

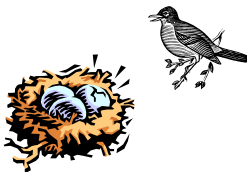
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## Special points of interest:

- ***It's spring!! It's spring!!***



If you find some time on your hands and would like to send a letter of encouragement to the men and women in all branches of the armed services who are fighting over in Iraq you can do so in one of two ways.

Send a letter to :

Dear American Soldier  
American Family Assoc.  
Tupelo, MS 38803

Or, go online and write a letter at :

[www.dearamericansoldier.com](http://www.dearamericansoldier.com)



## NEWSLETTER FOR THE PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

### (Acting) Chair's corner:

We were sad to hear that Professor Bethé McRae will be leaving us. She and her family are relocating to Nashville, where her husband has just received a new job. They are happy that they will be closer to their extended families now. We wish them the best!



The third Annual Foucault Circle hosted here at John Carroll last month was a well attended and highly productive event. Dianna Taylor worked very hard to make it a reality. So this year we have hosted two on campus philosophy conferences—the other being the Northeast

In their roles as members of JCU's University Core Committee, Earl Spurgin and Paul Thomson attended the Third Jesuit Core Curriculum Conference in Cincinnati, OH, March 20-21, 2003.

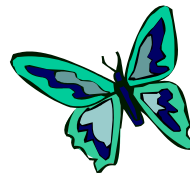
Earl Spurgin reviewed two papers submitted for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Business Ethics that will be held in Seattle, WA, July 31-August 3, 2003.

Earl Spurgin also published a review of Alfonso Gomez-Lobos's *Morality and the Human Goods: An Introduction to Natural Law Ethics* (*Vera Lex* 3, Nos. 1

Ohio Philosophy Consortium, with Prof. Patrick Mooney at the helm.

Drew Pollick (99) and Brett Smith(99) were both on campus last week visiting us during their respective Spring breaks. Brett is in a Ph.D. program in philosophy at Kentucky, and Drew is in a MA program at the Teacher's College at Columbia University.

We are interested, as always, in hearing from all of you—with input and suggestions for this newsletter.



### Just Keeping Busy

& 2, December 2002).

Dr. Spurgin's "Looking for Answers in All the Wrong Places" has been accepted for publication in *Business Ethics Quarterly*. In the paper, Spurgin argues that traditional answers to the "Why be moral?" question in business lead business ethicists away from a potentially fruitful approach found in Hume's moral philosophy.

William Langenfus published a review of Vincent Luizzi's *A Case for Legal Ethics: Legal Ethics as a Source for Universal Ethic* (*Vera Lex* 3, Nos. 1 & 2, December 2002).

### Graduates' Column



Brett Smith (99), who is currently in the Ph.D. program at the University of Kentucky, is giving a talk at the Pacific APA in San Francisco entitled, "Where Habermas Got it Wrong: John Finnis' Natural Law Critique of the Principle of Discourse Ethics," on March 28, 2003.

This space is reserved for YOU. Tell us what you are doing.



Sharon Kaye has been elected faculty advisor to the new student organization Amnesty International at JCU.

The article Sharon Kaye co-published with undergraduate student Melissa Milavec is now available at bookstores in the volume [Buffy the Vampire Slayer and Philosophy: Fear and Trembling in Sunnydale](#) ed. by James B. South (Open Court: 2003).

