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## THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT END-OF-THE-YEAR PARTY

FACULTY, STAFF, & GRADUATE  
STUDENTS ARE INVITED!

APRIL 30, WEDNESDAY,  
LAST CLASS DAY

4:30-6:30 PM

IN DECIO COMMONS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR FOOD & GOOD  
CONVERSATION!



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reading the GTS  
bulletin....see you next  
semester! —KH*

## Professional Development . . .

### Conferences :

- **Catholic Biblical Association Annual Meeting:** August 2-5  
(<http://cba.cua.edu>)
- **Catholic Theology Society of America Annual Convention:** June 5-8  
([www.ctsa-online.org](http://www.ctsa-online.org))
- **College Theology Society  
Annual Conference on Catholic Identity and the Laity:** May 29-June 1  
(<http://www2.bc.edu/cts>)
- **International Congress on Medieval Studies in Kalamazoo:** May 8-11  
(<http://www.wmich.edu/medieval/congress>)
- **North American Patristics Society Annual Conference:** May 22-24  
(<http://moses.creighton.edu/NAPS>)
- **Saint Paul's Journeys into Philosophy:** June 4-6  
(<http://www.kingsu.ca/saintpaul>)



For more information regarding funding for attending and/or presenting at conferences, go to the websites of the College of Arts and Letters (<http://al.nd.edu/resources-for/graduate-students/research>) or the GSU (<http://www.gsu.nd.edu/?q=node/17>).

—TW

### Library Recalls

Getting frustrated by the number of books that come up as “Copies owned: 1. Copies checked out: 1”? Go down to the circulation desk and ask who has your desired source checked out. If he or she is in the theology department, it is easy to exchange books quickly, without the hassle of recalling! —KH



The GTS is continuing to develop our website, with info on arts and recreation, housing, athletics, worship, and pictures of GTS events!

Let a GTS member know what you would like to see included on the website!

### Last MTS Colloquium

The final MTS Colloquium of the semester will be held April 16, 2008 at 4:30 pm. **Kerry Casey** will be presenting on The Suffering Servant of Isaiah 53 and Jewish-Christian dialogue.

—KC

[www.nd.edu/~gts](http://www.nd.edu/~gts)

## Around Our Department . . .

### In PhD news:

**Patrick Clark (MT)** presented a paper at the Midwest AAR entitled "Toward a more coherent Catholic critique of capital punishment." He and his wife welcomed a baby daughter, Elizabeth Macrina, to their family on January 18.

**Krista Duttenhaver (ST)** recently accepted a tenure-track position in theology in Notre Dame's very own Program of Liberal Studies. Also, she has had a paper accepted for the AAR this fall in the Platonism and Neoplatonism section on Simone Weil's Platonic Anthropology.

**Todd Hanneken (CJA)** successfully defended his dissertation on April 7. It was directed by James VanderKam and titled, "The Book of Jubilees Among the Apocalypses."

**Deonna Neal (MT)** received a 2008 Kaneb Center Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award for Excellence in Teaching.

**Joel Schmidt (LS)** will be presenting a paper entitled "St. John Chrysostom and the Altar of the Poor" at The Fourth Annual Archbishop Iakovos Graduate Students Conference in Patristic Studies at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, Massachusetts on April 18.

**Andrew Teeter (CJA)** will begin a tenure-track teaching position in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament at Harvard this fall.

**Molly Zahn (CJA)** will be teaching as an adjunct in the Religious Studies Department at the University of Kansas next year while she finishes her dissertation. Her husband, Peter Grund, has accepted a tenure-track position in the English department at U. of Kansas.

### In MDiv/ MTS/ MSM news:

**Fr. Eugene J. Anjus, CSC (MTS)** passed his comprehensive on April 4. He is from Bangladesh, was ordained in 1987, and since has worked in parishes and formation programs as director of novices and theologates before coming to Notre Dame in 2006. He has served his Province (Sacred Heart of Jesus) as the Asst. Provincial for three years at the same time. On his return he will teach in the Major Seminary where diocesan seminarians and seminarians of all Religious Congregations study together. There, he will organize and conduct training programs for lay catechists and teachers who take care of pastoral works in scattered and vast rural areas. He asks that you please keep him and the people of Bangladesh in your prayers.

