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Editor's Note

Included in this issue of the bulletin is the President's Report, minutes from our Annual General meeting held at York University on June 1, 2006, the report from the Editor of our journal, Ruth Murbach, and the report of the organizing committee for our forthcoming meeting in Saskatoon at the University of Saskatchewan on May 31- June 2, 2007. Thanks to Jane McMillan, Local Arrangements Coordinator for the 2006 meetings at York University, and the other members of the organizing committee for their superlative efforts in attending to the many minutiae of annual conferencing as well as for facilitating the many stimulating panels and sessions. Diane Crocker, Lise Gotell, Kirsten Kramar, Melanie Methot, Dwight Newman, Nicole O'Byrne, and Jim Phillips are busy at work organizing the sessions that will allow us to continue our annual interdisciplinary dialogue for 2007.

Thanks to all of you who responded to the call for announcements and publications. The greater the response, the more useful this publication bulletin becomes.

Also, please note our Midwinter Meeting in Vancouver on January 18 and 19, 2007 and thanks to Renata Mawani and Fiona Kelly for the work they have done to put it together.

AVANT-PROPOS DU RÉDACTEUR

Vous trouverez dans le présent numéro de notre bulletin électronique la Lettre du Président, le compte-rendu de l'assemblée générale annuelle qui s'est tenue en juin 2006 à l'Université York, le rapport de Ruth Murbach, rédactrice de la Revue canadienne Droit et Société, ainsi que le rapport du comité d'organisation de notre prochaine rencontre qui aura lieu à Saskatoon, à l'université de la Saskatchewan, du 31 mai au 2 juin 2007. Nos remerciements à Jane McMillan, coordinatrice locale des préparatifs de l'assemblée 2006 à l'Université York, et aux autres membres du comité organisateur pour leur excellent travail à mettre au point tous les menus détails des préparatifs de la conférence annuelle et à animer les nombreux panels et discussions particulièrement stimulants. Diane Crocker, Lise Gotell, Kristen Kramar, Melanie Methot, Dwight Newman, Nicole O'Byrne, and Jim Phillips s'occupent à présent d'organiser les séances qui nous permettront de poursuivre en 2007 nos échanges interdisciplinaires annuels. Nous remercions tous ceux et celles d'entre vous qui avez répondu à nos demandes d'annonces et de publications. Plus vous êtes nombreux à y répondre et plus la publication du présent bulletin s'avère utile. Nous vous rappelons la tenue de notre conférence de la mi-hiver qui aura lieu à Vancouver les 18 et 19 janvier 2007 et nous remercions Renata Mawani et Fiona Kelly de tout leur travail de préparation de cette rencontre.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The CLSA Board has been busy since the end of the summer – Kirsten Kramar, Vicepresident and program chair for 2007, and Debra Parkes, Vicepresident and secretary, have been particularly active, and I am very grateful for their constant support. The main initiatives we have been working on are as follows:

Annual meeting 2007: Preparations are already under way for the 2007 CLSA meetings, to be held in conjunction with the Congress in Saskatoon, May 31-June 2nd inclusive. Kirsten Kramar, the program chair, took part in the organizing meeting in September, together with our local arrangements coordinator, Dwight Newman (who deserves the CLSA's eternal gratitude for taking on this key task). A social gathering and dinner have already been booked at an aboriginal-run venue, and other receptions are also in the works, so there will be plenty of

opportunities for socializing with old friends and meeting new members – an essential, if not the essential, part of any successful conference! A call for papers has been issued – check CLSA website for details. And in December, look out for details on the May 31st panels cosponsored with CALT and the Law Deans (see below).

CLSA responds to the abolition of the Court Challenges program and the Law Commission of Canada. As soon as the government announced the closing of these two organizations, the CLSA decided to organize a day during the Congress that will serve not only to protest Harper's high-handed attack on legal resources, legal education and legal research in this country but also to publicize and analyze the work done by these important bodies. The Council of Law Deans and the Canadian Association of Law Teachers (CALT) are cosponsoring the events, and the Law Deans are kindly providing some sustenance (much needed since the Law Commission's always popular wine and cheese reception will obviously not be held.) The morning of May 31st will see a high-profile panel on the Court Challenges program that will be advertised throughout the Congress and should draw media and the public. Details of this panel, entitled "Whose Charter is it now?" will be announced on the CLSA website as speakers are confirmed. In the afternoon there will be one panel in which senior legal scholars will recount the history and the significance of the Law Commission, and another panel featuring some of the research left orphaned by this body's untimely abolition. Given that in the past CLSA annual meetings featured a "Law Commission Day" that worked as a catalyst for law professors and socio-legal scholars outside law schools to get to know each other and each other's work, we are very pleased to see that the joint day of events will still be held despite the Law Commission's absence. We hope that many researchers and academics previously associated with the Commission will turn up in numbers.

