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Welcome to the **LFP Update**, an e-publication from the Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts to keep LFP representatives and others informed about the activities of 1) LFP National Network institutions, 2) present and former Lilly Fellows and, 3) the LFP office at Valparaiso University.

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The 2013 LFP National Conference: *Faith and Academic Freedom in Civic Virtue*

The 23rd Annual LFP National Conference, ***Faith and Academic Freedom in Civic Virtue***, will take place October 18 through 20 at [The University of Scranton](http://www.theuniversityofscranton.edu), in Scranton, Pennsylvania. You will be invited to think about how we as individuals and faith-based institutions bring the values of faith and academic freedom to the service of civic virtue. As universities with faith missions, our collective commitment to civic engagement arises directly from our devotion to open conversation, ecumenism, and the search for truth, amongst our institutions and in the world beyond our campus boarders. Three speakers have been invited to spark this dialogue, representing three distinct narratives: Rev. Mark Ravizza, S.J., Associate Professor of Philosophy and Senior Fellow, the Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education at Santa Clara University; Patricia McGuire, Esq., President of Trinity Washington University; and, Rob Kapilow, internationally renowned composer, commentator, author, and conductor. In addition, you will be invited to share in an Evening of Jazz, including a pre-concert presentation by Grammy Award-winning writer, acclaimed musician, and jazz historian Loren Schoenberg and a special performance featuring The University of Scranton's Jazz Ensemble and guest soloist and legendary jazz trombonist Wycliffe Gordon. The National Conference will also introduce you to the City of Scranton, with hotel accommodations at either the historic Radisson Lackawanna Station Hotel or the Hilton Scranton & Conference Center,

both in downtown Scranton and within easy walking distance to campus. The Second Cohort of Lilly Graduate Fellows, which completed its three-year fellowship last year, will also attend this year's National Conference. The Graduate Fellows will attend a Reunion Conference the two days prior to the National Conference.

Registration for the National Conference opens on May 15, 2013. For more information and to register, see [The University of Scranton conference site](#), or visit the [LFP National Conference page](#). The deadline for registration is **September 16, 2013.**

Workshop for Senior Administrators

Mission and the Economic Challenges Facing Higher Education

Immediately preceding the National Conference will be the Fourteenth Annual Workshop for Senior Administrators on the topic, [Mission and the Economic Challenges Facing Higher Education](#). The Workshop will be held at the University of Scranton in Scranton, PA, **October 17 and 18, 2013**, and will examine how mission provides resources for church-related institutions of higher learning to address pressures to increase revenue and enrollment in unique and dynamic ways that are true to those schools' intrinsic values. Stated differently, the workshop will examine how mission-based ideas and practices enable church-related institutions to increase revenue, resources, and enrollment while staying true to their historic mission. Addressing the workshop will be R. Richard Ray, the Provost of [Hope College](#) in Holland, Michigan, and Christine M. Wiseman, President of [Saint Xavier University](#) in Chicago, Illinois. The Workshop is offered at no cost to senior administrators at Lilly Fellows Program [National Network](#) member institutions. Each Institution is eligible to register one senior administrator (president, vice president, academic dean, provost, or equivalent). One participant from each school will be reimbursed for travel costs up to \$600. Meals and hotel accommodations will also be paid for by the Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts. Additional participants from member schools will be on a waiting list until September 16 and will be enrolled as slots become available. **Registration for this conference opens on May 15, 2013, and the deadline for registration is September 16, 2013. For more information and to register, [click here](#).**

New Lilly Fellows Selected

This year, the Program received 172 complete applications from prospective candidates in humanities and arts disciplines vying for one of three [Postdoctoral Fellowships](#) the Program awarded. A selection committee of six Valparaiso University faculty, with Program Director Joe Creech, winnowed the number of candidates to six finalists who visited the Valparaiso University campus. We are extremely pleased to announce that the committee's three choices have each accepted the offer of the Lilly Postdoctoral Fellowship.

The 2013-2015 Lilly Postdoctoral Fellows are **Ian Clausen**, **Michael Cover**, and **Katherine Kennedy Steiner**.

Ian Clausen graduated summa cum laude from the University of Illinois (at Urbana-Champaign) with a B.A. in English and religious studies. He was awarded the British Marshall scholarship for postgraduate education at the University of Edinburgh, where he received a taught Masters in Theology (MTh honors), and is currently completing his PhD in Theology and Ethics. His thesis, "The Weight of Love in St. Augustine," explores themes of moral theology and psychology in the thought of the Bishop of Hippo, giving particular attention to Augustine's Christian philosophy of education. Ian's teaching and research interests span all aspects of Augustine's thought and legacy, as well as contemporary ethical challenges related to technology, politics, and communications.

