

NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2000

President's Report

Dear CSSPE Members:

It has been my privilege to serve as President of the CSSPE for the last two years and as Vice-President for two years before that. During that time the Society has become a full member of the Humanities and Social Sciences Federation of Canada. We have also seen a collection of essays from the Society published in the Journal of Professional Ethics and we have seen the Society Newsletter go on-line. More significantly, we have almost completed the process of transferring the leadership of the Society from the founding generation to a new generation of scholars in Practical Ethics. These are significant achievements.

There are, however, a long list of items remaining on our agenda. Let me identify three:

(1) The Canadian Society for the Study of Practical Ethics continues to be a secondary loyalty for most members. Since practical ethics is by definition an interdisciplinary field, this can be a strength rather than a problem as long as everyone realizes the work of the Society still needs to be shared on a cooperative basis.

(2) In Ottawa and Sherbrooke / Lennoxville we had very useful joint meetings with the Ethics Practitioners' Association of Canada (EPAC). While this was not possible for this year's annual meeting in Edmonton, this remains a promising relationship. members of

EPAC have regular responsibility for ethics education in government and the corporate world but limited access to the academic world. CSSPE members have a lot to offer EPAC and EPAC offers access to situations of practical ethics often unavailable to academics.

(3) Finally, our primary activities are largely restricted to the annual meeting. There is an opportunity for regional networking among members if members so desire.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve in this capacity. I look forward to further opportunities to learn, debate and reflect with you all. Sincerely,

Christopher Lind
CSSPE President 1998-2000

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A Message from the Editors

You may have noticed that we reduced the publishing schedule of this newsletter from three times per year to twice per year. We hope to make up for this reduction by providing a new website: <http://www.carleton.ca/csspe-sceea>

The website allows us to publish news at short notice and at no cost while permanently providing additional information such as archived newsletters, addresses of the executive, a membership form, and the like. The website is linked to other societies which may increase our visibility.

We have made little progress with respect to French language content. We are dependent on the membership to help us with this issue and would appreciate an offer to translate at least some of the core documents. Comments regarding the website or newsletter are welcome anytime at saner@magma.ca

Marc Saner & John Rowan
CSSPE Newsletter Editors

Calls for Papers

CALL FOR PAPERS

An Edited Book in Environmental Ethics: *Recognizing the Autonomy of Nature*

In modern times anthropogenic changes in the natural environment have become so considerable that a rethinking of our relationship to nature has become imperative. This book is intended as an exploration of the idea that such a rethinking calls for the recognition of the autonomy of nature, namely coming to terms with nature's self-directedness and the respect that this may call for.

Please send papers that are philosophically informed as well as grounded in concrete practice. Papers should be addressed to a diverse

audience, which means that, while pursuing the topic in depth, they should be intelligible to non-specialists.

Send papers as soon as possible, and up UNTIL MAY 31, 2000. Essays should be no more than 5000 words long (excluding notes), submitted in duplicate, type written, double-spaced, written according to the specifications of The Chicago Manual of Style, 14th ed.; they should be prepared for blind refereeing with the author(s) name, institutional affiliation (if available), mailing address and e-address appearing on a separate sheet. Essays should be accompanied by a self-addressed and stamped envelope. Decisions regarding inclusion in the volume will be made by September 2000. For further information on this book project see my web page <http://web.uvic.ca/~heydt/>

Contact: Thomas Heyd, Ph.D., Department of Philosophy, University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia, V8W 3P4, Canada (Tel: 250 - 381 2239; Fax: 250 - 721 7511; e-mail: heydt@uvic.ca)

CALL FOR PAPERS

“Morality and Its Other(s): A National Conference on Moral Norms and Public Discourse”

Albion College, Michigan: November 9-11, 2000.