Graduate student activities. Rashmee Singh was elected to the CLSA board as a graduate student representative, where she joins Emma Cunliffe. On other graduate student news, the grapevine tells us that the "Audacity of Imagination" awards for graduate student research previously given by the Law Commission of Canada may be re-born under a new sponsorship... watch the CLSA website for details.

Attention CLSA board members: mid-winter meeting, Vancouver January 18-20. Renisa Mawani and Fiona Kelly are organizing the mid-winter Board meeting at UBC, and in conjunction with it, a one-day research workshop in which Board members (and

CLSA members who are in or near Vancouver) can present their work. The research day (January 19) will be preceded by a keynote talk by socio-legal historian Tina Loo and a reception (evening of January 18). Other CLSA members are welcome to participate in the evening event, the research day and in the Board meeting; contact Renisa Mawani for details.

Looking to the future: joint LSA/CLSA meetings, Montreal 2008. As already reported to the membership in June 2006, the Law and Society Association asked CLSA to cosponsor a joint annual meeting in 2008 in Montreal, and we agreed. Plans for this event will get seriously underway in a few months, but we have already 'fingered' a few people for the program committee – a joint LSA-CLSA committee whose CLSA members are more or less bilingual and bijuridical.

Finally, thanks once more to Ruth Murbach for continuing to perform the hard work of running the association's journal, to Bruce Ryder (aka treasurer for life) for continuing to count the association's pennies, to Richard Weisman for having kindly agreed to once again take charge of the electronic newsletter – and to everyone on the board for helping when asked and, last but not least, for your support and good cheer. A board in which people get along and are always cooperative and helpful is not something to be taken for granted.

LA LETTRE DU PRÉSIDENT

Le conseil d'administration de l'Association canadienne de droit et société (ACDS) a été tenu très occupé depuis la fin de l'été. Kirsten Kramar, vice-présidente de l'Association et présidente des programmes pour 2007, et Debra Parkes, vice-présidente et secrétaire, se sont montrées particulièrement actives et je leur suis très reconnaissant de leur soutien constant. Voici les principaux projets auxquels nous avons travaillé :

Réunion annuelle de 2007: Nous avons déjà entamé les préparatifs des rencontres 2007 de l'ACDS, qui auront lieu durant le Congrès de Saskatoon, les 31 mai, 1^{er} et 2 juin. Kirsten Kramar, présidente du programme, a participé à la séance d'organisation de septembre, avec Dwight Newman, notre coordonnateur local (l'ACDS lui doit une éternelle gratitude pour avoir accepté cette responsabilité clé). Des réservations ont déjà été prises en vue d'une soirée et d'un dîner autochtones, et d'autres réceptions se préparent. Les occasions de retrouver des amis et de lier de nouvelles connaissances ne manqueront donc pas, et c'est là un élément, voire l'élément indispensable au succès de toute conférence. Une demande de

communications a été lancée – vous en trouverez les détails sur le site Web de l'ACDS. À partir de décembre y seront également affichées des précisions concernant les panels de discussion du 31 mai, coparrainés par l'Association canadienne des professeurs de droit (ACPD) et le Conseil des doyens et doyennes des facultés de droit (voir ci-dessous).