Michael Benjamin Cover holds an A.B. in the Classics from Harvard University, an M.St. in Greek Language and Literature from the University of Oxford, an M.Div. from Yale Divinity School, and is completing his Ph.D. in Theology at the [University of Notre Dame](#). His dissertation, "Lifting the Veil: 2 Corinthians 3:7-18 in Light of Jewish Homiletic and Commentary Traditions" offers a new reading of Paul's midrash on Exodus 34 through extensive comparison of this

passage with the exegesis and thought of Paul's Hellenistic Jewish contemporary, Philo of Alexandria. His research and teaching interests include Second Temple and Rabbinic Judaism, contextual readings of Pauline theology, the historical Jesus, second-century Christianity, and the Alexandrian and Cappadocian Fathers.

Katherine Kennedy Steiner holds an MAR in Liturgical Studies from Yale Divinity School and a BMus from [Wheaton College](#). She is completing her PhD in musicology at Princeton University and is a research visitor in the Medieval Institute at the University of Notre Dame. Her dissertation, "Polyphony and Liturgy for the Céli Dé of Medieval St Andrews" is a bibliographic and liturgical examination of a collection of polyphonic music for the mass and office. In it she uncovers the political and ideological struggles between the clergy at the cathedral of St Andrews, expressed in the new and rare liturgical music gathered for the bishop's clerks. Steiner's research interests extend from medieval music and liturgy to film music, considering multimedia, ritual, and communal practice.

News from Former Lilly Postdoctoral Fellows

This year has been an exciting and productive one for research, publications, awards, and hires among the former Postdoc Fellows.

Susanna Childress (2008-2010), Visiting Assistant Professor in English, [Hope College](#), reports that she published several poems in national literary journals, including *The New South*, *The Minnesota Review*, and *Fugue*. An [interview with Childress](#) by Lilly Graduate Fellow Kristin George Bagnadov was featured on *The Colorado Review's* online site; Susanna also has interviews on the blogs *Poetry Matters* and *Antler*. She served as coordinator of Lilly's 2012 [Arlin G. Meyer Prize in Imaginative Writing](#) as well as the judge for the Making Literature Conference at Taylor University, the Lowell-Grabil awards at [Wheaton College](#), and the Writers' Harvest Awards at Drake University, accompanied by readings or lectures at each of these schools and also at St. Francis University. Susanna and her husband, Josh Banner, released a full-length music album last fall entitled *The Necessary Dark*, whose songs are largely adaptations of her poems and short stories; the two of them comprise the band Ordinary Neighbors.

Lisa Deam (2001-2002), reports that in the past year she has continued writing creative non-fiction about art, literature and life. Two of her essays appeared in *The Cresset*: "[Road to Revelation: The Art of Caravaggio in Salley Vickers's The Other Side of You](#)" (Trinity 2012) and "[My Eyre Affair](#)" (Lent 2013). In addition, she has begun giving spiritual formation workshops using medieval world maps to shed light on our personal journeys with Christ. Lisa presented a workshop at Christ Church Lutheran in Minneapolis in October 2012 and will be leading more workshops at Faith Church Dyer this June and Covenant Presbyterian Church in Springfield, Ohio in September.

Franklin Harkins (2005-2007), Assistant Professor of Theology, [Fordham University](#), announces that he has accepted a position as Reader in Medieval Theology at Durham University in England, and he and his family will be spending the next year in Durham.

Paul Harvey (1993-1995), Professor of History, University of Colorado, reports that his co-authored book, *The Color of Christ: The Son of God and the Saga of Race in America*, was selected as one of the "5 Best Books in Religion" published in 2012 by *Publisher's Weekly*. In January, he gave presentations on the material in the book at the Newberry Library, the University of Illinois Chicago, Northwestern University, and [Valparaiso University](#).

Matt Hedstrom (2005-2007), Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, the University of Virginia, has informed us that his book, *The Rise of Liberal Religion: Book Culture and American Spirituality in the Twentieth Century* (Oxford University Press, 2013) was released earlier this year.

