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BULLETINAssociation canadienne des études patristiques (ACÉP)/Canadian Society of Patristic Studies (CSPS)Volume 29, no. 1 (APRIL/AVRIL, 2005)1. MESSAGE DU PRÉSIDENT/ MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENTDear colleagues:

This year our society is celebrating 30 years of existence. It was founded at the Seventh International Conference of Patristic Studies held in Oxford in 1975. I invite you to join me in celebrating our society at the conference in London, Ontario.

This year's conference brings together a good number of presenters from around the world. I would like to welcome all of them. In particular I would like to congratulate this year's winner of the student essay prize, Mark Scott (Harvard). Last year's student essay winner will also be with us: George Bevan could not come last year, but he will deliver his paper as a regular paper at our conference in London.

Lucian TurcescuPresidentChers collègues :Cette année notre société célèbre 30 ans d'existence. Elle a été fondée au septième Conférence internationale des études patristiques tenues à Oxford en 1975. Je vous invite à me joindre pour célébrer notre société à la conférence à Londres, Ontario.La conférence de cette année rassemble un bon nombre de conférenciers de partout dans le monde. Je voudrais faire bon accueil à tous. En particulier, je voudrais féliciter le gagnant d'essai d'étudiant, Mark Scott (Harvard). Le gagnant d'essai d'étudiant de l'année dernière sera également avec nous : George Bevan ne pourrait pas venir l'année dernière, mais il livrera son essai comme une communication régulière à notre conférence à Londres.Lucian TurcescuPrésident2. CONGRESS OF THE HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES/ CONGRÈS DES SCIENCES HUMAINES2005 CONGRESS: ANNUAL MEETING CANADIAN SOCIETY OF PATRISTIC STUDIESTRAVEL, REGISTRATION, AND ACCOMMODATION FOR THE CSPS/ACEP CONFERENCE
For those of you who have not yet made travel, registration and accommodation arrangements for London, Ont, the information is available at the following websites:

www.fedcan.ca/english/ (for information in English) www.fedcan.ca/francais/ (pour des renseignments en Français).

NB: Concerning the registration process for Congress at UWO. We have received an extremely high number of incomplete registration forms or problem files this year. The most common problem is in section 2 (Association Meeting fees), delegates are not completing this section or indicating that they have already paid their membership fee. However, this is the Association's meeting fee at Congress. Could you please inform your members and presenters that they have to register for Congress and complete the entire form and pay the meeting fee as well as the Congress fee and that they also have to become a member of their Association in order to pay the member's meeting fee?

We do realize that there is a lot of information on the registration form and that the print is very small, we will try and find a better format for next year. One solution would be to encourage delegates to register online, although we do know that some delegates have experienced difficulties when registering online and we are trying to resolve these problems. The most common problem is in section 2 (Association Meeting fees), often it is because they are not clicking on the "search" button, but it can also be a browser problem or their java script

is disabled. We have contacted the company about the online registration problems. Over 3,600 delegates have registered so far (approx. 1,900 by internet and 1,600 by mail or fax). 3. PROGRAMME DU CONGRÈS/CONGRESS PROGRAMSUNDAY, 29 MAY

8:45-9:00 CSPS/ACÉP Welcome/Mot de bienvenue (SSC 8440)

Lucian Turcescu

9:00-10:30 Session 1: Ritual Practices and Numeric Patterning (SSC 8440)

Chair/Président: **Donna M. Foley**

9:00-9:30 **Theo de Bruyn** (University of Ottawa) "P.Ryl. III.471: Evidence of Early Egyptian Appropriation of a Baptismal Innovation"

9:30-10:00	Dina Teitelbaum (University of Ottawa) "Did the Samaritans Purify Themselves with Urine?"
10:00-10:30	Timothy Pettipiece (Université Laval) "Numeric Patterning in the Manichaean Kephalaia"
10:30-11:00	Morning Tea (SSC 8440)
11:00-13:00	Session 2: Augustine (SSC 8440)

Chair/Président: J. Kevin Coyle

11:00-11:30 Rhalys Tellili (Concordia University, Montreal) "Journeys of St. Augustine of Hippo"

11:30-12:00 Pamela Bright (Concordia University, Montreal) "Augustine's Theology of Scripture"

12:00-12:30 **Geoffrey D. Dunn** (Australian Catholic University) "Mary in the Christmas Homilies of Augustine's Late Episcopacy"

12:30-13:00 **Hubertus R. Drobner** (Theologische Fakultät, Paderborn) "Possidius of Calama's *Indiculum* and the Chronology of Augustine's *Sermones ad populum*"

13:00-14:00 Lunch and Executive Meeting CSPS/ACÉP

14:00-15:00 **Session 3: Origen (SSC 8440)**

Chair/Président: Timothy Pettipiece

14:00-14:30 **Marcin Dec** (Concordia University, Montreal) "The Literal and Spiritual Sense of Scripture in Origen: The Recent Debate"

14:30-15:00 **Tuomas Rasimus** (Université Laval, Quebec) "Origen of Alexandria on the 'Gnostic' Cursing of Jesus"

15:00-15:15 **Afternoon Tea (SSC 8440)**

15:15-16:15 Session 4: Special Papers (SSC 8440) Chair/Président: Lucian Turcescu Charles Kannengiesser (Concordia University, Montreal) "The Project of the Handbook – Patristic Exegesis:

Its Focus and Readership"

Mark Scott (Harvard University) "Shades of Grace: Origen's and Gregory of Nyssa's Soteriological Interpretation of Song of Songs 1:5," 2005 Student Essay Prize Winner

17:00-18:30 **Reception (SH 3320)**

MONDAY, 30 MAY

9:00-10:30 Session 7: Book Discussion: *Tertullian*, The Early Church Fathers (London and New York: Routledge, 2004) (SSC 8440)

Chair/Président: Lucian Turcescu

Author: Geoffrey D. Dunn

Respondents: **J. Kevin Coyle** (St. Paul's University, Ottawa) and **Pamela Bright** (Concordia University, Montreal)

10:30-11:00 **Morning Tea (SSC 8440)**

11:00-12:30 Session 8: Western Christianity (SSC 8440)

Chair/Président: Geoffrey D. Dunn

11:00-11:30 **Donna M. Foley** (University of Windsor) "Privilege, Power and Equity: Ambrose of Milan and the Responsibilities of Wealth"

11:30-12:00 **Rick Tomsick** (John Carroll University, Cleveland, Ohio) "An Imperative to Defend: Tertullian's Influence on the Definition of Doctrine in *de Praescriptione Haereticorum*"

12:00-12:30 Igor Pochoshajew (Universität Rostock) "Tentative de l'homogénéisation sociale comme la cause de la marginalisation des Juives dans le royaume wisigothe"12:30-13:30 Lunch13:30-16:15

Joint Session CSBS/SCÉB & CSPS/ACÉP: Travel and Religion in Antiquity Seminar/Groupe de travail sur les voyages et la religion en antiquité (Room?)

Session 1: Overtures on the Interplay of Religion and Travel

Chair/Président: John S. Kloppenborg16:15-17:45 Annual General Meeting of CSPS/ACÉP (SSC 8440)

Chair/Président: Lucian Turcescu

18:30 - CSPS/ACÉP Annual Banquet

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TUESDAY, 31 MAY9:00-12:00 Joint Session CSBS/SCÉB & CSPS/ACÉP: Travel and Religion in Antiquity Seminar/Groupe de travail sur les voyages et la religion en antiquité (Room?)

