

# CSPT INTERNATIONAL NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE CHAIR

The 2006 Annual International Meeting of the Conference for the Study of Political Thought will be entitled “Reclaiming Adam Smith.” The meeting will take place at Columbia University and Barnard College in New York, September 22nd and 23, 2006. David Johnston, CSPT Chair, is the conference organizer. The preliminary program is as follows (please note that the indicated locations have not been finalized):

### RECLAIMING ADAM SMITH

September 22nd–23rd 2006  
New York City

*Sponsored by:*

Columbia University Seminar on Studies  
in Political and Social Thought, the Heyman  
Center for the Humanities, and the Conference  
for the Study of Political Thought

Friday, September 22nd  
Kreuger Lecture Hall, Milbank Hall  
(Barnard College)

**8:45–9:15 Coffee**

**9:15–9:30 Opening Remarks**

David Johnston (Columbia) and Akeel Bilgrami (Columbia)

**9:30–10:30 Session 1**

Speaker: Sankar Muthu (Princeton); Respondent: Fred Neuhouser (Columbia); Moderator: Shannon Stimson (Berkeley)

**10:30–12:15 Session 2**

Speakers: James Chandler (Chicago), Ian Duncan (Berkeley); Respondent: Kirstie

McClure (UC, Los Angeles); Moderator: Gauri Viswanathan (Columbia)

**12:15–1:45 Lunch**

**2:00–3:00 Session 3**

Speaker: Gareth Stedman Jones (Cambridge); Respondent: Margaret Schabas (British Columbia); Moderator: Philip Kitcher, (Columbia)

**3:00–4:00 Session 4**

Speaker: James Moore (Concordia University); Respondent: Knud Haakonssen (Sussex); Moderator: Chris Berry (Glasgow)

**4:00–5:00 Session 5**

Speaker: Nicholas Phillipson (Edinburgh); Respondent: Jenny Davidson (Columbia); Moderator: Catherine Labio (Yale)

**5:15–6:45 Reception**

Saltzberger Parlor, Barnard Hall (announcement of CSPT Book Prize)

Saturday, September 23rd  
Held Auditorium, Barnard Hall  
(Barnard College)

**9:30–10:00 Coffee**

**10:00–11:30 Session 6**

Speaker: Emma Rothschild (Cambridge); Respondent: Pierre Force (Columbia); Respondent: David Armitage (Harvard); Moderator: Martyn Thompson (Tulane)

**11:45–12:45 Session 7**

Speaker: Istvan Hont (Cambridge); Respondent: Carl Wennerlind (Barnard); Moderator: Sharon Krause (Brown)

We'll be delighted to see all CSPT members and other interested scholars at this meeting!

— *David Johnston, Chair*

## CHAPTER NEWS

### CANADA

#### Toronto

The Toronto chapter of the CSPT would like to report that a former colleague and active member of CSPT has been arrested in Iran. In an effort to mobilize academic communities in his support, the Toronto Chapter has issued the following letter:

“Dear Friends, As you may know, our former political theory colleague at the University of Toronto, Ramin Jahanbegloo, has been arrested by the Iranian authorities in Tehran and is currently being detained in the Evin Prison there. This is the same prison where Canadian-Iranian journalist Zahra Kazemi died, apparently as the result of torture, in 2003. It is not clear what, if any charges have been laid against him, but it is clear that he is being detained because of his political and philosophical writings.

“Ramin taught in the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto from 1997–2001; he is a Canadian citizen. He is a scholar of international stature who has published extensively in English, French and Farsi. A political moderate, he has always been circumspect in his commentary on the Iranian regime.