When and how do moral norms become exclusionary? What are the social, economic, historical, and political antecedents and consequences of these exclusions? How have philosopher, theologians and others historically envisioned moral and ethical norms to be inclusive and express care for difference and particularity? Is “othering” an inevitable consequence of moral discourse? In *Why I am Not a Secularist*, political theorist William Connolly suggests that the secular/religious divide constructs a binary opposition between public reason and “irrational” morality. He argues

that a dogmatic attachment to liberal secularism in late modernity effectively excludes the “visceral register” from the public sphere, constraining the cultivation of a democratic pluralism that can effectively engage moral and religious belief. It is clear, however, that late modernity has also been marked by a surge of discourses that urge a return to moral values to suture or renew the foundations of society. Whether the appeals are grounded in a foundationalist narrative that invokes God or nature, or in a secularist appeal to prudence or social utility, moral discourses often inspire individuals to discipline themselves in accordance with ethical norms. When these norms are articulated in a field of power, they often construct a moral/immoral binary which marginalize individuals, generate categories of behavioral and moral “deviance” and abnormality, effectively constructing morality’s “other.” Is “othering” an inevitable consequence of moral discourse? When and how do moral norms become exclusionary? What are the social, economic, historical, and political antecedents and consequences of these exclusions? How have theologians, philosophers and others historically envisioned moral and ethical norms to be inclusive and express care for difference and particularity?

The conference organizers invite scholars to participate in an interdisciplinary effort to address these and other questions in order to critically examine how moral norms operate in domestic and international spheres. Philosophical, empirical, historical, theoretical and theological explorations are sought from a variety of disciplines including philosophy, theology, anthropology, literary criticism, political theory, political science, women’s studies, and other areas. Proposals for papers, roundtable discussions and public debates may be on topics such as: moral autonomy and subjectivity; human rights; family values; ethics of justice/care; political obligation; biomedical ethics; cultural pluralism; toleration; the morality of the market;

moral discourse and the construction of race, gender, sexuality.

Selected papers and transcripts will of public exchanges will be reviewed for publication in an edited volume. THE CLOSING DATE FOR ALL PAPER ABSTRACTS IS JUNE 30, 2000. Please submit your proposal by fax (517-629-0991) or by mail to Dr. Kathy Purnell, Political Science Department, Albion College, Albion, MI 49224 USA.

CALL FOR PAPERS

“Justice and Justification” – The 13th Annual Conference of Concerned Philosophers for Peace

**McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario:
October 26-29, 2000**

Conceptions of justice lie at the core of numerous debates central to the philosophy of war and peace. Concerns about justice inform robust conceptions of peace which insist that peace amounts to more than merely the absence of war. Just ends are frequently invoked either to justify the use of violence in pursuit of those ends, or to explain why truly just and peaceful ends cannot be realized through violent means. Philosophers and other academics must critically scrutinize the manifold appeals to norms of justice which pervade the discourse of moral, political and legal justification, if we are to contribute constructively to the public debate on peace related issues.

This Concerned Philosophers for Peace conference intends to explore a wide variety of peace perspectives in relation to issues of justice and justification. The following list of suggestions is not meant to be exclusive. Papers are welcome on any of the following issues or on related issues suggested by you. Papers on other peace issues will also be considered. SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JUNE 30, 2000.

Papers are sought which discuss peace issues in relation to any of the following: theoretical perspectives on social and economic justice,

poverty and injustice, racism and discrimination, women's issues relating to justice, environmental issues relating to justice, development issues relating to justice, spiritual issues relating to justice, health issues relating to justice, human rights and humanitarian intervention, violent conflict relating to ethnic, cultural or religious diversity, genocide and war crimes, conflict resolution and transitional or restorative justice, the morality of punishment and forgiveness, international law, the role of political institutions in achieving a just world order, the just war tradition, pacifist conceptions of peace and justice.

For information and submissions contact the Program Chair, Mark Vorobej, Department of Philosophy, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, L8S 4K1 (Email: vorobej@mcmaster.ca, phone: 905-525-9140, fax: 905-577-0385).

To ensure full consideration of your paper, please send the Program Chair 2 copies of the paper and a 100-150 word abstract BY JUNE 30, 2000. Papers are blind reviewed. Papers may be of various lengths but presentation time is limited to 20 minutes. The conference, which is co-sponsored by McMaster's Department of Philosophy and Centre for Peace Studies, will run from Thursday afternoon, October 26th to Sunday noon, October 29th, and will be held in conjunction with the annual conference of the Ontario Philosophical Society.

