

Department of Philosophy Newsletter Spring 2016, No. 49

FROM THE CHAIR'S DESK

As I write this, final exams are getting started in the midst of a traditional Rochester spring, which is to say cool, damp, and gray. By my count, this means we have had one seasonable season this year. Never before has it been necessary to apologize to new faculty that Rochester winters are not all they are cracked up to be. Our new colleagues, Hayley Clatterbuck and Paul Audi, have toughed out the mild conditions admirably. It has been great to have them here, and we are also delighted to have Jon Tresan with us now on a continuing basis.

The highlight of this one seasonable season was Noam Chomsky's residence as the University's 2016 Distinguished Visiting Humanist, a three-day whirlwind of 11 events, capped with an April 22nd screening of the movie, "Requiem for the American Dream," at the Little Theater in downtown Rochester. Chomsky was seeing it himself for the first time in a sold-out house, and joined the filmmakers in answering questions at length afterwards. Chomsky joins Anthony Appiah as the second philosopher to hold this visiting professorship during its so-far very short history, and the bar could scarcely be set higher for future nominations. Bill Fitzpatrick did yeomen's work in orchestrating a fabulous series of events, and he and Brett Sherman both deserve credit for making this happen and for their leadership in partnering with the Departments of Linguistics and History to make this a great success for the College and the community.

The University of Rochester's Humanities Center was launched in July 2015, and quickly became a hub of major new humanities programming. Its future home on the second floor of Rush Rhees Library will be renovated and set up this summer, in what promises to be a season of extraordinarily disruptive renovations across the River Campus. We enjoyed having visiting humanities fellows in residence this spring, and look forward to working with the Center's director, whose identity should soon be announced.

Other noteworthy developments are underway on the curricular front. Conversations pursuant to curricular cooperation have been underway with the Department of Mathematics, Department of Biology, and Hajim School of Engineering. A co-taught course on Darwin and Religion will be resumed in the coming year, possibilities in the realm of logic and mathematics are being entertained, and I will join the Hajim School's Dean of Education in cosponsoring summer interns who will help us develop new curricula in engineering ethics, sustainability, and global engagement.

The big news this Commencement is that our colleague Rich Feldman is being awarded the University's William H. Riker Award for Graduate Teaching. Rich celebrated 40 years of service at UR last June, and he has directed, co-directed, or served as second reader for 36 of the 108 dissertations in philosophy completed during these years. It's a numerically extraordinary record and one exemplary in its quality.



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***Congratulations and Thank You
to all faculty and staff in the
Philosophy Department for their
100% participation in the 2016
United Way Campaign!***



2016 Colin and Ailsa Turbayne International Berkeley Essay Competition

The late Professor and Mrs. Colin Turbayne established a biennial International Berkeley Essay Prize competition in conjunction with the Philosophy Department at the University of Rochester.

The next deadline for submitting papers will be November 1, 2016. The winner will be announced March 1, 2017 and will receive a prize of \$2,000. Copies of the winning essays will be sent to the George Berkeley Library Study Center located in Berkeley's home in Whitehall, Newport, RI. Submissions should be sent to: Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of Rochester, PO Box 270078, Lattimore Hall 532, Rochester, NY 14627-0078 or phladmin@philosophy.rochester.edu. Please see our website for details regarding essay specifications.

The 2014 winner was "The 'Empty Amusement' of Willing: Berkeley on Agent Causation," by Nancy E. Kendrick, William and Elsie Prentice Professor of Philosophy at Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts.

2015-2016 COLLOQUIUM SERIES

Richard Dees (University of Rochester)	"Primum Non Nocere Mortuis: Bioethics and the Interests of the Dead"
Daid Christensen (Brown University)	"Disagreement, Drugs, etc.: From Accuracy to Akrasia"
Ulrich Meyer (Colgate University)	"The Banach-Tarski Paradox"
Julia Markovits (Cornell University)	"On What it is to Matter"
Jessica Moss (NY University)	"Knowledge and Belief in Plato Revisited"
Janice Dowell (Syracuse University)	"Methodology for Semantic Theorizing: The Case of Epistemic Modals"
Paul Audi (University of Rochester)	"Qualitative Structure"
Japa Pallikkathayil (U of Pittsburgh)	"How to Consent"