**Colleen Bartholomew (MDiv)** was recently engaged to her fiance Kevin Lee.

**Lisa** (and ND alum **Lennie**) **de Lorenzo's (MDiv)** second baby is due May 1.

**John Fahy (MTS)** will be marrying Angelica Sandra, (ND Law '09) on July 19.

**Leo Guardado** will travel to El Salvador to visit family in June before beginning his new position as Assistant Director of Justice and Education at St. Mary's College of California in the SF bay area in July. He will be creating immersion programs for students that will take place during Fall, Spring, and Summer breaks, and be setting up an annual lecture series on Theology and Justice issues. St. Mary's is his undergraduate college, so he will be returning "home." If any fellow theology students find themselves in the bay area, he is more than happy to welcome them!

**Brian Hamilton (MTS)** will be an adjunct professor at Messiah College, Pennsylvania, next year. After that, his plan is to begin again with PhD studies.

**Kyle Lechtenberg (MTS)** has accepted a position as Director of Music and Liturgy at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Student Center, Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.

**Kevin Meme (MTS)** will begin work this summer as an Associate with The Boston Consulting Group, Inc., a global management consulting firm.

**Fr. Leonce F. Rambau, CSSp (MTS)** will join the PhD program (CJA) at Notre Dame in the fall.

**Aaron Renninger (MSM)** celebrates the healthy arrival of his third child, a baby girl, Sophia Marie.

**Ben Safranski (MTS)** will be teaching Theology at his alma mater, Belmont Abbey College, over the summer, and beginning a PhD at Catholic University of America in Church History in the Fall.

**Jen Suehs (MDiv)** and **Brian Vassel (MDiv)** are engaged to be married in August.

**Kristina Schliesman (MSM)** will be moving to St. Louis in August joining the Vincentian Service Corps for a year of service. She'll be living in community with other Vincenians and ministering at "Our Lady's Inn," a shelter for pregnant homeless women.

**Mary Tracy (MDiv)** heads to Cleveland Clinic for a residency in CPE starting this fall.

## Upcoming GTS Elections

Have you been thinking about getting more involved in the life of the department? The GTS is seeking candidates for a variety of positions on the Board of Officers for the 2008-2009 academic year and we need your help. Please consider nominating yourself or any Theology graduate student for one of the following positions. All positions may be shared between two people. The responsibilities outlined below are the basic ones for each position, but Board members often find themselves contributing in other ways as well.

### Offices and Responsibilities

**President:** Calls, conducts, and proposes an agenda for each meeting; consults with the board; oversees the activities of all GTS committees; represents student concerns to the Theology Department chair when necessary; conducts the correspondence; and reports at regular meetings.

**Vice President:** Succeeds to the office of President when the office shall fall vacant; coordinates library carrel assignments for Ph.D. students; conducts annual GTS elections; and records and posts minutes.

## Summer in South Bend?

Though the current weather situation may not make the prospect of summer (or SPRING!) seem likely, the sun will eventually shine in this fair corner of northern Indiana. If you will be in town this summer, there are plenty of events and locations worth an evening out or a day trip! Here are a few of the upcoming events, both in they city and out:

**Meet Me on the Island:** Spend an evening at one of South Bend's best outdoor arts and entertainment events! Hosted by the South Bend Regional Museum, this annual series features live music and artwork from artists in the area. Drinks and refreshments are available for purchase and admission is \$5 (SBRMA members and children 12 and under are admitted for free). Taking place on Fridays from 5-9pm, the first Friday is May 30. Located at the Century Center, Island Park, on 120 South St. Joseph St. in South Bend. For more info, visit [www.sbrma.org](http://www.sbrma.org) or call (574) 255-0345.

