



NAAL NEWSLETTER

April 2012

From the President

Dear Members of the North Academy of Liturgy,

Peace be with you! As many of us find ourselves caught up in the whirlwind of holy days, end-of-semester stress, and ministry demands, I remember you in my prayers, individually and collectively, and am grateful for your faithful commitment to public worship. The members of the Academy Committee and their service to us all especially inspire me in my own teaching, research, and service. I am very pleased to report that the Academy Committee renewed our Meeting Management Agreement with Courtney Murtaugh.

Albuquerque Planning

The Academy Committee met in March and a plan for our Albuquerque Meeting, which is January 3-6, 2013, is taking shape. Gil Ostdiek gave me gracious and wise counsel and members of the academy helpfully provided the names of friends and colleagues who might form a "local committee." Now that I know what questions to ask, I look forward to reaching out to them. We will adjust the pattern of the annual meeting by moving the Berakah response to Saturday evening, so that we can adjourn early enough on January 6 so that all who desire can board buses and arrive in Santa Fe in time for Epiphany worship. We will also have an afternoon lecture by Troy Messenger on the piazza as ritual space and time for sightseeing before we return to Albuquerque. We are, in effect, adding an optional day to our meeting. I heartily encourage you to plan now to extend your stay in New Mexico. Chelsey Satterlee will begin working on the Albuquerque blog in May and you will find a link on the NAAL webpage shortly thereafter.



Make plans now for the
Albuquerque Academy Meeting
January 3-6, 2013

Edward Foley named Berakah Laureate

I am very pleased to announce that our 2013 Berakah laureate is Edward Foley, Capuchin, Duns Scotus Professor of Spirituality and Professor of Liturgy and Music at Catholic Theological Union. One of the many members who nominated Dr. Foley noted his international reputation. He is a past president of our Academy and was a founding member of the Catholic Academy of Liturgy. Ed is pastorally and academically a tireless advocate of liturgical reform. His resume is an incredible listing of accomplishments – twenty-two books authored, coauthored or edited; forty-one chapters in books; thirty-two peer-reviewed articles; forty dictionary and encyclopedia articles; countless presentations to dioceses, universities and other institutions or organizations worldwide. I am personally grateful for Ed's advocacy for persons with disability, including within our academy, and delighted that, when I shared the news of this honor with him, Ed was momentarily speechless. I suspect he will have something to say in Albuquerque.

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In Paradisum

Fr. Lawrence (Larry) Heiman, C.P.P.S., 94, died peacefully in his sleep on February 26, 2012, in the infirmary of St. Charles Center, Carthagena, Ohio, where he made his home. He was born August 24, 1917, in Decatur, IN. He entered the Society in 1932 and was ordained on December 5, 1943. Fr. Heiman was a gifted musician and teacher. Soon after his ordination he was assigned to teach music and drama at Saint Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Ind., which is sponsored by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. There he spent most of his life as a priest, teaching countless young people to praise God through song. He earned a doctoral degree in music from the Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music in Rome in 1970. Fr. Heiman was instrumental in establishing an advanced music degree program at St. Joseph's College. Fr. Heiman received numerous awards during his lifetime for his work in musical education. In 2002, he received the prestigious Jubilate Deo award from the National Association of Pastoral Musicians for his accomplishments.



From the Treasurer

Banquet Donation and Membership Renewal

At the 2012 banquet in Montreal, US\$2000 was donated for a charitable cause, as is our custom. The donations were sent to L'Arche. Founded by Jean Vanier in France in 1964 and now broadly international with a significant presence both in Canada and the United States, L'Arche communities bear witness to the reality that persons with intellectual disabilities possess inherent qualities of welcome, wonderment, spirituality, and friendship. They make explicit the dignity of every human being by building inclusive communities of faith and friendship where people with and without intellectual disabilities share life together.

A reminder that 2012 annual membership renewals are due. Most of those who attended the meeting included their 2012 dues payments along with their registrations. Members who did not attend are encouraged to bring dues up to date if you have not done so already. A secure site is set up to receive credit card payments or checks to NAAL may be sent to me at P.O. Box 6088, Minneapolis, MN 55406.