*"Dedicated to the
Truth,
the Half-Truth
and the Occasional
Bald-Faced Lie"*

FACULTY NEWS

Paul Audi

I have enjoyed the very warm welcome I received from my new colleagues and students here, and I continue to be very happy to be part of this department and university. (And as I write this, I am staring down vast amounts of grading... Imagine the joy I'll feel next year!) Besides getting my bearings, this fall I taught a graduate seminar on Lewis's method of conceptual analysis, objections to it, and alternative accounts of how to do metaphysics. This spring, I taught introductory logic, logical methods, and the 200/400 level metaphysics. On the research side of things, I have been chipping away at various projects. One argues that properties need to be understood to inhere in their bearers. Another attempts to show that truthmaking is not a kind of ontological dependence relation. I am also gearing up to write an article on identity-conditions for properties for the *Philosophy Compass* this summer. I will also spend a good part of the summer training for the physical hardships of the coming winter, which, given how mild this one was, seems likely to be cataclysmic.

Hayley Clatterbuck

When I reflect on my time in Rochester since moving here in August, it seems like I have been here for either two weeks or ten years, but nothing in between. It seems short when I think about all that I am still learning and adjusting to after leaving grad school for my first academic

position: new duties, a new city, living above the poverty line, and the unfathomably smart student body here at U of R. At the same time, it didn't take long for Rochester to feel like home, and I'm thankful for the warm welcome and support I have received from the department. I am not thankful for the literal warm welcome Rochester provided and look forward to an honest-to-God winter. It has been a busy year of teaching, but my research (on explanations in biology and on the origin of logical thought) has started to kick back into gear. In the fall, I will be the envy of the philosophy of biology world when I get to co-teach a course with Allen Orr, and I look forward to making more connections with faculty members in other departments around the university.

Earl Conee

As in many previous years, a combination of teaching, research, and service brings me to the writing of a departmental newsletter entry. As in those previous years, it is a new entry with no real news, which itself is no news.

Randall Curren

It seems once again that I will be reporting in this May newsletter mostly what I did the previous June. That was just as long ago this year as it was last year, but June continues to be a reliably gratifying month of intellectually stimulating travel. Shortly after commencement last year I made trips to San Diego, Birmingham and Oxford in the UK, Bowdoin College in Maine, and the U. of Colorado in Boulder, to present work in progress and do intensive face to face writing with coauthors. In the course of the ensuing year, and further talks at the U. of Pennsylvania, Oriel College, Oxford, OSU, SUNY Binghamton, and Illinois State University, I succeeded in finishing four papers and both of the books I had been working on since 2009. I also had a wonderful time teaching the Seminar for Majors this spring, covering a wide range of topics in moral psychology. It has been a good year.

Richard Dees

This year, I have been presenting a lot of new work to various audiences. I presented my recent work on harming the dead to the department in the fall, and I have given talks to retirement community on the ethics of enhancement, to a radio audience about the ethics of bombing Hiroshima, to a student group on mandating the flu vaccine, to a student group at Geneseo on newborn screening, and to the Friends of Eastman Opera on the political context of “The Marriage of Figaro.” At the APA meetings, besides commenting on a paper on Hume’s view of courage, I presented the merits of the bioethics program in a panel on new ways of thinking about the undergraduate major. In addition, I have published three small articles on various issues in bioethics: a co-authored review of the legal and ethical issues of new gene editing techniques, a co-authored comment on newborn screening for cardiac diseases, and a comment on the use of animals in research. Finally, the Division of Medical Humanities and Bioethics, of which I am a part, has just shepherded its first class of master’s students in an exciting and innovative team-taught curriculum that encompasses ethical, historical, literary, and artistic approaches to the study of health care.

William FitzPatrick

It has been another busy year, dominated this spring by organizing the many facets of Noam Chomsky’s visit as our 2016 Distinguished Visiting Humanist. In addition to giving a public address to the university, he will attend two screenings of recent films about him (one of them at the Little Theatre) and engage in Q&A afterwards, and he’ll meet with a variety of faculty and student groups who have been reading and discussing his work. I’ve also been kept busy on the executive committee for the

University’s new Humanities Center and chairing the search committee for the new director of the Center. Taking a break from committee work, and from the long Rochester winter, I traveled in April to Alabama as the final speaker for their 2015-16 Philosophy Today series (Alyssa Ney did one last fall), which included a public talk to the university, a departmental colloquium, and a guest lecture. It was a sweet taste of spring before returning to a blanket of fresh snow. I continue to serve as an associate editor for *Ethics* and to serve the department as undergraduate adviser, along with the usual teaching and graduate advising, and I was particularly honored to receive the Edward Peck Curtis Teaching Award at graduation last spring.

