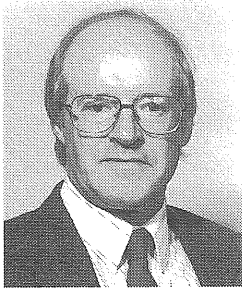




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From The Chair

The University is currently engaged in preparing its plan for the period 2000/2004. The Provost has issued a document, *Raising Our Sights*, in which he identifies three priorities: building the faculty for the twenty-first century, enhancing the educational experience, and strengthening our academic programs. The Department's main priority will be faculty renewal, since we have many retirements impending. The massive expansion of the sixties has now led to a need for massive replacements. Without replacements we will have only 22½ faculty members on St. George campus on July 1st 2004. At the end of the current planning period (2000) we would have had the

equivalent of 34.7 faculty. But because of the cuts imposed by the Harris government we are three short of that figure. Nevertheless, we are optimistically "raising our sights."

As part of the planning process the Provost called for an external review of every academic unit and program in the university. This was of course a huge undertaking. In the Faculty of Arts and Science, departments and programs were grouped in kindred "clusters", with a few departments also receiving separate "stand alone" reviews. The three largest humanities departments, English, History, and Philosophy, received separate reviews (Philosophy had not been reviewed for more than ten years). The Department was also included in four cluster reviews, headed by Classics, Sociology, History and Political Science, and Psychology. This reflects the wide range of our interests. The reviewers included three philosophers: Akeel Bilgrami (Columbia) and John Cooper (Princeton) carried out the Department review, and John Thorp (Western) was one of

the Classics cluster reviewers. We have now received the reviews and will draft a final version of our plan in the light of their recommendations. Fortunately, the reviewers agreed with the main points we had set out in the preliminary draft of our plan.

Undoubtedly the best piece of news this year was the announcement of the Chancellor Henry N. R. Jackman Distinguished Professor Chairs in the Humanities. There will be five Chairs in five broadly defined areas of the humanities: philosophy, classics, history, language and literature, and art. This provides a splendid opportunity for senior appointments in philosophy and other humanities.

One of our valued professors emeriti, Bill Dunphy, died this past year. This issue of *TPN* contains the St. Michael's College memorial resolution. John Slater also contributes a piece on the significance of the year 2000 for the Department of Philosophy.

Mark Thornton

Partings

St. Michael's College has been hard hit by retirements this year. **Barry Brown**, **Elmar Kremer**, and **Al Wingell** are all retiring.

David Dyzenhaus and **Margaret Morrison** were promoted to the rank of Professor last year.

Robert Gibbs and **Mark Kingwell** were awarded tenure last year and promoted to Associate Professor.

Cheryl Misak succeeded **Bernard Katz** as Graduate Coordinator and Associate Chair. **Robert Tully** was Acting Graduate Coordinator while she was on leave in the second term.

New Faculty

Jennifer Nagel has been appointed to a tenure-stream position as Assistant Professor at Erindale College. She specializes in epistemology. Jennifer will be taking up her appointment in 2000.

Asli Gocer was Visiting Assistant Professor in 1998/99. She has resigned from her former position, at Hollins College, and will hold a further appointment in the Department in 1999/2000.

Rodney Watkins was appointed to a sessional position as Assistant Professor at Erindale last year; he has been reappointed for 1999/2000.

Notes from the Graduate Department

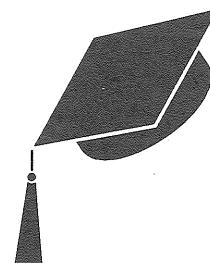
The Martha Lile Love Teaching Award for 1997/8 was awarded to **Cheryl Cline** for her course on environmental ethics.

The Martha Like Love Essay Award for 1997/8 was awarded to **Graham Mayeda** for his paper, "Generosity and Representation: Making Sense of a Non-Representational Model of the Passions."

These awards are dedicated to the memory of Martha Lile Love who died in 1979 at the age of 29 while a graduate student at UofT.

Kok-Chor Tan has been awarded the William James Prize for his paper, "Political Liberalism and Global Equality." This prize is awarded annually to the paper that, in the opinion of the APA Eastern Division Program Committee, is the best in the area of American Philosophy (broadly construed). He has also been awarded the David Savan Dissertation Prize for his Ph.D. Thesis, "Toleration, Diversity, and Global Justice."

