CALL FOR PAPERS

"Grave Concerns: The Ethics of the Dead." 29 November - 1 December 2001. Wilfrid Laurier University, Brantford Campus. The theme of the conference is the ethics of dealing with the dead. All societies have strict cultural-specific rules governing the treatment of the dead, often grounded in religion and considered sacred. In the contemporary world, however, the dead are no longer regarded as entirely sacred. Skeletal remains are stored on museum shelves and in forensic labs, photographs of war dead or the victims of crime are displayed in exhibits and art galleries, cemeteries and battlefields are developed into golf courses and condominiums, and science is laying claim to body parts and human remains for research. Treatment of the dead has become an ethical issue. Deadline for submissions: 12 September 2001. Sue Mestekemper (email: brantford@wlu.ca), Grave Concerns Conference, Wilfrid Laurier University, Brantford Campus, 73 George Street, Brantford, ON Canada N3T 2Y3 (Web site: www.wlu.ca/~wwwbrant).

"Majesty in Canada." Univeresity of Edinburgh, May 3-4, 2002. This conference calls for a review of the influence of monarchs and their representatives in the making of Canadian identity and history. Papers may address the roles of the French and British monarchs, as well as their representatives, the governors general and the lieutenant governors. Proposals dealing with literary or artistic depictions of majesty are welcome. The functions of First Nations chiefs and British and French aristocrats in Canada likewise present useful topics. Nous accueillons avec plaisir des projets de communications en français. Please send paper proposals and a short (one-page) curriculum vitae to Grace Owens, Centre of Canadian Studies, 21 George Square, Edinburgh EH8 9LD, Scotland by 30 November 2001, or to gowens@ed.ac.uk (Please do not send as attachments).

"Society for French Historical Studies", Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, 11-13 April 2002. The annual meeting of the Society for French Historical Studies will take place on 11-13 April 2002. It will be sponsored by the University of Toronto and York University, and will take place in central Toronto. The conference hotel will be the Delta Chelsea Inn (33 Gerrard Street West, Toronto, M5G 1Z4). Sessions will be on Friday 12 April at the Delta Chelsea, and on Saturday 13 April in the recently restored Victorian buildings of University College on the St. George (downtown) campus of the University of Toronto. Proposals for individual papers or, preferably, entire panels, should be sent to the organisers. Individual sessions normally include three papers, a commentator and a chair, but the Programme committee will consider proposals for other formats. Those who wish to include a visitor from abroad on their panel are requested to let the organisers know as soon as possible, particularly if the visitor will require assistance in getting airfare and hotel expenses paid. All proposals should include a session title, paper titles, short abstracts of papers, and a brief CV for each panellist. Please submit your proposals by 15 September 2001 to: Society for French Historical Studies, Attn: Professor W.D. Irvine, Programme Coordinator, University College, 15 King's College Circle, Toronto M5S 3H7, Canada. Email: sfhs2002@yorku.ca. The conference has its own webpage which will display constantly updated conference information and, in due course, the conference programme. It can be found at http://www.yorku.ca/ghistory/conferences/sfhs/sfhs2002.htm.