Matthew Lundin, (2007-2009), Assistant Professor of History, [Wheaton College](#), published his research on German diarist Hermann Weinsberg (1518-1597) as [Paper Memory: A Sixteenth-Century Townsman Writes His World](#) (Harvard University Press, 2012). Matthew also wrote three review essays: [a review of Brad Gregory, The Unintended Reformation: How a Religious Revolution Secularized Society](#), in *Christian Scholar's Review* (Summer 2012); "The Reformation of the Artist," a review of Steven Ozment, *The Serpent and the Lamb: Cranach, Luther, and the Making of the Reformation*, in *Books and Culture* (July/August 2012): 27–28, and ["Framing the Secular: A Review Essay"](#) in *The Cresset* 75, no. 4 (Easter 2012): 53–58.

Piotr Malysz (2010-2011), Assistant Professor of History and Doctrine at Beeson Divinity School, [Samford University](#), announces that his first book, [Trinity, Freedom, and Love: An Engagement with the Theology of Eberhard Jüngel](#), was published by T&T Clark/Bloomsbury in the fall of 2012. Last summer Piotr gave a plenary address on "Freedom and Obedience in the Christian Life" at the North American Lutheran Church's annual conference in Minneapolis; the paper has since been published in the conference proceedings. Piotr has also translated some pieces from English into Polish and German into English, including an article by Oswald Bayer on the modern concept of freedom, which is forthcoming in the journal *Pro Ecclesia*. Finally, this summer Piotr will be walking the Way of St. James (Camino de Santiago) with some of his students and co-organizing a Young Lutheran Theologians' gathering in Pittsburgh.

Jennifer Miller (2010-2012), recently accepted a one-year full-time position as an instructor at Normandale Community College in Bloomington, MN. Jennifer had been teaching there and at the University of Minnesota since fall 2012.

Caryn Riswold (2000-2002), Associate Professor of Religion and Chair of Gender and Women's Studies at Illinois College, reports that recently, in Spring 2013, the Illinois College Board of Trustees voted to promote her to Professor of Religion. In July 2012 she launched a blog, [feminismxianity](#), with the Progressive Christian channel at *Patheos.com*. She posts several times a week on issues at the intersection of religion, politics, social justice, and pop culture. Caryn also contributes to [RhRealityCheck](#) and her local newspaper. Much of this work is a result of my participation in the [Faith and Reproductive Justice Leadership Institute](#) at The Center for American Progress in Washington, D.C. in 2012. In 2012, a significant part of Caryn's book [Feminism and Christianity](#) was reprinted in McGraw-Hill's textbook [Women's Voices, Feminist Visions](#), which is used by many introductory gender and women's studies courses, including her own at Illinois College. She also contributed a chapter, "Conversations and Intersections," in the newly published book [Sex, Gender, and Christianity](#), edited by Priscilla Pope-Levison and Jack Levison, a result of the LFP [Summer Seminar for Faculty](#) at Seattle Pacific University in 2010.

Charles Strauss (2011-2013), Assistant Professor of History, [Mount Saint Mary's University](#), announces that he has been selected to be a part of a fifteen member group for a three-year fellowship on Religion and U.S. Empire funded in part by the Kripke Center for the Study of Religion and Society at Creighton University.

Mary Streufert (2004-2006), Director of Justice for Women for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, announces the publication of a chapter, "Philosophical Kinship: Luther, Schleiermacher and Feminists on Reason" in [When Reason Is a Whore: The Quandary of Lutheran Philosophy](#) (Fortress Press, 2011), edited by Jennifer Hockenberry Dragseth. Mary also gave several presentations, including the March 2012 American Academy of Religion Upper Midwest Regional Meeting. She attended the July, 2012, Galatians and Theology Conference at St. Andrews University, where she gave the paper, "Gender and Justification within Empire: Toward a Christian Ethic of Gender Justice." In August, 2012, Mary presented her seminar paper, "Luther's Understanding of Justification and the Disruption of Masculinized Power" at the International Luther Congress, at the University of Helsinki. Apparently this was the first feminist seminar at the

International Luther Congress and was one of the largest. In November 2012, Mary attended the American Academy of Religion, Schleiermacher Group, and presented her paper, "My Body, Your Body, Christ's Body: Ecclesiological Lessons from Schleiermacher and Abortion Debates." She also serves on the Schleiermacher Group steering committee. In January 2013, Mary gave her paper, "Jesus Christ Beyond the Divide: A Christian Feminist Proposal" at the Theological Institute of the University of Iceland. In addition to teaching and writing in a variety of venues, Mary reports that she works with many ecumenical and Lutheran partners to create dialogue and change. These opportunities include service as co-chair of the National Council of Churches Justice for Women Working Group, as a member of the Lutheran World Federation Gender Advisory Group, as collaborator with colleagues in Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies, and as one of two staff persons working on the ELCA's "Women and Justice: One in Christ" social statement task force process, which began last fall.

