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During the breaks and various social events, which included a visit to the accounting archives of the Sèvres Museum and a memorable dinner aboard a “bateau-mouche,” panel members were able to discuss with the participants their research projects in a more informal setting. The colloquium concluded with a reflection on the lessons derived from participation.

The feedback from Colloquium participants was that the interaction with other participants and the panel members fostered a strong sense of community. It is trusted that the messages from the ‘coach’ and the valuable feedback and guidance received, motivates the participants to complete their research projects and develop quality papers for publication and may also result in new joint projects on accounting’s past, in the future.

The 4AHIESC will be held as part of the seventh Accounting History International Conference (7AHIC) in Seville, Spain, and is scheduled to take place on 25 September 2013.

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On Sunday, August 5, 2012, members of the Academy presented a workshop entitled “Accounting History Boot Camp: How to Conduct Research in Accounting History” at the national meeting of the AAA. This CPE session had nearly 30 people in attendance and was a good lead-in to the annual ice cream social that was sponsored by the Academy on Sunday evening.

The workshop was designed to inspire new membership in the Academy and provide “how-to” information to academics who are (Continued on page 11)
contemplating research in accounting history. Members participating in the workshop presented various topics such as development of accounting thought, information about publishing in The Accounting Historians Journal and Notebook, archival research methods, sources of data and archives, international research and conferences, suggested readings, and schools of thought on accounting history.

Information about joining the Academy was available at the workshop and a specially discounted first-year member rate was offered to new members. Reaction to the workshop was positive by both presenters and attendees, and anticipation is strong for further interest in accounting history research and the Academy. Hence, plans are already under way to offer a boot-camp style CPE workshop at next year’s annual meeting of the American Accounting Association. Participation and/or topic suggestions by Academy members are highly encouraged to make next year’s boot camp even more successful.

Please forward your suggestions to Yvette Lazdowski at yjlazdowski@plymouth.edu.

Many thanks to the talented members who presented at the 2012 Accounting History Boot Camp, including Gary Previts, Barbara Merino, Joann Noe Cross, Gloria Volmers, Jim McKinney, Stephanie Moussalli, Royce Kurtz, and Robert Russ. Their powerpoint presentations are available on the Academy website. A special thank you goes out to Dr. Richard Vangermeersch, for kindly providing a variety of interesting and rare books from his Pacioli collection for the boot camp presentation.

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