REPORT OF THE COLLEGE THEOLOGY SOCIETY

THE FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING
IONA COLLEGE
NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK
June 2–5, 2011

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I. Business Meeting, June 2011

Reports
Editor of Horizons*:* Anthony J. Godzieba

- During the period of June 2010 to May 2011, two issues of *Horizons* (Volume 37, Number 2 and Volume 38, Number 1) were published, with a total of 383 pages.
- 46 manuscripts were evaluated; 8 were published; 1 was accepted for a future issue; 9 were rejected; 23 are currently in evaluation; 1 has been resubmitted. Of the published manuscripts, 1 was an editorial essay and 3 were theological roundtables. There were also 5 book review symposia published to which 5 authors contributed, an additional 67 books were reviewed for a total of 72 reviews.
- 1050 copies of both Volume 36/2 (Fall 2010) and Volume 37/1 (Spring 2011) were printed.
- Circulation of the most recent issue, including members, individual subscribers, and institutional subscribers, was 889.

Executive Director of National Conventions: David Gentry-Akin

- 2011 Convention (Fifty Seventh Annual)

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- 260 registered, in addition to guests from Iona College, Presidential Award recipients, and media representatives
- Special thanks to the Local Coordinator, Elena Procario-Foley

- 2012 Convention (Fifty Eighth Annual)
  - Location: St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas. Local Coordinator: Andrew Getz
  - Theme: *Found in Translation: Living Faith in New Contexts*
- 2013 Convention (Fifty Ninth Annual)
  - Location: Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska. Local Coordinator: Dennis Hamm

Chairperson and Editor of Research and Publications: William J. Collinge

- *Religion, Economics, and Culture in Conflict and Conversation*, College Theology Society Annual Volume 56, was published by Orbis in April 2011. Annual volume editors Laurie Cassidy and Maureen H. O'Connell collaborated with Sue Perry in the timely production of the volume.
- The deadline for submissions for the 2011 volume, edited by Margaret R. Pfeil and Tobias Winright, is July 1.
- William will be assembling material to transmit to the Society's archives at The Catholic University of America and may be in touch with members as he gathers material.

Secretary: Daniel Michaels

- Bradford Hinze presented the Secretary's report and Mary Doak recorded minutes.
- Current membership: 505 active memberships with dues up to date, as of May 2011 (down 41 from May 2010)
  - 337 full professional members (down 54 from May 2010)
  - 16 joint billed members
  - 6 joint non-billed members
  - 28 associate members
  - 108 student members

Committee on Nominations: Anita Houck, Chair, *ex officio*

- William J. Collinge; Jason King; and Anita Houck, Chair, *ex officio*, constituted the Committee.
- Incoming Board members are Christopher Denny and Tobias Winright.
- Julie Hanlon-Rubio and John Sheveland were ratified by acclamation as new members of the Committee on Nominations.

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Treasurer: Brian Flanagan

- 2010 Revenue: $129,783.00
- 2010 Expenses: $109,239.00
- 2010 Investment Income: $6,613.00
- Assets (12/31/2010) $206,409.00

Vice-President: Anita Houck

- Regional Meetings
  - Edward Miller reported that the CTS 2010 Eastern Regional Meeting was held at LaSalle University on October 22, 2010. The group considered several readings on the meeting's theme of Catholics and the Disappearing Center.
  - Fran Leap reported that the Southwest Pennsylvania group held its regional dinner on Friday, October 29, 2010, at Seton Hill, where they discussed Reid Locklin and Hugh Nichols' article "The Return of Comparative Theology," published in *JAAR*.
- Resolutions Committee
  - David Gentry-Akin, Maureen O'Connell, and Anita Houck, Chair, *ex officio*, constituted the Committee.
  - There were no resolutions.
  - Mary Doak and Catherine Punsalan-Manlimos were ratified by acclamation as new members of Committee.
- Awards Committee
  - Patrick Lynch, Chair (2008–2011), Patrick Hayes (2008–2011), Matthew Ashley (2009–2012), Gloria Schaab (2009–2012), and Ellen Murray (2010–2013) constituted the Committee.
  - Patrick Lynch was nominated to serve a one-year term in order to continue his work on clarifying and improving the Committee's policies and practices. Brian Doyle was nominated to a three-year term. Both were ratified by acclamation.
  - Matthew Ashley will serve as Chair of the Committee in 2011–2012.

