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2006 Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences

Le Congrès des Sciences Humaines de 2006

The conference of the Canadian Society of Medievalists will be held at York University in Toronto, from May 28—30, 2006. The Congress theme this year is “The City: A Festival of Knowledge.” For information on the Congress, see <<http://www.fedcan.ca/congress2006/index.htm>>.

The conference program is in this newsletter on pages 2-4. It is also on the CSM website at <<http://www.csm.wlu.ca/>>.

La prochaine rencontre de la Société canadienne des médiévistes se tiendra à l'Université York à Toronto, du 28 au 30 mai 2006. Le thème est: *La ville: un festival du savoir*. Pour de plus amples renseignements, visitez <<http://www.fedcan.ca/congress2006/index.htm>>.

Le programme du colloque est dans ce numéro, pages 2—4. C'est aussi sur le site-web: <<http://www.csm.wlu.ca/>>.

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Student Essay Award / Prix de la meilleure communication étudiante

To be considered for the CSM prize for best student presentation at the 2006 meeting in Toronto, student presenters are encouraged to submit their papers to Jim Weldon, President of the Society, before leaving the conference. The winner will be awarded a cash prize and a two-year membership in the Society; additionally, the name of the winner will appear in the Fall issue of *Scrinium*.

En vue du prix de la meilleure communication présentée par un étudiant à la rencontre de la SMC à Toronto en 2006, les étudiants participants sont priés de laisser une copie de leur communication à Jim Weldon, président de la Société. La ou le lauréat/e se méritera un prix en argent ainsi qu'un abonnement gratuit de deux ans à la Société; en outre, le nom du ou de la gagnant/e sera publié dans le numéro d'automne de *Scrinium*.

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Université York University 2006
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Sunday May 28 / dimanche 28 mai

9:00-10:30 *Welcome / Mot de bienvenue*

James Weldon, CSM President/Président SCM, Wilfrid Laurier University

Session 1 The Subject and the City / Séance 1 L'inscription de la ville

Chair/Présidente: Anna Smol, CSM Acting Vice-President, Mount Saint Vincent University

Arash Etemad Yousefi (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), "Descriptions of Cities within the Texts of the Early Medieval Muslim Writers"

John Osborne (Carleton University), "Memory and 'Memoria': Ancient Monuments on the Road to St. Peter's in Rome"

Dr. Laura Kuzmenko (Independent Scholar), "Villon et la Ville"

10:30-10:45 *Coffee Break / Pause-café*

10:45-12:15 *Session 2 The Exercise of Authority / Séance 2 L'exercice de l'autorité*

Chair/Présidente: Carol Harvey, CSM Past-President, University of Winnipeg

Robert Rouse (University of British Columbia), "The King's Peace from Theodoric to Vlad Dracul: The Literary Archaeology of a Widespread Germanic Narrative Motif"

Judith Anderson (University of Alberta), "Christianity and Chivalry: The Homosocial Performance of Authority in *Cleanness* and *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*"

Reginald Webber (University of Ottawa), "Fifteenth Century Benedictine Politics and Lydgate's "Cartae Versificatae"

12:15-1:45 *Lunch / Déjeuner / Kathryn Finter Workshop I (see page 4)*

1:45-3:15 *Plenary Session / Conférence plénière*

Chair/Président: James Weldon, CSM President, Wilfrid Laurier University

Andy Orchard, Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Toronto

"Anglo-Saxon Verse and Worse: Reconstructing *The Ruin*"?

3:15-3:30 *Coffee Break / Pause-café*

3:30-4:45 *Session 3 Medieval English Literature / Séance 3 Littérature en moyen anglais*

Chair/Présidente: Suzanne Akbari, University of Toronto

Lynn Arner (University of Pittsburgh), "Gower and the New Vernacular"

Elizabeth Edwards (University of King's College), "Dorigen Reads Lucrece: Exemplarity and Forgiveness in the Chaucerian Intertext"

Kathy Cawsey (Wilfrid Laurier University), "Disorienting Orientalism: The Viking Saracens of Middle English Literature"

Reception: President of York University

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Monday May 29 / lundi 29 mai