Session 2: Realities of Travel

11:00-12:00	Chair/Président: Phil Harland Session 5: Gregory of Nyssa (SSC 8440)
	Chair/Président: Pamela Bright
11:00-11:30 on Divine Will"	Lucian Turcescu (St. Francis Xavier's University, Antigonish) "Plotinus and Gregory of Nyssa
11:30-12:00 Dialogue on Ch	Yong Hwa Lee (University of Montreal) "Gregory of Nyssa and John Wesley's Theological ristian Perfection in the Context of Phil. 3:12-15"
12:00-13:00	Lunch
13:00-15:00	Session 6: Eastern Christianity (SSC 8440)
	Chair/Président: Charles Kannengiesser
13:00-13:30 Mopsuestia and	George Bevan (University of Toronto) 2004 Student Essay Prize Winner "Theodore of the Origins of the Nestorian Controversy"
13:30-14:00	Michael Choi (?) "Chrysostom and the Role of Memory as a Spiritual Discipline"
14:00-14:30 the Areopagite'	Darren E. Dahl (McMaster University) "The Name that Calls Us: Jean-Luc Marion and Denys
14:30-15:00 Universe: From	Andreas Andreopoulos (University of Pennsylvania) "Byzantine Representations of the Maps to Icons"
15:00-15:30	Afternoon Tea (SSC 8440)
15:30-16:30	Session 9: Hilary of Poitiers (SSC 8440)
	Chair/Président: Theo de Bruyn
15:30-16:00	Thomas Buffer (Josephinum, Columbus, Ohio) "Libertas Publica in Hilary of Poitiers:
Citizenship and	Redemption"

4. RESUMÉS / ABSTRACTS

the Writings of Hilary of Poitiers"

16:00-16:30

Theo de Bruyn, "P.Ryl. III.471: Evidence of Early Egyptian Appropriation of a Baptismal Innovation"

Nita Kotiuga (Concordia University, Montreal) "The Inner Dynamics of Personal Conversion in

The paper identifies the inscription on P. Ryl. III.471 – 'Holy oil of gladness against every hostile power and for the grafting of your good olive tree of the catholic and apostolic church...Amen.' – to be a pre-immersion formula of anointing that was introduced into eastern baptismal liturgies in the late fourth century. The paper discusses each element of the inscription in light of the earliest witnesses to this formula in patristic literature and liturgical texts. Certain peculiarities of phraseology suggest that the writer of the papyrus was drawing on a liturgical exemplar or an oral tradition influenced by Coptic usage. The papyrus thus provides evidence for the early incorporation of the formula into the baptismal rite in Egypt, as well as evidence of the role of the liturgy and clergy of the church in the provision of amulets.

Dina Teitelbaum, "Did the Samaritans Purify Themselves with Urine?"

According to Epiphanius of Salamis, the Samaritans used urine when purifying themselves from certain contaminations. Usually discarded by scholars as a figment of this Church Father's imagination, we trace this claim to the Indo-Iranian setting. In the Zoroastrian cult, impurity is first cleansed with cow's urine acting as a barrier between the pollution and the final washing with water. This peculiar habit may have been a longstanding tradition also with the Samaritans in Roman Palestine dating back to the transferral of populations into Samaria from the east, as recorded by the Assyrians, 2 Kings, and Josephus.

Timothy Pettipiece, "Counting the Cosmos: Numeric Patterning in the Manichaean Kephalaia"

Since their discovery in 1929, the Coptic Manichaean codices from Medinet Madi have attracted relatively little scholarly attention. In spite of the fact that they represent the most important source base for Manichaean studies, after 75 years, the process of editing is far from complete. One of the manuscripts, however, the first volume of Kephalaia, has reached an advanced stage of publication and, thus, may serve as an ideal candidate for the application of new and innovative methods of literary and socio-historical analysis. One of the most remarkable aspects of the Kephalaia is the degree to which numbers and numeric patterns are employed as a means of communicating Manichaean theology and values. As part of on-going research into this phenomenon, this paper will examine the theological, rhetorical, and sociological functions of numeric patterning in the Kephalaia and offer some hypotheses about why early Manichaeans became so interesting in the enumeration of the world around them.

Rhalys Tellili, "Journeys of St. Augustine of Hippo"

The provincial boundaries of Roman North Africa during St. Augustine of Hippo's bishopric (396-430 C.E.) had been reorganized by Diocletian's administrative and military reforms approximately one century earlier around 298 C.E. Augustine spent considerable time outside his 'diocese' (Hippo Regius) travelling on the impressive Roman road network attending conferences and seeing to Church affairs. This paper will examine the ancient road system and terrain Augustine travelled on in Africa based on scholars' research, particularly over the last hundred years, of Roman North Africa in Late Antiquity, Augustinian research and Roman road network mapping.

Pamela Bright, "Augustine's Theology of Scripture"

For Augustine, the praxis of biblical interpretation was closely linked with the immediate demands of his pastoral ministry - as in his sermons and his scriptural commentaries. However the evolution of his understanding of the

principles that guide the praxis of the interpreter is best understood in tandem with the evolution of his thought on central theological issues such as grace, revelation and christology. The paper will explore Augustine's hermeneutics in the frame of his theological reflections in the *De doctrina Christiana* and *Confessions*. **Geoffrey D. Dunn**. "Mary in the Christmas Homilies of Augustine's Late Episcopacy"

This paper examines the homilies Augustine preached in the later years of his episcopacy during the Pelagian controversy (411-430) during the Christmas season in order to comment on his references to Mary, the mother of Jesus. This is part of a much larger investigation into the rise of the cult of Mary in Christian antiquity prior to the Council of Ephesus in 431. It is argued here that it was not the Pelagian controversy itself that is of significance but rather Alaric's capture of Rome, an event that forced many ascetical women, particularly virgins, to flee to Africa. I believe in a couple of homilies we find evidence of Augustine realizing, during the Christmas season, how appropriate Mary was as a role model for these women who were suddenly so prominent in African Christian communities, which is among the first steps in the development of Mary as a cult figure.

Hubertus R. Drobner, "Possidius of Calama's *Indiculum* and the chronology Augustine's *Sermones ad populum*"

Since the studies by D. de Bruyne and C. Lambot in 1930/31 it had been generally accepted that the manuscript tradition of Augustine's sermons reflects their order given in Possidius' *Indiculum*, which was consequently assumed to be a chronological one. After the discovery of the new "Dolbeau sermons" this theory met increasing doubt, and a liturgical or thematical order was suggested (Hombert/Drobner). As the whole question still is very much discussed and so far no universal agreement was attained, the paper intends to inquire further into the structure of Possidius' *Indiculum* and the kind of evidence which may be taken from it regarding the chronology of Augustine's sermons.

Marcin Dec, "The Literal and Spiritual Sense of Scripture in Origen: The Recent Debate"

The paper would examine recent contributions to the debate regarding Origen's interpretation of the Scripture. Italian, German, French and English critics agree about the need for clarifying the basic aspects and principles of Origen's exegesis. They introduce new insights and new questions concerning the hermeneutical initiatives of Origen in the frame of his Alexandrian culture.