CALL FOR PAPERS

**“At Our Best: Moral Lives in a Moral Community”
Santa Clara University: February 22-24, 2001.**

Sponsored by the Markkula Center for Applied Ethics at Santa Clara, the conference invites submissions in all areas of business ethics. Papers are being prepared in the following areas: virtue and character in business ethics; moral imagination; stakeholder theory; international

business ethics; ethics and finance; ethical issues in high technology businesses; moral development; ethics and leadership. Please send three copies of your paper plus a 75-word abstract appropriate to a blind review process to:

Dennis J. Moberg, Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, Santa Clara University, 500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara, CA 95053, USA

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS AUGUST 15, 2000. Negotiations are underway to publish the proceedings of this conference. For more information, e-mail at ethics@scu.edu or call (408) 554-4713.

CALL FOR PAPERS Employee Relations Ethics

The journal *Ethics & Behavior* will publish a special issue on Employee Relations Ethics in early 2001. Andrew Sikula, guest editor, welcomes articles addressing the ethical implications of the changing social contract between employers and employees in both the public and the private work sectors with a focus on the American experience. Articles will also be welcome on topics addressing the changing nature of work; the altered composition of the work force; the effects of re-engineering and downsizing; today's employer/employee loyalty and commitment; early retirement programs; the declining impact of unions; the loss of employee benefits and services; the disappearing middle class; the growing use of part-times; the two-career family; and other ethics in employment issues.

Manuscripts should be prepared in conformity with the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (4th edition) and submitted in triplicate. DEADLINE IS JULY 1, 2000. Submit to Andrew Sikula, Associate Dean, Elizabeth McDowell Lewis College of Business, Marshall University Graduate College, 100 Angus E. Peyton Drive, South Charleston, WV 25303-1600 USA.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Ethics of Empirical Software Engineering

Unlike other fields, empirical software engineering has yet to address the ethical considerations raised by its research practices. These considerations will be the focus of a special issue of the Empirical Software Engineering Journal. The goal is to raise awareness and initiate discussions of research ethics in the empirical software engineering community. Topics may include, but are not limited to: ethical dilemmas presented as cases; issues involving informed consent, such as how it is obtained and who must obtain it; guidelines for conducting experimental or observational studies; ethical issues raised by analyzing open source software; design and reporting techniques that make particular research practices more acceptable from an ethics perspective. Papers may be based on theoretical or analytic work in ethics, or on personal experience. PAPERS DUE SEPTEMBER 1, 2000. For further submission guidelines, please contact either Janice Singer (janice.singer@nrc.ca) or Norm Vinson (norm.vinson@nrc.ca) of the National Research Council Canada.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Ethics in Finance

Business Ethics Quarterly, the journal of the Society for Business Ethics, is seeking papers for a special issue on ethics in finance. Contributions are invited on all aspects of this topic, including ethics in financial markets, the financial services industry, financial institutions, investment decision-making, financial management, risk management, international finance, and finance theory. The editors for the special volume are John R. Boatright, Loyola University Chicago, and Jeffrey H. Peterson, St. Bonaventure University. THE DEADLINE FOR

SUBMISSIONS IS SEPTEMBER 15, 2000. Information for contributors is contained in each issue of *Business Ethics Quarterly*. Three copies of the manuscript, suitable for blind review, should be sent to John R. Boatright, School of Business Administration, Loyola University Chicago, 820 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611 USA.

Other Conferences

PAST CONFERENCE

1999 Canadian Business Ethics Summit

Leaders of the business ethics community met in Toronto on September 15-16, 1999 to discuss business ethics, corporate values, and social responsibility. At the invitation of the three convening organizations: The Canadian Centre for Ethics & Corporate Policy, the Conference Board of Canada and The Globe and Mail, members of the business ethics community from across Canada and the US gathered together to share information, identify priority issues and develop an action plan. The event was sponsored by Nortel Networks. Find more information at <http://www.ethicscentre.com/events.html>

CONFERENCE

“Integrating Ethics Into Technical Education” Raritan Valley Community College (New Jersey): June 1-2, 2000.

