President's Report / Message de la présidente

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is Halifax. The year following, 2004, is as yet undecided. At our Annual General Meeting in Toronto, there was a discussion about where to hold the conference. The Canadian University Music Society is holding its conference in Lethbridge that year as opposed to Winnipeg which is the location for Humanities and Social Sciences Federation of Canada conference. We are in the position of determining if we would prefer to have our conference in Lethbridge with CUMS or in Winnipeg with HSSFC. The board has been assigned the task of putting together a list of pros and cons as well as costs associated with a conference in either location. We will have something for the association to consider before the next AGM in Halifax, so that opinions can be solicited from anyone who cannot attend the conference. A decision will have to be made at the next AGM.

The conference in 2005 will be with MLA in Vancouver at the Fairmont Hotel, Feb. 23-26. I have accepted the invitation from Jim Cassaro, current president of MLA, to join them at its meeting. Since we are meeting with MLA in 2005 and not with CUMS, it may be a strong consideration to meet with CUMS in Lethbridge in 2004.

For those of you who were not in attendance at the conference in Toronto, the 2nd Helmut Kallmann Award was presented to Maria Calderisi. Congratulations, Maria! Very well deserved indeed.

suivante, 2004, le lieu n’est pas encore déterminé. Une discussion s’est engagée à ce sujet, lors de notre récente assemblée générale à Toronto. La Société de musique des universités canadiennes tiendra son congrès à Lethbridge cette année-là, par opposition à Winnipeg, ville choisie par la Fédération canadienne des sciences humaines et sociales. Nous devons donc déterminer laquelle des deux propositions nous préférons comme site de notre congrès: Lethbridge avec la SMUC ? ou bien Winnipeg avec la FCSHS ? Le conseil d’administration a décidé d’établir une liste des avantages et inconvénients ainsi que les coûts associés à ce congrès, dans l’un ou l’autre endroit. Nous vous soumettrons les résultats de cette étude avant la prochaine assemblée générale d’Halifax. Ainsi, chacun des membres pourra faire valoir son opinion, même s’il ne peut assister au congrès. Une décision sera ensuite prise lors de la prochaine assemblée générale annuelle.


Pour informer ceux et celles qui n’ont pu assister au congrès de Toronto cette année, la 2e remise du Prix Helmut-Kallmann a été présentée à Maria Calderisi. Félicitations Maria ! Grandement mérité !

Merci à Christina Lockerby pour son travail de secrétaire, rédactrice des procès-verbaux, au cours des deux dernières années. Je profite de l’occasion aussi pour
Thank you to Christina Lockerby for her minute-taking these past two years as our Secretary. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome the changes in the board for the upcoming year: Monica Fazekas in her new position as Secretary, Diane Peters in her new position as Vice-President and Marlene Wehrle as our new Membership Secretary.

Included in this Review is the new version of our pamphlet prepared by Monica with help from Daniel Paradis, and the ballot for member-at-large. Please take the time to fill in the ballot and return it to the address indicated.

I hope that everyone is having a wonderful summer. I am off to IAML in San Francisco in August, and am looking forward to it.

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