Tuomas Rasimus, "Origen of Alexandria on the 'Gnostic' cursing of Jesus"

Much has been written on Paul's enigmatic statement in 1 Cor 12:3, "I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says 'Jesus is accursed!" The purpose of this paper is not to speculate about what Paul had in mind, but to study why Origen attributed the act of cursing to the so-called Ophite Gnostics, the alleged worshipers of the serpent; for what is otherwise known of these Ophites does not seem to allow such an attribution. In this paper, I will study the Ophite Christology, searching especially for traces of negative images of Jesus. I will first consider the highly polemical context in which Origen makes his claim (Contra Celsum 3.13; 6.24-38; 7.40; cf. the Catena fragment 47). Second, I will examine Church Fathers' descriptions of the Ophite mythology (e.g., Irenaeus, Adv. Haer. 1.30), then those Coptic Gnostic texts which have connections to these heresiological accounts, and, finally, certain other Gnostic documents in which a hostile attitude towards Jesus indeed seems attested. After the evidence is examined, I will consider two scholarly theories – those of Walter Schmithals and Birger Pearson – concerning the connection between 1 Cor 12:3 and Gnosticism. Finally, a new proposal will be put forth as to where Origen found the basis for his curious claim.

Charles Kannengiesser, "The Project of the Handbook – Patristic Exegesis: Its Focus and Readership"

Among the disruptions which characterize postmodernity inside the church, the loss of classical languages and of historical knowledge about Antiquity imposes a renewed consideration of the patristic legacy. Based on modern scholarship, a global survey of that legacy as a whole is more than ever opportune: The Handbook focuses the challenge of such a survey, at once recapitulative of the early church achievements, and informative of the breadth of scholarship devoted to patristic exegesis during the 20th century. It addresses a potential readership in all Christian traditions, in Jewish circles, and on the level of the general public particularly those interested in the roots of Western culture.

Mark Scott, "Shades of Grace: Origen's and Gregory of Nyssa's Soteriological Interpretation of Song of Songs 1:5"

Donna M. Foley, "Privilege, Power and Equity: Ambrose of Milan and the Responsibilities of Wealth"

Ambrose of Milan's commentary on social conditions may best be approached through his document, *On Naboth (De Nabuthe lezralita*). In this work, he develops three distinct themes, those concerning the stewardship of the earth, the beneficial attributes of almsgiving, and the destructive nature of avarice. Although not unique to the Ambrosian corpus, these themes are fully scrutinized by him and represent elements of his understanding concerning duty and obligation. In this paper, I wish to explore these themes, and then place them within the wider context of his social perspective.

Rick Tomsick, "An Imperative to Defend: Tertullian's Influence on the Definition of Doctrine in *de Praescriptione Haereticorum*"

In *de Praescriptione haereticorum*, Tertullian launched a clever rhetorical attack against Gnostic influences which threatened the purity of the late second century church in Carthage, using a creative literary method to attract attention to his argument. That method involved the use of a legal pleading whose form might conjure a perception of authoritativeness in the minds of his listeners, identifying his legal "brief" with the Roman form of action regarding personal property rights.

This treatise of his was one reason that history has concluded that Tertullian was a lawyer, though the evidence is not beyond doubt, and recent scholarship has questioned long held opinions based on the scant historical knowledge of his life. Whether he was or was not a Roman lawyer in the formal sense is less important than the supposition that he was a layman, and the mounting evidence that his writings did influence early faith communities (not to speak of later ones) in their ecclesiology, the formulation of summaries of their faith, and their understanding of tradition (and ultimately, therefore, an acceptable and universal canon of scripture). What he intended by his use of legal "prescriptions" was not a single purpose; he played both sides of the litigation fence (pardon my pun, but he was on the "offense" and the "defense" in his use of the word "praescriptio"). I would like to examine and discuss his authority for writing what he did at the time he wrote it, and the perceived imperative for doing so in light of the burgeoning popularity of Marcionite teachings. De Praescriptione is an important document to historians, theologians, literary scholars, and believers, for a number of reasons, and it deserves greater scrutiny in the field. This paper and the discussion to follow will be an attempt to analyze several of these reasons (including the regula fidei, apostolic succession and authority, literary expression and exegesis).

Igor Poschoshajew, "Tentative de l'homogénéisation sociale comme la cause de la marginalisation des Juives

dans le royaume wisigothe"

Les explications proposées par des chercheurs pour la légalisation antijuive dans le royaume wisigothe ont souvent accentué unilatéralement soit les motives particulières des rois catholiques soit l'influence des conciles contemporains. Chaque position suscitait jusqu'à présent de nombreuses critiques et il paraît impossible d'explorer les motives, parce que nous ne disposons pas de beaucoup de sources. Le contexte historique et les textes des lois et des canons, eux même, laissent entrevoir que la Monarchie et l'Eglise voyaient dans l'homogénéisation de la population sur la base de la religion catholique leur objectif commun. Les tentatives multiples de le réaliser se traduisent par la légalisation wisigothe à l'égard des Juives, dont le but n'était jamais atteint.

Lucian Turcescu, "Plotinus and Gregory of Nyssa on Divine Will"

Church Fathers whole-heartedly agreed that God's will is free and that freedom of the will is perhaps the most important gift God gave us humans when he created us "in his image." However, the same Fathers objected to equating our will--understood as the power to deliberate--to God's freedom. In these Fathers view, to deliberate is to take time to think of the distinction between right and wrong, that is, not to know this distinction immediately. This entails imperfection which cannot be the case with God. I propose to consider a different kind of will of the divinity, such as was first expressed by Plotinus in *Ennead* VI.8,13 in regard to the One and repeated almost word for word in regard to the Christian God by Gregory of Nyssa as "God continually wills to be what he is and is adequately what he wills to be" (*Contra Eunomium* 3, 125). This view moves free will from the field of gnoseology, where it is usually placed, into that of ontology. The description of the will of the One that Plotinus provides in *Ennead* VI. 8, 13 is unprecedented and extraordinary by the standards of ancient philosophy. The novelty which Gregory of Nyssa added to this understanding of the divine will is that it can be both transcendent and immanent. Gregory's insight represents the consequence of theological reflection on the Incarnation of God.

Yong Hwa Lee, "Gregory of Nyssa and John Wesley's Theological Dialogue on Christian Perfection in the Context of Phil. 3:12-15"

The purpose of this paper is to explore the interpretation of Philippians 3:12-15, concerning the notion of Christian perfection, and its effect on Christology as Gregory of Nyssa and John Wesley expressed it as a central theme of Christian faith in their historical setting of life. In exploring essential elements of their similarity and difference this paper will propose "a unity in diversity" in the theological dialogue between Gregory and Wesley, meaningful for our present ecumenical era.

George Bevan, "Theodore of Mopsuestia and the Origins of the Nestorian Controversy"

The christological controversy that led to the First Council of Ephesus did not begin with the episcopacy of Nestorius in 428, but was instead rooted in the esoteric teaching of the Antiochene School, the leading light of which was Theodore of Mopsuestia. Nestorius and his radical cadre brought to public attention in the East Theodore's dyophysite teaching and reservations about *Theotokos*, which were both deeply at variance with popular piety. Nestorius, however, deliberately misrepresented the origins of the dispute in his *Liber Heraclidis* and at once recast the debate in terms of one Theodore had encountered decades earlier, and unfairly placed the blame for its renewal squarely on the shoulders of Cyril of Alexandria.

Michael Choi, "Chrysostom and the Role of Memory as a Spiritual Discipline"

Repression of the passions is the practice of moderation John Chrysostom prescribed as one of the spiritual disciplines of the Christian life. The role of memory plays a significant part in this contemplative discipline. While he exhorted against the negativerecalling of one's past and imaginings that are damaging to the health of the soul, he also set forth instances in which the memory can be used constructively to fight one's spiritual battle against the passions. Used properly, the outcome will be an attainment of humilityand gratitude toward God and peace against the troubling passions at war with the soul.