L'ACDS réagit vis-à-vis à la suppression du Programme de contestation judiciaire et de la Commission du droit du Canada. Dès que le gouvernement a annoncé l'élimination de ces deux institutions, l'ACDS a décidé de leur consacrer une des journées du Congrès afin non seulement de protester contre les attaques intempestives de M. Harper contre les ressources, l'enseignement et les études juridiques du pays mais aussi pour mieux faire connaître le travail accompli par ces importantes institutions. Le Conseil des doyens et doyennes des facultés de droit et l'Association canadienne des professeurs de droit (ACPD) co-parrainent les activités organisées ce jour-là et le Conseil des doyens et doyennes nous fait la gentillesse de se charger de la nourriture (geste d'autant plus apprécié que, de toute évidence, le populaire vins-fromages habituellement offert par la Commission du droit ne pourra pas avoir lieu). Au cours de la matinée du 31 mai se tiendra un panel de discussion sur le Programme de contestation judiciaire. Ce panel, qui réunira des personnalités de haut niveau devrait susciter beaucoup d'attention pendant toute la durée du Congrès, tant de la part des médias que du public. Plus de précisions au sujet de ce panel intitulé « Whose Charter is it now ? » - « Qui la Charte défend-elle à présent ? » seront affichées sur le site Web à mesure que nos organisateurs recevront la confirmation de participation des conférenciers invités. En après-midi, un premier panel constitué de chercheurs juridiques de haut niveau retracera l'historique et l'importance de la Commission du droit. Un second panel présentera certains des dossiers dont l'étude a dû être abandonnée du fait de la suppression intempestive de la Commission. Par le passé, le rassemblement annuel de l'ACDS comportait une journée consacrée à cet organisme qui servait de catalyseur aux rencontres entre les professeurs de droit et les chercheurs en droit et société exerçant à l'extérieur des facultés de droit et leur permettant d'échanger au sujet de leurs travaux. Nous sommes donc très heureux qu'en dépit de l'absence de la Commission du droit, ces activités puissent malgré tout avoir lieu. Nous espérons que nombre des chercheurs et universitaires qui étaient associés à la Commission se présenteront en grand nombre.

Activités du caucus des étudiants de 2e et 3e cycles. Rashmee Singh a été élue au conseil

d'administration de l'ACDS à titre de représentante des étudiants et étudiantes de 2^e et 3^e cycles, où elle vient rejoindre Emma Cunliffe. Autres nouvelles du côté étudiant, selon la rumeur, le Prix Audace de l'imagination Nathalie Des Rosiers, une bourse d'étude décernée par la Commission du droit en vue de récompenser des étudiants pour l'originalité et le caractère novateur de leurs recherches de 2^e ou 3^e cycles, pourrait bien avoir trouvé un nouveau parrainage... si cela vous intéresse, soyez à l'affût des nouvelles affichées sur le site Web de l'ACDS.

Pour les administrateurs de l'ACDS : conférence de la mi-hiver - du 18 au 20 janvier à Vancouver. Renisa Mawani et Fiona Kelly préparent actuellement la réunion du conseil d'administration de la mi-hiver, qui se tiendra à l'UBC, et la journée de travail qui aura lieu conjointement, au cours de laquelle les administrateurs de l'ACDS et les membres de l'Association qui sont à Vancouver ou dans la région pourront exposer leurs travaux. Cette journée d'études du 19 janvier débutera par un discours liminaire prononcé par Mme Tina Loo, socio-historienne. Une réception aura lieu la veille au soir, soit le 18 janvier. Tout membre de l'Association est cordialement invité à prendre part à la réception, à la journée d'études et à la réunion du conseil d'administration. Pour plus de précisions, veuillez vous renseigner auprès de Renisa Mawani.

Projet à venir : réunion conjointe de la LSA/ACDS, Montréal 2008. Ainsi que les membres de l'ACDS en ont été informés en juin 2006, la Law and Society Association (LSA) a demandé à notre association de coparrainer une assemblée annuelle conjointe à Montréal en 2008 et nous avons accepté. Il faudra travailler sérieusement à la planification de cet événement d'ici quelques mois mais nous avons déjà « repéré » quelques personnes susceptibles de faire partie du comité conjoint LSA-ACDS du programme – les représentants de l'ACDS qui en feront partie devront être suffisamment à l'aise dans les deux langues et les deux disciplines.

Pour finir, je tiens à remercier de nouveau Ruth Murbach pour son travail à la direction du journal de l'Association, Bruce Ryder (alias trésorier à vie) pour le temps qu'il consacre à tenir à jour les finances, Richard Weisman qui a gentiment accepté de se charger encore une fois de notre bulletin électronique, les membres du conseil d'administration, pour leur aide en toute occasion et enfin et surtout, pour votre soutien et vos encouragements à tous. Un conseil d'administration où tout le monde s'entend et fait preuve de coopération et d'entraide est quelque chose de fort précieux.

