

BULLETIN

Association canadienne des études patristiques (ACÉP)/Canadian Society of Patristic Studies (CSPS) Volume 27, no. 3 (NOVEMBRE/November 2003) MESSAGE DU PRÉSIDENT/ MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Dear Colleagues, It is hard to believe that we are at the mid-point between the Halifax Congress last May and the upcoming congress in Winnipeg. Plans for our meeting at the University of Manitoba are well on the way. At the recent teleconference we welcomed Dr. Vivian Olender, who has graciously offered to assist us as a local representative. I have spoken with Dr. John Stafford, Dean of St. John's College, and had a foretaste of the warmth and hospitality of Winnipeg. Our programme coordinator Dr. Serge Cazalais is looking forward to receiving proposals for presentations. I feel sure that they will be as stimulating as those of the Halifax programme, which was so well organized by Dr. Lorraine Buck. The Oxford conference in August was another occasion to share "news and views". The unofficial meeting place was the book display, as we scurried in various directions to the lecture halls. Congratulations to all the presenters. Every best wish for a successful conclusion to the semester and for a much needed Christmas break, Pamela Bright, President APPEL DE COMMUNICATION/ CALL FOR PAPERS. CALL FOR PAPERS: THE CANADIAN SOCIETY OF PATRISTIC STUDIES

PROGRAMME PROPOSALS

Annual Meeting: **University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, May 30-June 1, 2004**

The Canadian Society of Patristic Studies will hold its annual meeting at University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, May 30-June 1, 2004. Papers in English or French are invited for presentation in the form of short communications followed by discussion (time for presentation and discussion is usually 30 minutes). Proposed titles, an abstract of approximately 100 words, and an indication of audio-visual requirements should be submitted by **January 30, 2004** at the latest. Please submit proposals in digital format (e-mail attachment or diskette) or a paper copy. The programme must be approved for printing in February; therefore, proposals that are not submitted in time cannot be accommodated within the schedule. Please send proposals for papers, communications or other events for the programme to the Programme Coordinator:

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APPEL DE COMMUNICATION: LA SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DES ÉTUDES PATRISTIQUES

SOUMISSIONS AU PROGRAMME

Réunion annuelle: **Université du Manitoba, Winnipeg, 30 mai -1 Juin, 2004**

La société canadienne des études patristiques tiendra sa réunion annuelle à l'Université du Manitoba, Winnipeg, du 30 mai au 1 Juin, 2004 dans le cadre du Congrès des sciences sociales et humaines. Vous êtes invités à présenter, en français ou en anglais, une courte communication suivie d'échanges, le tout repartit sur une période de trente minutes. On devra faire parvenir au plus tard **le 30 janvier 2004** le titre de la communication, un bref résumé d'une centaine de mots, et une indication de tout besoin technique éventuel (équipement informatique ou audiovisuel) au responsable du programme. On vous demande de soumettre les renseignements sous forme digitale (courrier électronique ou disquette) ou sur papier, à:

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NOUVEAUX MEMBRES/ NEW MEMBERS Our society welcomes as a new member:

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NOUVELLES/NEWS

CATHERINE CONYBEARE is embarked on her second year teaching Classics at Bryn Mawr College. She is very grateful to the several CSPS members who came to hear her give an *amuse-gueule* from her forthcoming book, *The Irrational Augustine*, at the Oxford Patristics conference; she will give longer versions of that talk in Spring at Brown, Haverford, and Penn State. She has organized a Forum on "Jews and Christians Reading the Bible"; this includes a webcast of a conversation with Mark Vessey, Rachel Havrelock, David Dawson, and Aryeh Kosman which will go out from 1:30-3:30 (EST) on November 7. Check www.brynmawr.edu/classicsforum for further details.

PATRICK GRAY : I can report that I (1) presented a seminar at Oxford that was an expanded version of the paper presented at last year's CSPS conference, i.e. on "The 'Emperor-Theologian' at Work: Justinian at the Conversations of 532;" (2) have decided that, in the closing years of my career at York and into my retirement years, I would like to write a book on the Fifth Ecumenical Council. I'd want to cover the Vorleben thoroughly, as that's of course something I've worked on throughout my career, but I'd also want to deal thoroughly with the acts, and with the Nachleben. Anyone having ideas, suggestions, information to offer is urged to get in touch with me: pgray@yorku.ca.

GRECA: Several student members of Laval's Groupe de recherche sur le christianisme ancien presented papers at the Gospel of Thomas Colloquium held in May: Serge Cazalais, "L'âme et ses amants dans le traité l'Exégèse de l'âme (NH II,6) et dans le traité Ennéades VI,9 de Plotin"; Tuomus Rasimus, "The Serpent in Gnostic Sources"; Michael Kaler, "A Look at Valentinian Propaganda Techniques"; Steve Johnston, "La correspondance apocryphe entre Paul et les Corinthiens et les textes de Nag Hammadi: hérésiologie et problèmes reliés à l'identification des adversaires"; Tim Pettipiece, "The Nature of 'True Worship': Anti-Jewish and Anti-Gentile Polemic in Heracleon (Fragments 20-22)"; Jennifer Wees, "Clairvoyance in the Career of Shenoute of Atripe". More detailed information about this interesting colloquium can be found at: www.ftsr.ulaval.ca/bcnh.

MICHAEL KALER is finishing up his work on the commentary to the Apocalypse of Paul, beginning to examine the extant evidence of Valentinian social life and interaction with other Christians, and is frankly starting to wonder if this whole 'Valentinianism' idea isn't just a conspiracy theory dreamed up by some of the more paranoid Church fathers...

