

THE FORUM ON European Expansion and

Global Interaction

CALL FOR PAPERS:

Sixth Biennial Meeting of the Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction (F.E.E.G.I.) The Huntington Library, San Marino, California, February 3-4, 2006

The Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction (F.E.E.G.I.) will hold its next meeting at the Huntington Library in Pasadena, California, on February 3-4, 2006. Individual proposals on any theme in the field of European expansion or global interaction during the early modern period, broadly defined, will be considered. F.E.E.G.I. hopes to provide support to enable graduate students to participate in the conference. A selection of papers will be considered for publication in a special issue of F.E.E.G.I.'s affiliate journal, *Itinerario*.

An abstract of a paper proposal should be sent as an email attachment to:

Prof. Kris Lane, Department of History, College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795 E-mail: kelane@wm.edu

(NB: Prof. Lane will be in Bogotá, Colombia, during fall semester 2005, so use of e-mail is essential.)

Proposals should include a 250-word abstract of the paper and an abbreviated c.v. Those who prefer a hard-copy submission must provide six (6) copies of the abstract and c.v. The proposal deadline is October 15, 2005.

A Note from the Editor:

In the last newsletter (Fall 2003), I bade farewell to the paper newsletter format, given the enthusiasm the membership had at the time for going paperless with our web site and email communications. However, I believe that experience has shown, particularly when our biennial meeting is approaching, of contacting the membership via the postal service. Hence, this newsletter. It will likely consume the last remaining paper stock so that if future newsletters are printed, they can assume a design more closely related to our newly designed promotional cards.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will see instructions for joining the F.E.E.G.I. listsery or amending your email addresses.

Are your dues up-to-date?

Next to your name on the mailing label is the expiration date for your membership in F.E.E.G.I. If the date is before January 06, your membership is in arrears. If your expiration date is January 06, your membership renewal is due January 1. You may pay back dues and current dues in one payment, and if you wish to pay in advance for several years, you may also do that. See the membership form on page 3 for more details. Your dues help subsidize graduate student attendance at the biennial meeting.

Please send announcements that would be of interest to F.E.E.G.I. members directly to the listserv (FEEGI-L@mtsu.edu) or to me for posting on our web site.

Jim Williams, Middle Tennessee State University, Editor and Webmaster

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The nominating committee seeks nominations for F.E.E.G.I. offices for the 2006-2008 term. Officers to be elected at the biennial meeting in February 2006 include President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Editor. Suggestions are also sought for atlarge Executive Committee members, including a graduate student member.

Please send your nominations, or volunteer yourself, to the President before January 20, 2006:

President Wim Klooster email:wklooster@clarku.edu Department of History Clark University 950 Main Street Worcester, MA 01610-1477

World History Association Annual Meeting

22-25 June 2006 at Cal State Long Beach. Paper proposals due 10 January 2006. Call for papers available http://www.thewha.org/CSULB/2006%20W HA%20CFP.pdf

F. E. E. G. I. Listserv:

To modify your existing email subscription, please send your old and new email addresses to Markus Vink at vink@fredonia.edu.

To leave the listserv entirely, please send a note that includes the email address under which you are subscribed to Jim Williams at jhwillia@mtsu.edu.

Call for papers: 2006 Annual Meeting of the French Colonial Historical Society, Dakar, Senegal. May 17-20, 2006

The French Colonial Historical Society will hold its 2006 annual meeting in Dakar, Senegal, May 17-20. The principal theme of the meeting is Cultures and Colonization in French Africa, but as always the planning committee welcomes proposals on any aspect of French activities overseas after 1500. The deadline for proposals is October 15, 2005, though proposals will be accepted thereafter if space remains. Complete proposals should include your name, individual affifiation, contact information, a brief c.v. and a 100-200 word abstract. Please send individual paper proposals or, preferably, panel session proposals to one of the following individuals:

For participants not living in Africa, please send pre-ninetcenth century proposals to Philip Boucher at boucherp@uah.edu; for post eighteenth century propopsals contact Ken Orosz at korosz@maine.edu. For residents of Africa, send proposals to Ibrahima Seck at the West African Research Center, PO Box 5456 Dakar-Fann, Dakar, Senegal. His email is birimaseck@hotmail.com.

The Society is organizing a group rate for a direct flight from New York City and a package including hotels and ground transportation. If interested, see the French Colonial website (www.frenchcolonial.org) or contact Kwaku Gyasi gyasik@uah.edu) of the French Department at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

Would your institution like to host the next biennial meeting of F.E.E.G.I. in 2008?

Proposals and suggestions will be entertained during the business meeting at the Huntington next February. Generally, F.E.E.G.I. meets in a warm climate in February of even-numbered years. We have confined ourselves to the U.S. because of

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Existing or lapsed members are encouraged to renew their membership at this time. Only members may attend the biennial meeting. Our dues year coincides with the calendar year, so existing members are asked to renew their membership for 2006 by January 1. Lapsed members may enclose dues for 2005 and 2006 in one payment. Please complete the form below and send it along with a check in U.S. funds payable to F.E.E.G.I., c/o Markus Vink, Secretary-Treasurer, Department of History, SUNY-Fredonia, E318 Thompson Hall, Fredonia, NY 14063-1229.

Annual dues are \$20 (U.S.); graduate students may join for \$10 (U.S.) Dues pay the ordinary expenses of operating F.E.E.G.I. and allow us to subsidize graduate student travel to the biennial meetings.

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Conference Report: A symposium entitled "Pioneers, Adventurers, and the Creation of the Atlantic World," was held at the University of Bristol in the United Kingdom from September 23-25, 2005. This conference, sponsored by the Colston Research Society and the University of Bristol, brought together a number of younger as well as established scholars from Europe, the United States, Canada, and Cuba. The common interest of this international group of scholars, whose backgrounds were in archeology, anthropology, history, and literary studies, was the emergence of an Atlantic World in the early modern period. Wisely or frustratingly, the participants refrained from coming up with a working definition of the "Atlantic World." What all conference attendees agreed on, however, was that European expansion into the Atlantic Basin brought together various cultures and peoples, material objects, and ideas in unpredictable and unforeseen ways. Conference papers ranged from Scottish economic activities in the Dutch Atlantic to British anti-slavery rhetoric and from African travelers in the Portuguese Atlantic to French fishers and traders in the Saint Lawrence Valley. Interesting keynote presentations were given by Barry Cunliffe (Oxford University) on the European Atlantic World before 1492 and by Felipe Fernandez-Armesto (University of London and Tufts University) on slave languages in Dutch Surinam. Mark Horton (Archeology-University of Bristol) and Caroline Williams (Portuguese, Hispanic, and Latin American Studies-University of Bristol), the gracious organizers of the conference, intend to edit and publish the conference papers in the near future.

(Thanks to Mark Meuwese, University of Winnipeg, for this submission)

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