“We are writing to urge you to write letters in support of Ramin, pleading for his humane treatment and release. Amnesty International has issued an Urgent Action Appeal, which gives some background on his case and provides addresses for the appropriate Iranian leaders. The link to this appeal is:

[http://www.amnesty.ca/take\\_action/actions/canada\\_iran\\_jahanbegloo.php](http://www.amnesty.ca/take_action/actions/canada_iran_jahanbegloo.php)

Please note that it is essential that letters be phrased respectfully and do not vilify the Iranian Regime. Express condemnation of the government will not contribute to Ramin’s humane treatment and could put him and others at greater risk. Letters from the scholarly as opposed to political community are thought to be especially helpful in this case.

“Thank you very much for your efforts in support of our friend and colleague, whose life

represents the ideals of intellectual freedom that are so dear to us all. With gratitude for your help, The Toronto Chapter of the CSPT.”

— *Simone Chambers*

### EUROPE

#### Eastern Britain

The Critical Review of Social and Political Philosophy (CRISPP) is pleased to announce Deborah Baumgold, of the University of Oregon, as its first annual Essay Prize Winner. This prize of £500 is for the best essay in volume 8 (2005) of CRISPP. Her article was titled “Hobbes’s and Locke’s Contract Theories: Political not Metaphysical.” The prize committee—which consisted of: Elizabeth Frazer (New College, Oxford), Barbara Goodwin (UEA), and Krishan Kumar (University of Virginia)—noted that Baumgold “nicely situated Hobbes’s and Locke’s contract theories within the context of their times, showing that their concerns relate more to ‘ancient regime’ debates about resistance to legitimate rulers than more characteristically modern interests in democratic legitimacy.” The committee praised the piece as “an elegant and deftly executed exercise in historical contextualization.”

The next “Priority in Practice” Seminar will take place in the School of Public Policy, September 7th and 8th, 2006.

Speakers in the Autumn “Legal and Political Theory” Seminar October through December 2006 will include: Adam Swift (Oxford), Simon Caney (Birmingham), Quentin Skinner (Queen Mary, University of London), Alan Patten (Princeton), and Catriona McKinnon (Reading). Anyone passing through London interested in giving a paper in this seminar should contact Richard Bellamy at [r.bellamy@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:r.bellamy@ucl.ac.uk)

— *Richard Bellamy*

#### Manchester

On May 5th, 2006, the Manchester Center for Political Theory (MANCEPT) hosted a one-day conference titled “Responsibility in the Non-Ideal World.”

Speakers included the following: Jonathan Wolff, of University College London, presented a paper, "Should the Disadvantaged Bear the Costs of Their Choices?"; Marc Fleurbaey, of the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CERES), presented a paper, "Four Approaches to Equality of Opportunity"; Zofia Stemplowska, of the University of Manchester, presented a paper "Holding People Responsible for What They Do Not Control;" and Peter Vallentyne, of the University of Missouri-Columbia, presented a paper "Responsibility and Brute Luck."

The recent relaunch of the MANCEPT working paper series has seen almost twenty new papers made available on the web over the last few months. These can be found at: [http://www.socialsciences.man.ac.uk/politics/research/research\\_groups/mancept/working\\_papers.htm](http://www.socialsciences.man.ac.uk/politics/research/research_groups/mancept/working_papers.htm). All authors invite you to visit the website, and to forward any comments to them via email.

For over ten years, graduate students attached to the MANCEPT have organized an annual Graduate Conference in Political Theory, each year attracting international interest. This year's "Brave New World" Conference will take place on June 28th and 29th, and will host plenary presentations by Henry Shue (Oxford) and Sue Mendus (York). The MANCEPT, the Aristotelian Society and the Analysis Trust offer generous grants for the support of student participants whose papers have been accepted for presentation. The conference's web page can be found at: <http://www.socialsciences.man.ac.uk/politics/events/bnw>.

As a part of the PSA's Workshops in Political Theory Annual Conference, Sorin Baiasu ([sorin.baiasu@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:sorin.baiasu@manchester.ac.uk)) is organizing a workshop on "Kantian Justifications of Political Norms," to take place between September 6th and 8th, 2006. Speakers will include: Howard Williams (Wales, Aberystwyth); Garrath Williams (Lancaster); Jens Timmermann (St Andrews); Fabienne Peter (Warwick); Peter Niesen (Frankfurt); Alison Hills (Bristol); Katrin Flikschuh (London); Gordon Finlayson (Sussex); and Gary Banham (Manchester Metropolitan).