**9:00-10:30 Session 4 Anglo-Norman Readers in the Cloister /
Séance 4 Le lecteur anglo-normand du cloître**

Chair/Présidente: Yin Liu, CSM Secretary –Treasurer, University of Saskatchewan

Delbert Russell (University of Waterloo), "The Campsey Collection of Anglo-Norman Saints' Lives: Toward
New (Electronic) Views of the Corpus"

Andrew Taylor (University of Ottawa), "The Leisure Reading of the Canons of Oseney"

Geoff Rector (University of Ottawa), "A mettre en romanz: The Oxford Psalter (MS Douce 320) and the
Formation of Anglo-Norman Literary Culture"

10:30-10:45 Coffee Break / Pause-café

10:45-12:15 Plenary Session / Conférence plénière

Chair/Président: James Weldon, CSM President, Wilfrid Laurier University

Carol Harvey, CSM Past President, University of Winnipeg
"Staging Sin in Medieval Paris"

12:15-1:45 Lunch / Déjeuner / Kathryn Finter Workshop 2 (see page 4)

**1:45-3:15 Session 5 (a) Old French Literature
Séance 5 (a) Littérature en moyen français**

Chair/Président: Delbert Russell, University of Waterloo

Christopher Lee (Columbia University), "Old French Fabliaux and the *Artes Memoriae*"

Ashley Lee (University of British Columbia), "The Hind in *Guigemar* as the Author in Disguise"

Geneviève Pigeon (University of Quebec at Montreal), "Recycling Pagan Material"

**Session 5 (b) Academic Approaches to the Popular Middle Ages
Séance 5 (b) Le monde académique face au moyen âge populaire**

Chair/Présidente: Elizabeth Edwards, University of King's College

Marc Cels (University of Toronto), "Presenting the Middle Ages to Children and their Teachers"

Mairi Cowan (University of Toronto), "Beyond Braveheart: Uses and Abuses of Medieval Scottish History"

Greti Dinkova-Bruun (University of Toronto), "Medieval History and Film"

3:15-3:30 Coffee Break / Pause-café

3:30-4:30 Annual General Meeting / Assemblée générale annuelle

**7:00-8:00 Reception Hosted by Centre for Medieval Studies and the Canadian Society of Medievalists
Réception offerte par le Centre d'études médiévales et la Société canadienne des médiévistes**

8:00 PM Annual Banquet / Banquet annuel (menu page 5)

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9:00-10:30 Session 6 Courtly Values in Conflict / Séance 6 Philosophie et idéologie

Chair/Président: Andrew Taylor, University of Ottawa

Bruno Tremblay (University of Waterloo), "S. Thomas et la philosophie rationnelle comme science speculative ou pratique"

David Porreca (University of Waterloo), "Was Augustine's City of God a Manichean Town?"

Corey Owen (Dalhousie University), "The Proper Direction of the Passions in Medieval Adventure Narratives"

10:30-10:45 Coffee Break / Pause-café

10:45-12:15 Session 7 Order and Knowledge / Séance 7 L'ordre et le savoir

Chair/Présidente: Elizabeth Ewan (University of Guelph)

David Watt (University of Manitoba), "Stacks and the City: A Digital Introduction to Manuscripts and Rare Books in the Elizabeth Dafoe Library, Winnipeg"

Tristan Major (University of Toronto), "Ælfric's Translation of the Bible"

Erin-Lee McGuire (University of Glasgow), "Aging Among the Anglo-Saxons: choosing Grandma's Grave Goods"

12:15-1:45 Lunch / Déjeuner

1:45-3:15 Session 8 Medieval Matters / Séance 8 Les matières médiévales

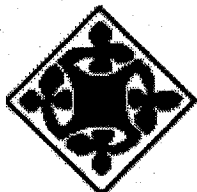
Chair/Président: David Porreca, University of Waterloo

Kelly L. Morris (University of Minnesota), "Credit and Caritas: The Beguines of Roubaud and Credit Transactions in Medieval Marseille".

Tim Newfield (University of Toronto), "Livestock Plagues and the City: The Rise of Rinderpest in Late Medieval and Early Modern Europe"

Dr. Debra Lacoste & Dr. Andrew Mitchell (The Cantus Database), "Documenting the Medieval Office in the Cantus Database"

Conclusion/Fin: James Weldon, CSM President, Wilfrid Laurier University



Kathryn Finter Illumination Workshops I and II

Participants under the guidance of Kathryn Finter will create a medieval illumination in two lunch-hour workshops on May 28 and May 29. Cost of materials - \$40.00. Please sign up before May 20, 2006 and forward cheques to:

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Canadian Society of Medievalists / Société canadienne des médiévistes
Annual Banquet / Banquet annuel
Monday May 29/lundi 29 mai
8:00 p.m.



