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Dear Antarcticans and polar booklovers,

We are pleased to announce the next SouthPole-sium to be held VIRTUALLY on Saturday, June 26, 2021, Noon to 2 pm (San Francisco time).

We had hoped to have SouthPole-sium v.5 in San Francisco 23-25 June 2021 but because of the Covid-19 Pandemic, we are re-scheduling that to 22-24 June 2022 and hope very much that the situation will be such that we can stick to those dates safely.

But in the meantime, we are VIRTUALLY meeting on June 26, 2021 as a prelude to the actual gathering a year later. We are calling this SouthPole-sium v.4.5

This will be a two-hour Zoom meeting that will include several short programs as well as “break-out” sessions. Those attending virtually will be able to participate. We will limit the number of participants to 120 and there will be no charge to participate.

Agenda / Topics:
• Welcome and Introduction  Rick Dehmel
• PRESENTATION: “Overview of SouthPole-sium v.1-4” Rob Stephenson
• Audience Poll
• PRESENTATION: “Pre-SouthPole-sium v.4.5 On-line Survey Results” Seamus Taaffe
• Social Break-out Session I (ALL participants)
• PRESENTATION: “Antarctic Bibliographies” Michael Rosove
• Social Break-out Session II (ALL participants)
• PRESENTATION: “SouthPole-sium v.5 (San Francisco) Topics/Events” Dave Hirzel
• Wrap-up

In order to plan things in an organized fashion we ask that you reply to this e-mail and indicate your preference. This commits you in no way. If we don’t hear back from you in a month or so we’ll assume you won’t be participating.

_____ I'll definitely participate in the Zoom SouthPole-sium v.4.5
_____ I'm likely to participate
_____ Darn! I'm unable to participate

A follow-up e-mail will go out to those that received this (less those who have indicated
that they will not participate) sometime around March-April 2021. This e-mail will summarize the results of the questionnaire above and present an e-mail schedule leading up to the June 26 date.

At some point in the Spring we will ask those planning on participating to register. This will be a simple e-mail registration to include your name, country and e-address. (This information will be included in a password-protected .pdf file on the antarctic-circle website that only registrants can access.) The password will be e-mailed to all registrants once they have registered. Registration will continue probably up to two weeks before the event or once the 120 limit has been reached.

This e-mail and all future notices will appear on the antarctic-circle.org website: http://www.antarctic-circle.org/gathering4.5.htm

You will also find at this location full information on previous SouthPole-siums, held in Jaffrey, NH 2012, Craobh Haven, Scotland 2015, Oslo 2017 and Dublin 2019.

Photos of these may be found at:

Jaffrey https://rs41.smugmug.com/Antarctic/Antarctic-Events/SouthPole-sium-1

Scotland https://rs41.smugmug.com/Antarctic/Antarctic-Events/SouthPole-sium-2

Oslo https://rs41.smugmug.com/Antarctic/Antarctic-Events/SouthPolesium-3

Dublin https://rs41.smugmug.com/Antarctic/Antarctic-Events/SouthPole-sium-4

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