Maria LaMonaca Wisdom (1999-2001) announces she has become the Executive Director of the Institute for the Arts and Humanities at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The first year on the job has been all-consuming, but she reports she is enjoying the work!

Notable Events of the LFP National Network Board Spring Meeting

The [National Network Board](#) of the Lilly Fellows Program met for its semi-annual meeting April 6-7, 2013 in Chicago. The Board approved a [Summer Seminar for College Teachers](#) at [Xavier University in Cincinnati](#) for Summer, 2014. The theme of the seminar is: "What Does It Mean To Be a Human in Consumer Culture." Be looking for a call for applications this summer/fall to participate in this seminar.

New Grant to Support Lilly Graduate Fellows Program

The Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts was awarded a grant totaling \$1,197,460 from Lilly Endowment Inc. This is the tenth such grant that has supported the Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts, based at Valparaiso University. This new grant will ensure funding for the newest of the three LFP programs – the [Lilly Graduate Fellows Program](#) – through the year 2019. The Lilly Fellows Program is also supported financially by Valparaiso University and the contributions of the 99 schools that comprise the Lilly Fellows Program [National Network](#).

Update on the Lilly Graduate Fellows Program

This year the Lilly Graduate Fellows Program received seventy-one nominations from thirty-six [network schools](#). Of the seventy-one nominees, sixty applied. In April, a selection committee interviewed twenty-four candidates for the Lilly Graduate Fellows Program in Indianapolis, Indiana. Over the course of the two-day interview process, we came to know the remarkable individuals who made it to this final stage of evaluation. We will be announcing shortly the composition of Sixth Cohort, who will be mentored by Jane Kelley Rodeheffer (former mentor of the [First Cohort](#) of Graduate Fellows) of [Pepperdine University](#) and Arlin Migliazzo of [Whitworth University](#). The Sixth Cohort will gather for its Inaugural Conference in Indianapolis in August 2013.

The [Second Cohort](#) of Lilly Graduate Fellows completed its three-year fellowship last August, 2013, and they, along with mentors Susan Felch of [Calvin College](#) and William Portier of the [University of Dayton](#), will come together for a Reunion Conference October 17-18, 2013, and will join the Network representatives attending the [National Conference at the University of Scranton](#) (October 18-20). The [Third Cohort](#) and mentors Susan VanZanten of [Seattle Pacific University](#) and Patrick Byrne of [Boston College](#), will complete its three-year fellowship this summer with a final summer conference at [Saint John's Abbey Guesthouse](#) at [Saint John's University](#) in Collegeville, MN, this August. The [Fourth Cohort](#) will travel to [Baylor University](#), the home institution of mentor Thomas S. Hibbs, in mid-May, 2013, to convene its second summer conference. Finally the [Fifth Cohort](#) and mentors Lisa DeBoer of [Westmont College](#) and Michael Patella, OSB, of [Saint John's University and Saint John's Seminary](#) (Collegeville, MN) will meet for its first summer conference at

Michael Patella, OSB's home campus.

Other Dates and Deadlines for Your Calendar

Grants:

The National Network Board invites applications [Mentoring Programs](#), [Network Exchanges](#), and [Small Grants](#) (for the 2013-2014 academic year), and [Regional Conferences](#). Please visit the [LFP website](#) for more information on these grant opportunities. **The deadline for submission for all three of these grants is September 15, 2013.**

Programs:

The deadline for the [Lilly Postdoctoral Fellowship Program](#) at Valparaiso University is **November 1, 2013**.

The deadline for nominations for the [Lilly Graduate Fellows Program](#) is **November 19, 2013**.

Conferences:

The deadline for registration for the [National Conference](#) and the [Workshop for Senior Administrators](#) is **September 16, 2013**.

For more information, visit the [LFP website](#).

Facebook, Twitter, and Exiles from Eden

Remember you can keep up with the activities of the Lilly Fellows Program by following it on [Facebook](#) and Twitter ([@LFPprogram](#) and [@Exilesfromeden](#)). You can also read more about matters relating to church-related higher education, among other things at [Exiles from Eden](#)