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CALL FOR PAPERS / INVITATION TO
PROPOSE AND GUEST EDIT A SPECIAL
ISSUE

The Journal accepts to review and publish a variety of papers under the condition that they belong to the vast field of Law and Society. Articles submitted undergo an external evaluation procedure, as described in the Journal and on CLSA's website (acds-clsa.org). We maintain the Journal's tradition to publish on a regular basis special thematic issues, guest edited by mandated specialists whose proposals have been accepted by the Editorial Board. With the help of Randy

Lippert, Sociology and Anthropology, University of Windsor and Kevin Stenson, Middlesex University, United Kingdom we are now preparing a special issue on *Urban Governance and Legality from Below*. It is still possible to submit your contribution for this upcoming issue. For further information, please contact one of the guest editors (lippert@uwindsor.ca and/or k.stenson@mdx.ac.uk). The editor invites you to submit proposals for other special issues (for details, please contact: murbach.ruth@uqam.ca).

APPEL À NOUS SOUMETTRE DES ARTICLES / INVITATION À PROPOSER ET COORDONNER UN NUMÉRO THÉMATIQUE

La Revue accepte de considérer pour publication une variété d'articles pourvu qu'ils relèvent du champs vaste de Droit et Société. Les textes reçus sont soumis à l'évaluation externe, comme décrite dans la Revue et sur le site de l'ACDS (acds-clsa.org). Elle poursuit par ailleurs la tradition de publier régulièrement des numéros à thème dont la coordination est confiée à des spécialistes, après proposition d'un synopsis au Comité de rédaction qui en décide. En collaboration avec Randy Lippert, Sociology and Anthropology, University of Windsor et Kevin Stenson, Middlesex University, United Kingdom nous préparons maintenant un numéro special sur *Urban Governance and Legality from Below*. Il est toujours temps d'y participer. Pour plus d'informations, veuillez contacter les coordinateurs (lippert@uwindsor.ca et/ou k.stenson@mdx.ac.uk). La rédaction vous invite finalement à nous soumettre des propositions pour d'autres numéros thématiques (contactez s.v.p. murbach.ruth@uqam.ca).

CANADIAN LAW AND SOCIETY ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting

Osgoode Hall Law School, York University
June 1, 2006

In attendance:

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Rashmee Singh, Emma Cunliffe, Kirsten Kramar, Mariana Valverde, Debra Parkes

Meeting commenced at: 12:45

1. **Welcoming remarks and President's Report (Mariana Valverde).** Mariana introduced board members and briefly highlighted plans for the upcoming meetings in 2007 (Saskatchewan with the Congress), 2008 (Montreal as a joint conference with Canadian and American Law & Society Associations). Questions the accessibility for the 2008 conference were raised and it was decided that the board would appoint a committee for the 2008 conference at the board meeting and that accessibility would be included in their mandate
2. **Agenda and Minutes.** Approval of the agenda and 2005 AGM minutes, as amended (a few names of those in attendance had been inadvertently omitted), was moved by Kirsten Kramar and seconded by Richard Weisman. Carried.
3. **Conference Report (Jane McMillan).** Jane noted that the registration was approximately 140 people. She thanked the graduate student committee and Leah Dunton who worked on the program, and everyone else who worked on the conference. The membership also thanked Jane McMillan for her great work on the conference.
4. **Report on Graduate Student Workshop (Rashmee Singh and Emma Cunliffe).** Rashmee and Emma reported that 35 grad students had registered and that the focus would be on methodologies. Mariana commented on the timeliness and significance of the graduate student workshop and thanked everyone who worked on it.
5. **Financial Report (Bruce Ryder).** Bruce was on sabbatical in South Africa, so his written report was presented by Mariana. It was noted that next year's travel budget will likely have to be higher since almost all grad students will be coming from away. There was also some

discussion about hiring a paid staff person perhaps starting in September (to help with the Bulletin, conference program, program committee, etc.) and that matter was referred to the board. Acceptance of the report was moved by Kirsten Kramar and seconded by Jim Phillips. Carried.