Darren E. Dahl, "The Name that Calls Us: Jean-Luc Marion and Denys the Areopagite"

The notion of 'the call' is central to the phenomenological theology of Jean-Luc Marion. This paper will explore the roots of that notion in Marion's treatment of Pseudo-Dionysius. It will argue that, for Marion, Denys provides a way of thinking that is based on a nonpredicative discourse (i.e., praise) which not only exceeds representational thinking but, in fact, introduces an entirely different understanding of intentionality. This counter-intentionality is manifest in the call which catches the worshipper up and gives him his selfhood. By taking this approach to Marion's reading of the Areopagite, the paper will resituate an aspect of the current 'postmodern' debate concerning the nature of 'negative theology' (between Marion and Derrida and their interpreters).

Andreas Andreopoulos, "Byzantine Representations of the Universe, from Maps to Icons"

The medieval mappamundi was not so much a practical map used in travels, as an exposition of the cosmology of the time. The description of the entire universe is a task so vast that even today tests the borders of science and religion. In the religious Middle Ages, in the West and the East alike, the cartographic, visual representation of the universe, heaven and earth together or separately, was an overwhelming task of religious significance. The world seen in its entirety was created directly by God, and its arrangement when seen from a distance could only reflect a sacred view. As interesting these maps are, there very few extant examples of Byzantine maps in general. Nevertheless, there is an example of such a map in iconography. Although Byzantine cartography is a mystery, a particular type of icon of the Transfiguration of Christ that emerged in the fourteenth century includes an unprecedented mandorla that seems to be based on cosmological views and the cartographic knowledge of the time, representing the earth and the heavens, as it can be ascertained from a comparison with Arabic and European medieval and early Renaissance maps - and amplified by the interest in the court of Andronikos II in cartography as well as in hesychastic theology. This implicit symbolism can be supported by the theological symbolism of the mandorla, and in that sense it was prepared and anticipated by the Patristic writings on the Transfiguration, but it waned and eventually faded out in Russian iconography. **Thomas Buffer**, "Libertas Publica in Hilary of Poitiers: Citizenship and Redemption"

In his Commentary on Matthew, Hilary uses Roman political and legal terminology to illustrate his doctrine of salvation through belief in the incarnate Son of God. In so doing he transforms the meaning of such traditional concepts as *salus*, *securitas*, and *libertas publica*. This paper explores an instance of this in his striking depiction of the Church as the "city" of Christ's body. How is one incorporated into this city/body? What are the consequences of citizenship (inclusion) in that body/city? And, since Hilary says that the Son joined himself to the whole human race in the incarnation, is anyone excluded from citizenship in the city of his body? **Nita Kotiuga**, "The Inner Dynamics of Personal Conversion in the Writings of Hilary of Poitiers"

Hilary of Poitiers has been described as the "most impersonal of writers", who has left few traces of the details

of his life in spite of a seventh century *Life* by Fortunatus of Poitiers. To glimpse his self-understanding of the process of conversion we must turn to the comments in theological works, like the *De Trinitate*. The paper will present a short analysis of Hilary's reflection on the steps by which he came to Christian faith, steps anticipating the Augustinian meditation of a journey of conversion, in *Confessions*. 5. BOOK DISCUSSION

The book discussion at the annual conference of Canadian Society of Patristic Studies, May, 29-31, 2005, at the University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, will be on Geoffrey D. Dunn, *Tertullian*, The Early Church Fathers (London and New York: Routledge, 2004). ISBN 0-415-28230-6 (hbk) (\$CAD 107.62); 0-415-28231-3 (pbk) (\$CAD 36.65).

Le livre discuté au rencontre annuelle de l'Association canadienne des études patristiques (29-31 mai, 2005, Université de Western Ontario, London, On) sera Geoffrey D. Dunn, *Tertullian*, The Early Church Fathers (London and New York: Routledge, 2004). ISBN 0-415-28230-6 (hbk) (\$CAD 107.62); 0-415-28231-3 (pbk) (\$CAD 36.65).

6. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CSPS/ACEP: MAY 31, 2004, 3:30 p.m. UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

Present: Donna Altimari-Adler, Lorraine Buck, Geoff Dunn, Donna Foley, Robert Kennedy, Joanne MacWilliam, Steven Muir, Paul-Hubert Poirier, Lucian Turcescu

- 1. Visit of Representative from the Federation- Wendy Robbins, V-P, Women's and Equity Issues, was the representative- she talked briefly about the document being discussed June 2 by all Presidents of Associations-this document was based on 50 written submissions and consultations and stressed a) the value of Humanities and Social Science research, b) the need to keep standard research grants, but to add a measure of flexibility, and c) the need for an increase in funding, particularly with respect to graduate students- she said that the issue of travel funds had not yet been addressed, but that all societies want it- two reports are now ready:a) The New Scholars Task Force Report which addresses the needs of administrators and provides information for new people entering the workforceb) The Women's Equity Issues Network (WEIN) which addresses Human Rights issues, Internal Evaluations, and CAUT Evaluations- she advised that the Conference next year will take place at the University of Western Ontario and that the organizational meeting will be held on September 24.2. Approval of Agenda P. Widdicombe/D. Foley
- 3. Approval of Minutes from the Meeting in Halifax, May 29, 2003
- J. MacWilliam/P. Widdicombe4. Matters Arising from 2003 AGM Meeting a) At the last meeting, T. DeBruyn questioned the amount listed as Congress Expenses.- L. Turcescu clarified that this amount included the President's reception; he also mentioned that the Executive decided to raise conference participation fees as follows: \$20.00 for regular members \$30.00 for non members \$15.00 for students/retired/unwaged- the Executive agreed at the Teleconference in October to cover expenses, such as tea and coffee. b) At the last meeting, a proposal was put forward to create an endowment fund to support student travel and modest scholarships; L. Turcescu will encourage people to make charitable donations, perhaps by including something in the bulletin; to date, nothing has been received by way of donations c) At the last meeting, two positions were filled which have now been changed:
- Mona LaFosse was to replace L. Buck on the Program Committee; she was unable to act as Chair this year, so the position was given to S. Cazelais

- Margaret MacDonald was to replace N. Denzey on the Nominating Committee; she has resigned this position
- 5. President's Report the President, Pamela Bright, was unable to attend this year's conference and sent her regrets for her absence and her thanks to those who helped her throughout the year
- she thanked Vivian Olender who agreed to act as this year's local representative at the University of Manitoba
- she also talked about the SSHRC Transformation Consultation process, indicating that she worked on the report with L. Turcescu and T. DeBruyn and that our Society's report was quote twice6. Memorials were no deaths during 2003-20047. Treasurer's Report - S. Muir handed out travel expense forms and financial statements - he stated that the transfer of books from the previous Treasurer, Tim Hegedus, had been successful and that his statement reflects the previous pattern. - P. Widdicombe questioned the Treasurer's Expenses; he believed they were high - S. Muir explained that these expenses included the cost of shipping the books to him - J. MacWilliam questioned the 2002 Congress Expenses; S. Muir explained that there were two ways of doing the books, and he was following the method whereby expenses were listed in the year the funds were actually disbursed, regardless of when they were incurred - P. Widdicombe questioned the amount for Travel Expenses; he pointed out that previously the Treasurer was paying out at every request, although there was only so much money allotted to this expense. - S. Muir raised two issues: has been made in assessing one of the fees; the SR fees for students/retirees should have been \$21.00, but \$31.00 was assessed; this affected 5 members and he asked how it should be handled. suggested that the five members should be contacted and asked if they wanted a refund; if they did not, they should be offered a charitable receipt b) next year, we will need to increase membership fees, since the Wilfrid Laurier Press is increasing their rate by \$1.00 per year (they had been charging \$25.00 per year for full members); it was suggested that we do not seek an additional \$1.00 from members for this year, but that next - the 2005 rates will thus be:Full Member + year an adjustment should be made for SR subscriptions SR \$40.00 + \$27.00Students/Retirees + SR \$17.00 + \$23.00Full Member \$40.00Students/Retirees \$17.00- S. Muir moved that the 2005 rates reflect the actual costs and should be built into what we charge for membership fees; Seconded P.-H. Poirier- it passed unanimously- S. Muir moved to accept the financial statement; Seconded J. MacWilliam8. Secretary's Report- L. Buck reported that there were four new members, three of whom were students- the question was raised as to how to deal with those who were on the list of members but who were not paid up; there are approximately 70 on the books, but only 50 have paid regularly in the past two years- L. Turcescu said he would like the new Vice President to send out a letter to the unpaid members- P. Widdicombe said that this had been done before, but that it used to be the case that the Society's status with the Federation was related to the size of the Society, so he advised that we not pare down the list too far- D. Altimari-Adler suggested that we send invoices to people who haven't paid their dues- D. Foley pointed out that those members who travel extensively might not get letters or E-mails that are sent out- it was also suggested that the reminder should fall into two parts: current activities/research areas, and fees- P.-H. Poirier said that it was normal to receive reminders from societies, both a statement of where one stands and an invoice for any unpaid dues- R. Kennedy urged that the form be clear as to whether or not one is paid up- the Executive agreed to look into the suggestions- it was also suggested that there should be a note on the Membership Fees form for those wanting to submit their fees in a foreign currency that they contact S. Muir who will facilitate the transfer of funds9. Report Submitted to SSHRC: Transformation Consultation. - a