In a technologically advanced workplace, technicians work in teams to make decisions which, in more traditional organizations, have been made by senior management. Among the most significant decisions are those having ethical implications. Therefore, technical workers must be aware of the ethical issues

associated with their specific technologies and with technical decision-making generally. As a result, it is part of the educational process. The goal of the conference is to provide methods for integrating ethics into technical education.

The conference will be held Thursday and Friday, June 1-2 at Raritan Valley Community College in New Jersey, located one hour from New York City and one hour from Philadelphia. Keynote speakers will be Michael Davis, Illinois Institute of Technology, and Victoria Wike, Loyola University Chicago. The specific topics to be addressed include education in biomedical technologies, engineering or chemical technology, intellectual property issues, criteria for ethical decision-making, and shared classroom experiences. Address inquiries to Joyce Tigner at jtigner@rvcc.raritanval.edu.

CONFERENCE

**“Organizational Ethics for Clinical Ethicists”
Chicago: June 15-17, 2000.**

Co-sponsored by Loyola University Chicago and the Joint Commission for the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, this conference will take place at the Radisson Hotel and Suites, Chicago. The conference will address important issues relevant to ethics faculty in medical, nursing and other professional schools; clinical ethicists; ethics committee members in hospitals and health care systems; compliance and business conduct officers in health care organizations; and to anyone who wants a concrete, hands-on understanding of the state of the art in organizational ethics and health care. For further information, contact Loyola’s Center for Ethics at (tel) 773-508-8349; (fax) 773-508-8879; (address) Center for Ethics, Loyola University Chicago, 6525 North Sheridan Ro., Chicago, IL 60626, USA; (e-mail) bjanis@luc.edu; (web site) www.luc.edu/edpts/ethics.

CONFERENCE

**“World Conference on Bioethics” hosted by
The International Society of Bioethics
Gijón, Spain: June 20-24, 2000**

The themes of the conference are: "End of Life and Patients' Rights," "Biotechnology, Ethics, and Rights," and "New Century, New Dimensions." Registration ends on 20 May 2000. For more information, please contact the World Conference on Bioethics, Tel: 011-34-985-17-60-06, Fax: 011-34-985-17-55-07, E-mail: congreso@sibi.org, Website: www.bioetica.sibi.org/index2.html.

CONFERENCE

**Fifth Annual Ethics and Technology
Conference: “Challenges of the New
Millennium”
Loyola University Chicago: July 21-22, 2000.**

This conference will take a broad approach to issues of ethics and technology (computer and other electronic forms), and will consist of refereed papers, keynote speakers, panel presentations, demonstrations and other forms of presentation.

The keynote speaker will be Amitai Etzioni from George Washington University, speaking on “The Future of Privacy” (July 21). The second plenary speaker will be Jane Hammang-Buhl from Marygrove College, speaking on “Privacy, Security, Efficiency: A Consideration of Multiple Stakeholder Claims Regarding Information.”

For further information, see the web site (<http://www.ethicstech.org>) or contact Dr. Ronald J. Kizior, conference chair (rkizior@luc.edu).

CONFERENCE

**“Computer Ethics: Philosophical Enquiry”
Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH: July 14-16,
2000**

<http://www.dartmouth.edu/~phil/events/CEPE2000.html>

CONFERENCE

**“Ethics in the New Millenium: Bridging the
Public and Private Sectors”
Ottawa: September 24-28, 2000.**

The inaugural conference of the International Institute for Public Ethics, to be held in Ottawa, will focus on state-of-the-art theory and practice of ethics programs around the world, including ethics programs in government, business, and voluntary organizations. There will be workshops that engage the audience in activities such as working on a case study or participating in a hands-on demonstration of a training technique, and there will be paper presentations followed by discussions. Abstracts will be published in both English and French, though translators will not be provided for the papers themselves. For further information contact Jane McVeigh at jane.mcveigh@cdott.com. Website: <http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/Ethics2000Ottawa>

CONFERENCE

**“Research on Research Integrity: Emerging
Challenges for the Responsible Conduct of
Research”
Washington metropolitan area: November 18-
20, 2000**

