# **Announcements/Chronique**

## Interventions

The Editors wish to remind contributors that interventions are refereed in the same manner as articles and critical notices. The Editors will, however, make every effort to publish accepted interventions on a priority basis, usually in the next issue of *Dialogue*.

La Rédaction rappelle aux auteurs que les textes soumis comme interventions feront l'objet d'une évaluation au même titre que les articles et études critiques. Elle compte déployer tous ses efforts pour que les interventions acceptées voient le jour le plus rapidement possible, en principe dans le núméro suivant de *Dialogue*.

#### **Occupational Ethics Group**

At the 1986 Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Philosophical Association, the following announcement was made on behalf of the Occupational Ethics Group:

"We would like to inform members of the CPA that the enquiry into a code of ethics for Canadian philosophers will be continued this year. Those involved will be soliciting information regarding the appointment of an ombudsperson for the CPA. We will be looking for suggestions from the community about the kinds of ethical problems which may or do arise in the philosophy profession (teaching, administrating, publishing, etc.) that an ombudsperson could address. At next year's Annual General Meeting, a motion will be made concerning the appointment of such a person and the duties attached to the office in accordance with the information solicited. Suggestions concerning an alternative office to oversee the administration of a code of ethics for Canadian philosophers will also be solicited throughout the coming year. The establishment of such an office might be a possible outcome of the position of ombudsperson."

The OEG welcomes input from Canadian philosophers on the above items, including recommendations for the position of ombudsperson. Please address correspondence to the Occupational Ethics Group, c/o Philip MacEwen, Secretary-Treasurer, Department of Philosophy, York University, 4700 Keele Street, North York, ON M3J 1P3.

### **Doing Philosophy Historically**

The State University of New York/University at Buffalo Philosophy Department will host a research conference on the topic of *Doing Philosophy Historically*, April 2-4, 1987. Jonathan Bennett, Henry Veatch, Maurice Mandelbaum, Frithjof Rodi and (tentatively) Lewis White Beck will be among the speakers. Submitted papers (not of more than 20 minutes reading time) should concern the genre of philosophy in which the author intends both to make a sound contribution to the history of philosophy and to solve philosophical problems. Papers may be either case studies in this genre or general reflections on the genre. Deadline: November 15, 1986. Send papers and requests for additional information to: Professor Peter H. Hare, Philosophy Department, Baldy Hall, SUNY/Buffalo, Buffalo, NY 14260.

#### Westminster Institute

A Senior Research Associate appointment (Applied Ethics with preference given to specialization in Bioethics) will be made at Westminster Institute for Ethics and Human Values, London (Ontario) effective July 1, 1987. Qualifications: Ph.D. in Philosophy, publications, demonstrated research and teaching ability, ten years' experience desirable. Responsibilities include: scholarly productivity and creative research (project initiation, writing grant proposals, conduct of proposed inquiry, management of grants), teaching in the Philosophy Department or the Health Sciences Faculties of the University of Western Ontario (one course maximum), participation in professional programmes, limited activity in consultation, personal research, public information and public education. Twelve month probationary contract, renewable for a three year term; one month vacation annually; pension, health and life insurance benefit package; salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Jointly established in 1979 by Westminster College and the University of Western Ontario, the Institute engages in interdisciplinary research and public education concerning ethical, social, legal, theological and philosophical dimensions of human life and institutions. During the past five years, the Institute's research has focussed on bioethics, values and the law, business and professional ethics, environmental ethics and ethical aspects of population. Closing date for application: December 31, 1986. Send letter of application together with Curriculum Vitae and the names of three referees to Dr. Abbyann Lynch, Director, Westminster Institute for Ethics and Human Values, 361 Windermere Road, London, ON N6G 2K3.

In accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, this advertisement is directed to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

#### **Critical Thinking**

A Conference on Critical Thinking will be held April 9-12, 1987 at Christopher Newport College. Contributions that address the teaching of critical thinking at any level are specially welcome. We would like for our programme to represent recent work on critical thinking by those in speech communications, English, rhetoric, general education, and cognitive and development psychology as well as those in philosophy.

Submit up to ten typewritten pages (four for workshops) with a 100-word abstract by January 20, 1987 to: Conference on Critical Thinking, Christopher Newport College, 50 Shoe Lane, Newport News, Virginia 23606-2988. Notification will be made by February 23, 1987.

### Legal Theory Meets Legal Practice

The Canadian Section of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, the Law Reform Commission of Canada, and the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice, are sponsoring a Conference to be held on May 15-16, 1987, Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa. The goal of the Conference is to encourage a dialogue between legal philosophers, judges and legal practitioners. This Conference intends to facilitate the legal philosophers' understanding of the judicial process and, at the same time, to stimulate the lawyers' appreciation of the relevancy of legal theory. Such an appreciation is of particular importance to the Canadian judicial function in this time of formative change.

Conference panels concern: "Theories of Justice and the Canadian Legal Process", "Moral Values in Judicial Decision-Making", "Theories of Judicial Review", "Consent in Criminal Law", "Private Right and Public Good", and "Gender and Judicial Decision-Making". Following each panel, participants will be divided into small workshops in order to permit a discussion-oriented conference. Registrants will also receive copies of papers from all panelists in advance of the Conference.

Speakers have been drawn from the disciplines of law and philosophy, and the bench. They include: the Hon. Mr. Justice Gerard La Forest of the Supreme Court of Canada, Professor Alistair MacLeod (Department Head, Philosophy, Queen's University), Dr. Geoffrey Marshall (Queen's College, Oxford), the Hon. Mr. Justice E. D. Bayda (Chief Justice, Saskatchewan Court of Appeal), Professor Roger Shiner (Edmonton, Philosophy Department), Dean R. A. Macdonald (McGill), Professor Michael McDonald (Waterloo, Philosophy Department), the Hon. Mr. Justice Charles Dubin (Ontario Court of Appeal) and Dean Mark Yudof (Texas at Austin).

Further information can be obtained by writing: Mr. Walter Cibischino, University of Ottawa, Conventions and Catering Services, 631 King Edward Avenue, Ottawa, ON K1N 6N5 (613) 564-3902.

## Sixième colloque international en Science Humaine

Ce colloque interdisciplinaire, dont le thème est « Perspectives d'intégration en Science Humaine », est parrainé par l'Ecole de psychologie, la Faculté d'éducation et le Département de philosophie de l'Université d'Ottawa, 26-30 mai, 1987.

Pour plus d'information, adressez-vous à: Dr. Bertha Mook, Colloque en Science Humaine, Ecole de psychologie, 10 McDougall Lane, Ottawa, ON KIN 6N5, Canada.

## Erratum

In our article, "*The Faces of Reason* and Its Critics", *Dialogue* 25/1 (Spring 1986), 105-118, Elizabeth Trott and I said (106) that, in his presidential address to the Canadian Philosophical Association (*Dialogue* 16/1 [March 1977], 3-21), Francis Sparshott "mysteriously seemed to have confused ... John Clark Murray ... with John Macmurray". In footnote 6 (107), we reported Martyn Estall's theory that there might, indeed, have been no confusion because Sparshott probably did mean Macmurray who was being "promoted" at Queen's at the time. Professor Sparshott reports that Professor Estall's surmise is the correct solution to the "mystery". He also reminds us that, when he came to Canada in 1950 he was at University College, Toronto. Later, from 1955 onwards, he was John Irving's colleague at Victoria College.

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