report was submitted to the Federation who asked for feedback regarding their plans for transforming- L.

Turcescu has copies of this final report, as well as of the report that the Federation submitted to SSHRC- he will post it on the website

- P. Bright, L. Turcescu, and T. DeBruyn worked on this report, which revolved largely around two issues: - the first is that SSHRC is trying to transform into something that would be of more help to the Canadian economy; the report recommended that SSHRC doesn't follow the model of some universities who allow Pharmaceutical companies to dictate the research- the second is that SSHRC would like to see Humanities and Social Sciences research more widely distributed; the report made the point that, while this is desirable, SSHRC could be encouraging American think tanks; they recommended that SSHRC go more with research institutes and SSHRC seemed willing to go with this form of enterprise.10. 2005 Conference

- the 2005 conference will be held at the University of Western Ontario; the dates will be May 29, 30, and 31
- G. Dunn advised that the dates for NAPS next year will be June 2-4.- L. Turcescu suggested that the CSPS keep the dates that they have been given for next year, as this will allow a day for people to go from CSPS to NAPS- G. Dunn will be Program Chair next year and he would like to be advised about membership so he can try to bring more people to the conference next year- another issue that was raised was the need for a local rep P. Widdicombe suggested Ian Scott from McMaster who is currently at King's College, London
- he also suggested Susan Brown, again from King's College, London
- J. MacWilliam suggested that individuals who have committed to give papers and do not show up should be told that they will be unable to present for three years- D. Altimari-Adler suggested that the Society have people pay beforehand and give a date when the paper must be submitted- R. Kennedy suggested that the President get together with the Presidents of other Societies to see what could be done about this 'no-show' problem- G. Dunn stated that having a theme and encouraging people to address this theme might reduce the problem- S. Muir advised that, if more than one Society taps into a theme, then travel funds are provided- P. Widdicombe suggested having a theme for at least one session which could be tied into the CSBS- S. Muir would like to see an E-mail go out which talked about the theme and asked people to consider a paper for next year, perhaps narrowing it down to a particular session topic; he said we could also think about having an international scholar come in- he also pointed out that the CSBS will be starting a new focus group which will go on for at least two years; the topic will be "Travel and its Effect on Religion in the Ancient World" and the timespan will be from the Persian Period to the Later Roman Empire- P. Widdicombe suggested that the Program Chair talk to specific people to get it going- P.-H. Poirier suggested having a session with four papers and a keynote speaker- S. Muir pointed out that we should get feedback from members fairly soon, since a proposal has to be made to the conference as a whole- L. Turcescu asked for suggestions for a book discussion; the following suggestions were made: Mark Vessey's book Charles Kannengeiser's book Geoff Dunn's book- it was decided that Geoff Dunn's book would be reviewed at next year's meeting- the Executive will look into getting reviewers11. Report of the Representative to the CCSR and CFHSS
- the Vice-President stated that neither representative was here (T. De Bruyn and N. Denzey) and he had received no reports
- 12. Report of the Nominating Committee- D. Foley provided a list of those serving on the various committeesshe pointed out that the Program Committee was short one member and nominations were thus requested

from the floor- one name that was mentioned was Anne Pasquier- it was determined that L. Turcescu should contact her, since H. Maier was out of the country- the Executive was granted the power to add someone to the Program Committee- a vote was taken on the list, and it was accepted 13. Other Business

- G. Dunn advised that a new Society was being created in Australia, called the West Pacific Rim Patristic Society
- it will hold its first meeting in Tokyo in September
- in addition, a conference, entitled Prayer and Spirituality in the Early Church, will be held in Melbourne on July 6, 7, and 8; its theme will be the ascetic life; further information can be found on the website at www.cecs.acu.edu.au- P. Widdicombe thanked L. Turcescu for serving as both Vice President and President in P. Bright's absence and asked him to give her the Society's best wishes14. Adjournment
- L. Turcescu moved to adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

7. NOUVEAUX MEMBRES/ NEW MEMBERS

Rev. Kevin McLeod

Th.M. Student - Church History
Toronto School of Theology

Yong Hwa Lee, Ph.D. Student University of Montreal Montreal, Quebec

Tuomas Rasimus

Universite Laval
Faculte de Theologie et de Sciences Religieuses
Universite Laval

D. Kay Woods

Instructor/Student
University of Kentucky

Mark Yenson
University of Toronto

8. NOUVELLES/NEWS

Annette Yoshiko Reed: I am now in my second year as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Religious Studies at McMaster. Recent Patristics-related publications include "The Trickery of the Fallen Angels and the Demonic Mimesis of the Divine: Aetiology, Demonology, and Polemics in the Writings of Justin Martyr," Journal of Early Christian Studies 12.2 (2004): 141-71, and Heavenly Realms and Earthly Realities in Late Antique Religions (editor, with R. S. Boustan; Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2004). This past year, I have also presented papers on Irenaeus as a Pauline interpreter at NAPS, on the hermeunetics of Augustine and the

Rabbis at the SBL Annual Meeting, and on the Pseudo-Clementine Homilies at a conference on late antique heresiology at Princeton University. My revised dissertation (Fallen Angels and the History of Judaism and Christianity: The Reception of Enochic Literature) will be published in summer 2005 with Cambridge University Press, and I am now beginning a new book on the Pseudo-Clementines in their late antique contexts.

Theodore de Bruyn: "Naming Religious Groups in the Late Roman Empire." *Studies in Religion / Sciences Religieuses*. 33 (2004): 147-156. NB: Five of the six papers in the above issue of SR were authored by members of CSPS. The papers were first presented at a seminar held at Université Laval during the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences in 2001.]

Tim Pettipiece continues to plug away at his dissertation on numeric patterning in the Coptic Manichaean *Kephalaia* and is, in fact, nearing completion. He will be presenting papers at the CPSP meeting in London, as well as at the joint Manichaean Studies Seminar/International Association for Manichaean Studies Conference in Flagstaff, Arizona, in August.

