CALL FOR PAPERS
SOCIETY FOR FRENCH HISTORICAL STUDIES
52nd Annual Meeting, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
20-23 April 2006

The 52nd annual meeting of the Society for French Historical Studies will take place on 20-22 April 2006. It will be sponsored by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, with support from area universities. Sessions on Friday April 21 and Saturday April 22 will be at the Illini Union, which anchors the university quad. Keynote speakers will include Julian Jackson (University of London), Christian Jouhaud (EHESS and CNRS), and Ségolène LeMen (Paris X, ENS). The welcoming reception on Thursday evening will take place in the Krannert Art Museum, which is organizing an exhibition of our spectacular WWI poster collection in honor of the conference.

Our campus is located in the twin cities of Champaign-Urbana, within 2-3 hours driving distance of Chicago, Indianapolis and Saint-Louis. The Champaign airport is served by American Airlines, Northwest and Delta, with connections through Chicago, Detroit, Saint-Louis, and Dallas. The conference hotel will be the Historic Lincoln Hotel (http://www.historiclincolnhotel.com; tel: 1-800-251-1962). Named a top-10 North American city for technology by Newsweek magazine, Champaign-Urbana is home to a thriving silicon prairie and to the third largest university library collection in the country. Downtown Champaign is currently undergoing a renaissance, with a great live music and bar scene and cosmopolitan restaurants. Hopefully, the cherry blossoms will be in full bloom across the quad when you arrive.

Proposals for individual papers or, preferably, entire panels, should be submitted to the organizers. Individual sessions normally include three papers, a commentator and a chair, but the Programming Committee will consider proposals for innovative formats. All proposals should include a session title, paper titles, short abstracts of papers (max. 300 words), and a brief CV for each panelist.

The deadline for proposals is OCTOBER 15, 2005.

For the first time, SFHS will be accepting proposal submissions on-line at our website at

www.history.uiuc.edu/sfhs2006

The site is currently under construction but will be up and running in time for the October deadline. This webpage will also be used for on-line conference registration and display constantly updated conference information, including the conference program.

Participants in the program must be members of the Society. Non-members who wish to submit proposals can join from the Duke Press webpage (http://www.dukeupress.edu/), or by writing to: Journals Fulfillment, Duke University Press, Box 90660, Durham, N.C. 27708-0660. Members of the society receive the quarterly journal French Historical Studies.

For any further inquiries, please contact the two co-presidents of the Society for 2005-2006: Clare Crowston and Mark Micale at sfhs-2006@uiuc.edu.