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SUMMER FAMILY CONFERENCES

Perspective on technology

by Robert VanderVennen

The popular ICS summer family conferences again drew appreciative attendees who did not have far to look for relevance to their lives. Both the Alberta and the Ontario conferences brought Christian experts together to help us think about the ways technology shapes our attitudes and even our religious perspective.

In Alberta the Dutch scholar-engineer **Egbert Schuurman** cautioned that along with the blessings technology bring to us, it contains the danger that we are ourselves controlled by technology and the goals of technicism.

Schuurman said that "a Christian's love for God demands alienation from secular culture; yet that same love requires the Christian to enter the culture in order that we may address it in love."

Cindy Bruin reports that the 90 adults and 50 youth and children who attended shared widespread appreciation for Schuurman's perspective, and they also enjoyed the rock music of the band **Heart Attack**. Schuurman's insights drew much discussion, both in the sessions and around late-night campfires.

The Ontario conference drew about 350 people and brought together the Institute's **Vaden House** and **Charles Adams** of Dordt College. Their opening and closing keynote addresses formed a window for the 13 different workshops which helped people reflect from a Christian viewpoint on the wide range of ways technology enters our lives.

House showed how community can be helped but also deformed by communications technology. Adams showed the importance of a rich reformational worldview for relating with the technology

which has come as close to us as our breath.

A highlight of the conference was the striking biblical insights brought by ICS faculty member **Sylvia Keesmaat** in her two morning devotionals and the two sermons she delivered on Sunday. The worship services brought special blessing as always, but in the evening service Keesmaat brought the Bible and our popular culture together in a special way by interleaving the passionate cries of Psalm 22 with the scream of the song "Bullet with Butterfly Wings" of the



rock group **The Smashing Pumpkins**.

The richly-textured conference included a gallery of the work of 19 adult Christian artists plus student work from eight Christian schools, organized by **Jeanette Romkema**. Saturday evening brought an original two-person play written and acted by ICS doctoral student **Jim Leach** and by **Mark Barrera**. The facilities at Ridley College, St. Catharines, are the best, including the camping, that Ontario conferences have experienced.

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“To establish... a Christian University”

Thirty years ago this week the Institute for Christian Studies first opened the doors of 141 Lyndhurst Avenue in Toronto to graduate students interested in pursuing courses at this upstart and fledgling enterprise. This fall ICS will host several events to mark this significant anniversary. The Association which founded the Institute in 1967 had as its stated purpose “to undertake or promote whatever activities it shall deem conducive to the development of scripturally directed learning and scholarly enterprise, and particularly to establish, control and develop a Christian university.” Clearly our founders were not short on ambition!

The founders of ICS pursued a unique strategy to achieve their stated purpose. Instead of rapidly building a relatively large institution (including undergraduate programs), they decided to assemble a relatively small team of scholars to engage first in the development of “scripturally directed scholarship.” If they placed institution-building ahead of scholarship-building, the founders believed, they might be forced to hire professors not necessarily well-equipped for the task. This would compromise the integrally Christian identity of their project from the beginning. The founders assumed that once their team of scholars was assembled, the large institution (university) would follow as a matter of course.

Was this a sound strategy? No doubt our assessments vary. On the positive side, the strategy undoubtedly helped give ICS, through the years, a clearer and more widely-shared scholarly identity than is found at most other institutions. On the negative side the strategy can, with justification, be called idealistic and elitist. Whatever the case, it is clear that this strategy put a stamp on ICS which persists to the present day.

For a great variety of reasons the university for which the ICS founders hoped did not materialize. Instead, in the 1970s the Institute gradually recognized that its role in the educational scheme of things was to be a graduate

school, one which in its research and teaching specialized in the underlying, direction-setting issues in human knowledge. Realizing that ICS would remain a small institution with limited resources, the leaders of the day made another strategic decision: to focus on critical topics and central questions which would enable ICS to have an impact out of proportion to its size and resources. If we look at the contributions of ICS faculty over the years, in both Christian and secular scholarly circles, we must conclude that this strategy was extremely effective. A case in point is Hendrik Hart’s long-term interaction (in the Canadian Philosophical Association) with Kai Nielsen, a leading Canadian atheist philosopher, on the religious basis of philosophical thought.