Matignon
51 St. Nicholas St.
Toronto, ON M4Y 1W6
Tel: (416) 921-9226
Toll-free: 1 (866) 211-6255

Directions to the restaurant can be retrieved from MapQuest via the Matignon website, www.matignon.ca.

Banquet Fee - \$29.95 (Cdn) – wine extra @ \$6.95 / glass

Menu

Starter

Choice of /Un choix de

Potage du jour
Fresh soup of the day
ou/or
Paté maison
Homemade paté
ou/or
Salade verte
Mixed green salad

Main Course

Choice of / Un choix de

Poulet au pistou
Breast of chicken with a basil
cream sauce
ou/or
Poisson du jour
Catch of the day
ou/or
Jarret d'agneau à l'ail et curry
Lamb shank braised with garlic
curry jus

Dessert

Choice of desserts
Un choix de desserts

Café ou thé
Coffee or tea

Wines: The prix fixe menu we've chosen at Matignon allows guests to have a choice among several house wines by the glass

Please make cheques for the amount \$29.95 Cdn. payable to CSM and send them by **May 20, 2006**, to:

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MINUTES

Annual General Meeting / Assemblée générale annuelle
University of Western Ontario
30 May 2005

Chair: Jim Weldon, President

Members present:

Lynn Arner, Pierre Boglioni, Lindsay Bryan, Christa Canitz, George Clark, Valerie Creelman, Paul Dutton, Kathryn Finter, Allison Fizzard, Michael Fox, Carol Harvey, Yin Liu (secretary), Joanna Luft, Aileen Ann Macdonald, John McEwan, Margaret McGlynn, Francine Michaud, Kelly Morris, Chris Nighman, Joanne Norman, Dan O'Donnell, Andy Orchard, David Porreca, Janet Ritch, Henna Singh, Anna Smol

1. **Approval of the agenda:** APPROVED.

2. **Presentation by CFHSS representatives**

The representatives from the CFHSS were Doug Owrarn (Past President) and Paul Ledwell (Executive Director). Points to which they drew attention included: the SSHRC strategic plan for transformation forthcoming in June, with some adjustments to make the process more fair to humanists; changes in key SSHRC personnel, including a new president; a conference in Ottawa in November 2005 on post-secondary education, sponsored in part by CFHSS; SSHRC's increase in budget for Standard Research Grants, partly as a result of pressure from CFHSS; Andrew Taylor's participation in an upcoming discussion on how to make the Research Clusters idea more workable for humanists; an increase in funds to the Aids to Scholarly Publication Program.

Some members expressed concerns that SSHRC funding for journals might disappear. The CFHSS reps commented that SSHRC funding for journals will not be phased out *per se*, but the Open Access principle that SSHRC has adopted means that journals will be encouraged to publish electronically. The Canadian Association of Learned Journals will be holding a workshop on this issue, June 3. It was pointed out that not all journals (including open access ones) are published by academic associations (D. O'Donnell); that electronic publishing may in fact consume more paper (G. Clark); and that libraries have archival concerns about e-publishing (D. Owrarn).

C. Harvey expressed gratitude to the CFHSS for their lobbying efforts.
The CFHSS representatives left the meeting.

3. **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, 1 June 2004:** APPROVED (A. Orchard / C. Canitz).

4. **Business arising**

The chair for the Boyle Prize Committee was offered to Andrew McDonald, but he was unable to take up those duties. Mary Ann Stouck has offered to take the chair and was accepted by the Executive.

5. **Awards**

Student Paper Prize for 2004: to David Watt for " 'Of France and Engelande' in Thomas Hoccleve's Work"

Boyle Prize for 2005: to Dr Robin Vose for *Converting the Faithful: Dominican Mission at the Medieval Crown of Aragon (ca 1220-1320)*

Labarge Prize for 2005: to Dr Paul Dutton for *Charlemagne's Mustache and Other Cultural Clusters of a Dark Age* (New York: Palgrave, 2004).