The Office of Research Integrity (ORI), along with the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), the National Institutes of Health (NIH)

and the National Science Foundation (NSF) will convene a conference on "Research on Research Integrity"(RRI) in the Washington metropolitan area on November 18-20, 2000 to discuss "emerging challenges for the responsible conduct of research." The conference will provide a forum for sharing information and ideas to aid decision making about promoting research integrity and monitoring research misconduct. Soon after the conference, ORI is tentatively planning to announce a new research program on RRI to stimulate continued research on and discussion about the role and importance of integrity in research. Scholars from various disciplines are encouraged to submit abstracts and participate in the dialogue for understanding issues related to research integrity. Scholarly research will provide a framework for developing education initiatives aimed at promoting research integrity as well as preventing scientific misconduct. Contact: Nicholas Steneck, Ph.D., Office of Research Integrity, 5515 Security Lane, Suite 700, Rockville, MD 20814. Or E-mail: nsteneck@osophs.dhhs.gov.

For further background information about this project, see "Planning Meeting Held for Developing Research Agenda" on page 1 of the June 1999 issue of the ORI Newsletter available at <http://ori.dhhs.gov>.

CONFERENCE

**Association for Practical and Professional
Ethics
Cincinnati, Ohio: March 1-4, 2001.**

The tenth annual meeting of the APPE will be held at the Omni Netherland Plaza in Cincinnati, Ohio from March 1-4, 2001. Please watch for the Call for Papers and further details. The Omni Netherland Plaza is a beautiful hotel which for two years has been the recipient of the Gold Key Award of Meetings and Conventions, and is a very appropriate setting for the tenth anniversary of the association.

Positions Available

POSITION AVAILABLE

University of Calgary

Applications are invited for a one- or two-year teaching position in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Calgary. Teaching responsibilities may include introduction to Philosophy, Introductory Ethics, Bioethics, Informal Logic, Kant. The current teaching load is 5 semester-courses per year.

This advertisement is directed in the first instances to citizens and landed immigrants of Canada. There is NO DEADLINE. Please send a cv and letters of reference, along with an indication of your teaching areas and interests, to: John W. Heintz, Head, Department of Philosophy, University of Calgary, 2500 University Drive NW, Calgary, Alberta T2N 1N4.

Letters of reference and cv's may be sent by e-mail to heintz@ucalgary.ca. If you have applied for a position at the University of Calgary within the last 12 months only a current cv is required.

POSITION AVAILABLE

Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton Bioethics Clinical Residency

The Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton, Alberta is opening one position for a full-time, one-year Clinical Ethics Residency to begin in September, 2000. The position will be based in the Royal Alexandra Hospital (RAH), with an adjunct position to the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre (JDHEC) at the University of Alberta.

This residency is aimed at individuals with extensive theoretical background in health ethics who wish to expand their clinical experience and prepare for the professional role of a Clinical Ethicist. It is a full-time (40+ hours/week)

position that would make it inappropriate to combine with thesis writing or other significant work commitments; the candidate would ideally have taken a leave of absence/sabbatical or be between degrees/positions. Modeled after Clinical and Pastoral Care and Counseling residencies, this position emphasizes on-site educational opportunities while the Resident provides service in return to the Hospital. The RAH emphasizes cross-cultural and interfaith approaches and provides service to a highly diverse population from Northern Alberta, the Northwest Territories and neighboring provinces.

Canada's Immigration laws require giving preference to Canadian citizens and residents, but international applications are also welcomed. APPLICATION DEADLINE JUNE 30, 2000

Please obtain detailed information from Rev. Dr. Neil Elford, Manager, Supportive Care, Royal Alexandra Hospital, 10240 Kingsway, Edmonton, AB T5H 3V9, e-mail: Nelford@cha.ab.ca or from Prof. Laura Shanner, Associate Professor, University of Alberta, John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre and Dept. of Public Health Sciences, e-mail: laura.shanner@ualberta.ca

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Postings at the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics Website

A listing of current job opportunities can be found at:

<http://php.ucs.indiana.edu/~appe/home.html>

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Postings to the Philosophy News Website

