



HIARPT PROGRAM 2010

New Directions in American Liberal Philosophical and Religious Thought

JUNE 14-17, 2010

MANITOU SPRINGS, COLORADO

Meetings will be held in the Historic Community Congregational Church, a United Church of Christ, in the center of Manitou Springs at 103 Pawnee Avenue

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Monday, June 14 7:30 PM Community Hall

Welcome: Harley Chapman

Intellectual Autobiography: Robert C. Neville, Boston University; President, HIARPT
Reception to follow

Tuesday, June 15 9:00 AM Community Hall

Introduction: Nancy Frankenberry

Plenary Session: Gary Dorrien, Reinhold Niebuhr Professor of Social Ethics, Union Theological Seminary, “**The Idealistic Spirit of Liberal Theology**”

General Discussion: 10:00-10:30

Coffee Break: 10:30-11:00

Concurrent Sessions:

(A) Chair: Don Klinefelter Community Hall

11:00—11:30 Adam Scarfe, Brandon University: “Evolution and ‘Structures of Activity’:
A Novel Direction for Naturalistic Philosophy, Theology, and Ethics”

11:45—12:15 Nathaniel Barrett, American University: “The Promise and Peril of
Restoration Ecology: Prospects for the Development of Pragmatist and Process
Environmental Philosophy in the Twenty-first Century”

(B) Chair: Creighton Peden Sanctuary Room

11:00—11:30 Jennifer Jesse, Truman State University: “HIARPT's ‘Social Mind’ and
How to Avoid Senility”

11:45—12:15 Barbara Mesle, Graceland University: “ ‘Wanna fly, you got to give up the shit that weighs you down’: Suffering, Song, Stories, and Soaring in Toni Morrison's SONG OF SOLOMON”

Lunch Break 12:15—1:30

Concurrent Sessions:

(C) Chair: Tyron Inbody Sanctuary Room

1:45—2:15 Bill Dean, Iliff School of Theology Emeritus, “Liberal Piety”

2:15—2:45 Michael Zbaraschuk, Pacific Lutheran University: “Revisiting Dean's Conventionalism: God, Atheism, and the Motivation for Criticism”

(D) Chair: Charley Hardwick Community Hall

1:45—2:15 Tom Byrnes, Benedictine University, Emeritus: “Contributions of the Hand to Constructive Theology”

2:15—2:45 Randall Auxier, Southern Illinois University: “God's Mortal Soul”

Afternoon: Walk/hike through The Garden of the Gods (still at Springs altitude)

Dinner: The Cliff House, 306 Canon Ave., Manitou Springs (within walking distance; valet parking available)

Wednesday, June 16 9:00AM Community Hall

Introduction: Nancy Frankenberry

Plenary Session: Linell Cady, Franca Orefice Dean's Distinguished Professor of Religious Studies, and Director of the Center for the Study of Religion and Conflict, Arizona State University: “**Religious Imagination in a late Secular Age: Extending Liberal Traditions in the 21st Century**”

General Discussion: 10:00-10:30 AM

Coffee Break: 10:30-11:00 AM

Concurrent Sessions:

(A) Chair: William Hart Community Hall

11:00—11:30 Robert Smid, Curry College: “E Pluribus Unum: Theological Resources for Maintaining Unity in a Disestablished, Pluralistic Age”

11:45—12:15 Michael Hogue, Meadville Lombard Theological School: “Recovering Public Engagement: Towards a Pragmatic Public Theology”

(B) Chair: Walter Gulick Sanctuary Room

11:00—11:30 Charley Hardwick, American University Emeritus: “Comments on the Ontological Foundations of Naturalism”

11:45—12:15 Bob Mesle, Graceland University: “Whitehead in China and Beyond: Thoughts on Professing Process Relational Philosophy in China”

(C) Chair: Tom Parker North Room
 11:00—11:30 Michael Raposa, Lehigh University: “On Being a Liberal Theologian in a Postliberal Age”
 11:45—12:15 Les Muray, Curry College: “The Liberation of Liberal Theology”

Lunch Break

Afternoon Excursion: Ride up Pikes Peak on the tram railway

Dinner (at your leisure)

Thursday, June 17 9:00AM Community Hall
 Introduction: Harley Chapman
Plenary Session: Wesley Wildman, Professor of Theology and Ethics, Boston University: "**The Ambiguous Legacy and Perpetual Promise of Liberal Religious Thought**"

General Discussion: 10:00-10:30 AM

Coffee Break: 10:30-11:00 AM

Concurrent Sessions:

(A) Chair: Ed Towne Community Hall
 11:00—11:30 Don Viney, Pittsburg State University: “Hartshorne's History of God: Relativizing the Classical Tradition”
 11:45—12:15 Dan Dombrowski, Seattle University: “Rival Concepts of God and Rival Versions of Mysticism”

(B) Chair: David Conner Sanctuary Room
 11:00—11:30 Vaughan McTernan, Colorado Springs: “Stretching Our Theological Boundaries: A Process Theology for a Virtual World”
 11:45—12:15 James McLachlan, Western Carolina University: “Eschatology In and Out of the World: Wahl, Levinas, and Process Theology”

(C) Chair: Don Crosby North Room
 11:00—11:30 Jerome A. Stone, Meadville Lombard Theological School: “New Directions in Naturalized Spirituality”
 11:45—12:15 Cedric Heppler, Raleigh, NC: “An Inquiry into and a Critique of Jerome. A. Stone's 'Religious Naturalism Today'; or The Future of Religious Naturalism?”

Lunch Break

Afternoon: Excursion to the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center
 HIARPT Board Meeting (venue TBA)

5:00 General Business Meeting

Dinner at the home of Dr. Ted Maynard and Dr. Pamela Taylor, 3110 Pegasus Drive,
Colorado Springs, CO 80906

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