President: Bradford Hinze:

- thanked Mary Doak and Catherine Punsalan-Manlimos for their service on the Board of Directors.
- updated the membership on the Society's response to the USCCB's Committee on Doctrine's statement on Elizabeth Johnson's *Quest for the Living God* and their initiative "The Intellectual Tasks of the New Evangelization," directed to young theologians.
- noted the completion of the two-year grant from Wabash to explore questions of race and privilege. He thanked those who made the preconference workshops possible.

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Old Business

- Maureen O'Connell reported to the membership on the pre-conference workshop, "The Gift and Challenge of Difference in the Classroom."

New Business

- There was no new business.

II. Report of the 2011 Annual Meeting

The fifty-seventh meeting of the College Theology Society was held concurrently with the meeting of the National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion (NABPR), June 2–5, 2011 at Iona College in New Rochelle, New York. The theme of the convention was *They Shall Be Called Children of God: Violence, Transformation, and the Sacred*. Elena Procario-Foley served as the Local Coordinator. CTS plenary sessions included "Violence Religious and Secular: Questioning the Categories," by William Cavanaugh, Senior Research Professor at the Center for World Catholicism and Intercultural Theology at DePaul University, Illinois; "God Among the Ruins: Companion and Co-Sufferer," presented by M. Shawn Copeland, Associate Professor of Systematic Theology at Boston College, Massachusetts, with a response and invitation to discussion from James T. Logan, Associate Professor of Religion and Director of African and African American Studies at Earlham College, Indiana; and "Theology as Gospel Mimesis: Lessons from a Conflict Zone" by Todd Whitmore, Associate Professor of Theology and Fellow of the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana. A special plenary session, "Alive Man Walking: One Person's Story of Exoneration from Death Row," featured Shujaa Graham of the Witness to Innocence Project, Pennsylvania. Margaret R. Pfeil and Tobias Winright will edit this year's annual volume.

The two-day pre-conference workshop, "The Gift and Challenge of Difference in the Classroom," began on Tuesday afternoon, May 30, and concluded on Thursday evening, June 1. The workshop was funded through a $14,799.00 grant from the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion and facilitated by CTS member Alex Mikulich, Senior Research Fellow on Race at the Jesuit Social Research Institute at Loyola New Orleans, and Anmol Santiani, an independent psychologist formerly associated with the University of Illinois at Chicago Counseling Center. Laurie Cassidy of Marywood University directed the grant from October 2009 through August 2011. In addition to Alex and Laurie, eleven members of the CTS—most of

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whom had participated in last year's workshop as well—were part of the pre-conference activities.

The two-part workshop was designed around several objectives: to deepen the insights collectively shared at the 2009 Open Forum on Race, Diversity and Pedagogy; to develop a deeper understanding of the historical, cultural and theological roots of racism and white privilege, both in theory and practice; to maintain a sustained conversation regarding teaching and learning about race and privilege and develop best practices for engaging these issues; and to make the classroom a rich environment for doing theology. Participants shared reflections on their work in engaging difference in their classrooms in the previous semester The majority of the workshop was spent identifying and engaging in the practices of "conflictual solidarity," as encouraged by Bryan Massingale in his presidential address to the Catholic Theological Society of America; participants read this address as part of their preparation for the workshop. Next steps include conducting an extensive follow-up survey of workshop participants to evaluate the initiative and plan continuing efforts.

At the banquet, Patrick Lynch, Chair of the Awards Committee, presented the publication awards. The award for the best book was presented to Patrick W. Carey for *Avery Cardinal Dulles, SJ: A Model Theologian, 1918–2008* (New York: Paulist, 2010). The award for the best article was presented to J. Matthew Ashley for "Reading the Universe Story Theologically: The Contribution of a Biblical Narrative Imagination," *Theological Studies* 71, no. 4 (December 2010): 870–902. The student essay award winner was Jill Brennan O'Brien of Boston College for "The Inclusive Embrace of Christ: Envisioning the Redemption of All of Creation."

Brad Hinze presented the Presidential Award to Margaret O'Brien Steinfels and Peter Steinfels.

III. Fifty-Eight National Convention

The 2012 annual convention will be held May 31–June 3, 2012 at St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas, on the theme *Found in Translation: Living Faith in New Contexts.*

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