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SSJR ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

Approximately thirty members and friends attended the discussion on "New Research on Tokugawa Religion" at the Society's annual meeting held in conjunction with the Association for Asian Studies meeting in Chicago. Discussion focused on the dissertation research of Elizabeth Harrison on 18th century Jōdo Shinshū sermons, and Janine Sawada on the development and spread of the Shingaku movement after the death of Ishida Baigan. The Society's gratitude goes to Beth and Janine for their presentations and for allowing their work to be used as the basis for the meeting. Transcripts of both presentations will be enclosed with the next issue of the *Bulletin* as a special supplement.

In the business meeting that followed, Paul Watt, President of the Society, asked for suggestions for next year's discussion format. Any ideas or comments should be passed on to the Society's Executive Committee (Watt, Neil McMullin, and William Deal).

Because no mail nominations were received for the election of new officers, a motion to suspend the mail ballot was approved and the election was held at the meeting. The present officers, Paul Watt (President), and Neil McMullin (Vice-President), were elected to a second three-year term (Fall 1990 - Spring 1993). The position of Executive Secretary, appointed by the President and Vice-President, will be filled by William Deal.

The possibility of expanding the *Bulletin* to include book reviews is being considered.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Recent and Forthcoming Publications

David L. Barnhill, "Bashō at Bat: Wayfaring and Anti-structure in the Journals of Matsuo Bashō," *Journal of Asian Studies* .49:2 (May 1990).

Felicia G. Bock, "The Great Feast of the Enthronement," *Monumenta Nipponica* .45:1 (Spring 1990), pp. 27-38.

Felicia G. Bock, annotated translation of Book VII of the *Engi-shiki*, "Senso daijōsai," *Monumenta Nipponica* .45:2 (Summer 1990).

Karen L. Brock, "Chinese Maiden, Silla Monk: Zenmyō and Her Thirteenth-Century Audience," in *Flowering in the Shadows: Women in the History of Chinese and Japanese Painting* . Ed. Marsha Wiedner (forthcoming).

Paul Swanson, *Foundations of T'ien-t'ai Philosophy* (Asian Humanities Press, 1989).

Research in progress

James B. Leavell is working on an interactive (Macintosh) tutorial for Japanese Buddhist art and architecture.

Conferences

Masao Abe will offer a seminar on Dōgen at the Dutch Buddhist Study Center, Amsterdam, in June 1990.

Correspondence

Barry D. Stetsen won First Prize, Advanced Category, 1st All-Canada Japanese Speech Contest, Ottawa, November 1989, for a talk entitled "Bakumatsu no Yōmeigaku."

New Members

Karen L. Brock
Maggie Childs
Ruben Habito
Christopher Ives
Sallie King
Anne Lazrove
Dennis Lishka
Robert Sharf
Virginia Skord
Barry D. Stetsen
Paul Swanson

Diana Wright-Foss
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