The awards were presented by J. Weldon in the absence of the other prize committee chairs.

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Minutes (continued)

6. Reports

(a) President: Jim Weldon

The CSM/SCM website has been moved to <www.csm.wlu.ca> and now incorporates the *Florilegium* website.

The CSM/SCM is doing well, in general. We have some concerns about CFHSS's apparent inability to resist SSHRC's drift toward electronica.

(b) Vice-President: Francine Michaud

Printing costs for *Scrinium* have been generously covered by various units at the University of Calgary. We will looking into further opportunities for funding the newsletter.

(c) Editor of *Florilegium*: Jim Weldon

Florilegium received a 3-year SSHRC grant for \$2,843 and is thus in a good financial position for the period of the grant.

The business management of *Florilegium*, with the approval of the Executive, will be given to the Wilfrid Laurier University Press.

The next volume will appear in August or September and a couple more articles are needed.

Christa Canitz has applied for the position of editor.

Some discussion concerned the possibility of publishing *Florilegium* electronically. Online publication includes the advantage of lower cost (J. Norman), but a subscription to the (print) journal is included in the CSM/SCM membership fee (J. Weldon). Perhaps the membership could include a password to an electronic *Florilegium* (J. Norman). Would the Open Access principle mean including a statement that material in the journal is not copyrighted? (G. Clark)

(d) Secretary-Treasurer: Yin Liu

We are in good financial shape. The financial report does not include a few key expenses, e.g. the membership fees for CFHSS; these will appear on next year's report. The GICs for the Labarge Prize Fund mature December 2005 and July 2006; these will be combined and topped up by other contributions to the fund to make up an investment of over \$5,000, which should give us a better rate.

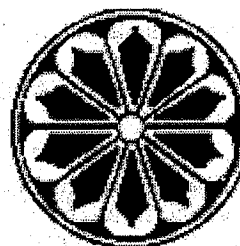
The following reports were made available in print copies:

Student Paper Award Committee (Jim Weldon)

Leonard Boyle Dissertation Prize Committee (Mary-Ann Stouck)

Margaret Wade Labarge Prize Committee (Cynthia Neville)

CFHSS Representative (Andrew Taylor)



All reports were APPROVED (C. Harvey / A. Orchard).

7. Elections

The slate of candidates proposed by the nominating committee was as follows:

President (continuing): Jim Weldon (Wilfrid Laurier)

Vice-President (continuing): Francine Michaud (Calgary)

Secretary-Treasurer (second term): Yin Liu (Saskatchewan)

Past President (continuing): Carol Harvey (Winnipeg)

Advisory Board (continuing): Suzanne Conklin Akbari (Toronto), Christine McWebb (Waterloo), George Clark (Queen's), Andrew McDonald (Brock)

Advisory Board (new): Allison Fizzard (Regina), Elizabeth Edwards (King's College)

Representative to the CFHSS (continuing): Andrew Taylor

Boyle Chair: Cynthia Neville (Dalhousie)

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Labarge Chair: Kouky Fianu (Ottawa)

Florilegium Editor: Christa Canitz (New Brunswick)

Nominations from the floor were invited for a student representative on the Advisory Board. Lesley Morden was nominated but was not present; D. O'Donnell / G/ Clark therefore nominated Kelly Morris, who was willing to accept. Kelly Morris was therefore added to the slate of candidates.

MOVED by D. O'Donnell / D. Porreca that the slate of proposed candidates be accepted. CARRIED.

8. **Other Business**

C. Canitz was invited to speak about her vision for *Florilegium*. She said that she would consider an electronic version with limited (password) access to the most recent 2 years; she is also considering special issues or issues containing clusters of papers on special topics. K. Morris suggested tying those clusters to conference themes. D. O'Donnell suggested that *Florilegium* consult the practices of other online journals before going online itself.

Y. Liu asked for responses to the possibility of resurrecting our online directory. P. Dutton noted the security issues involved in making names and addresses public on the Web.

9. **Adjournment** (C. Canitz / D. Porreca)



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Christine McWebb, University of Waterloo

Kelly Morris, University of Minnesota

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Boyle Prize Chair: Cynthia Neville, Dalhousie University

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