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After nearly a half-century of self-publication and eighteen months of preparation, The Southern Journal of Philosophy is going pro! Beginning with the first issue of 2010, the SJP will appear under the imprint of our new publisher, Wiley-Blackwell.

Through increased exposure and assorted logistical and cosmetic updates, the partnership with Wiley-Blackwell promises to broaden the appeal and deepen the impact of the work published in the SJP. Already, the journal has been given a fresh look, there’s a new website, authors and reviewers may now submit their manuscripts and reports via ScholarOne Manuscripts online system, and the journal’s back catalogue is readily available. (See pages 2 and 3 for details.)

But while we are pleased to begin this new chapter in our history, the SJP remains steadfast in its belief that the arc of philosophical progress bends toward pluralism. This commitment to first-class work undertaken from a diversity of perspectives and methodologies is evident in the composition of our newly established Editorial Board, whose membership reflects a roughly equal distribution of leading analytic philosophers, continental philosophers, and historians of philosophy (see page 4). A representative sample of the work of this distinguished group is on display in our special March issue.

Special thanks are due to Nancy Simco, whose brief history of the SJP kicks off the March issue. For more than three decades, Nancy served not only as Editor of this journal in particular, but also as a strong advocate for philosophy journals in general. We hope you will join us in celebrating Nancy’s contributions to the profession by making a donation to the lecture series named in her honor. Further details can be found on page 4.

Finally, thank you for your continuing support of the SJP, whose future, I hope you’ll agree, is bright indeed.

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Spindel Supplement Preview

2009 Conference Topic: The Sexes of Evolution

Under the direction of Mary Beth Mader, the 28th annual Spindel Conference was held at the University of Memphis on September 24-26, 2009. The topic was The Sexes of Evolution: Continental Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy, and Evolutionary Theory. As always, the contributions to the Spindel Conference appear in the Spindel Supplement to the SJP the following year.

“Can continental philosophy contribute to our understanding of the feminist issues raised by evolutionary theory, broadly understood?” As this suggests, Mader sought to facilitate the union of three broad streams of contemporary thought: continental philosophy, feminist philosophy and evolutionary theory.

“The chief aim of the 2009 Spindel Conference is to showcase the contributions of philosophers working at the important and timely juncture of all of these philosophical traditions.”

Mary Beth Mader

SJP Gets a Facelift

New Look Features Redesigned Cover, Preserves Trademark Elements

Our colleagues at Wiley-Blackwell have given the SJP quite a makeover. Even a superficial glance confirms that nothing has escaped the designers’ attention: front cover, back cover, branding, fonts, page layout … You name it, it’s been ripped, tucked, burntished, and bedecked.

Despite these updates, however, the spirit of the journal’s traditional appearance has been preserved in a number of familiar elements. Most notable is the Owl of Minerva logo which has long graced the SJP’s cover and continues to do so. Happy reading!

2010 Spindel Supplement, ed. Mary Beth Mader

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Professor A. C. Genova (PhD, University of Chicago) died unexpectedly of natural causes on March 20, 2010.

Tony was a faculty member of the University of Kansas Department of Philosophy and a long-standing friend of the SJP. He recently joined the newly established Editorial Board.

A memorial notice is being prepared by his colleagues at the University of Kansas. This notice will appear in an upcoming issue of the SJP.

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