Karen Detlefsen and **Joshua Mozersky** were awarded Dissertation Fellowships for 1998/9. These awards are worth \$18,000, with up to \$10,000 being provided by the School of Graduate Studies. These Fellowships are to enable students to complete their Ph.D.s and exclude taking paid employment (e.g. teaching assistantships) during the term of the award. A maximum of 20 are available each year.



Karen Detlefsen has been chosen as one of ten Senior Doctoral Teaching Associates for 1999/2000. These appointments (which pay the regular instructor's stipend) are funded equally by the School of Graduate Studies and participating departments, and provide an opportunity to graduate students completing their Ph.D.s to teach an advanced undergraduate course in the area of their research.

Wolfgang Huemer and **Joshua Mozersky** have been awarded Career Development and Research Fellowships for 1999/2000. These Fellowships, of which there are 8, are awarded by the School of Graduate Studies to students who have completed their Ph.D.s to provide a year in which to gain teaching experience and prepare their research for publication. They are worth \$16,000.

SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships for 1999/2000 have been awarded to **Gita Cale, Lisa Guenther, Klaus Kraay, Paul Los, Graham Mayeda, Sean McGrath, Glenn Tiller**. Seven other students hold continuing SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships.

Ph.D. THESES 1998-99

CUNNINGHAM, Andrew. Sympathy in Man and Nature.
Supervisor: F. Wilson; Advisor: H. Sobel

DUFOUR, Michel. Quand vulgariser c'est traduire.
Supervisor: I. Hacking; Advisor: A. Gombay

ELLENBOGEN, Sara. Wittgenstein's Account of Truth: A Novel Perspective on the Semantic Realist/Antirealist Debate.
Supervisor: P. Apostoli; Advisor: S. Shanker

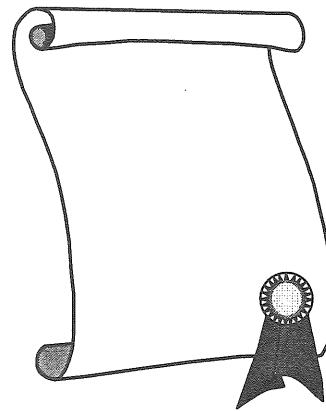
ERB (Senn), Heather. Natural Priority in the Metaphysics of Thomas Aquinas.
Supervisor: B. Brown; Advisor: J. Boyle

KAZAN, Patricia. Justice and Diversity: The Politics of Inclusion.
Supervisor: W. Sumner; Advisor: F. Cunningham

KUPREEVA, Inna. Alexander of Aphrodisias on Soul as Form (De anima 1-26 Br.)
Supervisor: B. Inwood; Advisor: L. Gerson

MILLARD, John. The Sense of Laughter: A Study of Meaning.
Supervisor: T. Langan; Advisor: K. Schmitz

MOZERSKY, Joshua. Time, Truth and Realism: An Essay on the Semantics and Metaphysics of Tense.
Supervisor: B. Katz; Advisor: J. Brown



PIKNJAC, Darko. Metaphysical Groundwork of the Five Ways of St. Thomas Aquinas.
Supervisor: J. Boyle; Advisor: B. Brown

RAYMONT, Paul. An Idle Threat: Epiphenomenalism Exposed.
Supervisor: W. Seager; Advisor: S. Sedivy

REMPEL, Morgan. Behold the Men: Nietzsche's Psychohistory of Jesus, Paul and the Birth of Christianity.
Supervisor: G. Nicholson; Advisor: A. Gombay

SANTAMARIA, Anthony. The Parameters of Being and Acting Human: The True Case for Moral Science in the Philosophy of Saint Thomas Aquinas.
Supervisor: B. Brown; Advisor: L. Gerson

STURDEE, David. On the Distinction Between Literal and Non-Literal Language.
Supervisor: B. Katz; Advisor: I. Hacking

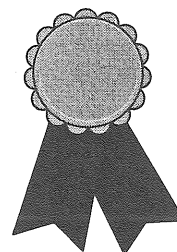
TAN, Kok-Chor. Toleration, Diversity and Global Justice.
Supervisor: F. Cunningham; Advisor: D. Dyzenhaus

WILLISTON, Byron. Self-Knowledge, Moral Freedom, and the Passions in Descartes.
Supervisor: A. Gombay; Advisor: C. Normore

WORRELL, Mark. Aren't You Really a Behaviourist in Disguise? -- Philosophical Psychology in Ludwig Wittgenstein's *Philosophical Investigations*.
Supervisor: R. Tully; Advisor: F. Wilson

UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

The Faculty of Arts and Science announced the following awards: the Thomas A. Goudge Scholarship to **Paul Gordon Andrews**, the John Macdonald Scholarship to **Jonathan Michael Verkuyl**, and the George Kennedy Scholarship to **Jacob Murray Ross**, who also received the prestigious Robin Armstrong Award from the Faculty of Arts and Science in 1997.