Alison Peterman

I missed teaching in the fall, but my sabbatical gave me a chance to wrap up some old work and develop some new research directions. I contributed a paper on Spinoza’s physical interlude to a volume on Spinoza’s *Ethics*, and I wrote a paper on Descartes’s and Spinoza’s theories of embodiment for a volume on the history of the concept of embodiment. But I was extra excited to start working on the philosophy of Margaret Cavendish, a 17th century British philosopher. I wrote a paper on Cavendish’s critique of the use of mathematics in natural philosophy, and presented it in April at a conference on three women early modern philosophers - Cavendish, Anne Conway, and Emilie du Chatelet. It is very exciting to see women philosophers being integrated into the philosophical “canon”, and to mine them for lots of rich new philosophical ideas. When I got back, I enjoyed teaching a class on rationalism with a small group of wonderful graduate and undergraduate students.

Brett Sherman

It was the busiest of academic years, it was the freest of academic years, it was the semester of teaching, it was the semester of not teaching, it was the season of despair, it was the season of winter in South Carolina (which is pretty nice), I had to do a lot of grading, I didn't have to do any grading -- in short, I was on leave for the Spring semester, and spent a lot of time thinking about possibility.

MEMORIAL ESSAY

In Memory of Rolf A. Eberle (1931-2014)
(by Bo Mou, April 2016)

Although it has passed two years since Rolf passed away in 2014, he has been still deeply alive in my heart. I actually started drafting this memorial piece around one year ago; but then some unexpected commitment had me unable to make it for the last year's newsletter.

I do not intend to give a comprehensive memorial piece, as I am not in a position to give such an account of his life and his academic achievements as a whole while a memorial note of this nature (by Gary Merrill) is already available in the APA newsletter. As one of his former students, I focus on my first-hand experience in how Rolf was an eminent devoted teacher and mentor with his deeply warm heart as well as his graceful gentleness. Indeed, Rolf is one of my most admired teachers I have ever met and has had his momentous impact on my way of learning, studying and personal cultivation both during my days at UR and the subsequent period since I left.

Let me first put this in a context and briefly give a bit of relevant background information. Unlike a typical Ph.D. student from a USA home base and/or moving up from previous student status (for a US or international student), I then restarted as a student

from a previous secured faculty position in the national institute of philosophy in China, giving up almost all things comfortable and going back to the student status with focus on a tough subject to me then (a range of core areas in the analytic tradition of philosophy such as philosophy of language, metaphysics, epistemology) that has been strong in the US but was relatively less focused on in my home country (in contrast to the classical Chinese philosophy and Marxist philosophy emphasized there). Then the challenge and pressure of life in such a brand-new environment were big in all relevant connections (academic, financial, psychological...). Although this is not the first time when I gave up the comfortable and re-started in some major connection of my life (the previous one occurred when I re-started as a philosophy student after receiving BS in math with minor in computer), and although I was then determined to overcome all the obstacles when I planned for this second-time re-start trek, I was indeed appreciating any sign of being considerate, showing support and giving substantial help from the philosophy faculty members. I have fortunately received them from Rolf as well as Rich Feldman, Bob Holmes and later Ted Sider in their distinct ways, especially.

My first semester at UR (Fall 1989) was hard for me; my oral English was not good enough with a strong accent (partially influenced by my native Chinese language and by my previously learnt Russian language in high school before I learnt English), which I knew had me sometimes look "stupid." Nevertheless, I then felt more home at Rolf's logic class among the classes I took in the first semester, not merely because academically I felt more comfortable on the subject (this is the only class in the first semester I received an "A" grade), but also (more) because Rolf, as a former foreign student from Switzerland who had pursued his Ph.D. in UCLA, had a very friendly and encouraging attitude towards a foreign student like me in that situation as well as any students while without

relaxing standards in the area of logic; whenever a student (any student, no matter from which background she/he was and in which way she/he expressed herself/himself) had any questions in his class, Rolf always very patiently gave his explanation in a very meticulous way on the board or on a piece of paper, either formally in classroom or casually in office.

