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## **REPORT FROM AMERICA**

by Linda K. Robertson

The ninth annual George Eliot Dinner was held during the Modern Language Association meeting in San Francisco, California. Members of the Fellowship and friends met at Puccini and Pinetta on December 29 for excellent conversation and food. The evening included the traditional Toast to the Immortal Memory, greetings from members who could not attend, and much discussion of recent books on George Eliot and related topics. Harriet Williams located the superb Italian restaurant, which was very conveniently located, and made the arrangements.

Those attending the dinner were Carol Farrand, Shoshana Milgram Knapp, Gay Sibley, June Skye Szirotny, Virginia Shields Walker, Phyllis Weliver, Harriet Williams, and Linda K. Robertson. Gay Sibley will propose a MLA Special Session on 'George Eliot and Victorian Crises of Gender' for the December 1999 meeting in Chicago, Illinois.