Lucian Turcescu: I have accepted a position as Associate Professor of Historical Theology (Patristics) at Concordia University (Montreal). I will start there in July 2005. My book titled *Gregory of Nyssa and the Concept of Divine Persons* was published by Oxford University Press in early 2005.

9. BUREAU DE L'ACÉP/ CSPS EXECUTIVE (2003-2004)

Président / President Lucian Turcescu (2004-2006)

Vice-president / Vice-president Nicola Denzey (2004-2006)

Secrétaire / Secretary Lorraine Buck (2003-2006)

Trésorier / Treasurer **Steven Muir** 2003-2006)

Président du programme / Programme Chair **Geoffrey Dunn** (2003-2005)

Editeur du Bulletin & Webmaitre / Bulletin Editor & Webmaster Tim Pettipiece (2004-2007)

10. RAPPEL DU TRÉSORIER/REMINDER FROM THE TREASURER

Here is a reminder for all members who have not already done so to send in their annual membership fees. The fees are as follows:

65.00\$ as regular member, with SR subscription.

40.00\$ as regular member, already receive SR.

48.00\$ as student/retired member, with SR subscription.

17.00\$ as student/retired member, already receive SR.

Please send to the treasurer, Steven Muir, at the address below:

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APPENDIX: Report of the Board of Directors' Meeting of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences (March 19-20, 2005 B Ottawa)

The Next Generation "We have an unprecedented opportunity before us. The hiring we do now will form the heart of the academy for the next 30 years." President **Donald Fisher** presented the concept of "The Next Generation" – a thematic and program focus on the next generation of new scholars that will permeate the Federation's work. The needs of new scholars will be prioritized within existing and new programs when possible, for example, the new events, seminars and award competitions for graduate students at Congress 2005. Endorsing the concept, Board members noted the high level of hiring allows for real progress to be made in equity areas. They also discussed the impact of changes in mandatory retirement laws, recognizing that a broader initiative linking scholars at various career stages and fostering positive transitions across the stages be undertaken at a later time.SSHRC's response to the Federal Budget

Despite an announcement of an extra \$11 million in February's federal budget, SSHRC's base budget will actually grow by only 4.4 percent or \$7.4 million after the internal cuts imposed by Industry Canada resulted in a \$3.6 million cut in the 2004-05 fiscal year. **Dr Fisher** reported on SSHRC's priorities within this modest increase, underlining the congruence between the Federation's transformation recommendations and the decisions taken at SSHRC.

For the 2005-06 fiscal year, SSHRC will add \$10 million to the Standard Research Grants Program, a clear validation of the community's recommendations on the fundamental importance of the SRG. The higher number of applications, however, means that the success rate drops slightly from 43 to 40 percent and project funding levels drop from approximately 80 to 70 percent on average. SSHRC plans to implement a new structure for the SRGs sometime in 2007. They propose two streams within the program: one for grants between \$10,000 and \$20,000 and the other for grants between \$25,000 and \$100,000. The smaller grants would cover three to five years to a maximum of \$100,000, while the larger grants would run for five years to a maximum of \$500,000.Planning for TransformationAlthough still in development, SSHRC's strategic plan for transformation will include three pilot initiatives in 2005-06. First, a new Clusters Program call for proposals will go out this fall. Based on content rather than design, the competition will no longer require applicants to have previous experience in team-based projects, a change made to broaden the potential applicant base in the program. The second pilot is an International Opportunities Fund for researchers to engage in the development of international research proposals. Last is a knowledge mobilization initiative that will fund a certain number of pilot projects, with varying models for implementing a knowledge transfer unit that suit humanities and social science research. SSHRC will publish its final Strategic Plan in time for Congress. Federation's PSE Conference happens this November

The pan-Canadian Conference on Post-Secondary Education will take place in Ottawa on November 28-29. Earlier dates provided at the meeting were changed to allow for more stakeholder groups to participate. Led by the Federation, the Conference provides a unique forum for federal and provincial representatives to come together to discuss PSE policy. Blending the most recent research with pressing public policy questions, the conference will focus the national spotlight on issues of access, capacity, finance, and quality.

ASPP principles approvedFollowing an extensive two-year evaluation review of the program, SSHRC Council confirmed the importance and value of the Aid to Scholarly Publications Programme. Specifically, Council endorsed three principles that will define the ASPP in future years:

- 1. it is an author-based support program;
- 2. the first priority of the ASPP will be to publish first-time scholars; and
- 3. translated works from one official language to the other will be eligible for grants.

More funding will flow to the ASPP in the 2005-06 fiscal year after SSHRC's review of a formal business plan. Weighing in on the Copyright Act

The VP Research Policy, **Suzanne Crosta**, presented a series of recommendations on upcoming changes to the *Copyright Act*, along with a detailed Draft Discussion Paper, prepared by the Federation's Working Group on Copyright. As humanities and social sciences researchers are at once creators, owners and users of copyright materials, the recommendations are based on balancing the needs and rights of these groups. Following presentations by the Working Group Chair, **Laura Murray** (Queen's), and member **Sam Trosow** (Western Ontario), the Board supported these positions:

- 1. Knowledge, especially knowledge developed with the help of public resources, is the shared heritage of humanity. It builds on the efforts and ideas of previous generations and will in turn be used by future generations. While creators need to be adequately compensated for their works, a strong public domain is essential to the creation of new knowledge.
- 2. The Federation supports public policy that defends the rights of all Canadians to access and use materials. Harkening to the Supreme Court's statement that fair dealing is a users' right and must "not be interpreted restrictively," the Federation seeks to avoid as much as possible the creation of new rights coupled with specific legislated "exceptions" to provide access to identified groups, e.g. exceptions for specific uses by educational institutions which may imply that other users would be infringing copyright.
- 3. The Federation opposes approaches such as the introduction of extended licensing regimes and unduly broad interpretations of WIPO Implementation as they erode the vitality of the public domain, impede fair dealing and public access to knowledge, and hamper the development of new technologies.

Advocacy efforts will feature sessions and a postcard campaign at Congress, information bulletins to Federation members, and presentations to the Parliamentary committee studying the legislation. The full text of the copyright position is posted on the web site. Open access dialogue begins Along with Copyright, the issue of Open Access directly affects research dissemination and has been flagged as a priority for the Federation. Under the direction of **Noreen Golfman**, VP Research Dissemination, the Federation plans an extensive education, dialogue and policy development process. Beginning with the formation of a working group, the community outreach will target scholarly associations, researchers, journal editors, university librarians and graduate students, among others. A multidisciplinary session is planned for Congress, with emphasis on journal editors and librarians, to launch discussions on this issue. Advocacy activities The Federation continues to carry its main advocacy messages to elected and department officials:

asymmetrical funding increases for SSHRC,

- the creation of a separate federal transfer for post-secondary education,
- increasing the federal transfer to the provinces to improve the PSE sector's capacity,
- · the Post-Secondary Education Conference, and
- copyright.

Opportunities for presentations to House of Commons committees on Industry, Heritage, Human Resources and Skills Development, and Finance will be pursued. In addition to meeting with the Presidents of key national education stakeholders including AUCC, CFI, and CAUT, the Federation President plans to meet with university Presidents to further the humanities and social sciences agenda on Canadian campuses. Response to CRC five-year evaluation

Donna Palmateer Pennee, VP Women's and Equity Issues, welcomed the Canada Research Chairs' fifth year evaluation of the program. Known as the Malatest Report, it captures the potential that exists to change the program in a meaningful way. Its recommendations can be grouped in two broad categories: those dealing with the need for much better data collection and those addressing structural and design remedies to inequitable outcomes. The data collected and recommendations made in this and in the previous Bégin-Heick Report (2002) both indicate that not nearly enough progress has been made. The Federation supports the need for systemic action on equity on a disciplinary basis (i.e. the under-representation of the humanities and social sciences) and on all historically under-represented groups (i.e. gender, disability, aboriginal people, and people of colour and diverse sexual orientation). The Board supported the recommendations in the VP's report which will be forwarded to the CRC secretariat, shared with universities and posted on the Federation's website.