Click below on "dues" below
for a secure site to pay by credit card:

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Martin Seltz
Treasurer

From the President, continued...

Plenary Speaker

Meeting evaluations indicate that, once again, it is time for a plenary speaker. I would be glad to receive suggestions for either names or topics for a plenary address. Correspondence I received from members of the academy also indicates that the Academy "house" is divided (or at least not of one mind) concerning the Diekmann Award. On the one hand, some members are concerned that we have not awarded it and encourage us to "fundraise" to support the award. On the other hand, some members are concerned that the award was established without input from the membership, that NAAL is not large enough to give two awards, that the cost of the award

makes it prohibitive, and that the Berakah can be awarded to someone outside the academy and so this award is unnecessary. I am (1) researching the origins of both awards, and (2) developing a survey to canvas the membership, so that the Academy Committee can (3) develop a policy governing the Diekmann Award.

I suspect, too, that I am forgetting to include something in this newsletter. So, I can only say, once again, that I welcome your questions, ideas, and concerns. It continues to be my honor to serve you.

Peace,
Craig A. Satterlee
President



From the Meetings Manager

2013 Albuquerque Annual Meeting Update January 3-6, 2013

New Contract Concessions

As we begin to plan for the meeting in Albuquerque we are entering a new contract with Hyatt Hotels. Some of the concessions that were negotiated for the meetings beginning 2013 through 2018 include:

- Complimentary Internet.
- 30 rooms for retired members at \$99 per night plus taxes.
- All meeting space complimentary if catering and room block minimum fulfilled.

2013 Meeting Budget, Fees and Expenses

The AC is currently developing the budget for the Albuquerque Annual Meeting in order to determine the meeting fee. Every effort is being made to hold the meeting fee to the same level as the annual meeting in Montréal. As soon as the AC has a definitive meeting fee, an announcement will be made so that you can plan for 2013 well in advance. The room rate for Albuquerque is \$119 per night for single or double. In addition, I am also working on a Preferred Airline discount to help ease the cost of travel.

Other Cost Saving Measures

For the past several years, World Library Publications, Liturgical Press, and No Grand Design have made in-kind gifts to the meeting. These gifts include printing, conference folders, and program design. The AC is grateful for their generous contributions. In addition, the AC moved to cash bars for the social events. We will be pursuing all these options to help defray cost. That being said, cost like food, beverage, AV, hotel service charges, tax and gratuity can add up fairly quickly. All the meeting space we use is free, due to our hotel room block and catering.

If you have any questions regarding the 2013 meeting please contact me at

meetings@naal-liturgy.org

I look forward to seeing all of you in Albuquerque.

Courtney Murtaugh
Meeting Manager

Information Updates

Please keep us up to date with your current contact information. Any changes in your address, email, phone number, or institutional affiliation may be sent to the Secretary, Troy Messenger, at secretary@naal-liturgy.org.

From the Delegate for Seminars

Reading the accounts of the 21 seminars that met in January is gratifying. Members and visitors appreciate many aspects of our work: the academic focus, collegiality, openness to newcomers, interdisciplinary composition of participants, concern for both the theoretical and the concrete realities of worship, wealth of new perspectives, continuity of conversation from year to year, uniqueness of the seminar structure, goodly amount of time devoted to seminar work, ecumenism, respect shown for everyone, thoughtful engagement, and much more. We say that the seminars are the heart of our meeting, and that is literally true.

The schedule for our meeting in 2013 in Albuquerque, as tentatively arranged, will give the seminars 9-½ hours over the two days. You consistently request as much time for seminars as possible, and the Academy Committee takes that very seriously.

