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## CAPInv. 86: noumeniastai

### I. LOCATION

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| i. Geographical area | Aegean Islands |
| ii. Region           | Euboea         |
| iii. Site            | Chalkis        |

### II. NAME

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| i. Full name (original language) | νουμηνιασταί (IG XII.9 1151) |
| ii. Full name (transliterated)   | <i>noumeniastai</i>          |

### III. DATE

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| i. Date(s) | iii BC |
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### IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

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| ii. Name elements | Cultic: | <i>noumenia</i> : new moon, the first day of the month (i.e. the sacred day of the association) |
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### V. SOURCES

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| i. Source(s)                                | IG XII.9 1151 (iii BC)                                                            |
| Online Resources                            | <a href="#">IG XII.9 1151</a>                                                     |
| i.a. Source type(s)                         | Epigraphic source(s)                                                              |
| i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script | Funerary inscription in Greek for Demosthenes, son of Lysis, by the Noumeniastai. |
| i.c. Physical format(s)                     | Pedimental stele (H. 54 x W. 28 x Th. 5 cm).                                      |

## VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

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| ii. References to buildings/objects | The association set up the <i>stèle</i> (τὴν στήλην ἔστησαν, l. 3). |
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## VII. ORGANIZATION

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| viii. Obligations | It can be inferred by the nature of evidence (epitaph) that the association took care for the burial of members. |
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## X. ACTIVITIES

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| iv. Honours/Other activities | The <i>Noumeniastai</i> set up a funerary stele for Demosthenes. In other words they take provisions for the burial of Demosthenes, in all likelihood a member of the association. |
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## XII. NOTES

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| i. Comments            | According to SEG 50, 876 this is an honorary inscription. Nonetheless Demosthenes is described as χρηστός ( <i>chrestos</i> , l. 2), an adjective referring to the deceased. |
| ii. Poland concordance | Poland B 149A                                                                                                                                                                |

## XIII. EVALUATION

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| i. Private association | Certain                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Note                   | The name of the group (ending -istai) together with the fact that the <i>Noumeniastai</i> took care of the burial of the deceased as inferred by the erection of the funerary stele point towards the identification of this group as a private association. |