Later on I had more academic contact with Rolf especially during the period of working on my dissertation. My dissertation topic is on the philosophical issue of truth in view of the contemporary debate between deflationism and substantivism; as one topic primarily in the philosophy of language, this issue is closely related to epistemology, metaphysics, logic and so on. The faculty members who supervised me in writing the thesis, formally and informally, are three distinguished scholars whom I highly respected: Rich is my primary supervisor, and Ted is the secondary one, while Rolf was then just in his retirement and agreed to guide me in an informal way on the “logic” dimension of the issue. In this way, as indicated in the preface of my monograph book (*Substantive Perspectivism*, Springer, 2009) that is partially developed from my thesis, “I was so fortunate to have three distinguished scholars supervise my thesis at the University of Rochester. They are Richard Feldman, Theodore Sider, and Rolf Eberle. They have not only published in the philosophy of language but are well-respected experts respectively in some other major areas of philosophy where the notion of truth plays important role: Rich in epistemology, Ted in metaphysics, and Rolf in logic. Their distinct scholarly strengths were complementary in the supervision of my thesis writing. I have learned a lot from them....” (p.viii). In this memorial note of Rolf, let me say a bit more about Rolf’s way here. I have my special thanks to Rolf for his instructive and comprehensive comments on various versions of earlier writings concerning the chapter on

Tarski’s approach and some other parts in my thesis that involve logic and philosophy of logic. In quite a few times I drove to his hill-top house in Honeoye for discussion; I always learned something new during our many discussions on these contents. (partially from such discussions is my paper “The enumerative character of Tarski’s definition of truth and its general character in a Tarskian system” published in the journal *Syntheses* in 2001.) Although logic is not among my central interest areas, my training and knowledge from Rolf’s relevant classes and from my later logic-related discussion with him contribute to my subsequent research projects related to logic (such as a recent writing, “How the validity of the parallel inference is possible: from the ancient Mohist diagnose to a modern logical treatment of its semantic-syntactic structure”, forthcoming in *History and Philosophy of Logic* this year).

There are some seemingly similar footprints: Rolf publishes his book *Nominalistic Systems* in the “Syntheses library” monograph series (1970), while I published my aforementioned book in the same monograph series (almost 40 years later in 2009); Rolf received his early promotion to the rank of full Professor (1975) since he jointed UR in 1967 after his first professional appointment in philosophy at Kansas State University, while I got my early promotion to that rank at SJSU (2000-2009). But I know that my work does not match up with Rolf’s rigorous scholarship in his highly meticulous way and that my school is not UR; such apparent similarities seem superficial in these connections. On the other hand, if there would be anything substantial in such an otherwise quite superficial similarity, perhaps it would be this: we both came to USA to study philosophy from other countries with some extra obstacles and difficulties especially related to international students; we both have endeavored to overcome them with determination. Rolf has been one of my role models in this connection. With a retreat reflection, I am thinking of this:

GRADUATE PROGRAM NEWS

isn't it this diverse and distinct constitution of the American higher-education system (more or less opening its arms to welcome positive "foreign" resources, both in its Ph.D. programs and in its faculty recruitment with the "merit" standard) that has also contributed to the vigor and dynamic development of the American philosophy in the global context?

Our last communication was made just several months (in December 2013) before Rolf passed away: I told him I was giving an invited talk at a symposium at the University of Zürich next August in Zürich, Switzerland, very close to the town of Pfäffikon where Rolf was living; we then made an appointment for a get-together meeting. But unfortunately just several months later I received the news that Rolf passed away. Helen, Rolf's wife, told me in an email in these words: "...[Rolf] was ill for about seven years with a rare form of lymphoma that was incurable. He maintained a positive attitude throughout the entire time, and lived his life in a normal way until the very end. It was comforting for us both that he really never suffered any pain." In late August 2014, after giving my talk, I met Helen together with Rolf's elder daughter and Helen's sister; Rolf was memorized at a Rolf favored restaurant besides the tranquil and beautiful Lake of Zürich near to his home.

Indeed, Rolf has been still alive deep in my heart: his kindness, gentleness and academic spirit continue to substantially inspire me in my journey. Lao Zi, an ancient Chinese philosopher, memorably said in the *Dao-De-Jing* (Ch. 33): “不失其所者久，死而不亡者壽” (my tentative translation: “One who does not fail in holding one's due ground will endure; One who dies and yet does not perish enjoys longevity.”). Rolf is such a person in my heart.

