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Dear Rousseau Association Members:

Happy New Year to all the members of the Rousseau Association/Association Rousseau!

This bulletin provides Rousseau Association news and business.

Included in the following pages are:

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***** Please also note the attached 2007 dues notice. *****

As you pay dues, please recall that as part of our agreement with *SVEC* for any volumes they accept for publication, the Voltaire Foundation has agreed to offer the Association a discounted price on volumes for its members. We anticipate having the same arrangement for the forthcoming volume. Because of the price of these volumes we can distribute these volumes only to members whose dues are currently paid-up.

Sincerely,

John T. Scott
Publications Director, Rousseau Association/Association Rousseau

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Publication of *The Nature of Rousseau's 'Rêveries'*

I am pleased to announce that *SVEC* has accepted for publication an edited volume based upon the 2005 colloquium of the Rousseau Association.

The volume is edited by John C. O'Neal and is tentatively titled *The Nature of Rousseau's 'Rêveries'*, and contains essays on the meaning of nature in the work as well as essays on the nature of the work itself.

The volume is scheduled for publication in early 2008. All Rousseau Association members will receive a copy of the volume as part of their membership.

Please join me in congratulating John O'Neal on a very fine colloquium and an exciting new publication by the Rousseau Association.

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XVth biennial colloquium of the Rousseau Association Colloquium

Rousseau and the philosophes / Rousseau et les philosophes

**Lyon, France
June 28 – July 1, 2007**

Dir.: Michael O’Dea

The Rousseau Association along with the LIRE XVIIIe Research Group and Lyon II University will hold the XVth biennial colloquium of the Association, and the first to be held in France.

The formal conference program begins after lunch on Thursday June 28th and ends on the Saturday evening.

There will be two keynote lectures. Professor Mark Hulliung of Brandeis University will speak on ‘Rousseau and the philosophes’ (what else?), and Professor Jean-François Perrin of Grenoble III University will address the colloquium on the subject ‘L’art de “Nos Messieurs”: politique et style de l’hégémonie selon les *Dialogues*’.

Conference speakers come from the USA, Canada, France, Japan, Switzerland and the UK.

In addition to the regular program of the colloquium, Sunday July 1st will see an excursion to Les Charmettes and perhaps a visit to a surprise location which Michael O’Dea won’t reveal until he is surer of his facts.

We hope that the conference will, like its predecessors, provide many opportunities for renewing and developing contacts among Rousseauists and with that in mind are preparing a full social program.

Registration material and a preliminary program for the colloquium will be sent out by the end of January.

Although the conference secretariat can assist with booking accommodations in case of difficulty, our preference is for each individual to make his or her own arrangements. A list of hotels and residences in various price ranges and within easy reach of the conference location in central Lyon will be provided. All accept Internet bookings. We advise making your booking well in advance, as accommodation in Lyon can be difficult to obtain at short notice. Members of the Association who are not speaking at the colloquium but wish to attend and participate are of course very welcome.

For enquiries about the colloquium please contact Michael O'Dea:

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We will also be posting information on the Rousseau Association website:

www.rousseauassociation.org

Minutes of the 2006 Rousseau Association Business Meeting

The minutes of the 2005 Business Meeting were approved.

Sally Campbell submitted the Secretary-Treasurer's report. As of the end of 2006, the Association's assets totaled \$10,852.69. Somewhat less than half of these funds were generated by the 2005 colloquium, through registration fees and through generous funding from Hamilton College for the purposes of publishing the resulting volume. A large portion of these assets will be used in the next year or so to fund purchases of the edited volumes based on Association colloquia for members. Membership numbers were approximately the same as the previous year.

John Scott presented the Publications Director report. He was pleased to report the acceptance of an edited volume based on the 2005 colloquium, edited by John C. O'Neal, and scheduled for publication in early 2008. He also announced that the volume based on the 2004 Rousseau Association colloquium in Oxford, and edited by Ourida Mostefai and John Scott, was under review.

Byron Wells presented the President's report.

Miscellaneous News

*** 2007 ASECS meeting, Atlanta, GA, March 21-24, 2007**

Rousseau Association sessions:

“New Directions in Rousseau Studies: Thérèse Levasseur, the Other Woman of the Enlightenment” (Thursday, March 22, 10:30 am-12:00 pm)

“Rousseau and Materialism” (Friday, March 23, 11:30 am-1:00 pm)

In addition to these two sessions, there are several other papers on Rousseau being presented.

*** 2008 ASECS meeting, Portland, OR, March 27-30, 2008**

Seminar proposals are due by May 1, 2007. As an affiliate association, the Rousseau Association is allocated at least one seminar for the meeting. If you are interested in submitting a proposal, contact Byron Wells (wells@wfu.edu)

Rousseau Association

2007 Annual Dues Notice

If you have not done so already, please pay your 2007 Rousseau Association dues, as well as any 2006 dues you may still owe.

Regular dues are US \$30.00.

Dues for students and retired members are US \$15.00.

We currently have two payment options:

Either: send a check or money order (made out to the Rousseau Association—in US dollars) to the following address:

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P.O. Box 1000, Faculty Box 69
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Or: pay electronically through PayPal. Go to www.paypal.com, click on _Send Money,_ and follow instructions (you will be required to open an account if you do not already have one). Payment should be directed to the following email address: campbellsh@suddenlink.net.

Please let me know if you need a receipt.

If you have any questions about your dues or membership status, please write to me at: scampbell@concord.edu.

Thank you!