All of your matters of concern have all been duly noted by the Academy Committee. Some issues were already on the Committee's radar; others are perennial challenges. Here are some responses:

Room Assignments

At our Montreal meeting, about ⅔ of the seminars had 10-20 participants with overall numbers ranging from 5-30. As in the past, we will use the total number of members plus the visitors you reported from the Montreal meeting to assign rooms for 2013, rounding up a bit to account for drop-ins. Thank you to those who can and are willing to meet in "alternative" rooms such as suites. With so many seminars meeting simultaneously, we have to be creative in some venues to find enough suitable spaces. You decided in a recent survey not to discourage the number of seminars, so we work hard to make such a limitation unnecessary.

Electronic Media Needs

Providing audio-visual media can be complex, given the changing annual needs, the fact that sources shift from city to city, and the expense. In Montreal, rent for one microphone was \$150. The Academy can make these expenditures, but we then may need to face increased registration cost, a prospect we try to avoid. When members can bring equipment with them or borrow from institutions, the Academy is enormously grateful.

Distributing Papers

Conveners should receive names and emails of visitors in time to make sure papers under discussion are made available before the meeting. Visitors will be indicating their top three choices of seminars to attend in the first year.

Seminar papers may be sent to Troy Messenger, NAAL Secretary, in advance of the meeting to be posted on the website and shared securely with the seminar.

Please feel free to contact me with any of your concerns. We're all in this together. Thank you for the opportunity to serve this Academy.

Melinda Quivik
Delegate for Seminars

From the Past-President

First Time Visitor Procedures

It has become clear to the Academy Committee that we need to make a slight change to the procedures for first time visitors. While the Academy puts great store in stable Seminar groups, first time visitors have expressed a need to visit several Seminar groups before deciding on which Seminar is the right fit for them. Accordingly, we are inviting first time visitors to choose three (3) Seminars to attend over the course of their first meeting. We will encourage them to attend whole blocks of time in a Seminar so as not to disturb the dynamics of a Seminar session. We trust that this will serve their need to have a broader exposure to different Seminars before they decide on given Seminar by their second meeting. I would like to thank the Academy in advance for accommodating this change to our procedures.

Catherine Vincie
Past President

Minutes and Members Roster

Minutes for the January 7, 2013 Academy Business Meeting and a Membership Roster may be downloaded from the members section of the NAAL website. Information on logging in as a member is included to members in the email that distributed this Newsletter. If you have trouble logging into the members section, please contact Troy Messenger at secretary@naal-liturgy.org

From the Delegate for Membership

Thanks to all members who wrote letters and in other ways supported our 19 candidates for membership last year, and for welcoming them all so warmly at our business meeting in Montreal. You make the delegate's job an easy one!

Over the years, there have been some questions about when one should apply for membership in the Academy. If you are a member seeking to support a candidate, or if you are a visitor considering applying for membership, here are some basic guidelines:

First, visitors need to have attended two meetings of the NAAL to be considered for membership. You need not apply for membership after your second visit, as you can attend as a visitor for more than two years, but you must attend as a visitor for *at least* two meetings. Do not feel pressure to apply as a member until you have found a seminar that is a good fit for your gifts and interests.

Second, the Criteria for Membership are found on our website (<http://www.naal-liturgy.org/membership/#criteria>). Briefly, applicants need to meet two of the following three criteria:

- Have a doctoral degree in liturgy or a terminal degree in a related field.
- Hold a position in either the academy or in a religious community/organization in which you are contributing to the liturgical life of that tradition.
- Demonstrate commitment to liturgy and/or its related fields.

Generally, those applying for membership in our academy are professionally involved in liturgy in some substantial way. Therefore, we look for either the academic credentials or the professional position (or both) when we consider someone for membership. Applicants should be clear which criteria they have met and communicate this to the three referees. If you are asked to write a letter without knowing the candidate well, do not hesitate to ask for more information. The membership committee relies on the references of members in making decisions about applicants, and the fuller the references, the easier our job.

Finally, the membership application is available at <http://www.naal-liturgy.org/membership/memberapp.html>. Please send all of the required materials to me by September 15 at the very latest. Materials are welcome as soon as you can have them ready, and we will begin to review applications during the summer. If you have any further questions about the criteria or the process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to seeing you in Albuquerque.

Martha Moore-Keish
Delegate for Membership

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