ACIS Elections

ACIS President, Blanche Touhill, has announced that Professor Anthony Bradley, Department of English, University of Vermont, Burlington VT, 05405 will replace James Doan as a member of the nominating committee. Although committee chair James MacKillop has not yet set a specific date for mailing out the ballots for the 1995 election of officers, members should receive them some time after the first of the year.

ACIS Research Report

This issue includes the fourth annual ACIS research report compiled by DeeGee Lester. Following the tradition set by Yvette Jayson Sencer and other previous editors, Lester’s efforts to present an important overview of the ongoing scholarly activities of the ACIS membership and to provide important information on the specific work of individuals stand out as an exemplary response to an arduous task. The editors of the newsletter believe that they speak for the membership as a whole in voicing our heartfelt appreciation for the tireless work of Lester and of all of the previous research report editors in compiling this most useful document.

ACIS National Conferences

Plans for the 1995 ACIS/CAIS joint conference, to be held from 25 June to 1 July 1995 at Queen’s University Belfast and hosted by Dr. Brian Walker of the Institute of Irish Studies at Queen’s, are well advanced. The non-exclusionary theme of the conference will be Ireland: Island of Diversity. Although plans for the program are still being finalized, program organizer James MacKillop has announced that Queen’s graduate Seamus Heaney will be one of the featured speakers. MacKillop also proudly reports that the Belfast meeting has generated more requests to deliver papers and participate in panels than any previous ACIS conference. For further information, members of ACIS or CAIS should contact James MacKillop, English/Communications, Onondaga Community College, Syracuse, NY 13215.

As part of the planning process for the 1996 meeting as well as for subsequent ones, the Executive Committee wishes the membership to know that it welcomes hearing from anyone with a formal proposal to host a future national conference. Interested members who would like preliminary information about what is involved should contact Blanche Touhill.
REGIONAL CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The New England Region Conference—Planning for the 1995 regional meeting remains in the early stages, for further information contact Professor Charles Curran, Department of Communication, Stonehill College, North Easton, MA 02357.

The Mid-Atlantic Region Conference—Planning for the 1995 regional meeting remains in the early stages, for further information contact Professor Tramble T. Turner, Department of English, Penn State University-Ogontz, 1600 Woodland Road, Abington, PA 19001.

The Midwest Region Conference—The 1995 regional meeting will be held 6-7 October 1995 at Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana. A call for papers will be made in May of 1995. For further information, contact Professor Joseph O'Rourke, Department of Speech, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, IN 47933. (317) 364-4266.

The Southern Region Conference—The 1995 regional meeting will be held at the College of Charleston, 16-18 March 1995. (Please note: These dates differ from the originally scheduled conference dates of 30 March-1 April 1995 reported in the fall newsletter.) The theme of the conference will be "Ireland in the New World," but papers on other topics are welcome also. For further information, contact Joseph Kelly, Department of English and Communication, College of Charleston, 66 George Street, Charleston, SC 29424. (803) 953-4815. e-mail kellyc@cofc.edu

The Western Region Conference—Planning for the 1995 regional meeting remains in the early stages, for further information contact Professor Nora McGuinness, Department of Integrated Studies, University of California-Davis, Davis, CA 95616.

A conference entitled "Gender and Nineteenth-Century Ireland," sponsored by the Society for the Study of Nineteenth-Century Ireland, will be held at All Hallows College, Dublin, 28-30 April 1995. The aim of the conference is to provide a forum for the discussion of research in gender-related issues with reference to nineteenth-century Ireland, from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. For further information, contact Dr. Margaret Kelleher, Society for the Study of Nineteenth-Century Ireland, Mater Dei Institute of Education, Clonfiin Road, Dublin 3, Ireland. Phone: 01-83-76-027. FAX: 01-83-70-776.

A conference entitled "Culture and Colonialism" will be held at University College, Galway, in June of 1995. For further information, write to Dr. Tadhg P. Foley, English Department, University College, Galway, Ireland.

ACIS will sponsor a panel at the AHA Convention, presented under the affiliated societies program. The session, entitled "Multiple Kingdoms and the Early Modern State: The Case of the British Isles," will take place on 6 January from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Hotel Parlor C of the Palmer House Hilton. The time and location of an ACIS cocktail reception will be announced after this session. There will also be an Irish history panel on the main program. It is entitled "Political Violence in Early Twentieth Century Ireland: The Cult of Armed Men," and it will take place on 7 January from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Private Dining Room #6 of the Palmer House Hilton.

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Key:
WIP (Work in Progress/Progress)
RIP (Research in Progress)
DIS (Dissertation)
X (Cross Reference With Other Categories)

ANTHROPOLOGY

GELLIVER, P.H. (Canada) York University


LANDES, EUGENIA, Houston, TX
"Paramilitary in Irish Identity Politics, Nationalism, and Multiculturalism in Dublin, Ireland." (WIP - Dis.)


