REPORT OF THE COLLEGE THEOLOGY SOCIETY

THE FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING
UNIVERSITY OF PORTLAND
PORTLAND, OREGON
June 3–6, 2010

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I. Business Meeting, June 2010

Reports
Executive Director, National Conventions: David Gentry-Akin

- 2010 Convention: 198 registered
- Special thanks to the Local Coordinator Carol Dempsey
- 57th Annual Convention: Location—Iona College, New Rochelle, NY. Theme—*They Shall be Called Children of God: Violence, Transformation and the Sacred* (June 2–5, 2011); Local Coordinator: Elena Procario-Foley.

Chairperson and Editor of Research and Publications: Sally Kenel

- *God, Grace and Creation*, edited by Philip J. Rossi, SJ, College Theology Society Annual Volume 55 (Maryknoll, NY: 2009) was mailed to members in May 2010.
- *Religion, Economics, and Culture in Conflict and Conversation* the 2010 annual volume will be edited by Laurie Cassidy and Maureen O'Connell.

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- *Translating peoples and cultures in contentious times….* (tentative), the 2011 annual volume, will be edited by Mary Doak
- *Incoming Chairperson and Editor of Research and Publications*: Bill Collinge

Editor of Horizons: Anthony J. Godzieba

- During the period of June 2009 to May 2010, two issues of *Horizons* (Volume 36, Number 2 and Volume 37, Number 1) were published with a total of 402 pages.
- 52 manuscripts were evaluated; 8 were published; 2 were accepted for future issues; 9 were rejected; 20 are currently in evaluation, 7 have been resubmitted. Of the published manuscripts, 1 was an editorial essay and 5 were theological roundtables. There also were 5 book review symposia published to which 5 authors contributed and an additional 69 books were reviewed for a total of 74 reviews.
- 1050 copies of both Volume 36/2 (Fall 2009) and 1050 copies of Volume 37/1 (Spring 2010) were printed.
- Circulation was 841.

Report from Nominations Committee: Shannon Schrein, *ExOfficio Chair*

- Bill Collinge, Jason King and Shannon Schrein constituted the committee
- *Incoming Officers:* Bradford Hinze, *President*, Anita Houck, *Vice President*, Brian Flanagan, *Treasurer*
- *Incoming Board Members:* Mark Allman, Colleen Carpenter Cullinan

Treasurer: Christopher McMahon

- 2009 Revenue: $121,266.00
- 2009 Expenses: $116,273.00
- 2009 Investment Income: $9,772.00
- Assets (12/31/10) $194,013.00
- Website membership functions have worked well from a financial standpoint; benefits are evident in 2009.
- A dues increase of $10 was approved by the Board of Directors in Montreal. Dues for 2011 will be $60 for Full Professional membership. D and O insurance was purchased through Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company.
- The mutual fund is no longer being serviced by TD Wealth Management. The fund is now being managed by TD Ameritrade, but the mutual fund itself remains the same (Calvert Social Equities).

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- A new agreement with the accountant (Glen Vance) is being prepared for the next four years. The new agreement increases the fee from $800 to $840 for the financial review and preparation of taxes.

Secretary: Daniel Michaels

- Current Membership: 546 (As of May 2010 on www.collegetheology.org), this is an increase of 33 members
- 391 Full Professional Members
- 14 Joint Billed Members
- 14 Joint Non-billed Members
- 17 Associate Members
- 110 Student Members

Vice-President: Shannon Schrein

- Resolutions Committee: David Robinson, George Gilmore, and Shannon Schrein *ExOfficio, Chair*. There were no resolutions.
  Regional Meetings: The Southwest Pennsylvania Region of CTS held its annual meeting on Friday, October 9, 2009 hos ted by Fran Leap and Seton Hill University. Representatives from Seton Hill University, Saint Vincent College, Saint Vincent Seminary, The Diocese of Greensburg, Carlow College, Wheeling Jesuit University, and Franciscan University met and enjoyed a fine dinner and a conversation led by Jason King on Stanley Hauerwas' essay, "To Live God, the Poor, and Learning: Lessons Learned from Gregory of Nazianzus," in *The State of the University: Academic Knowledges and the Knowledge of God*.