6. **Journal Report (Ruth Murbach).** Ruth was ill and unable to attend the meeting. Her report was distributed by Mariana and the membership was encouraged to contact Ruth if they had questions or comments. Acceptance of the report was moved by Richard Weisman, seconded by Ron Levi. Carried.
7. **Future CLSA Meetings**
 - a. Saskatchewan 2007: It was discussed that we need a local arrangements coordinator, probably from the U of Saskatchewan Law School). The following people volunteered for the 2007 program committee: Lise Gotell, Diane Crocker, Kirsten Kramar, Jim Phillips, and Mélanie Méthot. Rashmee Singh and Emma Cunliffe will look for volunteers to organize the grad student workshop on the Saturday.
 - b. Montreal 2008: It was discussed that we will need a committee to address language/translation issues, as well as other issues.
8. **Board membership.** It was noted that three board members' terms are ending this year: Bob Menzies, Annie Bunting and Diane Crocker.
 - a. Annie Bunting is willing to stand again – moved by Jane McMillan, seconded by Kirsten Kramar. Carried.
 - b. Diane Crocker is willing to stand again – moved by Mélanie Méthot, seconded by Kirsten Kramar. Carried.
 - c. Bob Menzies would like to take some time off the board. For that position, Rebecca Johnson was nominated – moved by Richard Weisman,

seconded by Kirsten Kramar. Carried.

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9. **Proposed bylaw revisions.** Kirsten Kramar explained the rationale for proposed bylaw revisions, citing the need for transparency and regularizing processes that are already in use. The proposed bylaw revisions will be posted on the CLSA website and presented at the 2007 AGM for a vote.

10. **Other business**

a. A question was raised about whether we accrue any interest on the surplus currently in the CLSA account at York. The matter was referred to Treasurer to inquire about this and, if it accrues no interest, to possibly move the account or buy a term deposit.

b. The book prize was announced: Susan Drummond, *Mapping Marriage Law in Spanish Gitano Communities* (UBC Press).

The programme committee of the Canadian Law & Society Association invites submissions for the 2007 annual meeting of the Congress of Learned Societies to be held May 31 – June 2, 2007 at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon. In addition, the University of Saskatchewan will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. This year, the CLSA theme «Law: Power and Communities/ Le Droit: Pouvoir et Communautés» seeks to highlight the significance of Aboriginal and post-colonial perspectives on law and self governance.

The CLSA will join with the Canadian Association of Law Teachers and the Law Deans to host plenary sessions which highlight the importance of the Law Commission of Canada and the Court Challenges Program, both recently eliminated by the Conservative government's budget cuts under Prime Minister Stephen Harper. More information on the plenary sessions, scheduled to be held on May 31, 2007, will be posted on CLSA website in the coming months. In addition to proposals that engage our theme, we welcome proposals for papers in any area of law and society scholarship and interdisciplinary legal studies. We encourage participants to submit suggestions for completed panels but also welcome individual submissions. Please include a panel theme, paper titles, and abstracts of up to 250 words, along with full institutional affiliations and contact information for each presenter. If you are willing to participate as a panel chair, or discussant please indicate this on your submission. Please forward your panel and paper proposals to the the CLSA Program Committee at:

CLSA2007@shaw.ca

Early expressions of interest are encouraged; the deadline for proposals is February 15, 2007.

Information on conference registration, accommodation and other Congress activities will be found at:

www.fedcan.ca/congress2007 and in the registration guide to be mailed in January.

If you have any questions or comments you may contact Kirsten Kramar, Program Committee Chair, at kkramar@shaw.ca or Dwight Newman, Local Arrangements Coordinator, at dwright.newman@usask.ca.

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Le comité du programme de la conférence annuelle de l'Association canadienne de droit et société lance une invitation pour les soumissions de communications pour sa rencontre annuelle qui aura lieu à Saskatoon dans le cadre du Congrès des sciences humaines et sociales 2007. La conférence se déroulera du 31 mai au 2 juin à l'Université de la Saskatchewan qui d'ailleurs fête son centenaire. Cette année, le thème de l'ACDS «Law: Power and Communities/ Le Droit: Pouvoir et Communautés» cherche à souligner l'impact des perspectives autochtones et post-coloniales sur le droit et l'auto-gouvernance.