"Impressions of Irish Identity and Heritage in South Texas." (RIP).

SEIFERMAN, MARILYN, (Canada) York University


WILSON, THOMAS M., The Queen's University of Belfast, Northern Ireland


CELTIC STUDIES

DOAN, JAMES E., Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

TRAYCH, ROBERT, University of California, Berkeley, California

A.C.I.S. RESEARCH REPORT
Deirdre Lester, editor

AGNEH, PATRICIA, New York, N.Y.

ARMSTRONG, ALISON, New York, N.Y.

BURKE, WILLIAM, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida.

CLARK, DAVID R., Amherst, MA.

"W.B. Yeats, The Plays, David R. Clark and Rosalind Clark, eds., New York: St. Martin's Press, 1996. (See also, "Yeats and Modernism under women's studies".)

DICKINSON, KAROLYN, University of British Columbia.
A critical biography of Stewart Parker, Belfast playwright. (Book RIP).


SADDEK, ANN, (Canada) Memoi College, University of Toronto.

ECONOMICS

FINNEGAN, RICHARD B., Stony Brook College, North Easton, MA.


MALONEY, TIM, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI.
"Joseph Johnston: A Trinity Doc and the Economic War." (RIP)


FICTION

FALLON, JOHN J., Bellevue, NY.

FOLKLORE

Images and Meaning of Parables in Folk Expressions: A Cultural
CALLS FOR PAPERS

ACIS member Alexander G. Gonzales is editing for Greenwood Press a volume entitled Modern Irish Writers: A Bio-Critical Sourcebook. A number of essays on specific authors have already been assigned, but opportunities for writing on selected authors remain. For further details on this project, write Professor Alexander G. Gonzalez, English Department, Box 2000, Cortland College, State University of New York, Cortland, NY 13045.

A conference entitled "Joyce and Modern Culture," sponsored by Novog and by the Malcolm S. Forbes Center for Modern Culture & Media, will be held at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, from 12 to 16 June 1995. Send paper or panel proposals to Richard Pearce, Joyce 95, Wheaton College, Norton, MA 02766. (e-mail: joyce95@wheatonma.edu). The deadline for submission is 15 January 1995.

A call for papers has been issued for the inaugural North American Conference on Welsh Studies to be held at the University of Rio Grande, Rio Grande, Ohio, 1-2 June 1995. Conference planners invite papers on any aspect of Welsh Studies. Abstracts should be sent to Roderic Owen, Philosophy/Religion Department, Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, VA 24401. Phone: (703) 887-7003. FAX: (703) 887-7265. The deadline for submissions is 16 December 1994.

ACIS will sponsor two panels at the MLA convention to be held in Chicago, 27-30 December 1995. Session one is entitled "Cultural Politics in Irish Literature," and session two is entitled "Recent Irish Fiction." Literature Representative, Patricia Haberstroh, has asked that anyone interested in participating send a one page proposal or an 8-10 page paper to her at the Department of English, LaSalle University, Philadelphia PA 19141. The deadline for these submissions is 25 February 1995.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The University of Notre Dame invites applications for a tenured or tenure-track position in 18th-20th century Irish history, rank open, with employment to begin in August 1995. The successful applicant for this position will be expected to offer courses in Irish history at both undergraduate and graduate levels. Send letters of application, cv., and recommendations to Rev. William D. Mickle, S.C.S., Chair, Department of History, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 46556. Application deadline is 15 December 1994.
In 1995, long time ACIS member Alan Ward of the College of William and Mary, and his colleague, Kathleen Slevin, a graduate of University College-Dublin, will take a group of students to Trinity College, Dublin, where a series of classes will be offered to the students during the month of July. The courses will be entitled "The Making of Modern Ireland, Contemporary Irish Politics, and The Sociology of Irish Literature." The cost of the trip is $3,000, exclusive of air fare, and students from colleges other than William and Mary are welcome to participate. For further information, write the Office of Programs Abroad, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795.

The Ulster Folklife Society is planning to erect a memorial to the late Professor Estyn Evans at the Ulster Folk & Transport Museum, located in Cultra, County Down, Northern Ireland. Professor Evans gained a reputation as a pioneer in many aspects of research into Ireland's cultural traditions, including archaeology, folklore, and vernacular architecture. For further information on the project, write to Evans Memorial Appeal, c/o J. Thompson Steele, Ulster Folklife Society, 49 Casaeldon Park, Belfast BT6 9RD, Northern Ireland.

The Irish-American Heritage Memorial Committee of Syracuse, New York, is seeking submissions from artists interested in receiving a commission for a memorial project that would illustrate the diversity of Irish culture, underscore contributions of Irish immigrants to regional life, and enlighten the community on Irish history. The deadline for submissions is 15 December 1994. For further information, contact The Irish-American Heritage Memorial Committee, P.O. Box 716, Syracuse, NY 13209-0716. Phone: (315) 469-8986 or (315) 475-0345.