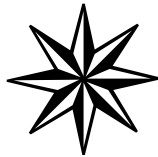
A list of current job opportunities can be found under "PhilosophiCall" at:

<http://www.philosophynews.com>

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Posting to EpistemeLinks.com**

ELC now provides a database for announcements of open positions in philosophy at Universities and Colleges around the world:

<http://www.epistemelinks.com/Main/MainJob.asp>



Computer Resources

**COMPUTER RESOURCE
University of Toronto Joint Centre for
Bioethics Newsletter**

The purpose of this Newsletter is to facilitate communication among people interested in bioethics throughout the Joint Centre for Bioethics participating institutions. The Newsletter is published and distributed by e-mail (preferably) or fax on the first of each month. If you have a news item related to bioethics in one of these eight institutions or would like to receive the newsletter, please contact the Editor, Rhonda Martin (rhonda.martin@utoronto.ca, phone 978-1906 or fax 978-1911) by the 25th of the preceding month.

Previous issues of the Newsletter are posted on our website: <http://www.utoronto.ca/jcb>

**COMPUTER RESOURCE
ERUDITIO: Portail francophone de
philosophie**

<http://benoithardyvallee.8m.com/eruditio.html>

Vous êtes invités à soumettre vos noms et liens pour les sections «Cours de philosophie sur le WWW» et «Groupe de recherche» en français seulement, les autres sections étant bilingues.

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New Listservers**

The Philosophy News Service (PNS) is pleased to announce the creation of new lists that will make it possible for us to send you just the announcements and messages you want to receive.

PNS-CFP (Calls for Philosophy Papers/Participants). Join this list for information about philosophy events or speaking and publishing opportunities. To join PNS-CFP, send any email to "pns-CFP-subscribe@egroups.com" and reply to the confirmation email that will be sent to you from eGroups.com, the host of the list.

PNS-JOBS (Jobs for Philosophers). Join this list if you want to receive announcements about all kinds of jobs for philosophy teachers and students. To join PNS-JOBS, send any email to "pns-JOBS-subscribe@egroups.com" and reply to the confirmation email that will be sent to you from eGroups.com, the host of the list.

PNS-TOC (Tables of Contents of New Philosophy Books and Journals). Join this list to learn and tell others about the latest philosophy-related publications. To join PNS-TOC, send any email to "pns-TOC-subscribe@egroups.com" and reply to the confirmation email that will be sent to you from eGroups.com, the host of the list.

Other News & Announcements

OTHER NEWS

Virtual Symposium on “Value Inquiry in the Age of Globalization”

April 12 - May 12, 2000.

In conjunction with the 28th Conference on Value Inquiry (see:

<http://www.valuenet.org/conferences/28thcvi.asp>), we are pleased to announce the second Virtual Symposium on Value Inquiry. This virtual symposium will take place over the INTERNET from April 12 - May 12/2000. Participants may register for the virtual symposium at any time. See the instructions below. In addition, participants may leave the virtual symposium at any time. All email addresses will be deleted once the virtual symposium is finished.

For more information on this virtual symposium, visit the Center for Applied & Professional Ethics at <http://cape.cmsu.edu>.

OTHER NEWS

CSSH 2001 – Suggestions Wanted

Paul Ledwell, Director of the Congress asked for suggestions for possible themes for the 2001 congress at l’Université de Laval by March 9, 2000.

Suggestions may still be welcome – inquire at Tel: (613) 238-6112 x 307, Fax: 613-236-4853, or E-mail: pledwell@hssfc.ca

OTHER NEWS

Presentation: “Work-Time Distribution” Toronto: June 1, 2000.

Arthur Donner, Economist and Chair of the Federal Advisory Group, will present “Work-Time Distribution” on June 1 as part of the luncheon series sponsored by the Canadian

Centre for Ethics & Corporate Policy. Luncheons take place from noon until 2:00 pm at the Ontario Club, Commerce Court South, 30 Wellington Street West, Toronto. The cost is \$30 for members, \$35 for non-members and \$15 for students. Tables for eight cost \$240. To confirm your attendance, contact the Canadian Centre for Ethics & Corporate Policy, 50 Baldwin Street, Toronto, Ontario M6C 2K9. (tel) 416-348-8689 or by e-mail at ethicctr@interlog.com.