- Awards Committee:
  Carol Dempsey, Chair (2007–2010)
  Patrick Hayes (2008–2011)
  Patrick Lynch (2008–2011)
  Matt Ashley (2009–2012)
  Gloria Schaab (2009–2012)

President: Michael Barnes

- We remember deceased members Father Herbert Ryan, SJ, of Loyola Marymount University, and Brother Luke Salm, FSC, of Manhattan College.

Old Business

- Maureen O'Connell presented an update on the Wabash Grant and the teaching workshop. She reported that the participants were engaged and that the facilitators were doing a remarkable job in leading the process

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- Shannon Schrein presented the revised and updated policies for the role and function of the officers and the standing committees. It was noted that some of the revisions will require amendments to the Constitution and By Laws. This process will be taken up at the November meeting and presented to the membership at the annual meeting in 2011.

New Business

- There was no new business

II. Report of the 2010 Annual Meeting

The fifty-sixth meeting of the College Theology Society was held concurrently with the meeting of the National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion (NABPR), June 3–6, 2010 at Portland University in Portland, Oregon. The theme of the convention was *Religion, Economics, and Culture in Conflict and Conversation*. Carol Dempsey served as the local coordinator. CTS plenary sessions featured: "The Church as the Flesh of Christ Crucified: Towards an Ecclesiology for the Age of Globalization" by Anselm Min, Dean and Professor of Philosophy and Theology, Claremont Graduate University, CA; "Christ of the Borderlands: Faith and Idolatry in an Age of Globalization" by Roberto Goizueta, Margaret O'Brien Flatley Professor of Catholic Theology, Boston College, MA; and "Conflict and Solidarity Ethics: Difficult Conversations on Economics, Religion and Culture" by Rebecca Todd Peters, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, Elon University, NC and Traci C. West, Professor of Ethics and African American Studies, Drew University Theological School, NJ.

In addition, the CTS Committee on Race, Ethnicity, and Pedagogy, chaired by Laurie Cassidy and Maureen O'Connell, held a special pedagogical workshop sponsored by a grant from the Wabash Center. Laurie Cassidy served as the grant manager and the coordinator of the event. Fourteen members of the College Theology Society participated in a two-day pre-conference workshop titled "The Gift and Challenge of Difference in the Classroom" from Tuesday evening June 1st through Thursday afternoon June 3rd at the University of Portland. The yearlong 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, a Counseling Psychologist at the University of Illinois at Chicago Counseling Center whose clinical, teaching, and research interests have focused on issues of race, racial identity, gender, migration, cross-cultural issues, and trauma.

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The 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. In order to meet these objectives and to move beyond didactic engagement of racism and privilege, the facilitators designed a process-oriented workshop in which participants engaged in a variety of activities that expose the personal and structural complexities of culture, economic, and religious diversity and which they might bring to their own classrooms.

In addition to engaging in a variety of exercises with the potential to illuminate and incorporate experiences of difference into theological course content, the participants—junior and senior faculty from a variety of institutions around the country—worked independently and collaboratively on engaging difference more concretely in particular courses they will teach in the coming year, identified goals for ongoing communication through the upcoming academic year, and outlined objectives for the follow-up workshop at Iona College in May 2011.

At the banquet, the book award was presented to Brian D. Robinette for *Grammars of Resurrection: A Christian Theology of Presence and Absence.* New York, NY: Crossroad Publishing Company, 2009. The best article award was presented to Christopher Denny, for "Iconoclasm, Byzantine and Postmodern: Implications for Contemporary Theological Anthropology" in *Horizons,* Volume 36, Number 2 (Fall 2009): 187–214. The student essay award winner was John Sehorn, "Trinity, Economy, and the Bride of Christ: Trinitarian Appropriations in John of the Cross"

III. Fifty-Seventh National Convention

The 2011 annual meeting will be held June 2–5, 2011 at Iona College in New Rochelle, NY, on the theme *They Shall be Called Children of God: Violence, Transformation and the Sacred.*

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