William Dunphy

Bill Dunphy, Professor Emeritus and former Principal of St. Michael's College, died on August 13th 1998 at the age of 71. A funeral mass was held on August 17th at Holy Rosary Catholic Church. The service was led by Father Bob Madden C.S.B., former director of Alumni Affairs at St. Mike's, who also delivered the homily. A memorial celebration was held in Upper Brennan Hall, St. Michael's College, on November 12th 1998. Among the speakers were Rabbi Dow Marmur of Holy Blossom Temple, Joseph Boyle, the current Principal of St. Mike's, and many friends and members of Bill's family.

The following memorial resolution was presented to St. Michael's College Council.

The death of Professor William B. Dunphy came as a shock. Relatively few knew of his illness, which itself was mercifully brief. In mid-June he went for his regular, general physical check-up. The results of this routine medical examination dictated more tests which discovered the presence of terminal cancer; he was told he had a very short time to live, perhaps a few months. His reaction was remarkable, but not surprising. He was at peace, and proceeded quietly to put his affairs in order, beginning to tell people here at St. Michael's of his situation, and making arrangements for passing on results of his recent research to those who might be interested in seeing it continued or who might know of younger scholars whose careers might benefit from his initial work; his suddenly worsening condition did not allow him to speak to all

he had planned to. He was able to spend some very special time with his family on one of the channel islands off the British Columbia coast, but within a few weeks of his return, increased weakness forced him to remain at home, and finally in bed. On the evening of 13 August he died quietly and peacefully at home in the presence of his family.

William Berchmans Dunphy was born in Bayside, New York in 1926. After service in the United States Navy, he registered in St. Michael's College in the University of Toronto, proceeding to a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1948, a Master of Arts degree in 1950, and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1953. In 1964, after holding appointments at Queens College, City University of New York, Manhattanville College, Columbia University, and Fordham University, he returned to St. Michael's as a tenured Associate Professor, teaching courses over the ensuing years in Ancient, Medieval, and Modern Philosophy. In 1969, he was promoted to Full Professor and in 1981 was appointed Principal of St. Michael's, a position he held until his retirement in 1991. In his retirement he continued his scholarly research and writing and remained active in social and inter-faith issues and groups.

A respected scholar, some of his research and publications on Siger of Brabant, Peter of Auvergne, Moses Maimonides and Thomas Aquinas influenced the thinking of other academics, such as Etienne Gilson. A talented, humane, academic administrator and diplomat, his judgement, advice, and

common sense reactions were often sought, as was his service on innumerable College and University committees, as well as on inter-university councils. His contributions to the growth of the St. Michael's College Programmes in Christianity and Culture and in Celtic Studies were, to say the least, significant, and his concern for, and personal support of, the continued development of the Writing and Math Labs form just one sign of his devotion to and his desire to assist the academic welfare of the students of St. Michael's. He was an accomplished, conscientious teacher, a public-spirited citizen dedicated to the common good and willing to be actively involved in public issues that affected society, a person deeply concerned about social issues, especially those that affected the poor and the marginalized; a person who tried to bring together people and groups of differing opinions, faiths, and backgrounds. How fitting that the award established to mark his tenure as Principal is granted to a graduating St. Michael's student who has been most successful in combining high academic achievement with sustained commitment to volunteer service in the wider community.

William Dunphy was a devoted family man of strong Christian, Catholic Faith. That Faith, however firm and realistically devout, respected the religious belief of others; he believed in a God who wants us be at peace with one another--strong witness to this is his long service with the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, with the Religious

Leaders Luncheon Group, with the Jerusalem Committee, with the National Tripartite Liaison Committee composed of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Canadian Council of Churches, and the Canadian Jewish Congress, his being named recipient of the Jerusalem Award, and his association with the Multicultural History Society of Ontario--an abbreviated list.