Endowment Campaign's Development NetworkAs the Canadian Endowment for the Humanities and Social Sciences approaches \$700,000 in pledges, the next step is to broaden the reach of the campaign. The Federation established a national Development Network of leaders in the research community who will help VP Development Robert Merrett identify donors, both within the academy and beyond to corporations, philanthropic foundations and non-profit organizations. Humanities InitiativeThe Federation is launching a new initiative to address the needs of humanities research. The initiative will examine how research in the humanities can benefit from medium and large-scale project support, including strategic program support where feasible. Equity clearly exists in the SRG program, but there are concerns about larger projects, including for example editorial projects. The Board agreed to study the issue and prepare a report by October 2005. Using comprehensive statistics and data on all SSHRC programs as the foundation of the report, the Federation will look at:

- 1. how research in the humanities differs from the social sciences in nature, methodology and results;
- 2. ways that SSHRC, along with CFI and others, could structure support for these projects; and
- 3. how to challenge the humanities community to develop significant research projects in fields that place or strengthen Canada as a world leader.

An initial meeting of scholars will be convened in June to set the framework for the project with a possible follow-up meeting in the fall before the report is completed. Congress confirms renowned scholars As of March 1, 593 people had registered for Congress 2005 at the University of Western Ontario. Confirmed speakers include:

- Rashid Khalidi

- Janette Turner Hospital
- Michael Ignatieff
- Guy Vanderhaeghe Gwynne Dyer- Slavenka Drakulic Ronald Wright.For more information, please contact the Federation at (613)238-6112 or www.fedcan.ca.

APPENDICE : Rapport de la réunion du Conseil d'administration de la Fédération canadienne des sciences humaines (Les 19 et 20 mars 2005, à Ottawa)

La génération à venir« Nous nous retrouvons face à une occasion sans précédent. Les personnes que nous embauchons maintenant formeront le coeur du milieu universitaire des trente prochaines années. » Le président **Donald Fisher** a présenté le concept de « La génération à venir » – un thème axé sur la prochaine génération de nouveaux universitaires qui marqueront les oeuvres de la Fédération. Nous mettrons autant que possible la priorité sur les besoins des nouveaux chercheurs au sein des programmes actuels et des nouveaux programmes, comme, par exemple, les nouveaux événements, les séminaires et les concours et prix pour étudiants diplômés, au Congrès de 2005. Les membres du conseil, en sanctionnant ce concept, ont fait remarquer que ce niveau élevé d'embauche permettra de réaliser d'immenses progrès au chapitre de l'équité. Ils ont aussi abordé les répercussions des changements rattachés aux lois sur la retraite obligatoire, reconnaissant qu'à une date ultérieure, on pourrait mettre en place une initiative plus étendue afin de relier les chercheurs, à diverses étapes de leur carrière et de favoriser une transition positive d'une étape à l'autre.La réponse du CRSH au budget fédéralBien que le budget fédéral de février annonçait un influx de 11 millions de dollars supplémentaires, le budget de base du CRSH n'augmentera réellement que de 4,4 pour cent, soit de 7,4 millions de dollars, car les réductions internes imposées par Industrie Canada ont entraîné une baisse de 3,6 millions de dollars du budget du CRSH, au cours de l'exercice de 2004-2005. Le Dr Fisher a indiqué les priorités du CRSH dans le cadre de cette modeste augmentation, soulignant la concordance qui existe entre les recommandations de transformation de la Fédération et les décisions prises au CRSH. Au cours de l'exercice de 2005-2006, le CRSH ajoutera 10 millions de dollars au Programme des subventions ordinaires de recherche, confirmant nettement les recommandations du milieu de la recherche, quant à l'importance des SOR. En raison du nombre plus élevé de demandes, toutefois, le taux de réussite baissera légèrement, passant de 43 à 40 pour cent, et le niveau de financement des projets diminuera en moyenne d'environ 80 à 70 pour cent. Vers 2007, le CRSH compte mettre en place une nouvelle structure pour les SOR. Il propose deux modes de versement au sein du programme : un pour les subventions se chiffrant entre 10 000 \$ et 20 000 \$ et un autre pour les subventions s'élevant entre 25 000 \$ et 100 000 \$. Les plus petites subventions auraient une durée allant de trois à cinq ans, jusqu'à concurrence de 100 000 \$, tandis que les subventions plus élevées s'étendraient sur une période de cinq ans, jusqu'à concurrence de 500 000 \$.Planification de la transformationBien que le plan stratégique en vue de la transformation du CRSH soit toujours en cours de préparation, celui-ci comportera trois initiatives pilotes, en 2005-2006. Tout d'abord, un appel de propositions en vue d'un nouveau programme de création de grappes sera lancé, à l'automne. Ce concours, qui sera fondé davantage sur le contenu plutôt que sur la conception, n'exigera plus des candidats qu'ils possèdent de l'expérience antérieure dans des projets par équipe, et ce, dans le but d'attirer de nouveaux chercheurs au sein du programme. Le deuxième projet pilote consiste en un Fonds d'initiative internationale destiné à encourager les chercheurs à participer à des projets de recherche internationaux. Enfin, il y a une initiative de mobilisation du savoir consistant à financer un certain nombre de projets pilotes comportant des modèles différents pour la mise en oeuvre d'une unité de transfert de connaissances qui a trait à la recherche en sciences humaines. Le

CRSH publiera son plan stratégique définitif à temps pour le Congrès.La Conférence sur l'EPS de la Fédération aura lieu en novembreLa Conférence pancanadienne sur l'éducation postsecondaire aura lieu à Ottawa, les 28 et 29 novembre. Les dates proposées auparavant à la réunion ont été modifiées, afin de permettre à un plus grand nombre de groupes d'intervenants d'y participer. Sous la direction de la Fédération, cette conférence offre une tribune unique où les représentants des gouvernements fédéral et provinciaux pourront, ensemble, aborder les questions de politique entourant l'enseignement postsecondaire. Alliant les plus récents projets de recherche aux questions pressantes de politique publique, la conférence permettra à l'ensemble du pays de concentrer son attention sur les questions de l'accès, de la capacité, du financement et de la qualité.Les principes du PAES sont approuvésÀ la suite d'une étude d'évaluation poussée du programme répartie sur une période de deux ans, le conseil du CRSH a reconnu l'importance et la valeur du Programme d'aide à l'édition savante. Le conseil a particulièrement avalisé trois principes qui définiront les activités du PAES, au cours des années à venir :

- 4. il s'agit d'un programme d'appui axé sur les auteurs;
- 5. le PAES accordera la priorité aux auteurs qui publient leur premier ouvrage; et
- 6. les oeuvres traduites d'une langue officielle à l'autre seront admissibles aux subventions.