Now, as we look back over three decades of service and ahead to a new century, the Institute once again faces a strategic choice. The landscape of Christian higher education has changed a great deal in the last decade or two, especially in Canada. Several Christian undergraduate institutions, each with unique strengths, have emerged. In this changing situation, how can ICS best fulfil its unique calling in the broad project of Christian higher education? Shall we continue as a free-standing graduate school, or shall we affiliate with an undergraduate college? Is affiliation perhaps the best and most strategic way to pursue the goal our founders had in mind: to develop scholarship rooted in Scripture *and* to establish a Christian university?

The survey ICS recently conducted revealed that the original goal of our founders continues to touch the hearts of the Institute’s members and supporters. There is still a deep and strong commitment to the development of a Christian university. Perhaps affiliation represents a significant step in this direction. The ICS Board, faculty and staff are committed to an honest and thorough assessment of this option. And if it should emerge that the affiliation option currently under consideration is not the way forward, it is clear that our members and supporters expect us to explore other ways of realizing more fully the original vision.

As ICS enters a new decade, the adventure continues. Stay tuned. And bless us with your prayers and your encouragement.

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Eygenraam new head of CSS

Henry Eygenraam is the new Executive Director of Christian Stewardship Services, announces **John Meiboom**, ICS's Vice-President for Administration and Development, who also chairs the board of CSS. ICS is one of the sponsors of CSS and benefits from its work.



Eygenraam has been a representative and manager with London Life Insurance Company for the past 28 years. He holds the designations of Certified Financial Planner, Chartered Life Underwriter, and Chartered Financial Consultant. He has demonstrated leadership in his industry through involvement in various boards and committees.

Eygenraam's Christian vision for stewardship and his enthusiasm for the mission of CSS were key factors in the board's decision to hire him. He has played significant roles on the boards of

Christian organizations in the past, most recently as chair of the board of Toronto District Christian High School.

"We at ICS look forward to working with Eygenraam over the coming years," says Meiboom. CSS has had notable success during its first 20 years under the leadership of **Harry Houtman**, its first Executive Director, who recently took a position with Christian Blind Mission International. We commend both Eygenraam and Houtman to your prayers.

ICS hosts art shows

ICS plans to host three or four art shows this academic year, drawing on creative talent in the community. The first is scheduled to start on November 7 and have an official opening on November 14. The second will open in January and the third in March or April.

At the opening nights we wish to include poetry reading and

music, and are looking for some talent in those areas. If you are an interested artist, poet or musician please contact **Ruth Kerkham** at 416-253-1105.

Zylstra Scholarship awards to two students

Peter Noteboom and Yana Filippenko are benefitting in their study of political theory at ICS from financial awards from the Bernard Zylstra Scholarship Fund.

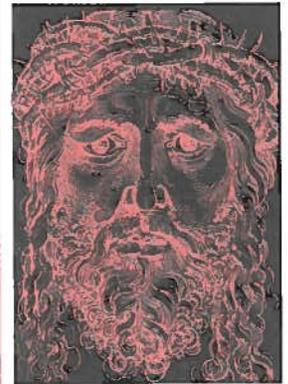
Noteboom is a new Ph.D. student at ICS who has spent several years of organizational and community development and relief work in West Africa. He is studying with Paul Marshall, examining the Christian Democratic perspectives on civil society in Europe between 1919 and 1939.

Filippenko comes to ICS after studying at St. Stephen's University in New Brunswick. She

has come from the Ukraine, and because of difficulties she has had in obtaining a visa, plus a shortage of funding possibilities, her attendance at ICS was delayed for more than a year. She will be working with Marshall in our Master of Philosophical Foundations degree program.

Zylstra was the first president of ICS and a long time senior member in political theory. Upon his death from cancer in 1985 his many friends and ICS supporters established a fund in his name to assist ICS students in the area of political theory.