Sorin Baiasu is guest editor of the journal *Politics and Ethics Review* for a special issue on "Kantian Justifications of Political Norms," which will publish papers presented to the workshop. The conference's web page can be found at: <http://www.hlss.mmu.ac.uk/news>, at the link for "Forthcoming events."

— *Angelia Wilson*

### **Switzerland**

Le Groupe de Coppet et l'Histoire will host the 8th Coppet Colloquium July 5th through 8th, 2006. Also participating will be the Société des études staéliennes, Paris; the Association Benjamin Constant, Lausanne; and the Associazione di Studi Sismondiani, Pescia. For further information regarding this event, please email [anne.hofmann@unil.ch](mailto:anne.hofmann@unil.ch).

— *Etienne Hofmann*

### **Western Britain**

Two CSPT events were held in Western Britain. On May 12th, 2006, the Department of Politics and International Relations and the School of Humanities at Swansea University hosted a one day international conference on the political theory of Judith Butler: "A Politics of Contingency: Critical Assessments of the Political Theory of Judith Butler." This conference brought together political theorists in a forum designed to engage with the political thought of Butler, a thinker famous for her contributions to feminism and queer theory. Speakers included Dr. Moya Lloyd, Professor Diana Coole, Professor Terrell Carver, Dr. Lisa Disch, and Dr. Samuel A. Chambers.

On May 22nd, 2006, the Department of Politics and the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at the University of Exeter hosted a seminar centered on a talk by Patrick Riley of the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Prof. Riley presented his paper, "Leibniz's *Monita* on Pufendorf and Hobbes, 1706–2006."

— *Sam Chambers*

## ISRAEL

The Jerusalem Seminar in the History of Political Thought (known also as the “Wednesday Seminar”) was launched on March 29th, 2006. The seminar is sponsored by the Department of Political Science of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem with an assistance of the Departments of History, Sociology and Anthropology, and Classics.

Jerusalem has been traditionally one of the major academic centers in the study of ideas, and the purpose of this seminar is to strengthen this celebrated tradition by creating an interdisciplinary community of scholars engaged in research in the field. Scholars who plan to visit Israel are welcome to suggest papers for presentation at the seminar. Contributions from all subfields are welcome. These include, among others: Western, Jewish, and Islamic ancient, mediaeval, early modern, modern and contemporary thought, political theory, and methodology in the history of political thought. For further inquiries please contact Dr. Efraim Podoksik (podoksik@mssc.huji.ac.il).

Presentations this spring included: Gad Yair, “Max Weber and Der Golem: Parliamentarism versus Bureaucracy;” Daniel Schwartz, “Save Those Dragged Towards Death: The Origins of the Theory of Humanitarian Intervention and Spanish Just War Theory during the Conquest;” Gabriel Motzkin, “Political Thought and the Assumptions of the Philosophy of History;” and Zeev Sternhell, “The War Against the Enlightenment: From Herder and Burke to Isaiah Berlin.”

— Efraim Podoksik

## UNITED STATES

### California

Many CSPT events occurred at Berkeley this spring. On February 10th, 2006, Berkeley hosted a one-day conference on “Derrida and the Time of the Political.” Papers were presented by: Étienne Balibar (UC Irvine), Rodolphe Gasché (SUNY, Buffalo), Anne Norton (University of Pennsylvania), Suzanne Guerlac (Berkeley), Hédi Abdel-Jaouad (Skidmore), Soraya

Tlatli (Berkeley), Wendy Brown (Berkeley), Geoffrey Bennington (Emory), Pheng Cheah (Berkeley), and Jacques Rancière (Université de Paris VIII). Closing remarks were made by Judith Butler (Berkeley).

