUA has a Metro station on campus and is served by the Red Line. The Yellow Line intersects with the Red Line at the Gallery Place station and the Blue Line at Metro Center. It is necessary to transfer to the Red Line in the direction of Silver Spring/Glenmont at both stations. The one-way fare is \$2.75 from the airport. A cab from the National Airport to campus would cost ca. \$20.00.

Dulles and BWI are approximately 35 miles outside of Washington. Cab fare from Dulles to CUA would be between \$60 and \$70 (including tip) and ca. \$90 (including tip) from BWI. It is possible to take a Washington Flyer bus to the nearest Metro station (West Falls Church on the Orange Line) from Dulles (\$10 one way and \$18.00 round trip). Take the Orange Line train in the direction of New Carrollton. At the Metro Center Station it is necessary to transfer to the Red Line and take the train in the direction of Silver Spring/Glenmont (the sixth station after the Metro Center Station). Travelers with more than carry on luggage would find the bus/Metro trip trying. The fare from Falls Church one way to the CUA station is \$3.85. There is a bus from the BWI terminal to the Amtrak/Marc railroad station. The rail fare to Washington's Union Station is between \$12 and \$32, depending on train and class of service.

Conference Hotel

The conference Hotel Phoenix Park, is next to the Union Station (the main train station in Washington), which is the third stop from Metro Center and the third stop from the CUA/Brookland Metro Station. The Phoenix Park prides itself as a center of Irish Hospitality, that combines Celtic charm with an ideal Capitol Hill location. The Phoenix Park Hotel's Dubliner Restaurant and Pub is one of Capitol Hill's celebrated bars. The Pub is a favorite for Washingtonians and travelers alike and is known throughout the city for its free-flowing spirits as well as its in-house brewed Irish spirit. The Dubliner offers pub fare, live Irish entertainment 7 nights a week, along with a selection of beers and ales- including our very own brew, Old Dubliner Amber Ale." We have reserved a block of 30 rooms at the Phoenix for October 2-4,

2008 at a price of \$169 per night (regular rate \$309 per night) for a single or for two persons in a room with a queen or a king bed. A room with two beds will be \$199. You can book your reservation on the hotel website at <http://www.phoenixparkhotel.com/>, then click on "Reservations." Please use Group Code 12468 when booking online or when calling the Phoenix Park at 202-638-6900. The address of the Hotel is 520 North Capitol Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20001

Program
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October 2-4, 2008

Thursday, October 2

Reception 7:00-9:00 PM May Gallery, Mullen Library

Friday, October 3

Breakfast 7:15 AM

Executive Committee Meeting 8:30-12:00: Pryzbyla Center

Tour of National Gallery of Art, Washington 9:30-12:00

Lunch: 12:00-1:30

Excursion to the Walters Art Gallery, Baltimore
Private Showing of Medieval Manuscripts 1:30-5:00

Banquet 6:00-9:00: Happel Room Caldwell Hall

Saturday, October 4

Breakfast 8:00 AM

Panel Presentation 9:00-11:30 Teaching Medieval Church History with Texts and Media

Moderator: Ken Pennington

Thomas Turley, Santa Clara; Nancy van Deusen, Claremont; Annemarie Weyl Carr, Southern
Methodist University

Lunch 12:00-1:00

Grab Bag Sharing Session 1:00-3:00

Excursion to Dumbarton Oaks 3:00-6:00

Dinner 6:00-9:00 Vincent P. Walter Jr. Board Room Curley Hall

Registration Form for 2008 CARA Meeting

Name: _____

Affiliation: _____

Home Address: _____

Email address: _____

Telephone: _____

Registration fee for participants: \$80.00 After September 15th: \$100

Registration fee for spouses (Significant Others): \$120.00 (includes the two excursions, reception, and two evening dinners, but not the breakfasts and lunches)

Total: _____

- I will participate in the Walters Art Gallery Excursion
- I will participate in the Dumbarton Oaks Excursion
- I have special dietary needs (please specify below)

Please make your check out to The Catholic University of America; if you wish to pay by credit card, please give the following information:

Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

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