L'ACDS se joint à l'Association canadienne des professeur(e)s de droit et au Conseil des doyens et doyennes des facultés de droit du Canada pour organiser une série de sessions plénières le 31 mai où il sera question de l'importance du travail accompli par la Commission du droit du Canada et le Programme de contestation judiciaire du Canada. Un sujet d'actualité puisque le

Meeting adjourned at: 1:45pm

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Gouvernement fédéral a récemment décidé d'éliminer, et le Programme de contestation judiciaire et le financement à la Commission du droit, donnant comme raison « contraintes budgétaires. » De plus amples informations au sujet de ces plénières seront affichées au cours des prochains mois sur le site de l'ACDS.

En plus des propositions qui traitent directement de notre thème, nous considérerons les soumissions de communications qui touchent à tout autre aspect du droit et de la société et/ou qui s'inscrivent dans la lignée des études légales interdisciplinaires. Nous encourageons les participants à soumettre des suggestions pour une communication individuelle ou en groupe, ou encore pour une table ronde. Veuillez nous faire parvenir le titre de la communication avec un résumé n'excédant pas 250 mots, votre affiliation institutionnelle, votre adresse électronique et vos numéros de téléphones et télécopieurs. Pour ceux et celles qui proposent une session complète, veuillez indiquer aussi le thème/titre de votre session.

Si vous êtes prêt(e) à commenter ou à présider une session, veuillez l'indiquer. Envoyez vos propositions de sessions ou de communications au comité du Programme de la conférence annuelle de l'ACDS à :

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Nous vous encourageons à nous faire part de votre intérêt dès que possible. La date limite pour soumettre des propositions est le **15 février 2007**

Pour toutes informations concernant l'inscription, le logement et les autres activités, veuillez consulter le site du Congrès au: www.fedcan.ca/congress2007 et consulter le guide d'inscription au Congrès qui sera diffusé en janvier.

Si vous avez des questions ou des commentaires, n'hésitez pas à contacter Kirsten Kramar, Présidente du Comité du Programme 2007, au kkramar@shaw.ca ou Dwight Newman, Coordinateur local, au dwright.newman@usask.ca.

Report from Program Committee Chair

Plans are well underway for our meetings in Saskatoon May 31 – June 2, 2007. The program committee has posted the call for papers on our website and we will begin to draft a preliminary program in late February. Thanks to Mélanie Méthot who very kindly and skilfully translated the English Call for Papers into French. On September 28, 2006 I attended the Congress planning meeting at the University of Saskatchewan. There I was pleased to meet and spend time with Dwight Newman, our local arrangements coordinator. Dwight took the time to show me around the campus and has been working diligently with the Congress organizers to book our conference rooms and take care of other administrative details. While Dwight took care of the more mundane tasks, I took the opportunity to investigate venues for socializing! We have booked the Student Union Pub (Louis') to follow our Law Commission of Canada and Charter Challenges Programme Plenary event on May 31, 2007. Go to: <http://www.ussu.ca/louis> if you want to check out the facility. I am told this is also where Congress will be setting up their famous beer tent.

Also, we are very pleased to report that Dr. James (Sa'ke'j) Youngblood Henderson has agreed to deliver a keynote address at our banquet which we plan to hold at Wanuskewin Heritage Park on the evening of June 1, 2007. For those of you who might not be familiar with his work, Dr. Henderson is the Research Director of the Native Law Centre of Canada located at the University of Saskatchewan's College of Law. He is an internationally respected human rights lawyer who has created litigation strategies to restore Aboriginal Culture, institutions and rights. The Heritage Park facility is located on the bank of the South Saskatchewan river. On its three hundred and twenty acres of land there are nineteen pre-contact sites that represent the Northern Plains Peoples: summer and winter camp sites, bison kill sites, tipi rings and a boulder alignment known as a medicine wheel, all found within a kilometre of each other. We hope to schedule a bit of time in between the afternoon sessions and dinner for exploring this Indigenous spiritual site. You can check out Wanuskewin Heritage Park at www.wanuskewin.com. My sincere thanks to the Program Committee members and in particular Dwight Newman, for all your help in planning what promises to be a really memorable conference in Saskatoon.