Other mini-conferences were held on “Power” (March 17th), “Shakespeare and the Ethics of Authority” (March 21st), “Carl Schmitt: New Concepts of the Political” (April 7th), “Practice Power Politics and Performance” (April 21st).

Visiting talks given at Berkeley include the following: on February 9th, Anne Norton (University of Pennsylvania) presented “The Imperial Individual: Individualism as the Engine of Empire;” on March 6th Simon Levis Sullam (Columbia) presented “Italy’s Political Religions-Giovanni Gentile and Carl Schmitt;” on March 15th, Nicholas Xenos (UM Amherst) presented “A Patria to Die For;” on April 7th, Denise Riley presented “The Inner Voice, Continuing;” on April 11th, Abdesselam Cheddadi (Université Mohammed V, Morocco) presented “Ibn Khaldûn’s Theory of the State;” on April 24th, Rey Chow (Brown) presented “European Theory in America;” on May 1st, Guari Viswanathan (Columbia) presented “The Birth of the Modern World: Religion, Secularism, and the State;” and on May 2nd, Michael Hardt (Duke) presented “Love in the Multitude.”

— Paul Thomas

### Indian Territory

Paul Rahe’s article, “The Book That Never Was: Montesquieu’s Considerations on the Romans in Historical Context,” *History of Political Thought* (Spring, 2005) won the Koren Article Prize from the Society for French Historical Studies for the best article in French history published in 2005.

The theory group at University of Tulsa has had a busy year delivering talks. Paul Rahe presented for seminars at Oxford, for the Institute of Historical Research in London, for the philosophy faculty at the Sorbonne, and for the political theorists at the University of Krakow.

Russell Hittinger give the Keynote address to the Pontifical Academy of St. Thomas Aquinas, Vatican City; the Annual Aquinas Lecture in Palermo; and lectures at University of Navarre, Pamplona, and Khazar University, Baku. Closer to home, he also gave papers and talks at Boston College, Brigham Young University, Walsh University, Northwestern University, Baylor University, and St. Charles Preparatory and Shawnee State University, both in Ohio.

— *Eldon Eisenach*

### **Lonestar**

Four years after our inaugural meeting, the Lone Star chapter now has its own website: <http://weasel.tamu.edu/ajps/politicaltheory/index.htm>. The site provides information of interest to political theorists in and around the state of Texas, including upcoming events, conference deadlines, and political theory resources.

Diego von Vacano is organizing a conference on immigration and political theory at Texas A & M University, scheduled for February 23th and 24th, 2007. The keynote speaker will be Stephen Macedo, and other presenters include: Arthur Applbaum of Harvard's Kennedy School of Government, Alejandro Portes of Princeton's Sociology Department, Nadia Urbinati of Columbia, Mathias Risse of Harvard, Maurizio Viroli of Princeton, David Hollinger of Berkeley, Robert Reich of Stanford, Michael Blake of The University of Washington, and Jorge Gracia of SUNY-Buffalo's Philosophy Department.

Cary Nederman (Texas A & M University) has been appointed a Fulbright Senior Specialist from 2006 to 2010 by the Council for International Educational Exchange. In this capacity, he will serve as keynote lecturer at a conference on "Western Political Thought in Dialogue with East Asia" at the University of Otago in Dunedin, New Zealand, December 2006.

— *Lisa Ellis*

### **New York**

The Columbia Seminar on Political and Social Thought met eight times during the 2005–06 academic year to discuss papers by: Andreas Kalyvas (New School), John Pocock (Johns Hopkins), John McCormick (University of Chicago), Eric Nelson (Harvard), Ian Shapiro (Yale), Philip Pettit (Princeton), Nadia Urbinati (Columbia), and Uday Mehta (Amherst College).

