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Modern Language Association Convention Chicago, Illinois, December 27-30, 1995

Annual Meeting of the American Boccaccio Association

Saturday, December 30, 8:30-9:45 a.m., Indiana-Iowa, Chicago Marriott

"Boccaccio and Ovid, Again," Pier Massimo Forni, The Johns Hopkins Univ.

"'Classic' Wine Labels: From Dante Gabriel Rossetti to Boccaccio Chianti," Victoria Kirkham, Univ. of Pennsylvania

Cash Bar Arranged by the American Boccaccio Association and the Dante Society of America

Thursday, December 28, 5:15-6:30 p.m., Michigan-Michigan State, Chicago Marriott

Of further interest to Boccaccisti:

Medieval Incest Narratives: Politics, Trade, and Gender

Wednesday, December 27, 7:00-8:15 p.m., Suite 269, Hyatt Regency Chicago

Medieval Myths of Writing and the Body

Thursday, December 28, 12:00 noon-1:15 pm, Columbus Hall E and F, Hyatt Regency Chicago

The Winter Meeting of the Dante Society

Thursday, December 28, 3:30-4:45 p.m., Chicago Ballroom C, Chicago Marriott

Members Report Activities

Eren Branch (Univ. of San Diego) is working on a translation into English of Boccaccio's letters.

In 1996 the Univ. of Pennsylvania Press will publish a new book by **Pier Massimo Forni** (The Johns Hopkins Univ.), *Adventures in Speech: Rhetoric and Narration in Boccaccio's Decameron*. In the Spring of 1995 Bollati Boringhieri published the *Lessico critico decameroniano*, co-edited by Renzo Bragantini and Forni. Contributors to the volume are R. Bragantini, P.M. Forni, F. Fido, M. Picone, E. Saccone, F. Bruni, A. Stussi, C. Cazalé Bérard, C. Di Girolamo, C. Lee, C. Delcorno, V. Kirkham, G. Mazzacurati, G. Savelli, A. Battistini, P. Valesio, and V. Branca.

Victoria Kirkham (Univ. of Pennsylvania) has published the following book reviews: G. Mazzotta, *The World at Play in Boccaccio's Decameron*, *Renaissance Quarterly* 47.3 (Autumn 1994): 653-56; Steven Grossvogel, *Ambiguity and Allusion in Boccaccio's Filocolo*, *Speculum* 70.2 (April 1995): 376-78. Her essay, "Morale," has appeared in the *Lessico critico decameroniano*, ed. R. Bragantini and P.M. Forni (Torino: Bollati Boringhieri, 1995) 249-68. Reviews of two of her works have recently appeared: *The Sign of Reason*, reviewed by Janet Smarr in *Speculum* 70.3 (July 1995): 641-43, and her edition and translation of *Diana's Hunt*, which she co-authored with Anthony K. Cassell, reviewed by Eugenio Giusti in *Italica* 71.1 (Spring 1994): 121-23.

Maria Predelli (McGill Univ.) is at work on an edition of medieval tales belonging to the "Wager Tale Cycle." Her "Lettura in filigrana della novella di Zinevra (*Dec.* II.9) has appeared in *Miscellanea di studi in onore di A. D'Andrea*, ed. Dante Della Terza (Firenze: Cadmo, 1995).

Itala T.C. Rutter (Montclair State Univ.) is working on a book project tentatively entitled *Boccaccio and the Feminine*. She spoke on "Ghismonda in the *Decameron* and in *Le Livre de la cité des dames*" at the XXIX conference of the Center for Medieval and Early Renaissance Studies, SUNY - Binghamton, October 20-21, 1995.

Dues Reminder

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1. Work in progress

2. Announcements

3. Boccaccio bibliography

4. Other

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American Boccaccio Association

- Ballot -

For vice president (two-year term). Vote for one:

_____ Steven Grossvogel, Univ. of Georgia

_____ Other: _____

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