OTHER NEWS:

EthicScan Canada Seminar:

"Corporate and Brand Reputation Management: New Tools & Rules"

Toronto: June 22, 2000

For more information please see:

<http://www.ethicscan.on.ca>

OTHER NEWS

Ethics Code

The AAUP (American Association of University Professor) chapter at the University of Michigan has encountered cases of questionable behavior of staff for which lawsuits may be inappropriate or, in any case, of very uncertain benefit. The Chapter would like to see a code for administrative a faculty conduct promulgated. At present the University’s documents cover only limited aspects of such a code. The Red Book has a statement on ethics, but one referring only to faculty; some other policy statements of AAUP do refer do administrative conduct.

Some national organizations of administrators are concerned with ethical standards and the Chapter is trying to locate formal statements issued by them. Some colleges and universities may also have such codes. The Chapter would appreciate receiving information on the subject from anyone who has knowledge about it. Communications can be sent to the

Chapter's Executive Secretary, Wilfred Kaplan, Mathematics Dept., 2072 East Hall, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1109. (E-mail wilkap@umich.edu) Any significant progress will be reported on the Chapter's web site: <http://www.umich.edu/~aaupum>

OTHER NEWS

Ethics in Research Training

The National Institutes of Health and the University of South Florida are pleased to announce a new course titled Ethics in Research: An Intensive Training Course Focusing on Behavioral Health Services.

The training is intended for doctoral students or newly graduated students who wish to conduct human services research; researchers and advocates who are involved in behavioral research; and persons serving on Institutional Review Boards. For detailed information, visit our website at:

<http://www.fmhi.usf.edu/mhlp/ethics/ethics.html>

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Ethics in the Workplace Training

The Josephson Institute of Ethics is offering a course called Ethics in the Workplace Training. For further information, contact: Anthony Cube (Tel: (800) 711-2670 ext 32, FAX: 310-306-2140, E-Mail: ETW@jiethics.org) or click go to website below for a printable enrollment form:

<http://www.josephsoninstitute.org/etw-reg-form.htm>

OTHER NEWS

Ethical Issues of Health Care in the Information Society

European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies has recently met in Helsinki and adopted Opinion 13: ETHICAL ISSUES OF HEALTHCARE IN THE INFORMATION SOCIETY. The Opinion covers the main issues surrounding the growing use of information and communication technology in the provision of healthcare. Recommendations are made as to how ethical issues might be addressed. The full opinion can be accessed from

<http://europa.eu.int/comm/sg/sgc/ethics/en/opinions.htm>

OTHER NEWS

New Discussion Board on "Teaching Bioethics for Clinicians around the World"

Is now available on the global bioethics page at: <http://www.utoronto.ca/jcb>

Hosted by the University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics – a partnership among University of Toronto; Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care; Centre for Addiction and Mental Health; Centre for Clinical Ethics of Providence Centre, St. Joseph's Health Centre, and St. Michael's Hospital; The Hospital for Sick Children; Mount Sinai Hospital; Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre; Toronto Rehabilitation Institute; and University Health Network.

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New Philosophical Events Calendar

There is now a philosophical events calendar at "Philosophy Now Online" (<http://www.philosophynow.demon.co.uk>).

It is unusual in that people organising philosophical events can put them on the calendar themselves, rather than having to ask the webmaster to do it. Event organisers are invited to apply for a user account, which enables them to enter or modify event listings whenever they like. (There is no charge for this, naturally).

As we have quite a large number of visitors per day to our website, this should be an effective way of publicising events, especially public lectures. Any events may be put on the calendar, including academic seminars and conferences, but we hope that the calendar will be a particularly good place to look for information on philosophical events aimed at the general public.