The Seminar will again hold a number of meetings in 2006–07, with dates and speakers to be announced. We will continue to meet on Thursday evenings, though we will adopt a revised format. If you are interested in joining this seminar—for the next year, or for only one or a few sessions—please contact David Johnston at [dcj1@columbia.edu](mailto:dcj1@columbia.edu).

— *David Johnston and Nadia Urbinati*

### **Rocky Mountains**

Recent meetings of the Rocky Mountain CSPT group have discussed Roger Scruton's book, *Modern Culture*, and Remi Brague's *Eccentric Culture*. The next meeting in July will discuss Heinrich Meier's *Leo Strauss and the Theologico-Political Problem*.

— *Steve McCarl*

### **St. Louis**

The Interdisciplinary Workshop in Social and Political Theory at Washington University hosted presentations by Elizabeth Markovits (St. Louis University), "Gods and Monsters: Arendt and the Sincerity Ethic in Deliberative Democracy;" Thomas Pogge (Columbia), "World Poverty: Explanations and Responsibilities;" Jonathan Bowman (St. Louis University), "Realizing Democracy and Freedom in the European Union;" Andrew Rehfeld (Washington University), "Offensive Political Theory;" Jason Burke Murphy (St. Louis University), "Deliberative Capabilities and a Basic Income Guarantee;" and Joel Anderson (Utrecht University), "Autonomy Gaps as a Societal Pathology."

— *Frank Lovett*

## NEWS EXCHANGE

### Appointments

Russell Muirhead, currently a theorist teaching at Harvard, will be joining the Department of Government at University of Texas, Austin, as a tenured Associate Professor this summer. He is the author of the recently published book, *Just Work* (Harvard University Press), and is completing another book, which offers a political theory of partisanship.

### Books and Publications

Bruce Baum, of the University of British Columbia, has published *The Rise and Fall of the Caucasian Race: A Political History of Racial Identity* (New York University Press, 2006). This is a work of critical race theory. It proceeds through a genealogy, or critical history, of the “Caucasian race” category in the modern science of race to explore the kind of public recognition due to racial (or racialized) identities. This genealogy illuminates the role of power not only in “race relations” but in shaping the scientific understandings of “race.”

Alan Hamlin has published *Beyond Conventional Economics: The Limits of Rational Behaviour in Political Decision Making* (Edward Elgar, May 2006). This work, co-edited with Giuseppe Eusepi, includes chapters by Hamlin, Eusepi, James Buchanan and Yong Yoon, Gordon Tullock, Robert Goodin, Philip Pettit, Hartmut Kliemt, J.R Clark, and Dwight Lee.

Cornell University Press has licensed a Chinese publishing house to publish a Chinese-language version of Steven Forde’s book on Thucydides, to appear 2007. Forde is a professor at University of North Texas.

Cary Nederman has published *John of Salisbury*, Medieval and Renaissance Texts and Studies Vol. 288 (Arizona State University/Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, 2005). John of Salisbury has earned a considerable and well-deserved reputation as an original

philosopher as well as a prominent commentator on the vast intellectual and cultural changes experienced by twelfth-century Europe. The first comprehensive examination of John’s life and career in over 50 years, this study draws on the wealth of new texts and scholarship that have emerged during that period. Although introductory in nature, the study will also appeal to specialists in medieval political thought and intellectual history.

Cary Nederman has also co-edited, with Ian Hunter and John Christian Laursen, *Heresy in Transition: Transforming Ideas of Heresy in Medieval and Early Modern Europe* (Ashgate, 2005). This book offers a unique insight into the transformation of ideas of heresy in the transition from medieval to early modern European culture, charting the changes as medieval theological conceptions were historicized, relativized and, eventually, relegated in favor of toleration. In addition it offers a series of detailed studies dealing with the theological, juridical, and political constructions of heresy, tying these to specific historical and cultural contexts. The volume will be of interest to historians of political and legal thought, especially scholars and students working on cultural conflict, toleration, and the antecedents of liberal political order.