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2016 Heidi M. Payne Outstanding 1st Year Essay and 2016 Outstanding Essay

Submissions for both awards will be accepted in September 2016. Winners will be announced in the October 2016.

Ph.D. Graduate Admissions 2016/17

Zachary Barber (Dominican University)
Michael Carrick (University of Colorado)
Rafael Perez (California State University)

MA Degrees Awarded 2015-16

Dustin Olson

Ph.D. Degree Awarded 2015-16

William Rowley
“An Evidentialist Epistemology of Testimony”
(Richard Feldman, advisor)

9th Biennial University of Rochester Philosophy Department

Graduate Epistemology Conference

October 21-22, 2016

The graduate students at the University of Rochester Department of Philosophy invite you to the 9th Biennial University of Rochester Graduate Epistemology Conference. The keynote speaker for this year's conference is Susanna Schellenberg of Rutgers University. The distinguished alumnus speaker is Andrei Buckareff of Marist College. The conference will also feature five refereed papers by graduate students with comments by University of Rochester graduate students.

We welcome submissions in the field of analytic epistemology, broadly construed. We also welcome hybrid epistemology papers which are also (partially) in the fields of philosophy of science, ethics, philosophy of mind, philosophy of language, philosophy of religion, or metaphysics.

See full details at:

<http://philevents.org/event/show/22986>

GRADUATE STUDENT NEWS

Matthew Baddorf

This year, I presented at workshops and conferences in Wake Forest, Jerusalem, and San Francisco. At Wake Forest, free ice cream bars were available at any time of day. San Francisco had very steep streets. Jerusalem was cool too, I guess.

I also had a paper accepted for publication for the first time (in *Sophia*, on divine simplicity) and have been busily at work on my dissertation. I expect to be finished with it soon, after which I shall do something else.

Kolja Keller

In the last year I was able to present my paper "Moderate Internalism Defended From The New Evil Demon Problem" at the Pacific APA where I was happy to meet many current and former Rochester students, all eager to uphold the banner of Rochester internalist epistemology. As I am finishing up a year of intense study in Epistemology I am getting ready to embark on an exploration of some unoccupied corner of logical space in which my future dissertation will hopefully be located.

John Komdat

Members of the department might expect that I worked with Earl this year and that his writing style had an influence on me. I did and it did.

GRADUATE ALUMNI NEWS

Jacqueline Augustine (PhD, 2009)

Greetings from Geneva!

An unsuccessful bid for Mayor last November ended my 16-year service on City Council. I am delighted to find that there are many other ways to be effective in promoting positive change in the community than elected office, and currently have a full plate of such endeavors.

The more noteworthy reason for finally submitting an update is to share the good news that my son, Prashanta, is completing his first year at the University, and his aptitude (and attitude) far exceeds my own--for this I feel gratefully humbled.

I am still teaching at Keuka College--filling over 70 students per semester with the joy of various ethical theories (though none more joyous than the categorical imperative!) and helping them see theory in practice through carefully selected snippets of "Breaking Bad."

The Finger Lakes Times has seen fit to offer me a gig as a biweekly columnist, which allows me to tackle topics of regional and national concern through a lens of practical philosophy. It's a lot of fun!

I am still co-directing the Seneca7 around-the-lake relay each year and have just formed a non-profit that is developing off-the-grid mixed income housing in an intentional community setting (sort-of communal living but not quite as crunchy) in currently underserved city neighborhoods. All of this is done when Henry and Sophie are in school, at swim practice, or asleep. Every day is an adventure!

Hopefully this update makes up for my many years of silence!

Matthew Frise (PhD, 2015)

This has been an eventful year for me. Shortly after graduating from the University of Rochester in May 2015, my wife and I moved out of St. Louis, where I had been in residence for the academic year as a visiting dissertation fellow. In June I attended a two-week summer seminar on philosophy of religion at the University of St. Thomas, immediately followed by a four-week summer seminar on faith at the University of Missouri, Columbia. In August we finally arrived in Waco. Since then I've written and revised many papers. I accepted invitations to present at the Southern Epistemology Conference at Loyola University, New Orleans, at the Memory and Subjectivity Conference in Grenoble, France, and at the Value of Faith Conference in San Antonio. I also presented research at the Alabama Philosophical Society Conference. Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews published my review of a recent book by William Wainwright. Best of all, my wife and I are expecting our first child. I am about halfway through my two-year postdoctoral research fellowship at Baylor University. At some point I hope to catch my breath.

