

# PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION DEPARTMENT

## QUARTERLY NEWS UPDATE, 1 AUGUST 2005

### FACULTY AND STUDENTS

#### SUMMER 2005 GRADUATION

- Graduates: **Debra Bricker** (P), **Andrew Sleet** (P)

#### NEW FACULTY

- **Dr. (William) Heath White**, Georgetown U. Ph.D., Assistant Professor philosophy. Dr. White's office will be in Bear 281.
- **Dr. Eric Brandon**, U. of Chicago Ph.D, CFCC, will teach 1 class PT in F 05

#### RETURNING FACULTY

- **Dr. Berg** from Swansea in S 05. Dr. Berg will serve as Assistant Chair in 2005-2006.
- **Ms. Lubinsky, Drs. Sutton and Yates** teaching PT in F 05

#### ON LEAVE

- **Dr. Habibi**, continuing into F05
- **Dr. Wilson**, starting Aug 05

#### RPT/PTR PROCESS IN 2005-2006

- **Theodore Burgh** reappointment process, assistant professor F2007-2010
- **Samuel Murrell** Post Tenure Review process, S 2007

#### SPECIAL NEWS:

- **Dr. Pasulka**, birth of Jude in May

### EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

#### AWARDS AND HONORS (Summer)

- **Drs. Berg** CTE teaching initiative
- **Dr. Berry** CAS research initiative
- **Burgh** CTE, ITSD initiatives
- **Dr. Conser** NCHC Teachers Institute
- **Dr. Pasulka** Cahill Award
- **Dr. Schmid** UNC Leadership Institute

#### PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS/ JOURNAL ARTICLES published or accepted May-Jun-Jul-Aug

- **Dr. Conser** led a seminar on "Religion in America" at the NC Teachers Institute in July, sponsored by the North Carolina Humanities Council
- **Dr. Gauthier** published "The Virtue of Moral Responsibility and the Obligations of Patients," *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy*, 2005/30
- **Dr. Habibi** had a previously published paper, "Philosophical Reflections on a Narrative Device of Ambrose Bierce" accepted for the Ambrose Bierce Project, an on-line research data base.
- **Dr. Pasuka**, who wrote the introduction to student **Lauren Goodman's** essay, "WWII Through the Eyes of a Child" announced it has been accepted to be published by ARTS, a journal of religion in the arts.
- **Dr. Stanley** will present "Idealism and the Ethical and Religious Language-games," Harris-Manchester College, Oxford in July, "Wittgenstein on the Taste of Time" at the 28<sup>th</sup> International Wittgenstein Symposium, Kirchberg, Austria, in August.

- **Dr. Turrisi** will lead a seminar “Living the American Revolution, 1789-1820” in August for Onslow County high school teachers, sponsored by the National Humanities Center, online info: <http://www.nhc.rtp.nc.us:8080/pds/livingrev/livingrev.htm> .
- **Dr. Zervos** had his introduction and translation of *1 Maccabees* for *New English Translation of the Septuagent* (NETS) published in the online edition: <http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/nets/edition/>. See “Historical Books.”

#### **2004-2005 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS (Dr. Gauthier, chair, TTT Committee 0405)**

- Sankey Blanton – **Pamela Bozeman**
- Coca Cola – **Jeremy Simmons**
- Charles Long – **Alexandra Osteyee-Hoffman**
- James Megivern – **Everett Fullmer**
- Carol Thysell – **Josi Toothman** (1<sup>st</sup> awardee)
- Bookstore – **Greg Casaletto, Jeff Wunsch**

#### **PUBLIC EVENTS**

- **PAR** has applied for Cultural Affairs funding for two events in 2005-2006:
  - B. Frank Hall lecture on “Destructive Emotions: Buddhist and Western views” by **Owen Flanagan** of Duke University
  - PAR and Biology lecture on “A Primer on Ethics and Biotechnology” by **Gary Comstock** of NCSU Bioethics Institute
- **Dr. Schmid**, at the request of the Provost, has begun planning a *Biotechnology and the Sea* Conference for Oct 2006.

#### **BEAR 103 MAKEOVER TO BE COMPLETED**

- To be repainted between Sum II and beginning of Fall semester