February 2009

The 2009 SSPP meeting in Savannah, GA

The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology will hold its 101st meeting at the Hilton Savannah DeSoto Hotel in Savannah, Georgia, from April 9 through April 11, 2009. Conference rates will be $132.00 per night plus 13% tax and a $1.00 per room per night city lodging fee, for a total of $150.16 per night. The convention rate applies for one day before and after the meeting. The rate for self parking is $11.00 per day for registered guests. Program sessions will begin at noon on Thursday, April 9 and will end on Saturday afternoon, April 11.

The deadline for making room reservations is March 9, 2009. You may call a toll free number (1-800-774-1500) or the hotel directly (1-912-232-9000) to make reservations. Alternatively, you may send a facsimile to 912-232-6018. 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 (Code is SSP). 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.

Most major airlines serve the Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport. The cost of a taxi from the airport to the hotel is approximately $20.00.

Information about Savannah can be obtained at www.savannah.com. You may obtain additional information about the hotel at its website www1.hilton.com/en_US/hi/hotel/SAVDHHF-Hilton-Savannah-DeSoto-Georgia/index.do. If you encounter any difficulties in making a reservation, please contact Michael Beran (mjberan@yahoo.com or 404-244-2469).

Nomination Forms for Officers

Please use the following link to access the Nomination forms. Please mail or email your nominations to:

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http://www.niu.edu/sspp/Nomination.html
Highlights of the 2009 Program

President’s Invited Address

Saturday Morning, 9:00 a.m.

Paul Bloom
Yale University

Moral Psychology and Moral Progress

Philosophy Commentator: Fred K. Adams,
University of Delaware

Psychology Commentator: Leslee K. Pollina,
Southeast Missouri State University

Jason Stanley, Rutgers University
Knowing How and Knowing That: An Alleged Distinction Reconsidered

Thursday, 5:00 p.m.

John Heil, Washington University at St. Louis
Mental Causation

Friday, 8:30 a.m.

Alfred Mele, Florida State University
Timing Conscious Intentions

Friday, 1:00 p.m.

Clive Wynne, University of Florida
Why dogs love us so: Theories, minds and theories of mind

Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

Valerie Hardcastle, University of Cincinnati
The Neuroscience of Ethics: Help or Hindrance?

Saturday, 1:00 p.m.

Invited Symposia

Representing Causality

Chair: Peter Bradley, McDaniel College

Carl Craver, Washington University in St. Louis
Frederick Eberhardt, Washington University in St. Louis
Phillip Wolff, Emory University

Friday, 9:30 a.m.
Invited Symposia

Mechanistic Functionalism
Chair: Gene Witmer, University of Florida
Carl Gillet, Northern Illinois University
Robert Rupert, University of Colorado at Boulder

Saturday, 1:00 p.m.
Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology
101st Annual Meeting Registration Form

Savannah Hilton DeSoto
Savannah, Georgia
April 9 – 11, 2009

Name ___________________________________________

Affiliation _______________________________________

Discipline Philosophy ________ Psychology _______

Electronic Mail Address __________________________

Please check the appropriate item below.

Fee: _____Member $75.00 (includes 2009-2010 membership dues)
      _____Non-Member $55.00
      _____Graduate Student $15.00

Donation to the Graduate Student Travel Fund __________
Donation to the General Fund                               __________
Total                     __________

Please send this form and your check to Michael J. Beran, Treasurer, 3401 Panthersville Road, Decatur, GA 30034.

PLEASE NOTE: You also may pay your registration/dues at the meeting using check or cash only.
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 John Searle (2007), James L. McClelland (2006), Kenneth Shaffner (2005), Stephen Kosslyn (2004), Cynthia Willett (2003), and Frank Farley (2002).

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 $200 cash prize presented at the business meeting that concludes the annual conference, plus a commemorative paperweight.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name:____________________________________  Preferred Title:  ____________________________
Address:___________________________________________________________________________
City_________________________________________State__________Zip_________________
Home Phone: __________________________  Office Phone: _________________________________
E-Mail Address:______________________________________________________________________

COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED DATES                         DEGREES & YEARS
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS (current & recent)   RANK OR TITLE
___________________________________ _______________ ____ ________________________

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. Dues will be credited for the year which begins on the day of the business session of the next annual meeting, at which time applications for membership will be officially reviewed. Meanwhile applicants will receive all mailings of the society. In the event of unfavorable action on this application, the dues will be refunded. Checks may be made payable to The Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology.

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

SEND APPLICATION AND CHECK TO:  Dr. Michael J. Beran, Treasurer, 3401 Panthersville Rd, Decatur, GA 30034

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