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JUNE 7-9, 2013

2013 Annual Meeting

of the

Academy of Philosophy and Letters

June 7-9, 2013

The conference will be held at **The Doubletree by Hilton**, located at the Baltimore-Washington Airport, in Linthicum Maryland, 890 Elkridge Landing Rd., Linthicum Heights, Maryland, 21090. The hotel provides free limousine service from and to the airport terminal. The hotel can be reached directly by telephone at 410-859-8400. You can reserve a room at the discounted rate of \$105 a night at:

http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/B/BWIBADT-APL-20120615/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Our room block will expire on May 8 and is limited, so make the reservation sooner rather than later.

For non-members, attendance is by invitation only. Any member of APL can sponsor non-members as guests. The members of the APL Board of Directors are listed below. Students may attend the conference at a greatly reduced rate (see registration page below). A limited number of registration fee waivers are available.

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This year's panels will continue the round table format that was introduced last year. Panelists will offer introductions, which will be followed by discussion among the panelists and members of the audience.

Friday

5:00-6:00 PM. **Registration**

6:00-7:00 PM. **Reception/Cash bar**

7:00-9:00 PM. **Dinner**

Welcome

Speaker: **James Kurth**, *Swarthmore College*, "The Great Debacle of Pseudo-Conservatism: Lessons Learned" [title tentative]

9:00-11:00 PM. **Hospitality Suite** hosted by *The Imaginative Conservative*.

Saturday

8:00-8:30 AM. **Late registration**

8:30-10:30 AM. **PANEL/ROUND TABLE 1. Commentary on James Kurth's Analysis of Pseudo-Conservatism**

Chair: **Lowell Gustafson**, *Villanova University*

Brian Mitchell, *The Academy of Philosophy and Letters*

David Jordan, *The University of Virginia*

Claes Ryn, *The Catholic University of America*

Walter McDougall, *The University of Pennsylvania*

James Kurth, *Swarthmore College*

10:30-10:45 AM. Break/Refreshments

10:45 AM -12:45 PM. **PANEL/ROUND TABLE 2. A Moral and Cultural Counter-Offensive**

Chair: **Richard Gamble**, *Hillsdale College*

Joseph Baldacchino, *The National Humanities Institute*

Richard Bishirjian, *Yorktown University*

Jeff Cain, *American Philanthropic*

Annette Kirk, *Russell Kirk Center*

Bill Wichterman, *Wedgwood Circle*

12:45-1:00 PM. **Break**

1:00-2:30 PM. **Luncheon:**

Chair: **Jeff Polet**, *Hope College*

Speaker: **David Schindler**, *John Paul II Institute*, “Christianity and the State of the Culture”

2:30-3:30 PM. **Break**

3:30-5:30. **PANEL/ROUND TABLE 3: Independent Scholarly Journals**

Chair: **Ryan Holston**, *Virginia Military Institute*

Joseph Baldacchino, *Humanitas*

Bruce Frohnen, *Political Science Reviewer*

Peter Haworth, *Anamnesis*

Gerald Russello, *The University Bookman*

Robert Young, *Modern Age*

5:30-6:30 PM. **Break**

6:30-7:30 PM. **Reception/Cash bar**

7:30-9:00 PM. **Dinner**

Chair: **William Byrne**, *St. John's University*

A dinner conversation about Christianity and the state of the culture with

Chris Manion, Richard Gamble, and others.

9:00-11:00 PM. **Hospitality Suite**, hosted by *The Imaginative Conservative*

Sunday

9:00-10:00 AM. **Breakfast meeting of the membership** (members only)

10:00 AM-noon. **PANEL/ROUND TABLE 4. Reaching the Thoughtful Public**

Chair: **Brian Mitchell**, *Academy of Philosophy and Letters*

Winston Elliott, III, *The Imaginative Conservative*

John Henry, *Committee for the Republic*

Dan McCarthy, *The American Conservative*

Mark Mitchell, *Front Porch Republic*

John Vella, *Crisis*

12:30-2:00 PM. **APL Board of Directors Meeting**

Conference dress code: coat and tie

REGISTRATION FORM

Participants may register using the following form, or by using APL's paypal site and sending the fee to mfederici@mercyhurst.edu

The amounts below refer to pre-registration. Registrations postmarked later than **May 30** will be assessed a surcharge of \$25.

2012 Late Dues after May 15 (members only)	Members	Non- Members	Students	Please check
	\$60.00			
Friday Dinner and Program	45.00	55.00		
Saturday Program, Lunch, and Dinner	130.00	150.00		
Sunday Breakfast and Program	30.00			
Sunday Program Only		30.00		
Conference Program Only (no meals)			85.00	
Total included:				

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