To date, the list is not particularly active — certainly, it does not seem to generate the kind of discussion that the SEM listserv does. Should we attempt to encourage greater discussion on the listserv (which would hopefully reflect a vibrant, dynamic, diverse membership and interests), or should it be allowed to develop as users will?

Website

Unfortunately, due to computer problems, John Leeder was unable to provide me with up-to-date (2005) folk festival information for the folk festival directory. However, the 2004 directory remains available. We hope to update the directory for 2006.

Time permitting, I would like to set up links to websites about Canadian music, since some of the emails I receive as webmistress are from people wishing for information about particular Canadian music traditions. I sent out a request over the listserv for any websites you might recommend but had a relatively small response. I would still welcome additional suggestions.

It is important that the website remain relevant to users and current. If you have any suggestions or requests regarding content, I welcome your input. Please do not assume that I will automatically post information circulating amongst CSTM members – if you wish something to be posted, please bring it to my attention directly, at heather_sparling@capebretonu.ca.

Archivist's Report

Maureen Chafe, Archivist

This summer has been a busy one for the CSTM archive. A U. of C. student was hired by special collections at the University of Calgary to complete preliminary finding aids for the 2001, 2002 and 2004 accessions. This work includes a list of all items received in these years, similar to the ones that can be found on the website for previous accessions. I urge you to visit the website at http://www.ucalgary.ca/lib-old/SpecColl/cfms.htm to see what is presently in the archive. It would be helpful if this link could be added to the website of the society under the relative links heading.

Two boxes of books, CDs and catalogues will soon be sent to Regula Qureshi at the University of Alberta for inclusion in the archive there. None of these materials are relevant to Canada. Sending these materials to Edmonton was discussed at the 2003 AGM in Athabasca, Alberta.

I would again urge all members of the executive to send relevant materials to be

included in the CSTM archive. By relevant materials I mean: correspondence, minutes and reports of annual meetings, financial and committee reports, membership and subscription lists, grant applications, bibliographies, manuscripts of articles submitted to the Society for publication consideration, newsletters and bulletins published by the Society, news clippings, promotional material and other miscellaneous material. While the Bulletin is very well represented, thanks largely to the efforts of John Leeder, the Journal and other correspondence between executive members are not. All listsery correspondence will be printed by me and included in the archive. I will be actively seeking the help of both current and past executive members to uncover relevant materials in order to continue to build this excellent archive of the society's history.