Mr. Chairman, few, if any, members of this Council have not benefited from the devotion of Professor William Dunphy to St. Michael's and from his untiring work for the success of its mission. So many of his colleagues at St. Michael's, administrators, faculty, support staff, students can testify to his sincere concern for them and for their families. He was a faithful man, faithful to his family, to his Church, to his friends, faithful to commitments he made to others, even when they did not respond accordingly. More that one of us has benefited from his counsel, his understanding, his patience, his support, and his rock-solid presence. St. Michael's debt to Professor William Dunphy for his fidelity, decisions, leadership, diplomacy and for his over thirty years of dedicated service is great.

The St. Michael's College Council notes with sorrow and regret the death of Professor William Dunphy, acknowledges his contribution to its life and history, and expresses its sympathy to his family.

The Year 2000:

Its Significance for the Department of Philosophy

By John G. Slater

On the first day of January in the year 1850 the University of Toronto arose like the phoenix from the ashes of the University of King's College. That important transition will be celebrated during the year 2000 by various divisions of the University, including the Department of Philosophy. For the University of Toronto, 1850 marks an important milestone in its history, but there are two other dates of equal – or perhaps even greater – significance. The Royal Charter, which granted King's College the power to award degrees, was given the royal warrant by King George IV on 15 March 1827. Shortly thereafter the Council of King's College was established and assumed the task of managing the University's endowment, some quarter-million acres of land, the gift of the sovereign. Political differences interfered with the opening of King's College, but its council continued to make plans, and, by December 1829, had purchased the land on which the present University, as well as the provincial Parliament building, is located.

It was not until June 1843 that the first students were admitted. The final drive to open King's was due to the determination of Sir Charles Bagot, an Oxford M.A., appointed Governor-General of British North America in 1842, to make its establishment the crowning achievement of his stewardship. Bishop John Strachan, the President of King's College, delivered his inaugural lecture on 8 June 1843, and the original five professors theirs in the days immediately following. Regular lectures began on 12 June 1843.

One of the founding professors was James Beaven, an Oxford D.D., who had charge of the Faculty of Divinity, and the Departments of Metaphysics and Ethics in the Faculty of Arts. In those days the word "department" was used to designate a subject-area for which a professor was responsible. Thus, John McCaul, who was Vice-President of King's and Professor of Classics, Belle-Lettres, Rhetoric and Logic, had charge of four departments. This usage of the term continued for most of the rest of the century. Logic was not made the responsibility of the philosophy professor until 1881, when McCaul retired.

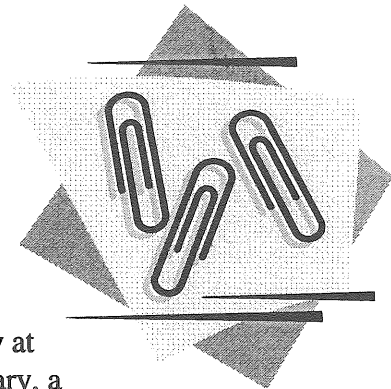
In 1849 the legislature of Canada West enacted legislation severing all of King's College's residual ties with the Church of England. The secularized institution was given a new name and a new start. All of the King's professors were continued in the new University of Toronto, but Beaven was stripped of what he regarded as his principal charge, namely, divinity. A very high-church priest, albeit not prepared to follow John Henry Newman, his exact contemporary, into the Roman Catholic Church, he did not take his loss quietly and, as a consequence, nearly lost his job when he stated publicly that he "abominated" the new University. Despite his hatred of the "Godless" University, he stayed on for another twenty-one years, until adverse student petitions led the Premier of Ontario to pension him off. With the change in his teaching responsibilities in 1850, Beaven felt obliged to study the writings of the major continental philosophers for the first

time. His Oxford training, typical for the time, had concentrated on the works of Locke and Paley primarily, with a smattering of the ancients. To friends, he complained that it was difficult at his age to master some of the writings, particularly those of Kant and his followers. Thus 1850 marks the beginning of the modern philosophy department, as one which takes its mandate

to include the whole history of its subject and not just a small sample selected to buttress certain religious claims. It was left to Beaven's successor, George Paxton Young, to effect the complete transformation, but Beaven, however unwillingly, took the first steps in the new direction.

Faculty Notes

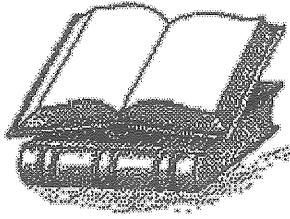
L'âme réécrite (Paris 1997), a translation of **Ian Hacking's** *Rewriting the Soul*, won the Prix Psyché, awarded annually for the best book published in French on topics in psychiatry and psychology. Ian's book *The Taming of Chance* was recently included in a list of the 100 best non-fiction works of the century at number 98. The list was selected by a panel of the Modern Library, a division of Random House.