Summer School is warmly appreciated



The summer school program that ICS has run jointly for five years with Wycliffe College of the University of Toronto was greatly appreciated by the 63 people who registered.

ICS's **Carroll Guen Hart** taught a course exploring calling and professionalism. John Harvey of Wycliffe College, John Webster of Oxford University, England, Mary Stewart Van Leeuwen of Eastern College, and Edith Humphrey of St. Paul's University in Ottawa were the other professors.

Chapel services and social events were among the extra-curricular activities that helped form community among the students.

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Wilbur Sutherland dies

Wilbur Sutherland, a close ICS friend who lived in Toronto, died on September 13. He had been Canadian director of Inter-Varsity, and in recent years promoted the

arts through his charitable agency Imago. His support of ICS was not public but was significant and much cherished.

faculty activities



Robert Sweetman has published his article "Of Tall Tales and Small Subversive Stories: Postmodern 'Fragmatics' and the Christian Historian" in the journal *Fides et Historia* (28:2, Summer, 1996). Sweetman offers a new frame of reference and some Christian observations about postmodernism as historians have related to it in their research and thinking about history.

In September Sweetman spoke in the Adult Education program of Toronto I Christian Reformed Church on "Analysis of the CRC Worship Committee's report to the Synod of 1997." In October he is speaking on "Our Story, Our Telling" and "Their Story, Their Telling" for the Christian Teachers' Association of British Columbia (NWCSI-CTABC).

Paul Marshall has continued to have a strong public and international presence following the publishing of his book *Their Blood Cries Out*. Major references to the book have appeared in a lead article in *Reader's Digest*, and among

others place in the *Los Angeles Times* (front page), *Dallas Morning News*, *The New Republic*, *Episcopal Life*, and again in *The New York Times*. His article in *Mission and Ministry* was reprinted in *The Anglican Digest* which goes to all Anglican clergy worldwide. Articles and interviews have appeared in *The Washington Times* and in the Canadian bimonthly *Faith Today*.

In addition to many



radio interviews he has appeared on ABC and CBS Evening News programs, PBS, and he did a ten minute segment on his book on CNN's "Insight" program. He gave an invited presentation titled "Survey of the Persecution of Christians in the Contemporary World" to the Advisory Committee to the U.S. Secretary of State on Religious Freedom Abroad, which drew members of the State Department, of the press, and experts on persecution from many distant places.

Marshall spent the month of August in South Africa, through a grant from the Human Sciences Research Council of South Africa, to advise on "Language, Minorities and Rights." He met with various

experts in Johannesburg, Pretoria, Cape Town, Bloemfontein and Pietersburg. He lectured on "Minority Language Rights" at the University of Cape Town and for the National Institute for Public Interest Law and Research in Pretoria. He also lectured at the University of the Orange Free State, and met with ICS alumni Samson Makhado and Walter Muloiwa and spoke to parents and staff at their Christian school in Venda.

Marshall's scholarly article on "Religions Toleration and Human Rights" was published in the book *Should God Get Tenure?* which was edited by D. Gill and published by Eerdmans. He also served as external examiner for the doctoral dissertation of Richard Mouw's student Jeong-Kii Min at Fuller Theological Seminary.



James Olthuis's article "Face-to-face: Ethical asymmetry or the symmetry of mutuality?" has just been published in the Canadian journal *Studies in Religion/Sciences Religieuses* 25/4 (1996): 459-79.

Emeritus Senior Member **Calvin**



Seerveld spent some time in the Netherlands in August speaking for various groups. He lectured at the Dutch L'Abri on "The Imagination." He spoke for some 30 professors, writers, artists and graduate students at the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam at a colloquium organized by the Center for Reformational Philosophy and the VU's Philosophy Department.

Seerveld also spoke on "Minorities and Philoxenia" at a week-long conference of Christian labour leaders and artists from many European countries sponsored by Christian Artists International. A special event at this conference was a performance of Seerveld's musical drama *The Greatest Song* with a cast from Ireland, France, Holland and the United Kingdom.

from our students

David Smith has written the opening chapter "Facing the challenge of educational change" in the book *Agenda for Educational Change* published in 1997 by Inter-Varsity Press in England.