Three monographs have just been published in the “Eric Voegelin Institute Series in Political Philosophy.” The first is Elizabeth Campbell Corey’s *Michael Oakeshott on Religion, Aesthetics and Politics*; the second is William Thompson-Uberuaga’s *Jesus and the Gospel Movement: Not Afraid to be Partners*; and the third is Stephen A. McKnight’s *The Religious Foundations of Francis Bacon’s Thought*. All three by University of Missouri Press, 2006. Forthcoming this summer in the same series is Ellis Sandoz’s *Republicanism, Religion and the Soul of America*.

Gabriel Danzig, Department of Classics, Bar Ilan University, has published *Crito and the Socratic Controversy* (Polis, 2006).

Avner de Shalit, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University, has published *Power to the People: On Teaching Political Philosophy in Sceptical Times* (Rowman and Littlefield, 2006).

Also to be published this year, Jonathan Wolff and Avner de Shalit, *Disadvantage* (Oxford University Press).

Ido Geiger, Department of Philosophy, Ben-Gurion University, has published *The Founding Act of Modern Ethical Life: Hegel's Critique of Kant's Moral and Political Philosophy* (Stanford University Press, 2006); and "Is Art a Thing of the Past? The Political Work of Art between Hegel and Schiller," in *Idealistic Studies* 35 (2005).

Gaiyl Talshir, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University, has published "The Objects of Ideology: Historical Transformations and the Changing Role of the Analyst," in *History of Political Thought* 26 (2005).

Richard Bellamy edited *Constitutionalism and Democracy, International Library of Essays in Law and Legal Theory, 2nd Series* (Ashgate/Dartmouth, 2006).

Richard Bellamy, D. Castiglione and J. Shaw together edited *Making European Citizens: Civic Inclusion in a Transnational Context* (Palgrave, 2006).

Alex Brown published "Equality of Opportunity for Education: One-off or Lifelong?" in the *Journal of Philosophy of Education* 40 (2006).

Jacob Howland, University of Tulsa, published *Kierkegaard and Socrates: A Study in Philosophy and Faith* (Cambridge University Press, 2006).

Russell Hittinger, University of Tulsa, will have an Italian translation of *The First Grace*,

*La prima grazia. Riscoprire la legge naturale in un mondo post cristiano*, published in Palermo.

He also has contributions in three books: "The Constitutionalization of Politics and the Decline of Liberal Tolerance," in *Presente y futuro del liberalismo* (Pamplona, Ediciones Universidad De Navarra); "Introduction to Catholic Authors," and "Pope Leo XIII," in *The Teachings of Modern Christianity: On Law, Politics, & Human Nature* (Columbia University Press); and "Evolution of Papal Social Doctrine." (Ministry of Culture, Italian Government), and two review essays in *First Things*.

Paul Rahe, University of Tulsa, has had four articles or book chapters published since the last report: "The Political Needs of a Tool-Making Animal: Madison, Hamilton, Locke, and the Question of Property," in *Natural Rights Liberalism from Locke to Nozick* (Cambridge University Press); "The Book That Never Was: Montesquieu's Considerations on the Romans in Historical Context," *History of Political Thought* (Spring, 2005); "Between Trust and Distrust: The Federalist and The Emergence of Modern Republican Constitutionalism," in *Ideas, Aesthetics, and Inquiries in the Early Modern Era* (2005); and "Thucydides as Educator," in *The Past as Prologue: The Importance of History to the Military Profession* (Cambridge University Press). His edited collection, *Machiavelli's Liberal Republican Legacy* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press) was also published this year.

Eldon Eisenach, University of Tulsa, saw the publication of his edited collection, *The Social and Political Thought of American Progressivism* (Hackett Publishers) appear in March.

His chapter "Religion, Politics and American Identity After September 11: Reflections on Recent Scholarship," concludes *Religion, Politics, and American Identity: New Directions, New Controversies* (Lexington Books).

