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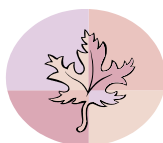


## SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER FOR THE PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

### Special points of interest:



- *The philosophy club had their first meeting for this semester on September 9th. For information contact jswindal@jcu.edu.*
- *Dr. Mooney was married in June, attended a conference in Pyrgos, Greece in August and then went off to London to vacation.*
- *The Northeast Ohio Philosophy Consortium Fall Conference will be held on the JCU campus, Saturday, October 23. Papers on all topics in philosophy are welcome; deadline is October 1. Papers may be mailed to pmooney@jcu.edu. Special symposia will be offered in Ancient Greek Philosophy, Medieval Philosophy, American Philosophy, Ethics and Continental Philosophy. Martin Tweedale, of the University of Alberta will be the keynote speaker. Light breakfast and full lunch will be provided, courtesy of the Shula Chair.*



### Chair's Corner

We are most happy to welcome Jen McWeeny into our department this fall. She has a tenure track appointment. She comes to us from the University of Oregon, where she is completing her dissertation on the empirical epistemology of emotion. Jen will teach Early Modern Philosophy and Epistemology for us, in addition to an occasional Intro course and Aesthetics. We are grateful to have someone with her talent, interests, and enthusiasm in our department.



Dr. Earl Spurgin presented his "Occupational Safety and Pater-nalism: Machan Revisited" at the Third World Congress of the International Society of Business, Economics, and Ethics in Melbourne, Australia in July. Dr. Spurgin also participated in a panel discussion on Abercrombie and Fitch's marketing practices at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Business Ethics which was held in New Orleans in August. His remarks were on the controversy over the sexual images in A&F's quarterly catalogue.

Dr. Kaye's paper, "Was There No Evolutionary Thought in the Middle Ages?: The Case of William of Ockham" has been accepted for publication in the British Journal for the History of Philosophy.

Dr. Mariana Ortega's paper, "Exiled Space, In-between Space: Existential Spatiality in Ana Mendieta's *Siluetas* Series" was published in the February issue of

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Dr. Wirkus has now officially been appointed our department's Shula Chair. In this position she will oversee the various programs and initiatives that will be funded by the generous endowment left to our department by Don Shula.



### KEEPING BUSY

Philosophy and Geography, Vol., 7, No.1, February 2004. Dr. Ortega also reviewed Paula Moya's Learning from Experience, Minority Identities, Multi-cultural Struggles in the *American Philosophical Association* Newsletter, Spring 2004, Vol. 3, No. 3.

Dr. James Swindal's article, "Nietzsche and Habermas on the Critique of Instrumental Reason," in *Habermas, Nietzsche and Critical Theory*, ed. B. Babich (Humanities Press, 2004) was published this past summer.

Drs. Thomson and Kaye will be in Oxford England in mid September to give a paper on philosophy for high school students. Both professors are involved with the Carroll Cleveland Philosopher's Program on campus this semester. Some undergraduate PL majors are also working as teaching assistants for CCPP.



### Graduate's Column

Jon Bowman ('99) and his wife just had their first child, Jonathan Michael Bowman Jr. (born April 27, 8lbs. 50z., 22 inches long). Jon is in his 5th year of graduate studies in philosophy at St. Louis University. He is on a fellowship for all of the 2004-05 year, finishing his dissertation on political philosophy.



Dr. Tamba Nlandu will present his paper, "Charles S. Pierce: A Neglected Pioneer of the Computation Over Symbol Approach to Cognition" at the Midwest Pragmatist Study Group of The Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy.

William Paley famously argued for the existence of a designer God.



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