Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology

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I. Report of the 107th Annual Meeting

The One Hundred and Seventh Annual SSPP meeting was held April 2-4, 2015 at the Hotel Monteleone in New Orleans, LA. Dr. Dan Weiskopf (Georgia State University) managed local arrangements.

Dr. Tad Zawidzki (George Washington University) chaired the philosophy program committee. The philosophy program consisted of 68 contributed papers (including three contributed symposia) 58 with commentary, three invited speakers, and five invited symposia (including 15 speakers). 78 colleges, universities, and other institutions were represented.

Dr. Timothy Flemming (Georgia State University) chaired the psychology program committee. The psychology program consisted of 36 contributed papers in 7 sessions, 19 invited papers in 4 sessions, and 4 papers in the Key L. Barkley Symposium on the History of Psychology. There were also two invited speakers. 46 colleges, universities, and other institutions were represented.

The President’s Invited Speaker was Dr. Susanna Siegel, Edgar Pierce Professor of Philosophy at Harvard University. Her talk was entitled “Evaluative Perception.” The Society’s annual business meeting was a plenary session.

Each year, the SSPP bestows the Richard M. Griffith Memorial Award to members or applicants for membership who are doctoral candidates or have received the doctoral degree within the last five years. The Griffith Award Committee selects the philosopher and the psychologist who give the papers of highest merit. Dr. Shannon Spaulding (Oklahoma State University) chaired the Griffith Committee for Philosophy, which recognized Michael Roche (Mississippi State University) for his paper “Knowing What One Desires – A Defense of an Extrospective Account.” Dr. Michael Beran (Georgia State University) chaired the Griffith Committee for Psychology, which recognized Andrew Kelly for his paper, “Exploring Prediction and Postdiction Accuracy of Prospective Remembering” (with Melany W. Love). The award carries a $300 cash prize and commemorative paperweight.

Graduate Student Travel Awards were given to Luis Favela, Casey Johnson, Jennifer Johnson, Kevin Tobia, and Ben White.

Council recommended approval of 11 applicants for full membership and 6 applicants for associate membership in Philosophy. These applications were approved unanimously. Council recommended approval of 15 applicants for full membership and 4 applicants for associate membership in Psychology. These applications were approved unanimously.
Secretary, Treasurer, and Committee Reports were presented. It was announced that the site of the 108th Annual SSPP Meeting in 2016 will be in Louisville, KY, at the Brown Hotel. The meeting will be held March 10-12.

The following officers were elected at the 2015 business meeting: Dr. Amy Kind (Claremont McKenna College), President-Elect; Dr. Bonnie Perdue (Agnes Scott College), Council for Psychology; and Dr. Guy Dove (University of Louisville), Council for Philosophy.

Continuing officers are Dr. Berit Brogaard (University of Miami), Past-President; Dr. Lauren Tagliaatatela (Kennesaw State University), Treasurer; Dr. J. Robert Thompson (Mississippi State University), Secretary; Drs. Guy Dove (University of Louisville), Rik Hine (Texas Christian University), and Shannon Spaulding (Oklahoma State University), Council in Philosophy; Drs. Timothy Flemming (Georgia State University), Lisa Heimbauer (Penn State University), and Bonnie Perdue (Agnes Scott College), Council in Psychology. Dr. Kenneth Aizawa (Rutgers University-Newark), philosophy archivist; Dr. James Pate (Georgia State University), psychology archivist. Dr. Michael Beran (Georgia State University) is webmaster.

Retiring officers are Dr. Michael Beran (Georgia State University) Past-President; Dr. Andrea Scarantino (Georgia State University), Council for Philosophy, and Dr. Megan Hoffman (Piedmont College), Council for Psychology.

Norman (Ray) Remley was elected unanimously as an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Society, joining James (Jim) Harris was also unanimously elected at last year’s meeting.

II. Announcements

A. The 2016 SSPP meeting in Louisville

The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology will meet at the Brown Hotel in Louisville, KY from March 10-12. The convention room rate is $162 per night plus a 16.07% tax. The current self-parking rate for the hotel is $20 per day, and valet parking is $24.

Program sessions will begin in the morning on Thursday, March 10 and will end on Saturday afternoon, March 12.

The hotel is located on 335 W Broadway, Louisville, KY, http://www.brownhotel.com/about-history.

The deadline for making room reservations is (at time of publication) March 15, 2016. You may call the toll free number (1-888-888-5252) or the hotel directly (502-583-1234) to make reservations. Reservations can also be made through the online booking code that the hotel will provide. You should state that you will be attending the meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology, and you should request the convention rate. Please make your reservations early because the Society is obligated to occupy a block of guest rooms in order to avoid charges to the Society. The Wednesday night room block often is oversubscribed, but if the room block is filled early, we may be able to obtain an increase in the room block.

Many major airlines serve the Louisville International Airport (SDF). The Brown hotel will be providing a complementary airport shuttle.