ICS events

September 26, 1997
7:45 p.m.

Paul Marshall will discuss his latest book: *Their Blood Cries Out: The World-Wide Tragedy of Christians Who Are Dying for Their Faith*
At Grace Christian Reformed Church, Chatham, Ontario

Words in Season: A Celebration of 30 Years of Publishing at ICS
October 2, 1997,
7:30 p.m.

Also celebrating the recent publishing of two new books from At ICS, 229 College St. Toronto

Convocation, Graduation and Celebration
November 7, 1997
7:30 p.m.

Awarding of degrees and giving thanks for 30 years of scholarship at ICS
At Knox College Chapel, 59 St. George St., reception following at ICS

Christianity and Learning Lectures

February, 1998
One lecture each evening for three days on themes integrating Christianity and learning
At ICS, 229 College St., Toronto

Art Talks! The Ruth Memorial Series on the Arts & Culture

March, 1998
Christian writers will read and discuss their work in this second annual event.

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by Mike DenHaan

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Challenging goals challenging you

Many ICS students arrive in search of a place to do top-notch scholarship from a Christian perspective. They want proof that Christianity and excellent scholarship are not mutually exclusive. This is the challenge for ICS faculty!

But they cannot meet this challenge without your help. For over thirty years people like you have given ICS the resources to research, teach and write from various fields of study in a way that declares: “Our world belongs to God.”

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- 225 gifts of \$100-\$249 before December 31, 1997
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place to develop and integrate their faith into excellent scholarship at the Master’s and Ph.D. level.

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On behalf of ICS students and faculty, thank you!

educational services



by Robert VanderVennen

New ICS book on philosophy and spirituality

Knowing Other-wise: *Philosophy at the Threshold of Spirituality* is the title of a new ICS book edited by ICS faculty member James Olthuis and written by several faculty members and ICS doctoral students. The book is a response to the crisis of reason in modernity.

Knowledge in modern times has been said to be neutral, dispassionate and disinterested. But philosophy without ethics has been shown to be deadly and oppressive, say environmentalists, feminists and postmodernists. This collection of essays, published by Fordham University Press, points to an “other” way of knowing, “a knowing of the heart with the eye of love.”

The book is one of the fruits of interdisciplinary, communal research at ICS financially supported in part by a research grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. Reason is not the only way of knowing, say the authors. The book connects knowing with the Other, pointing to the God above us all. In the publisher’s language, “It is about convergence between postmodern discussions and Calvinist spirituality.” It explores current scholarship as it works toward a spiritually and ethically sensitive knowing. It is precisely the kind of work the ICS was founded to do.

ICS faculty member Hendrik Hart has a chapter on rationality and spirituality in philosophy. Faculty member Carroll Guen Hart and ICS doctoral student Janet Wesselius each have a

chapter on feminism. Doctoral students Ron Kuipers and Jeff Dudiak have chapters on Rorty, Levinas and Caputo. And more.

Olthuis has included this sensitive Dedication: “Gratefully dedicated to the faithful who have made the ICS possible. Without their support, this book would have been impossible.” You can order the book from ICS.

ICS co-publishes *Voices from the Past: Reformed Educators*

The vision for Christian schooling at all levels as articulated by ten leading American writers during the past 100 years, essays edited by Donald Oppewal of Calvin College, has been published in book form by ICS in our co-publishing program with University Press of America.

The vision of Christian scholarship has long roots in North America as well as in the Netherlands. “Education is for wisdom” is the theme spelled out in past decades by leaders like Cornelius Jaarsma, W. H. Jellema, Henry Zylstra, Nicholas Wolterstorff, Louis Berkhof and Peter De Boer, as well as by Oppewal himself.

The focus is on liberal arts education and the aims and goals of education, with emphasis on curriculum and translating ideas into teaching and learning. Reading the book is like finding treasures in your attic. You can buy the book from ICS.

