

Hellenotamiai

Meeting Minutes

20-Oct-2007

Present: Dennis Dutton, Suzanne Thackston

Next meeting: 17-Nov-2007, 12:00, Borders Books and Music, 18th & L Streets NW

Meeting Minutes

12:15- 12:20 Introductions

12:20-12:30 Descriptions of lessons, activities and rituals that have been done in the demos in the past and are available for future activities, and of different pagan communities in the D.C. area with whom to network.

12:30-12:35 Discussion of what each would like to see happen in the demos, what it can do for members and what members can do to keep it viable, i.e. Dennis wants more active membership and participation, Suz wants opportunities to worship with other Hellenistas and to pursue clergy education, and the challenges of time and distance.

12:35-12:40 Discussion of Hellenion founding and history, and of clergy training requirements.

12:40-12:45 Tentative plans made to combine next month's meeting with an abbreviated ritual (of necessity it must take place in public space) and to try and keep to a regular meeting schedule.

Minutes taken by Suzanne Thackston.

Meeting Notice

Hellenotamiai, a Demos of Hellenion, a local Hellenic Reconstructionist congregation, invites you to an open planning meeting on Saturday, October 20, 2007, beginning at noon and lasting until 12:30 or 1:00PM depending on attendance, to be held at Borders Books & Music, 18th & L Streets NW, Washington, DC 20006 (Phone: 202.466.4999). This is one block from the Farragut North Metro station and two blocks from the Farragut West Metro station.

The purpose of this meeting is to...

- * Determine the needs of the local pagan community.
- * Discuss differences and similarities in beliefs.
- * Discuss what Hellenotamiai can provide for the pagan community.
- * Discuss how the pagan community can support the continuing existence of Hellenotamiai

Current plans are to have a meeting on the third Saturday of each month unless it is inconvenient for the majority of those interested in attending.

All are welcome! For more information or to RSVP, please send email to Hellenion_mdvad-c-owner@yahoo.com.

We invite you to visit our web site at:

<http://duttond.topcities.com/Hellenotamiai/index.html>

Hellenotamiai also can be contacted by snail mail:

Hellenotamiai
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Hellenotamiai, a Demos of Hellenion, is a fellowship and study group for Hellenic Polytheists within the Washington, DC metro area (including southern Maryland, northern Virginia and the District of Columbia). Anyone with the desire to honor the Immortal Olympians in a respectful manner may become a member. Our group is open to all who respectfully worship in the Hellenic tradition regardless of ethnic origin, color, creed, social status, sexual orientation or physical ability.

Hellenotamiai meets on a monthly basis, with other social events in between. We discuss methods of practicing the Hellenic Polytheism religion in modern times; definitions and methods of applying Hellenic values related to life style, family, and community life; and methods of recreating Hellenic festivals with the goal of making some of them available to the Pagan community.

If you are interested in attending a meeting or checking out the group, please email Demarkhos@duttond.topcities.com, visit our web site at <http://duttond.topcities.com/Hellenotamiai> or visit the Hellenion National site at <http://www.hellenion.org>.

Khaire, Theoros Dennis
Iereus ekathbolou Dionysus
Demarkhos, Demos Hellenotamiai
Prutanis kai Tamias, Hellenion