Kirsten Kramar

Mid-Winter Meetings

The Mid-winter meeting will be held at the University of British Columbia from January 18th - 20th/ 2007. The organizing committee (Renisa Mawani, Sociology and Fiona Kelly, Law) have been busy with booking rooms and speakers.

The tentative schedule for the mid-winter meeting is as follows:

Thursday January 18th, 2007: Wes Pue has organized a First Nations Rights roundtable with a discussion between Professor Arthur Ray (UBC, History) and Professor Michael Jackson (UBC, Law). Although this event is not formally included in the CLSA program it will certainly be of interest to many people.

The mid-winter meetings will be started with a Keynote address by Dr. Tina Loo (CRC in History). Dr. Loo will be presenting a paper entitled, "Disturbing the Peace: Environmental Change and Justice on a Northern River."

Friday January 19th, 2007

A day long conference (10-5:30) featuring presentations by faculty and graduate students engaged in Law and Society research.

Saturday January 20th, 2007

Board meeting 9-12:30 followed by a "(Post)colonial" walking tour of Vancouver's Stanley Park to be guided by Renisa Mawani (weather permitting).

Renisa Mawani <renisa@interchange.ubc.ca>

CONFERENCE DE LA MI-HIVER

La conférence de la mi-hiver aura lieu à l'Université de Colombie-Britannique (UBC) du 18 au 20 janvier 2007. Le comité organisateur, composé de Renisa Mawani (sociologie), et de Fiona Kelly (droit), ont réservé des salles et engagé des conférenciers pour cet événement.

Voici le programme provisoire de la rencontre :

Jeudi 18 janvier 2007 :

Wes Pue a organisé une table ronde sur les droits des Premières Nations à laquelle participeront le Professeur Arthur Ray (UBC, Histoire) et le Professeur Michael Jackson (UBC, Droit). Bien que cette discussion ne figure pas de façon formelle au programme de la conférence, elle promet de susciter beaucoup d'intérêt.

La conférence de la mi-hiver débutera par une allocution de Mme Tina Loo (chaire de recherche du Canada en histoire). Mme Loo présentera une communication intitulé

«Disturbing the Peace: Environmental Change and Justice on a Northern River» («Perturber la paix : changements écologiques et justice dans le bassin d'un fleuve nordique »).

Le vendredi 19 février 2007

Journée complète de travail (de 10 h à 17 h 30), durant laquelle des enseignants et des étudiants des 2e et 3e cycles présenteront des exposés sur des recherches en droit et société.

Le samedi 20 janvier 2007

Réunion du conseil d'administration de l'ACDS de 9 h à 12 h 30, suivie d'une visite «(Post)coloniale» du parc Stanley de Vancouver, qui sera guidée par Renisa Mawani (si le temps le permet).

Renisa Mawani <renisa@interchange.ubc.ca

Announcements

1. ClassCrits: Toward a Critical Legal Analysis of Economic Inequality is the topic of a **Baldy Center workshop on January 25-26, 2007** being organized by University at Buffalo Law School professors, Martha McCluskey and Athena Mutua.

The workshop will address three questions: "Why 'ClassCrits': What are we doing and what do we want?"; "How might a focus on economic class differ from other approaches to analyzing economic policy and economic inequality in law"; and "How can a focus on class build on and add to other anti-subordination projects in law, taking an intersectional approach?"

Details are available at

www.law.buffalo.edu/baldycenter/events.htm

A Baldy Center workshop on Criminal Law, Terrorism, and the State of Emergency is scheduled for **May 2007**. Organized by Markus Dubber, University at Buffalo Law School, and Lindsay Farmer, University of Glasgow School of Law, this workshop will provide a common international and interdisciplinary forum for legal doctrinal and political theoretical debates between criminal law scholars and political theorists on the position of criminal law, terrorism, and states of emergency.

2. 10th Anniversary of the UBC Centre for Feminist Legal Studies

In 1997, the Centre for Feminist Legal Studies was created at UBC's Faculty of Law. Its mandate was to build on UBC's existing strength in feminist legal studies, to strengthen co-operation in research, teaching and graduate student supervision, and to enhance the visibility of the field by forging collaborative ties with people working in this field in both university and community settings. We renovated and equipped space in which to

house the Centre, its resource library, and meeting space. The Centre is now used regularly by students, faculty and visiting scholars from Canada and around the world. We have a weekly Lecture series during term and have launched several books at our annual celebration. We have also sponsored several workshops, including an international workshop on *Theoretical and Methodological Directions in Law, Feminism, Gender and Sexuality* co-hosted with the UK Centre for Law, Gender and Sexuality in August 2006. The Centre also has supported several research projects, including the Poverty and Human Rights Project and a project on Gendering Asylum.

