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Attend the Annual Meeting, May 25–7

Annual Meeting in a nutshell

It's time to declare your intention to attend the annual meeting, to be held this year at McMaster University. The A.M.'s presence at McMaster—the first since 1990—is being sponsored by the Bertrand Russell Research Centre. Besides the usual events of an A.M., this is your opportunity to tour the Bertrand Russell Archives and the Russell Research Centre.

This is the Society's 28th annual meeting. Previous meetings at McMaster were in 1978, 1981, 1983 and 1990. Arrive early and tour the facilities for Russell scholarship and view his many memorabilia.

While the Society has a Board of Directors that is elected by the membership, and while the Board elects the executive officers of the Society at the A.M., the Bylaws require full direct democracy at the Annual Meeting in respect to amending the Bylaws and considering any cases of expulsion of members. Any member of one year's standing and of 18 years of age may run for office in the Society. All offices will be open to qualified candidates.

8 Board vacancies filled for 2001–03

by Ken Blackwell, Chairman, BRS, and Interim Editor

The 14 candidates for the 8 vacant directorships were joined by one write-in candidate when the election was held. The ballots were counted Feb. 23 and by Secretary Peter Stone and recounted by member Dave Henchan the next day.

The winning candidates (in order of votes) for the 2001-03 term are: Ken Blackwell, David White, Dennis Darland, John Lenz, David Rodier, Laurie Endicott Thomas, Steve Reinhardt, Tom Stanley.

Many thanks to the following candidates who ran: Peter Friedman, Heidi Heller, Chad Trainer, Ruili Ye, Dong In-Bae, Dave Goldman, John Boland (write-in).

The other 16 directors are: For 1999–2001: Stefan Andersson, Derek Araujo, Kevin Brodie, Tim Madigan, Ray Perkins, Alan Schwerin, Warren Allen Smith and Thom Weidlich. For Jan. 1, 2000–Dec. 31, 2002: Steve Bayne, Jan Loeb Eisler, Keith Green, Nicholas Griffin, Justin Leiber, Chandrakala Padia, Harry Ruja and Peter Stone.

As many as possible should attend the Board meeting at Annual Meeting.

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Call for Papers at the A.M.

If you would like to present a paper at the forthcoming meeting of the BRS, please send an abstract of 150 words to the BRS President:

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Monmouth University
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Phone: (732) 571-4470
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Complete papers are due no later than May 1. The abstracts of the papers that have been accepted for the conference will be posted at <http://www.monmouth.edu/aschweri/brs2001.htm> along with the full text of the paper.

How to join BRS-list

by Ken Blackwell

Over one third of BRS members have joined the listserv BRS-list, maintained at McMaster University for the exclusive use of BRS members.

To join the list, visit mailman.mcmaster.ca/mailman/listinfo/brs-list and fill out the form. Alternatively, for those without Web access, the list may be enjoyed entirely by email. Send the message

subscribe

to brs-list-request@mailman.McMaster.CA.

We believe this list to be private and secure. E.g., the only way in which your email address will become known to others on the list is if you provide it in any messages you send. The list is managed by myself.

BRS websites

The Russell Society has an official website at www.users.drew.edu/~jlenz/brs.html, and it seems to be mirrored at sfr.ee.teiath.gr/htmlSELIDES/Russell/BR_Society.htm. Besides much else, the official website has a valuable page of links to writings by and about Russell on the Web. John Lenz maintains the site.

Alan Schwerin, BRS President, has a website for the annual meetings at www.monmouth.edu/~aschweri/brs/.

Steve Bayne has one for his Boston Area Chapter: www.channell.com/users/srbayne/BRS/russell.html

Tom Stanley has one for the BRS Library at www.geocities.com/Athens/Olympus/4268/

The Annual Meeting's website is <http://www.humanities.mcmaster.ca/~russell/brsmeeting.htm>.

Finally, the Greater Rochester Russell Set, with several BRS members, has a most active and impressive web page at home.sjfc.edu/~white/grrs

Time for renewals

The time has come to renew your BRS membership for 2001. The renewal rates, which are unchanged, are:

Individual US\$35
Couple \$40
Student \$20
Limited Income Individual \$20
Limited Income Couple \$25
Organization Membership \$50

Outside the U.S., add \$4 for postage to Canada and Mexico, and \$10 overseas.