**St. Patrick's Park:** Almost 400 acres of land with trails, ponds, and St. Joseph River frontage, St. Patrick's Park is lo-

**Ph.D. Committee Representative:** represents Ph.D. students at monthly department meetings; coordinates Ph.D. candidacy exam parties; works closely with the DGS in planning the PhD Visiting Student Weekend; serves as liaison to the GTS board.

**Representative to the Graduate Student Union:** attends meetings of the GSU to represent concerns of GTS students; serves as liaison to the GTS; provides written reports as necessary to the GTS.

**Professional Development Representative:** works with the DGS to advance the professional development of GTS members; promotes professional organizations and conferences; organizes informational sessions such as mock-presentations and mock-job talks.

**Gender Concerns Committee Representative:** attends all GCC meetings; represents GTS and graduate student concerns to the GCC; serves as a liaison to the GTS board and to all graduate students in the Theology Department.

To nominate yourself or someone else, please contact current GTS Vice-President Katie Harmon at [kharmon1@nd.edu](mailto:kharmon1@nd.edu). Nominations will be taken starting Monday, April 14 until Tuesday, April 22. Elections for the above offices will be held April 23-25. **MTS, MSM** and **MDiv** program representative elections will be held in the fall.

—RB

cated on the north side of South Bend. There are hiking maps available as well as canoe rentals (check out the website for more info). There are large picnic facilities in covered areas, and plenty of open space near by (which has its advantages and disadvantages; don't play Frisbee too close to the roofed picnic shelter...). If you have kids (or if you really have a thing for swing sets), St. Pat's also has a really cool playground set. Search for St. Pat's and other parks at [www.sjcparks.org](http://www.sjcparks.org) or call (574) 277-4828.

**St. Joseph, Michigan:** About 45 minutes away, St. Joseph, MI is a great beach for an afternoon or day trip. If you want to fit in some window shopping on your way to or from the beach, a walk downtown also offers some cool little shops and a number of good, reasonably priced sit-down restaurants. If you're bent on swimming, though, wait til late June...or July unless you are used to some pretty frigid temperatures!



—KH

## Around South Bend. . .

### Cambodian Thai

Cambodian Thai, located at 229 S Michigan St South Bend, is a great downtown option for a quick lunch or dinner. The entrees are generous and flavorful. The menu is huge as well, including a variety of curries and noodle dishes. Be sure to specify mild, medium or hot. The seating area is tiny, so you might consider their take-out as a back up option. Prices are reasonable and the atmosphere informal. (574) 289-2877.

### Rico's Filling Station



Is your culinary quest for Mexican on the corner of Edison and 23 feeling thwarted with the recent closure of Casa del Rio? Fortunately, there is a new little Mexican place; unfortunately, it's more fast-food style than any good sit-down deal. On the plus side, prices are decent and they have a number of vegetarian selections, so keep it in mind if you want to stop by for a quick bite. Located on SR 23 between Ironwood and Edison; open Mon-Thurs. 10:30-9pm, Sat. 10:30-10pm, Sun. 12noon-8pm. (574) 247-1400.



## Can a Graduate Student Buy a House?

At Notre Dame, you can! Despite the lagging economy, it may still be a wise to consider buying instead of renting if you will be at Notre Dame for a while. There are several good programs in South Bend which serve to help lower-income people (like grad students!) attain an affordable mortgage for their home. The Community Homebuyer's Program (CHC) offers a lower down payment and a special mortgage for eligible applicants in which a percentage of the purchase price (5%-20%) is forgivable. To look into this program, search for "community homebuyers corporation" at [http://](http://www.southbendin.gov)

### Bella Vita Coffee

If you're nostalgic for that week you spent in Rome, or just pinning for a little good Italian espresso, head out to Bella Vita Coffee in Granger. The owners, Scott and Kristine, offer excellent brewed coffee and a full line of espresso drinks. A quote from Scott in a web article about the place: "Kristine and I are especially passionate about making espresso in the Italian tradition." There you have it. The espresso is complemented by a range of bakery and desserts, in a cozy atmosphere (fireplace + leather furniture = relaxing!). Last but not least, free wireless internet! 12400 Bittersweet Commons Blvd, Granger. (574) 968-0068. (Thanks to Ardea Russo for her help with this entry!)

