I. Cervantes at the MLA
The annual CSA meeting was held on December 27, 2008. CSA President Frederick de Armas presided and Thomas Pavel gave the keynote address entitled, “Parody and the Search for Norms: The Place of Don Quixote in the History of the Novel.”

At the meeting Howard Mancing (VP) announced the topic for next year: “Marginal Voices in Cervantes.” This topic coincides with the 400th anniversary of the expulsion of the Moriscos from Spain.

Members unanimously approved the amended changes to the Constitution.

2009 celebrates the 30th anniversary of the CSA! The Executive Council began to discuss ways in which we might commemorate the event (more details to follow in the next newsletter).

Fred de Armas made the following announcements:
The MLA has reviewed our status as an allied organization and has renewed the CSA for seven years.
Carolyn Nadeau will serve as the Managing Director and Matt Wyszynski will serve as Communications Director. Thank you to other nominees for your willingness to serve.
Barbara Simerka, from the Executive Council, will serve on the nominating committee for the executive council. Members also voted for Ana Laguna and Juan Pablo Gil Oslé to serve on the committee. The ballot for Vice President and other Council members will appear in the September newsletter.
Chris Weimer (Venice 2010) and Adrienne Martín (Montreal 2011) will be in charge of organizing panel sessions for the annual conferences of the Renaissance Society of America.
The CSA will begin to offer up to $1000 in grants for any institution that organizes a Cervantes Symposium. Details of how and when to apply, including a pdf application will be online in the near future.

II. Other announcements:
The Cervantes Society of America will hold a competition to design a logo for the CSA. Any member interested in submitting a design should send a sample and a brief explanation of the logo to Carolyn Nadeau (cnadeau@iwu.edu) by May 1st. The logo will be used for the webpage and on letterhead and envelopes. The winner of the competition will receive a 4-year subscription to the Cervantes Society or $100.
The CSA is giving away back copies of the journal! Anyone interested in acquiring any issues from 1-25.2 should send a request to Carolyn Nadeau. They will be given away on a first come, first serve basis. Interested parties need only pay postage.

The California Cervantes Symposium in Spring 2010 will be hosted by Fresno State. Call for papers will be sent in Fall 2009 Contact Ted Bergman for more information (make link on his name: tbergman@csufresno.edu)

From June 29-August 7, 2009 Salvador Fajardo will direct the NEH Summer Seminar for School Teachers, “Reading Don Quixote” in Binghamton, NY.

Dominich Finello has published The Evolution of the Spanish Pastoral Novel in Early Modern Spain with Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies (ISBN: 978-0-86698-401-0 / MR 353). The work recasts the role of the pastoral novel in the intellectual life of Spain after the initial impact of the Dianas. Spanish pastoral novels published from 1570 onward are crucial in reconstructing Spain’s intellectual history and modernity. Pastorals of Cervantes, Lope de Vega, Gálvez de Montalvo, Lofrasso, González de Bobadilla, Mercader, Corral, Suárez de Figueroa, Balbuena, and related eclogues and festival literature, will show that the genre became more than a resource for neoplatonic thinking and the idealization of country life.

III. CSA Annual Treasurer’s Report

I. Funds

**Income in 2008**

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Income in 2008:

- Subscriptions: $12,245.32
- Royalties: $388.06

**Total Income in ’08:** $12,633.38

Total Gross Income: $35,615.67

**Expenses in 2008**

- Office supplies: $431.21
- Mailing: $600.44 (includes Jan/May/transfer of archives)
- Sept Newsletter: $164.28
- Friedman (key note 2007): $500.00
- Correction of funds: $1811.53

**Total Expenditure in ‘08:** $19,280.46
Balance in checking: $16,335.21

Total CSA assets $32,512.24

Individual members: 250 (33 new)
Institutional members: 226 (1 new)

II. Information on current CSA membership

![2008: 250 Individual Members](image.png)
Up to Date Membership

Year Active Membership Began

Number of Active Members
CSA Annual Membership

Regional Individual Membership
International Representation

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19% Paid through 2006, 2007
81% Up to date

226 Institutional Members: Dues Status
Institutional Membership by Regions

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International Institutional Members

- India: 18
- Spain: 18
- Italy: 9
- Belgium: 6
- Canada: 4
- France: 4
- England: 8
- Scotland: 1
- Norway: 1
- The Netherlands: 1
- Germany: 4
- Switzerland: 1
- Mexico: 2
- Unknown: 2

Belgium: 1