Donors are ranked as follows:

"Contributor" \$50+
"Sustainer" \$75+
"Sponsor" \$100+
"Patron" \$250+
"Benefactor" \$500+
"Life Member" \$1,000+

Life members are Dennis Darland, Don Jackanicz, Jim Reid and Charles Weyand.

Send your cheque (made out to the Bertrand Russell Society, Inc.) to the BRS Treasurer, Dennis Darland, at 1406 26 St., Rock Island, IL 61201-2837, USA.

Donors to the BRS

by Dennis Darland

The Bertrand Russell Society received donations above their membership fees from the following individuals in 2000:

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All taxes are included. Send a single money order or cheque (no traveller's cheques, please) for registration and any accommodation, made out in either currency to THE BERTRAND RUSSELL SOCIETY, INC., to:

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A.M. Registration and Accommodation

You can see who's already registered by visiting the A.M. home page at <http://www.humanities.mcmaster.ca/~russell/brsmmeeting.htm>.

The Welcome Desk for the meeting will open at 4 pm and the Buffet at 6 on Friday, May 25. Checkout is by 3 on Sunday.

Registration and payment deadline: Monday, May 7, 2001.

Item	US \$	Cdn \$	What You Get
Registration for Members	\$40.00	\$60.00	Welcome Buffet, Lunch, Banquet, Barbeque & Papers
Registration for Non-Members	\$50.00	\$75.00	Welcome Buffet, Lunch, Banquet, Barbeque & Papers
Registration for Students	\$10.00	\$15.00	Lunch, Barbeque & Papers
Single Accommodation	\$62.00	\$93.00	2 Nights + Hot Breakfast, Linen, Parking
Double Accommodation	\$52.00	\$77.00	2 Nights + Hot Breakfast, Linen, Parking
Breakfast with Residence Guests	\$4.75	\$7.00	1 Hot Breakfast

Registration form

Return this form when you send in your payment to register for the 2001 Annual Meeting of the Bertrand Russell Society.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Accommodation desired (number of nights, single or double room):

Breakfast with residence guests (one or two mornings?):

Dietary or other requirements:

Registration category:

BRS member

Non-member

Student

TOTAL PAYMENT AND CURRENCY:

If I am a smoker I realize that McMaster University does not permit smoking within its buildings.

Signed: _____

Presentations that have been accepted for the Annual Meeting:

Stephen Toulmin will speak following his award on Friday evening.

David White	St. John Fisher College	Russell, Smith and the Religion of the Future
Chad Trainer	Independent Scholar	Bertrand Russell: A Carneades Reincarnate
Nick Griffin	McMaster University	On how the Russell papers came to McMaster.
Kevin Brodie	Lyman Memorial High School	Russell, Gardner, and Home Room: Philosophy Class in High School
Henrique Jales Ribeiro	University of Coimbra	B. Russell and H. Hertz: The Logicist reading of Hertz's <i>The Principles of Mechanics</i>
Nick Griffin	McMaster University	What was Russell trying to do in <i>Principia Mathematica</i> ? (An introduction for non-philosophers)
Alan Schwerin	Monmouth University	Metaphysics, Mysticism and Russell
Ken Blackwell	McMaster University	Leader of discussion about a film on Russell (TBA)
Steve Bayne	Independent Scholar	Toulmin and the Discovery of History

The following is a tentative schedule of events for the meeting:

Friday	4.00 - 6.00 pm	Registration	Commons Building
	6.00 - 8.00	Welcome Buffet and award to Stephen Toulmin	
Saturday	7.30 - 9.00 am	Breakfast	Commons Building
	9.00 - 12.30	Papers	University Hall
	12.30 - 2.00	Lunch	University Hall: Common Room
	2.00 - 4.30 pm	Papers	University Hall
	6.00 - 7.00	Red Hackle Hour	Royal Hamilton Yacht Club*
	7.00	Banquet	
Sunday	7.30 - 9.00 am	Breakfast	Commons Building
	9.00 - 12.30	Papers	University Hall
	1.00 - 3.00 pm	BBQ	Refectory Patio
	3.00	Checkout	

*The Royal Hamilton Yacht Club's website may be visited at <http://www.rhyc.on.ca>.