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ANNUAL SPRING MEETING PLANS

The annual meeting of the Society will be held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies. The 1990 AAS meeting will be held April 5-8 in Chicago. Our meeting time is pending, but will be either Friday, April 6, 6:00-8:00 P.M., or Saturday, April 7, 6:30-8:30 P.M. The exact time and place, and the topic of our roundtable discussion, will be announced in the February issue of the <u>Bulletin</u>.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Recent and Forthcoming Publications

David Dilworth recently published <u>Philosophy in World Perspective</u>: A Comparative Hermeneutic of the Major Theories (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1989).

James Dobbins recently published <u>Jødo Shinshœ: Shin Buddhism in Medieval Japan</u> (Indiana University Press, 1989).

Delwin B. Schneider recently published the following articles: "New Religions - History of Religions - And What It All Means, If Anything" in <u>Proceedings of the 9th International Symposium on Asian Studies</u> (1987) and "Interreligious Dialogue: The Epic Journey of Our Time" in Unificationism and Modern Society (1988).

Research in Progress

Martin Collcutt is working on the iconography of Kannon in Meiji art and culture, and translating a contemporary Japanese Zen monk's commentary on the <u>Mumonkan</u>.

Winston Davis is currently writing a piece on "Fundamentalism in Japan: Religious and Political" for the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Edmund Gilday is expanding his <u>kagura</u> research to include court and major shrine <u>kagura</u>, while continuing theoretical work on ritual and performance in the context of matsuri.

Jane Marie Swanberg is researching the relationship between sanbasø, puppetry, and Hachiman shinkø. She is also translating Nagata Køichi's Nihon no ningyo shibai.

Correspondence

Winston Davis will be teaching at Princeton University during spring semester, 1990.

Grants

Richard Jaffe received a Fulbright Grant for 1989-90.

Minor Rogers received a Fulbright Research Grant for study in Kyøto at Ryœkoku University from September 1989 through May 1990.

Conferences

William Deal served as chair and discussant for the "Buddhism" panel at the Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs annual meeting at Michigan State University in October.

Taitetsu Unno sponsored the "International Symposium on Metanoetics - Tanabe Hajime's Contribution to East-West Dialogue," October 5-7 at Smith College.

Address Changes

Jane Marie Swanberg has accepted an appointment as Assistant Professor of Japanese Religions in the Department of Asian Studies at Cornell University (388 Rockefeller, Ithaca, NY 14853-2502)

John McRae has accepted an appointment as Assistant Professor of Chinese Religions in the Department of Asian Studies at Cornell University (388 Rockefeller, Ithaca, NY 14853-2502)

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