ROBERT KENNEDY : An item already announced before publication, now published: Kim Paffenroth and Robert P. Kennedy, eds., *A Reader's Companion to Augustine's Confessions* (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox, 2003).

CHARLES KANNENGIESSER: The 14th International Conference on Patristic Studies, organized by the Faculty of Theology in the University of Oxford, August 18-23, was once more an enormous gathering with hundred of communications, workshops, lectures and seminar papers. Among its ten Directors, the Rev. Dr. Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury was the most noted. Noted also was the absence of most scholars from Italy and Germany, due the fact, that around mid-August European academics use to enjoy their summer holidays, but also to the high cost of registration and accommodation in Oxford. The next conference is announced for August 13-17, 2007. My participation in a German Workshop on the chronology of Athanasian writings gave me the opportunity for a pleasant retractatio concerning the authenticity of the third "Discourse against the Arians". I also enjoyed a formal presentation by the publisher, Brill, of my two-volume Handbook of Patristic Exegesis to be on the market before the end of this year.

MONA LAFOSSE would like to announce that she and her husband are expecting their first child in March of 2004...

LOUIS PAINCHAUD: J'ai prononcé trois conférences intitulées "Os textos de Nag Hammadi" à la Univesidade Metodista de São Paulo le mardi 28 octobre, à l'Université Mackenzie de São Paulo le 30 novembre et à la Universidade de Brasília le 5 novembre. J'ai également dirigé deux séminaires gradués sur les textes de Nag Hammadi à la Univesidade Metodista de São Paulo à l'invitation du pofesseur Paulo Nogueira. Je prononcerai la semaine prochaine à Belo

Horizonte une conférence intitulée "Regrards brésiliens et canadiens sur les textes de Nag Hammadi" le mercredi 12 novembre à Belo Horizonte dans le cadre de la réunion annuelle de l'Association brésilienne d'études canadiennes. Autrement, je voudrais mentionner la publication cet automne du 30e volume de la BCNH, Pierre Létourneau, *Le Dialogue du Sauveur*, BCNH, section "Textes", 30, Québec-Louvain, PUL-Peeters, 2003, et aussi la publication d'un article : Louis Painchaud, Michael Kaler et Jennifer Wees, "Early Christianity, Gnosticism and Manichaeism at Université Laval" in SR.

TIM PETTIPECE: I will be presenting a paper "Sicut rex...: Competing Ideas of Kingship in the Anti-Manichaean Acta Archelai" to the Manichaean Studies Seminar at this year's SBL congress in Atlanta. I also have three papers forthcoming: 1) "The Nature of True Worship: Anti-Jewish and Anti-Gentile Polemic in the Fragments of Heracleon" for *acta* of Gospel of Thomas colloquium held at Laval in the spring; 2) "Rhetorica manichaica: A Rhetorical Analysis of *Kephalaion 38*, 'On the Light-Mind, the Apostles, and the Saints'" for *Mélanges à Wolf-Peter Funk* (forthcoming); 3) "A Church to Surpass All Churches: Manichaeism as a Test Case for the Theory of Reception" for an upcoming special edition of LTP.

LUCIAN TURCESCU's book entitled St. Gregory of Nyssa and the Concept of Divine Persons has been accepted for publication by Oxford University Press. It will come out at the end of 2004.

ANDRIUS VALEVICIUS: The Institut Sources Chrétiennes Amérique Inc. will be able to offer a bursary of \$500.00 to any student working on a patristic related project. Applications must reach me by December 19, 2003. Just a letter of request and intent is enough. There are no big formulaires to fill out and I don't need a detailed CV. Direct inquiries to: andrius.valevicius@USherbrooke.ca.

PRIX D'ESSAI/ESSAY PRIZE

PRIX D'ESSAI

Nous invitons les professeurs à nous soumettre des essais d'étudiants sur le christianisme ancien du IIe au VIe siècle. Sont éligibles les essais de vos étudiants de premier cycle ou des cycles supérieures qui ont été réalisés au cours de l'année civile 2003.

Prix: Le gagnant ou la gagnante recevra le statu de membre étudiant de l'association pour un an. De plus, il remportera, à son choix, un des deux prix suivants : un chèque de 100 dollars ou un remboursement d'une partie de ses frais (jusqu'à concurrence de 200 dollars) de son voyage au Colloque Annuel de l'Association pendant la réunion des Sociétés Savantes à l'Université du Manitoba, Winnipeg, du 30 mai au 1 Juin, 2004, afin d'y présenter son essai.

Date limite: **le 30 janvier 2004**

Le gagnant/la gagnante sera contacté/e le 19 mars 2004 ou avant cette date.

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Veuillez indiquer le nom, l'adresse, et le numéro de téléphone de l'étudiant.

ESSAY PRIZE

Faculty are invited to recommend student essays which deal with early Christianity (100-600) for this prize. To be eligible, essays should have been submitted in the course of the calendar year 2003. Both graduate and undergraduate essays will be considered.

Award: The winning essayist will receive one year of membership in the Society, as well as the choice between a cheque for 100 dollars or the assurance of receiving the costs (up to a limit of 200 dollars) of his or her travel to the Annual Conference of the Society during the meetings of the Learned Societies at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg , 2004, May 30 - June 1, 2004, for the purpose of presenting the winning essay.

Deadline: **January 30, 2004**

Notification: The winner will be notified on or before March 19, 2004.

Please address submissions to:

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Please include the name, address, and telephone number of the student.

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