CAMWS's Eleventh Decade

This presentation deals with the history of CAMWS during the term of Anne H. Groton as Secretary-Treasurer (2004-2012). Groton was first woman ever to hold the position, and four of the eight presidents with whom she worked were also women. Throughout Gregory N. Daugherty's last year as Secretary-Treasurer, the CAMWS office at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Virginia shared responsibilities with the new CAMWS office at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota; this helped the Centennial Meeting in 2004 run smoothly. As Secretary-Treasurer, Groton faced several challenges, some technological (e.g., hiring a webmaster, modernizing the website to enable it to accept credit-card payments and electronic submissions), some financial (e.g., devising a mission statement to be used in connection with fund-raising, increasing the number of institutional members), some related to CAMWS publications (e.g., partnering with JSTOR, transitioning from CPL Online to Teaching Classical Languages), some related to the Annual Meeting (e.g., scheduling events on both campuses if two institutions were co-hosting, allowing the submission of undergraduate papers but evaluating them separately and assigning them to sessions designated for undergraduates). By 2012, the amount of printed material being mailed to members had been greatly reduced, and the mid-year meeting of the Executive Committee, traditionally held during the SCS Annual Meeting, had been discontinued since most business could now be conducted via email. The presentation will highlight these and other significant developments during CAMWS's eleventh decade.