Tom Robinson was honoured with the 1998 Aristotle Award. This award is presented by the Greek government to scholars from other countries who have made significant contributions to our understanding of Greek thought and civilization. In the summer of 1998 Tom hosted the Fifth Triennial Symposium Platonicum of the International Plato Society at Trinity College. This was the first time the IPS had met in North America and marked the completion of Tom's three year term as president of the society.

Connaught Fellowships have been awarded to **Peter Apostoli**, **Frank Cunningham**, and **Arthur Ripstein**. These fellowships, which are funded by UofT's Connaught Foundation, provide six months research leave.

SSHRC research grants for 1999 have been awarded to **Ian Hacking**, **Kathryn Morgan**, and **Ingrid Stefanovic**.



1999 Philosophy Book Launch

The Department's 12th Annual Book Launch
held on March 25, 1999 featured:

D. Dyzenhaus ed., *Law as Politics: Carl Schmitt's Critique of Liberalism* (Duke University Press), 1998.

D. Dyzenhaus, *Judging the Judges, Judging Ourselves: Truth, Reconciliation and the Apartheid Legal Order* (Hart Publishing), 1998.

J. Ching, *The Butterfly Healing: a Life Between East and West* (Orbis Books), 1998.

L. Gerson ed., *Aristotle: Critical Assessments* (Routledge), 1999.

S. Kepnes, P. Ochs and R. Gibbs, *Reasoning After Revelation: Dialogues in Postmodern Jewish Philosophy* (Westview Press), 1998.

I. Hacking, *Mad Travellers* (University Press of Virginia), 1998.

A. Kernohan, *Liberalism, Equality and Cultural Oppression* (Cambridge University Press), 1998.

Feminist Health Care Ethics Research Network, including **K. Morgan**, *The Politics of Women's Health: Exploring Agency and Autonomy* (Temple University Press), 1998.

G. Nicholson, *Plato's Phaedrus: The Philosophy of Love* (Purdue University Press), 1999.

S. French, W. Teays and L. Purdy, *Violence Against Women: Philosophical Perspectives* (Cornell University Press), 1998.

A. Donchin and L. Purdy, *Embodying Bioethics: Recent Feminist Advances* (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers), 1999.

A. Ripstein, *Equality, Responsibility and the Law* (Cambridge University Press), 1999.

H. Sobel, *Puzzles for the Will: Fatalism, Newcomb and Samarra, Determinism and Omniscience* (University of Toronto Press), 1998.

E. A. Synan ed., *The Ethics of Saint Thomas Aquinas: Two Courses* (Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies), 1997.

Dutch Exchange

Our exchange agreement with the Dutch Research School of Ethics continues to flourish. This year we received visits from Medard Hilhorst of the Erasmus University, Rotterdam, who works in medical ethics, and Bruno Verbeek and Gijs Van Donselaar of the University of Amsterdam, who work on rational choice theory. The exchange is funded by the Dutch government, and we are hoping they will extend it for a further three year term.

Colloquium

Our Colloquium series for 1998/99 featured Sue Sherwin, Jon Barwise, Robert Brandom, Paul Churchland, Alvin Goldman, Michael Bratman, and Steven Nadler.

The Simon Lectures

The 1998 Jerome S. Simon Memorial Lectures were given by Michael Friedman of Indiana University. The title of the three lectures was "Dynamics of Reason: Kantian Themes in the Philosophy of Science."

These lectures are dedicated to the memory of Jerome S. Simon (B.A., M.A. in Philosophy, UofT) who died accidentally in 1980 at the age of 40.

On the Web



Visit our website at <http://www.chass.utoronto.ca:8080/philosophy/>, which can be reached via the UofT homepage. On our website you can find our monthly Newsletter (which includes a calendar of happenings in philosophy and other events of interest), the Department's Graduate and Undergraduate Bulletins, our Colloquium schedule, and faculty profiles. Our webmaster, **Will Buschert**, has added a new feature this year, the Toronto Working Papers in Philosophy, containing work in progress by faculty members.

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(2) Savan Library Fund. The Department's own library provides a valuable reference resource for our students, with a growing selection of journals and a collection of philosophical texts.

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