### PTL Tire



As road-trip season approaches, you may be looking for a good mechanic to make sure your car is shipshape for those long drives. If you live close to downtown South Bend, check out PTL Tire. They are a full-service garage with reasonable prices on oil changes, routine maintenance, and so on. They're super-friendly and (in this reporter's experience) don't try to pressure you into added expenses. Located on the corner of Colfax and Lafayette in downtown South Bend; open Mon-Fri 7:30-5:30pm. (574) 234-1144.

—RB, MZ, KH

[www.southbendin.gov](http://www.southbendin.gov). (574) 235-9475.

Another program worth checking out is the Near Northwest Neighborhood Inc. This is also a restricted income South Bend project which hopes to support the Near Northwest Neighborhood by introducing more owners. The program's main focus is to acquire, rehabilitate, and sell homes within the neighborhood to stable residents. These rehabilitated houses are impressive sights, as many are large, historic, Victorian-style homes. To look into this program, check out [www.nearnorthwest.org](http://www.nearnorthwest.org) or call (574) 232-9182.

—KH

## Grillin' with Saint Laurence on the Basketball Court

Whoever says theologians can't play ball hasn't seen the bookstore basketball team "Grilling with St. Laurence" in action. The team, made up of PhD students (and rock-star ballers) **Charlie Camosy (HC)**, **Wes Foreman (HC)**, **Geoff Keating (MT)**, **Joel Schmidt (LS)**, and **Patrick Clark (MT)**, has defeated two teams of undergraduate boys scoring 21-6 and 21-12.

In a saddening twist of fate for the excellent sportsmen, they lost their last game on April 11. The Grillers fought hard til the end but were defeated in the third round by a troupe of undergrad boys. The final score has not been reported.



—KS

## GSU Blood Drive

If you would like to donate blood this spring, the GSU is sponsoring a blood drive during the last week of classes on Monday, April 28, in the LaFortune Ballroom. Times will be available from 10-4:30pm, but you are asked to please call and make an appointment first. Call the GSU Office (574) 631-6963 or send an email to frahn.2@nd.edu to request a time.

## Blessing & Sending for 3rd-year MDivs

Mark your calendars for the blessing and sending for the 3rd-year MDiv students which will take place on May 1. Details about time and place are yet to be determined.

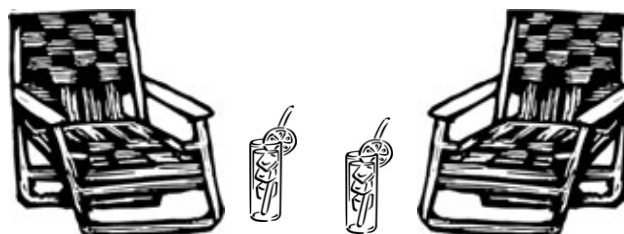
The MDiv graduation Mass will take place on May 16 at the Moreau Seminary.

—MT

## Have a Great Summer!

Thanks for reading the bulletin and coming to all the GTS events this school year. We look forward to seeing returning students, faculty, and staff at GTS events next Fall!

—The GTS board



## Calendar

<b>April 30</b>	<b>GTS End of the Year Party</b>
<b>April 30</b>	<b>Last Class Day</b>
<b>May 12</b>	<b>All Grades Due</b>
<b>May 16-18</b>	<b>Commencement Weekend</b>
<b>June 16</b>	<b>Beginning of Summer Session</b>
<b>June 16-18</b>	<b>The "Forgotten Sacraments" ND Center for Liturgy Conference</b>
<b>July 25</b>	<b>End of Summer Session</b>

Thanks to all the GTS board members who will leave their leadership roles at the end of this semester:

Rhodora Beaton  
 Todd Hannekan  
 Melanie Ross  
 Kristina Schliesman  
 Mary Tracy  
 Molly Zahn

Good luck in school, in jobs,  
 and in work!