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Where can you find up-to-date CANE announcements? Links to useful pedagogical tools for Latin teachers like the Epic Mythology Project? A Google calendar with important CANE events and deadlines? Why the new *CANens* blog, that's where! *CANens vivit*, indeed! This new blog gives our organization an even more visible online presence. Lydia Haile Fassett, Emily Lewis, TJ Howell, and Ben Revkin are sharing the duties of editing and posting to the blog. If you haven't done so yet or recently, please visit the site! (<http://caneweb.net/canens/>)

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Deborah Davies of the Brooks School as the new editor of this journal. We also will have a new book review editor: Jennifer Clarke Kosak, Professor of Classics at Bowdoin College, will be taking the reins from Brian Breed, Professor of Classics, UMass-Amherst. You will begin seeing Jennifer's name on the masthead in this issue. Many thanks to Brian for his successful stewardship of the book reviews section of *NECJ*.

My presidential duties have now concluded, and this president's message is already my last. It has been a great honor to serve CANE in this capacity for the past year, and my admiration for this organization has only grown. The year culminated, as it always does, at the annual meeting in March. This year's meeting at UConn was a great success, thanks to Sara Johnson and the staff in Storrs for so ably organizing, arranging, and running the show on the ground, and to all the presenters at the workshops and paper sessions. The membership of this organization was well represented in a rich and varied program that included presentations from undergraduate and graduate students, middle and high school teachers, and college and university faculty.

The CANE Summer Institute 2013 was held for the first time at Brown University in what turned out to be the hottest week of the year. There was a nice mix of veterans of past Summer Institutes and first-timers, with some participants hailing from outside New England. We owe a great debt of gratitude to the CSI Steering Committee and above all to this year's Director, Jeri Debrohun, Professor and Chair of Classics at Brown, for arranging such a stimulating program of courses and lectures and making this year's Institute such a resounding success. Jeri has already generously agreed to direct next year's Summer Institute at Brown.

I would like to thank the members of the executive committee for their hard work and dedication this past year as well as their sage advice and guidance. I look forward to the presidency of my successor, Michael Deschenes, who received the gavel at the annual meeting and has taken over presidential duties. *Curate ut valeatis!*

Geoffrey Sumi
President, 2012-2013