## Conferences

The Center for Jewish Studies in conjunction with the Hannah Arendt Institute of Dresden

University announces an International Conference—to be held November 9th through 12th, 2006—celebrating the life and work of the great Jewish philosopher Hannah Arendt and her continuing importance in the global dialogue on issues of justice, freedom and religion. Some of the presenters will include: Gerhard Besier of the Hannah Arendt Institute in Dresden, Germany; Uwe Backes of Dresden, Germany; Andrew Wisely of Baylor University; Andreas Kalyvas of New School, New York; Emilio Gentile of Rome; and Agnes Heller of Budapest and New York. The Keynote Address will be delivered by Richard Rubenstein, Emeritus, Florida State University.

Cary Nederman has been selected to serve as the organizer for sessions on Medieval Political Theory at the 2007 Midwest Political Science Association conference in Chicago. Since this is the first time that the medieval field has been separated from the rest of the history of political theory sessions, Prof. Nederman is especially anxious to make this a successful set of panels, and encourages anyone interested in contributing to send proposals for either complete sessions or individual papers.

Ellis Sandoz of Louisiana State University will be organizing the Eric Voegelin Society Program at the APSA annual meeting in Philadelphia, August 30th through September 3rd, 2006. Scheduled panels include: “Analyzing the Escape from Freedom;” “Voegelin and Contemporary Philosophy;” “American Civil Theology;” “Nietzsche, Voegelin & the Politics of Death;” and others.

Call for Papers: “Political Hebraism: Jewish Sources in the History of Political Thought” (Conference in Jerusalem, December 26th through 29th, 2006).

The 2006 conference on political Hebraism invites proposals that reevaluate ideas of political import in the Jewish tradition itself or the ways this tradition was borrowed from and appropriated by political thinkers throughout the

history of ideas. Borrowings and appropriations of the Hebraic political tradition by Jewish, Christian, Muslim and unaffiliated scholars from the first century to the twenty-first will all be explored and discussed with the hope of shedding light on the various modes and manners in which political Hebraism has been engaged in the history of the modern West, and its contribution to political discourse.

For further details go to: <http://www.hpstudies.org/conferences/2006/callfor.asp>.

### **Graduate Student News**

The Manchester Center for Political Theory would like to celebrate the honor bestowed on doctoral graduate Andrew Shorten (supervisor Sorin Baiasu) who won Political Studies Association (UK) Sir Ernest Barker Prize for Best Political Theory Thesis, 2005.

### **Research and Grants**

While on sabbatical at All Souls College, Oxford, Paul Rahe (University of Tulsa) finished a book manuscript on the political theory of the English republic and began a new book on Montesquieu while spending April and May at the American Academy in Berlin.

### **Visiting Scholars and Other Moves**

Assistant Professor Nancy Kokaz of the University of Toronto will be a scholar-in-residence in the Department of Politics and International Relations at Swansea University for the 2006–07 academic year.

Jason Maloy (Oklahoma State) received a Big 12 Fellowship faculty-exchange grant, and spent two weeks in March 2006 at Texas A & M University. In addition to doing research at the Evans Library, he attended Diego von Vacano’s seminar in Latin American political thought, gave a guest-lecture on Hobbes for Lisa Ellis’s introductory political theory course, and presented a paper on “The Modernization of Democracy” to the Texas A & M Theory Convocation.

Lisa Ellis, of Texas A & M University, will be in residence at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton next year, completing a book on provisionality and politics, editing a volume on Kant's political theory, and pursuing projects on Hobbes, political discourse, and the environment.

Charles Blattberg, Associate Professor of Political Philosophy in the Department of Political Science of the Universite de Montreal is the Lady Davis Visiting Professor at the The Hebrew University of Jerusalem for the 2005–06 academic year. His recent publications include: "Opponents vs. Adversaries in Plato's Phaedo," in *History of Philosophy Quarterly* 22 (2005); and "Democratique patriotique, non deliberative," in *Ethique publique* 7 (2005).

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