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ICS and TKUC faculties enjoy two-day meeting

by Harry Fernhout

On August 21 eight members of the Institute's faculty travelled to Edmonton for a two-day meeting with the faculty of The King's University College (TKUC). The purpose of the gathering was to introduce the two groups to one another, and to explore the academic implications of a possible affiliation, currently being considered by the two institutions.

TKUC Dean of Students Roy Berkenbosch helped set a relaxed and light tone in his opening devotions. He wondered aloud whether the story in the book of Joshua about the Gibeonites might be an appropriate passage for the occasion: the Gibeonites came to the Israelites in disguise to trick them into a peace treaty, but ended up as hewers of wood and drawers of water! Or perhaps, suggested Berkenbosch, he could use the story of the spies who went out into the promised land, and only two of whom gave a favourable report.

The meeting, however, was not marked by the tensions characteristic of these two Bible stories. After a round of introductions, the group explored various issues related to a possible affiliation. The two presidents, Henk Van Andel and Harry Fernhout, first presented brief accounts of the history and mission of their respective institutions. Next came a comparison of the institutional cultures and policies with regard to research, teaching and the curriculum. A faculty member from each institution (Heather Looy for TKUC and Henk Hart for ICS) then

addressed the theme, "My scholarship/teaching within the mission of my institution." This was followed by presentations from faculty members Bob Sweetman (ICS) and Doug Harink (TKUC) on "Your institution's foundational statements: strengths and weaknesses." Small group discussions provided a forum to consider these themes and to raise specific questions about how an affiliation might work. A couple of evening social gatherings were an unofficial but integral part of the interaction.

Members of the ICS faculty were deeply impressed by the warm welcome extended to them, and by the open and constructive tone of the discussions. They found that their counterparts at TKUC share a lively concern for integral Christian scholarship. The ICS faculty also appreciated the honest way concerns related to affiliation were addressed. For example, the risks of creating a two-tiered faculty (graduate and undergraduate), and the complexity of linking the Institute's foundational orientation with TKUC's necessarily broader curriculum were clearly spelled out.

In the end, members of the ICS faculty went home as neither Gibeonites nor spies. Rather they viewed their Edmonton experience as an extremely valuable opportunity to build connections, share ideas, and encourage one another in a shared task. The faculty agreed that quite apart from the affiliation matter, the meeting was so valuable that similar encounters should be planned on an annual or biennial basis.



Educational Services
(Continued)

Citizenship and Democracy
written by Nick Loenen

Nick Loenen, former ICS representative in western Canada, has written a valuable book recently published by Dundurn Press titled *Citizenship and Democracy: A case for proportional representation*. The book makes a case for changes in the Canadian voting system and the way federal and provincial legislatures function.

"Majority rules" is a good democratic principle, says Loenen, but that's not the way the Canadian system works. At present a majority of Canadian votes are wasted, he says. Most legislative seats are awarded to candidates who receive less than half the votes. In a recent federal election it took 1,093,211 votes to elect each Conservative member, but only 31,730 for each Liberal. Most often a government is elected by less than half of those voting in an election.

We should change to a proportional representation system, says Loenen. This system comes in different varieties, but what they all have in common is that a political party gets the same proportion of seats as votes cast for it. His last chapter shows how proportional representation would work.

Loenen is also unhappy about the ways provincial and federal legislatures work. Legislative power is

concentrated totally, completely at the top, he says. Real power is not in the legislature or even the cabinet, but in the premier's and prime minister's office. Legislatures are nearly powerless to oversee the legislative agenda. There should be less party discipline in legislatures, and more free votes.

Loenen knows of what he speaks. He was a councillor in Richmond, B.C., for four years and a member of the British Columbia legislature for five years. You can buy his insightful and stimulating book from ICS.

Christian critique of postmodernity and education

Harry Fernhout, Brian Walsh and Doug Blomberg are contributors to an exciting new book that comes from papers they presented Australia at an international conference on education. Other contributors to the book's eleven chapters are Nicholas Wolterstorff, who wrote the Introduction, Bob Goudzwaard, Jack Fennema and Albert E. Greene, Jr.

