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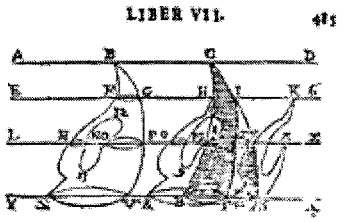
CSHPM  SCHPM

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## Address from the President at the Annual Meeting

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Science (CSHPM), graciously hosted by the University of Waterloo.

As you may know, this is our second joint meeting with the Canadian Mathematical Society (CMS), following the very successful Math 2000 meeting, held five years ago at McMaster University. The CSHPM looks forward to participating in what we hope will be a continuing sequence of joint meetings with other Canadian mathematical societies, to take place on a regular basis for the foreseeable future. The CSHPM is particularly grateful to Len Berggren and Tom Archibald, both past presidents of the Society, for fostering close and collegial ties between the CSHPM and the CMS.

This is the thirty-second annual meeting of the CSHPM. The Society was founded in 1973, largely through the efforts of the late Kenneth O. May, and held it first annual meeting in Toronto at the 1974 gathering of the Learned Societies. Following Ken's death in 1977, the Society established an annual invited lecture in his honor, delivered at the annual meeting as part of the Special Session. It is with great pleasure, then, that the Society celebrates the publication of *Mathematics and the Historian's Craft: The Kenneth O. May Lectures*, published by Springer and edited by Michael Kinyon, former editor of the CSHPM *Proceedings*, and past-president Glen Van Brummelen. This volume collects a dozen of the finest papers presented by invited speakers at CSHPM meetings. Please join us for the official launch of this book at the Book Series Reception on Saturday, June 4, at 19:00 in Centre for International Governance Innovation.

The CSHPM Special Session for 2005 is titled *The History of Mathematics from Medieval Islam to Renaissance Europe*. The plenary talk for this session will be delivered by Len Berggren on Monday, June 6, at 14:45. Other talks in the session will be given on Monday during the late morning and afternoon. The CSHPM General Session is entitled History and Philosophy of Mathematics, and will take place on Saturday, Sunday and Monday morning, with parallel sessions on weekend afternoons. I am grateful to Glen Van Brummelen and Duncan Melville for their efforts in organizing these CSHPM sessions.

The CSHPM wishes to express its gratitude to the Meeting Committee and especially to Alexandru Nica, the Meeting Director. We are also grateful to the Local Arrangements Committee. Finally, we would like to thank Graham Wright, the Executive Director of the CMS, and Gertrud Jeewanjee, the Meetings Director of the CMS.

Rob Bradley
CSHPM President

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