This year we celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Centre! We are reviewing and assessing our activities over the past 10 years and making plans for the future, with the help of students, faculty and community partners. We will host two community events in early 2007, with the goal of strengthening the Centre's role in facilitating collaboration between feminist community groups, lawyers, academics and students at UBC Law.

The Centre launched a website a few years ago, which offers information about our history and activities:

<http://faculty.law.ubc.ca/cfls/>. We also publish a newsletter three times a year. To receive an e-copy, please email cfls@law.ubc.ca and ask to be placed on our email list.

3. MA in Legal Studies Carleton University

The Department of Law at Carleton University is expanding its graduate program in coming years. Currently, we are soliciting applications for our MA in Legal Studies. The program is well suited to critically minded, theoretically sophisticated and academically accomplished students who want to further their studies in law from an interdisciplinary perspective. The program offers scholarships and TA ships to its top students and there are plenty of opportunities to participate in faculty research projects.

The MA degree in Legal Studies is a program of advanced study and research which is open to full-time and part-time studies. The MA program provides students with an interdisciplinary, theoretically grounded and research oriented approach to studying law as a social and political institution with emphasis on the relationship between law and social transformation. The plan of study includes a range of fields linked by a common theoretical and methodological concern with the way law shapes and is shaped by its social environment. The program is designed to develop the conceptual and analytical skills

required for conducting independent research on law and society.

If you are interested in learning more about the MA program please visit our website at www.carleton.ca/law or contact Ron Saunders,

Graduate Supervisor at
rsaunders@connect.carleton.ca

PUBLICATIONS(2006)

Recently published books, edited collections, and reports by members of the CLSA:

Harry Arthurs, Report of the Federal Labour Standards Review entitled *Fairness at Work: Federal Labour Standards for the 21st Century*, published on October 31, 2006 and available online at www.fl-s-ntf.gc.ca.

Gillian Balfour and Elizabeth Comack (eds.) *Criminalizing Women: Gender and (In)justice in Neo-Liberal Times*(Halifax: Fernwood Publishing, 2006).

Susan B. Boyd and Helen Rhoades, eds., *Law and Families*, The International Library of Essays in Law and Society (Ashgate, 2006).

B. Burtch and Nick Larsen, eds. *Law in Society: Canadian Readings* [2nd edition]. (Toronto: Thomson Nelson, 2006).

Elizabeth Comack (ed.) *Locating Law: Race/Class/Gender/Sexuality Connections*, 2nd edition(Halifax: Fernwood Publishing, 2006).

Arnaud Decroix, *Question fiscale et réforme financière en France(1749-1789). Logique de la transparence et recherche de la confiance publique*, (Aix-en-Provence, Presses universitaires d'Aix-Marseille, 2006)

Judy Fudge and Rosemary Owens, eds, *Precarious Work, Women, and the New Economy: The Challenge to Legal Norms* (Oxford: Hart, 2006).

Bryan Hogeveen, Joane Martel, and Andrew Woolford, eds., Special Edition of *Canadian Journal of Criminology and Criminal Justice*, " Law and Critique in Canada," Vol. 48, no. 5(September, 2006).

Mary Jane Mossman, *First Women Lawyers: A Comparative Study of Gender, Law and the Legal Professions* (Oxford and Portland OR: Hart Publishing, 2006).

NEWS ABOUT MEMBERS

Judy Fudge will be leaving Osgoode Hall Law School to take up the Lansdowne Chair at the Faculty of Law at the University of Victoria.

JOB ADVERTISEMENT

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Professor Peter Swan
Chair, Department of Law
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email: pswan@ccs.carleton.ca

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. The applications of Canadians and Permanent Residents will be given priority. Carleton University is committed to equality of employment for women, Aboriginal peoples, visible minorities and persons with disabilities. Persons from these groups are encouraged to apply.

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