Information about Louisville can be obtained at the following: http://www.gotolouisville.com/index.aspx

If you encounter any difficulties in making a reservation, please contact Theodore Bach (theodorebach@gmail.com).
**B. The SSPP welcomes these new members**

Applications from the following individuals for membership in SSPP were reviewed and unanimously accepted by Council. Please contact the Treasurer about membership.


*Associate Members - Philosophy:* Javier Gomez-Lavin, Ting Fung Ho, Paul Mathes (BA), Jorge Morales, Cecilea Mun, and Valerie Soon.


*Associate Members - Psychology:* James Fisher, Brooks Harbison, Danielle A. Lutfi-Proctor, and Katherine Moen.

**III. Calls for Papers**

**A. Richard M. Griffith Awards**

This is the first call for papers for the Richard M. Griffith Memorial Awards. Two cash awards of $300 each plus engraved paperweights will be made for the papers of greatest excellence, one in philosophy and one in psychology, presented at the annual conference in 2016. The awards are presented at the business meeting that concludes the conference. The rules for this competition state that applicants must either have received their Ph.D. no more than five years prior to the date of the annual meeting at which the paper is presented or must be current candidates for the Ph.D. Applicants must be sole or first author of the submission, be present at the meeting to deliver the paper, and not have previously won the award. All Griffith Award applicants must be either SSPP members or applicants for membership and must indicate their eligibility and whether they are submitting for the philosophy or psychology award when they submit their papers.

**B. Graduate Student Travel Grants**

Up to six travel grants (up to three in philosophy and up to three in psychology) will be awarded to graduate students whose papers are accepted for the 2016 program. Students can apply for these grants simply by indicating their eligibility on their SSPP submission form. To be eligible for a travel grant, the applicant must be a member or applicant for membership in SSPP and a graduate student in a doctoral program in philosophy or psychology. Applicants may be either the sole or joint authors of the paper or abstract they submit. The travel grants will be awarded on a competitive basis by the Program Committee of each discipline, whose chair will notify recipients at the same time they are sent their acceptance notices for the program.

**C. Call for Papers for the 108th Annual Meeting**

The program chair for psychology for the 108th meeting will be Dr. Andrew J. Kelly (Georgia Gwinnett College). The program chair for philosophy will be Dr. Heidi Maibom (University of Cincinnati). Details about deadlines for papers and abstracts for this meeting will appear in the August 2015 newsletter.
The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology has approximately 600 members consisting of both philosophers and psychologists. The purpose of the society is to promote philosophy and psychology in the southern section of the United States by encouraging new research, facilitating the exchange of ideas, fostering the educational foundation of philosophy and psychology, and improving the academic status of these subjects.

The primary activities of the society are its annual conferences. These annual meetings consist of concurrent programs in philosophy and psychology as well as joint, plenary sessions of mutual interest to philosophers and psychologists. Each annual meeting features a distinguished speaker invited by the President, alternating between a philosopher and a psychologist. Recent President’s Invited Speakers have been Susanna Siegel (2015), Dan Ariely (2014), Susan Schneider (2013), Marcia Johnson (2012), Elliott Sober (2011), Lisa Feldman Barrett (2010), and Paul Bloom (2009).

Each year the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology presents the Richard M. Griffith Memorial Award for papers of greatest excellence, one in philosophy and one in psychology. Members or applicants for membership who have received their Ph.D. during the past five years or who are Ph.D. candidates are eligible to compete for the award. The award carries a $300 cash prize presented at the business meeting that concludes the annual conference, plus a commemorative paperweight.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (PLEASE CHECK ONE FOR EACH ROW):

____ Philosophy       ____ Psychology
____ New Application  ____ Change of Status
____ Full            ____ Associate       ____ Emeritus

Name: __________________________________Title: __________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________
City_________________________________________State__________Zip___________
Home Phone: ___________________Office Phone: __________________________
E-Mail Address: __________________________________________________________

COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED      DATES      DEGREES & YEARS
1. ___________________________ _______ ________________
2. ___________________________ _______ ________________
3. ___________________________ _______ ________________

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS (current & recent) RANK OR TITLE
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QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Full membership in the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology usually requires a Ph.D. in philosophy or psychology and professional involvement in either teaching or research in the relevant discipline. Those who do not have a Ph.D. but are actively involved in teaching or research are eligible for associate membership. Applicants for associate membership should submit a copy of their curriculum vitae with their application. Full members who have retired are eligible for emeritus membership, for which no dues are charged. DUES: New applicants, including those applying for a change of status from associate to full, are required to pay their dues in advance of consideration of their applications. In the event of unfavorable action on this application, the dues will be refunded.

Dues Enclosed:  ___$35.00 (one-year full membership)  ___$15.00 (associate membership for up to three years)

Send application and check (payable to SSPP) to: Dr. Lauren A. Taglialatela, Treasurer, Department of Psychology, Kennesaw State University, 1000 Chastain Road, MD 2202, Kennesaw, GA 30144. Alternately, you can pay online at the SSPP website using the payment page (www.southernsociety.org/payment.htm).