Members' Activities

NEW BOOK
Ethical Issues in Business
by Peg Tittle

Ethical Issues in Business: Inquiry, Cases, and Readings by Peg Tittle. Peterborough: Broadview Press, 2000, has just been released. Contact the author at pegt@mail.unipissing.ca

Please send comments or contributions to saner@magma.ca



Flashback: Origins of the CSSPE

The Canadian Society for the Study of Practical Ethics (CSSPE) has its roots in the Occupational Ethics Group which was formed in 1982. The Occupational Ethics Group (OEG) began as a local organization, centred in Toronto and its immediate catchment area in southern Ontario. The OEG mounted two independent work-shops on practical ethics each year. These were hosted in alternate years by York University and the University of Toronto.

These workshops covered a wide range of topics including "The McAlpine Case: Public Servant or Government Servant?," "Worker / Management Shared Control of Safety in Hard Rock Mining," "Moral Conduct and Teaching," "Academic Orthodoxies and Curriculum Planning," and many others.

In addition to its local activities, the OEG sponsored and organized yearly meetings with the Canadian Philosophical Association at the Learned Societies Conference and conducted independent research. In 1986, it surveyed Canadian philosophers on the need for a code of ethics and published the results in *Dialogue* (Spring, 1986). This formed the basis for a bilingual session entitled "A Code of Ethics for Canadian Philosophers / Code de déontologie pour les philosophes au Canada," presented at the Learned in 1986.

This national focus on issues of interest to the philosophical community, combined with the multidisciplinary nature of the independent workshops, indicated a new direction for the OEG. What was needed was a national organization in practical ethics. The interests of philosophers could thus be combined with those working in other disciplines. This led to the formation of the Canadian Society for the Study of Practical Ethics in 1987.

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Congress of the Social Sciences and Humanities – Congrès des sciences sociales et humaines (CSSH) – University of Alberta – Edmonton – 25-27 May 2000

>> All Sessions are in the Tory Building, Room 65 <<

Thursday, May 25th 2000

Session I – Bioethics: Problems and Issues

Chair: Jim Gough, Red Deer College

- 9:00-10:00: (1) Michael McDonald, Centre for Applied Ethics, UBC:
Reflections on the Governance Relations of Health Research Involving Human Subjects
- 10:15-11:15: (2) John Williams, Director of Ethics, CMA
Revising the Declaration of Helsinki: Ethics, Politics and Globalization
- 11:30-12:30: (3) Tracy J. Trothen, University of Winnipeg
Fetal Assessment: A Feminist Theological Case Study
- 12:30 -1:30: Lunch
- 1:30-2:30: (4) Chris MacDonald, Dalhousie University
The Fallacy of Professional Autonomy

Friday, May 26th 2000

Session II - Environmental Ethics: Problems and Issues

Commentator: Steven Haller, University of Windsor

- 9:00-10:00: (5) Bruce Morito, Athabasca University
Value Analysis and Natural Resource Policy: Defining Conservation
- 10:15-11:15: (6) Natalie Osterberg, University of Guelph
Can Ethics be Applied to Natural Resource Management?
- 11:30-12:30: (7) David Castle, University of Guelph
Does Stewardship Provide a Viable Ethic for Protecting Species?
- 12:30-1:30: Lunch
- 1:30-3:00: (8) **Annual General Meeting of the Society**
- 3:15- 4:15: (9) Jason Scott Robert, McMaster University
The Complexity of Bioethics

Saturday, May 27th 2000

Session III - Theories and Problems of Distribution and Globalization

Chair/Commentator: TBA

- 9:00-10:00: (10) Philip McEwan, York University
Global Ethics for a Global Era
- 10:15-11:15: (11) Jean Harvey, University of Guelph
The Practice of Justice Theory
- 11:30-12:30: (12) Karen Krug, Brock University
Food for Thought: A Critical Analysis of Globalization in the Food Industry
- 12:30-1:30: Lunch
- 1:30-2:30: (13) Susanne Jaeger, York University
Teaching Health Care Ethics: Differences Between Moral Sensitivity and Moral Reasoning

Session IV - Workshop on a Collaborative Research Proposal on Values and Natural Resources

- 2:30-4:30: (14) Peter Miller, Bruce Morito, Sandra Tomsons, and Mary Richardson on:
Developing a Values Analysis Protocol for Natural Resources Management

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