Loretta Kopelman (PhD, 1966)

Hello everyone:
Washington DC area is an exciting place for those of us interested in bioethics since it has lively centers not only at Georgetown, where I continue to do some ethics teaching at the Medical School, but also at the Federal Drug Administration and the National Institutes of Health. I participate in some review panels at the FDA and the NIH continue to be on the Ethics Advisory Panel of the Adolescent Medicine Trials Network for HIV/AIDS Interventions. I still serve on the Ethics Committee of Inova Fairfax Hospital and on various editorial boards. I also value my association with the Tahirih Justice

Center, which offers legal services to those suffering human rights abuses and women and girls trying to escape violence and oppression, including human trafficking, domestic violence, rape, female genital mutilation and forced marriage. Arthur and I enjoy family, friends, travel and the many opportunities in the Washington area.

It would be wonderful to have a reunion or conference at the U of R Philosophy Department to see old friends.

In friendship,
Loretta Kopelman

Erick Mack (PhD, 1973)

Eric Mack continues to work on a range of projects in political philosophy and the history of political philosophy. His recent or very shortly forthcoming articles include:

“Elbow Room for Rights,” appeared in the inaugural issue of *Oxford Studies in Political Philosophy*, vol.1, no.1 (2015), 194-221.

“Elbow Room for Self-Defense,” is forthcoming shortly in *Social Philosophy and Policy* (2016).

“Self-Love, Cooperation, and Justice,” is forthcoming shortly in *Routledge Handbook of Libertarianism*, ed. Brennan, Schmidtz, and van der Vossen (London, Routledge, 2016).

“John Locke’s Defense of Commercial Society,” is forthcoming shortly in *Wealth, Commerce, and Philosophy*, ed. E. Heath and B. Kaldis, (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2016).

In the past year, he has lectured at the University of Minnesota – Duluth, Clemson University, McGill University, the University of Oklahoma, and UNC – Greensboro.

Kevin McCain (PhD, 2012)

This has been a great year at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. I completed my fourth year in the philosophy department at UAB (third year as a tenure track Assistant Professor). My book, *Evidentialism and Epistemic Justification*, was released in paperback this year. Additionally, I completed my second book, *The Nature of Scientific Knowledge*, which is currently in production and will be released by Springer toward the middle/end of 2016. I have also had the opportunity to teach various philosophy classes, present at a few conferences, and write some philosophy papers. Finally, on a more personal note, I got engaged this year and will be getting married October 2016.

Dave Shafer (BA, 1965)

This year I celebrated two 50th anniversaries - of being married to my wife, who I met at U of R, and of my 1965 U of R undergraduate degree in philosophy. Our daughter, Dr. Deborah Varat, also got her undergraduate degree in philosophy at U of R and is now a professor of art history and chair of the humanities department at Southern New Hampshire University. I cherish my time at U of R, where I also went to graduate school at the Institute for Optics, and especially my background in philosophy. Constantly questioning assumptions and the clear thinking that philosophy espouses has helped me to get 150 US and foreign patents in my field of high-tech optical systems designs.

Joseph “Josh” Stulberg (PhD, 1975)

I remain a full-time faculty member at The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, actively engaged in teaching and focusing my research/practice interests in the dispute resolution process areas dubbed mediation and negotiation.

I was humbled to receive The Ohio Mediation Association’s 2015 “Better World Award” for “...leadership in the field of dispute resolution and work on the international stage.” At a more productive level, my colleagues and I just received a major grant to summarize, examine, and apply intervener strategies to conflicts that explosively divide communities, with Sanford, FL; Ferguson, MO and Baltimore, MD being recent examples. I will spend the 2016-17 on sabbatical leave, attempting to complete a comprehensive work developing a theory of mediation and its practice implications.

More important, my wife, Midge, continues to enjoy her retirement (warm weather certainly has appeal) and our family – children and grandchildren – continue to enjoy solid health and personal and professional satisfaction. To celebrate my ‘milestone’ birthday, Midge and I spent one day soaking in all possible activities at Centre Court, Wimbledon; I don’t know if a heaven exists, but if it does, I think it hard to conceive that it beats that setting.

James VanCleve (PhD, 1974)

Jim Van Cleve boasts of two major productions during the past year, however indirect one of them may be: his book *Problems from Reid* (Oxford, August 2015), and his first grandchild (Isaac Van Cleve Baron, December 2015).

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