

# LOGOS

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## NEWSLETTER FOR THE PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

### Special points of interest:

- *Dr. Sharon Kaye was the overall woman's winner at the 2003 Bellefaire JCB Biathlon in August. The biathlon consisted of a 3-mile run and a 13-mile bike ride.*
- *Steve Halady will head up the Philosophy Club for the fall semester, 2003. The first meeting of the year will be held on Thursday, September, 11 at 5:00 in the conference room of the philosophy department.*
- *Our philosophy website (<http://www.jcu.edu/philosophy>) has been enhanced and now contains all the Logos issues (under NEWS) and a new PHOTOS section. Ours is the first department site to follow the new JCU Web style. E-mail [gensler@jcu.edu](mailto:gensler@jcu.edu) if you have suggestions.*



- *The department of philosophy would also like to acknowledge the very generous gift of money donated to the department by Dr. Thomas A. Shipka, Ph.D.*

THANK YOU



Obrigado!

Dank

Gracias!

Merci

### Interim Chair's corner:



Philosopher's concern themselves with eternal verities, but live and teach in the world of time and change. What changes have been wrought here since last year? We have a new full time instructor on board now, Michael Shim. His specialty is modern philosophy. We also have new office equipment; new courses (Dr. Ortega's Modernity, Dr. Kaye's Philosophy of Friendship (CS), and Dr. Taylor's The Death Penalty are examples), and most of all, new students! Our part time instructors for the semester are Mireya Insua-Diaz, Andrew Trew, Andrew Stypinski, Ian Carlstrom, Ina Forbes Takashima, Paul

Canis, and the venerable, Robert Sweeney, emeritus. We are grateful for their help!

Jim Swindal



### JUST KEEPING BUSY



Dr. James Swindal's paper, "Discourse, Reflexion and Commitment" has been published in *Philosophy and Social Criticism* (2003), Vol.29, No.2.

Dr. Earl Spurgin delivered a paper "The problem with 'Dead Peasants' Insurance" at the 2003 Annual Meeting of the Society for Business Ethics in Seattle, Washington, July 31-August 3.

Earl Spurgin will present his paper, "The Goals and Merits of a Business Ethics Competency Exam" at the Tenth Annual International Conference Promoting Business Ethics in New York in October. The same paper has been accepted for publication in the journal, *Teaching Business Ethics*.

Dr. Sharon Kaye completed a review of Jon R. Stone's new book, *Expecting Armageddon: Essential Readings in Failed Prophecy*, forthcoming in *Sophia*, Fall 2003. Her review of Alan Perreiah's new Latin edition of the *Logica Parva* of Paul of Venice appeared in *History and Philosophy of Logic* 23 (2003), 304-6.

Dr. Kaye has volunteered to teach an introduction to philosophy course for the Carroll-Cleveland Philosopher's. The Carroll-Cleveland Philosophers is an alternative middle school for court-adjudicated children from inner-city Cleveland. The class meets in BR 22 from 11-12 every Friday for the fall semester. If you are interested in becoming involved in this program, please contact Jen Merritt at 1-216-397- 4455.



Dr. Kaye is also commenting on a paper entitled "Why Incomcompatibilists Must Embrace a Principle of Alternative Possibilities" by Kevin Timpe of the University of Notre Dame at the annual meeting of the Central States Philosophical Association in Chicago, Oct. 17.

### Graduates' Column

Ryan DeJonghe (01) is pursuing a Master's degree in philosophy at San Diego State University.

Former students Paul Van Rooy ('03) and Brett Smith ('99) are both presenting papers at the upcoming Critical Theory Roundtable at SUNY Stonybrook this coming October.

John Young ('64) attended the dedication of the new Science Center. He is a philosophy professor at UNC-Greensboro. He took both Dr. Buckley's and Fr. Schall's courses while an undergraduate.

Harry Gensler's ethics textbook has been translated into French as *Questions d'ethique: Une approche raisonnee de quelques perspectives contemporaines* (Montreal and Toronto:Cheneliere/McGraw-Hill,2002). The editor noted that this was "the first American philosophy textbook translated into French here in Quebec."



Speed Bump / by Dave Coverly