The book's title is *The Crumbling Walls of Certainty: Towards a Christian Critique of Postmodernity and Education*. Its contents reaffirm the values of an education firmly rooted in the certainties of Christianity but at the same time alert to the fundamental change in society and culture taking place in our times. This dynamic book points a clear way forward into the next century in the realiza-

Survey reveals strong interest in affiliation issue

In June and July the Institute conducted an extensive survey to gather input from its supporters regarding the current exploration of a possible affiliation with The King's University College (TKUC). Surveys were sent to all current ICS members and donors and to a random selection of others on the Institute's mailing list.

Thirty-five percent of the members and donors availed themselves of the opportunity to give their input. This is a remarkably high response rate for a mail survey, indicating a very strong level of interest in the ICS constituency. Many respondents also took the time to write personal comments on the survey questions, which, when tabulated, filled 68 pages. A number of persons sent extensive letters with their surveys.

The first item on the survey asked respondents to indicate whether they supported the development of a Christian university in the Reformed tradition, with both undergraduate and graduate programs. Ninety-one percent of the respondents affirmed the importance of developing such a university. Seventy-seven percent said that, based on the information provided with the survey, they favoured the possible affiliation of ICS and TKUC. Five percent opposed the idea.

President Harry Fernhout says he is extremely grateful for the strong survey response. "The written survey comments are especially thoughtful and helpful. I was deeply touched when I read those 68 pages of comments. Our supporters

have shown us that they care a great deal about the Institute's future, and that they are passionate about our task in graduate education."

Fernhout observed that those who favoured the possible affiliation often stressed the importance of pooling academic resources, improving the Institute's degree-granting and accreditation, and stewardship of finances. He noted that while the survey revealed strong support for the current exploratory discussions, the results also reveal interesting questions and challenges. "The difference in response to the 'university' question (91%) and the 'affiliation' question (77%) indicates that not everyone thinks this affiliation is the best way to work toward a university." Fernhout was also impressed by the fact that those who said "yes" to the affiliation question often added a "but ..." "The 'buts' range all the way from regret about the possibility of seeing ICS move out of Ontario to concern that the Institute's emphasis on leading-edge reformational scholarship would be diminished. Worries about the disruptive impact on faculty, staff and their families was also a recurrent theme," said Fernhout.

Fernhout concluded that the survey indicated that, while expressing certain cautions, the ICS constituency is very solidly behind the initiatives which have been undertaken. Fernhout stressed, however, that the survey "was not intended to be a referendum on the issue of affiliation. This is an extremely complex issue, and while community support is essential, when all is said and done it is one ingredient in a complicated recipe."

tion that without the centrality of Jesus Christ there would be no second millennium.

This book, available from ICS, will be of interest to all educators, parents, pastors and philosophers who are interested in the education of their children.

Goudzwaard's *Capitalism and Progress* reissued

England's Paternoster Press has reprinted Bob Goudzwaard's seminal book *Capitalism and Progress: A Diagnosis of Western Society*, trans-

lated by Josina Van Nuis Zylstra in 1978 at the initiative of ICS and Citizens for Public Justice.

Goudzwaard looks beneath the surface symptoms of the social crisis of our time, with its high unemployment, environmental problems and political strife with alienation and internal wars in many nations. He finds a major culprit to be the modern belief in human progress which underlies the unfolding of modern capitalist society. Progress means ever-increasing levels of income and consumption, a utilitarian view

of labour, demands on our environment and the despoiling of Third World nations.

Goudzwaard appeals to our conscience, to our recognition of our own part in the disarray of our social order. Only when we understand the problem and our part in it can we begin to turn around our own lives and our society.

This timely book comes again to challenge a new generation. You can order it from ICS.

The University and its Basis reissued

Hendrik van Riessen's classic statement on the basis and task of the university in a Christian perspective, originally published by ICS, has been reprinted in Australia by the Association for Christian Higher Education in Australia. You can buy a copy by sending \$10 in US funds to Dr. Keith C. Sewell, 358 Mountain Highway, Wantirna, Victoria, Australia 3152.

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