Lors de l'exercice de 2005-2006, le PAES commencera à bénéficier d'un financement accru, après que le CRSH aura étudié un plan d'affaires officiel.Intervention à l'égard de la Loi sur le droit d'auteurLa vice-présidente, politique de recherche, **Suzanne Crosta**, a présenté une série de recommandations à propos des modifications prochaines qui seront apportées à la *Loi sur le droit d'auteur*, ainsi qu'un document de travail préliminaire préparé par le Groupe de travail sur le droit d'auteur de la Fédération. Comme les chercheurs des humanités et des sciences sociales sont à la fois des créateurs, des propriétaires et des utilisateurs de textes protégés par le droit d'auteur, les recommandations visent à établir un certain équilibre entre les besoins et les droits de ces groupes. À la suite de présentations par la présidente du groupe de travail, **Laura Murray** (Queen's), et par l'un de ses membres, **Sam Trosow** (Western Ontario), le conseil a appuyé les positions suivantes :

- 4. Le savoir, en particulier le savoir développé à l'aide de ressources publiques, est un patrimoine partagé qui appartient à l'humanité. Il s'enrichit des efforts et des idées des générations précédentes et il sera, à son tour, utilisé par les générations futures. Bien que les créateurs aient besoin d'être rémunérés convenablement pour leurs oeuvres, un solide domaine public est essentiel à la création de nouvelles connaissances.
- 5. La Fédération appuie la politique publique qui défend les droits de tous les Canadiens et de toutes les Canadiennes à l'accès et à l'utilisation des textes. Faisant écho à la déclaration de la Cour Suprême, selon laquelle l'utilisation équitable est un droit de l'utilisateur « qu'il ne faut pas interpréter restrictivement », la Fédération cherche à éviter autant que possible la création de nouveaux droits alliée à des « exceptions » légiférées spécifiques visant à donner accès à des groupes particuliers; p. ex. des exceptions permettant certains usages précis aux établissements d'enseignement, qui pourraient laisser entendre que les autres utilisateurs contreviennent aux règles du droit d'auteur.
- 6. La Fédération s'oppose à l'instauration de régimes de licences étendues et à une interprétation trop large des dispositions du traité de l'OMPI, car elles rongent la vitalité du domaine public, nuisent à l'utilisation équitable et à l'accès du public au savoir et entravent l'évolution de technologies nouvelles.

Les efforts de défense comprendront des sessions et une campagne de cartes postales, lors du Congrès, ainsi que des bulletins de renseignements aux membres de la Fédération et des présentations au comité parlementaire qui étudie la loi. On peut lire le texte complet de la position de la Fédération sur le droit d'auteur en consultant le site Internet. Ouverture du dialogue sur le libre accès À l'instar du droit d'auteur, la question du libre accès influe sur la diffusion de la recherche et a été inscrite au nombre des priorités de la Fédération. Sous la direction de **Noreen Golfman**, vice-présidente, diffusion de la recherche, la Fédération compte organiser un processus intense d'éducation, de dialogue et d'élaboration de politiques. À commencer par la formation d'un groupe de travail, les efforts d'accès auprès de la collectivité cibleront les sociétés savantes, les chercheurs, les rédacteurs de revues, les bibliothécaires universitaires et les étudiants diplômés, entre autres. Une session multidisciplinaire prévue au Congrès mettra l'accent sur les rédacteurs de revues et les bibliothécaires, afin d'amorcer la discussion à ce sujet. Activités de défenseLa Fédération continue de transmettre ses principaux messages de défense auprès des élus et des responsables ministériels :

- augmentation du financement asymétrique pour le CRSH,
- création d'un transfert fédéral distinct pour l'enseignement postsecondaire,
- augmentation du transfert fédéral aux provinces afin d'améliorer la capacité du secteur de l'EPS,
- la conférence sur l'éducation postsecondaire, et
- le droit d'auteur.

Nous continuerons de profiter des occasions d'effectuer des présentations auprès des comités de la Chambre des communes sur l'Industrie, le Patrimoine, les Ressources humaines et le Développement des compétences et les Finances. En plus de prévoir des rencontres avec les présidents d'importants intervenants nationaux du secteur de l'enseignement, dont l'AUCC, la FCI et l'ACPPU, le président de la Fédération compte rencontrer les présidents de certaines universités afin de faire valoir les programmes en sciences humaines sur les campus du Canada. Réponse à l'évaluation quinquennale des CRC

Donna Palmateer Pennee, vice-présidente, questions féministes et d'équité, a réservé un accueil chaleureux à l'évaluation quinquennale du programme des Chaires de recherche du Canada. Ce rapport, connu sous le nom de rapport Malatest, montre à quel point il est possible de modifier efficacement le programme. Ses recommandations peuvent être regroupées en deux grandes catégories : celles qui touchent le besoin de recueillir de meilleures données; et celles qui concernent les remèdes structurels et conceptuels destinés à éliminer les résultats inéquitables. Les données recueillies et les recommandations de ce rapport, ainsi que celles du rapport Bégin-Heick (2002) réalisé précédemment, indiquent toutes deux que les progrès réalisés sont loin d'être suffisants. La Fédération appuie le besoin de mesures systémiques en matière d'équité et de discipline (p. ex. la sous-représentation dans les sciences humaines) et à l'égard de tous les groupes qui, historiquement parlant, sont sous représentés (p. ex. les femmes, les personnes handicapées, les autochtones, les personnes de couleur et d'orientation sexuelle différente). Le conseil a appuyé les recommandations détaillées contenues dans le rapport de la vice-présidente, et celles-ci seront affichées sur le site Internet de la Fédération.

Réseau d'aménagement de la Campagne de la FondationAlors que le montant des promesses de dons à la Fondation canadienne pour les sciences humaines se chiffre maintenant à près de 700 000 \$, l'étape suivante consiste à élargir la portée de la campagne. La Fédération a constitué un réseau national d'aménagement formé de chefs de file du secteur de la recherche, qui aideront le V.-P. développement, **Robert Merrett** à trouver des donateurs, tant au sein du milieu universitaire que parmi les sociétés, les organismes de

bienfaisance et les organismes sans but lucratif.Projet des humanitésLa Fédération lance une nouvelle initiative destinée à répondre aux besoins de la recherche dans les humanités. Cette initiative examinera comment la recherche dans les humanités peut profiter du soutien aux projets de moyenne et de grande envergure, y compris le soutien stratégique des programmes, si possible. Il existe nettement une certaine équité au sein des subventions ordinaires de recherche, mais on se préoccupe quant aux projets de grande envergure, comme, par exemple, les projets d'édition. Le conseil a accepté d'étudier la question et de préparer un rapport dès octobre 2005. À partir des statistiques et des données étendues sur tous les programmes du CRSH, la Fédération examinera :

- 4. dans quelle mesure la recherche dans les humanités diffère de la recherche en sciences sociales, quant à la nature, à la méthodologie et aux résultats;
- 5. les façons par lesquelles le CRSH, ainsi que le FCI et les autres pourraient structurer leur soutien en faveur de ces projets; et
- 6. comment stimuler le milieu des humanités afin qu'il élabore des projets de recherche importants dans les domaines qui placent ou renforcent le Canada comme chef de file mondial.

La Fédération organisera une première rencontre de chercheurs en juin, afin de déterminer le cadre de travail du projet et elle prévoit une rencontre de suivi à l'automne, avant la conclusion du rapport. Participation confirmée de conférenciers de renom au Congrès Au 1^{er} mars, 593 personnes s'étaient inscrites au Congrès 2005, auprès de l'université Western Ontario. Parmi les conférenciers qui ont confirmé leur participation, mentionnons :- Roméo Dallaire - Jane Urquhart- Henry Giroux - Rashid Khalidi

- Janette Turner Hospital Michael Ignatieff
- Guy Vanderhaeghe Gwynne Dyer- Slavenka Drakulic Ronald Wright.Pour de plus amples renseignements, communiquer avec la Fédération (613) 238-6112 ou www.fedcan.ca.

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