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### ***From the Editor***

*Greetings, fellow members of ISCWP. This issue features updates from the society's members on their various activities and a listing of conference panels organized by the society for the 2019 meetings of the APA.*

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## Member News and Updates

### **Stephen C. Angle, Wesleyan University**

One project that has begun to come to fruition in recent months is *The Progressive Confucian Web* (进步儒学网). This website presents Chinese-language writings on progressive Confucianism, many of them translated from English. <http://jinburuxue.com>

I also edited and contributed to a conversation among numerous scholars called "The Future of Confucian Political Philosophy," published online (*Comparative Philosophy*, 2018).

For other published and forthcoming articles, please see the university site at which I archive my work (it is all freely available): <http://works.bepress.com/stephen-c-angle/>

### **Paul Boshears, Georgia State University**

In 2018 I accepted Visiting positions in both Philosophy and Art History departments, enabling me to further develop my research and teaching materials on comparative philosophy and cultural techniques. I continued my collaborative work practice and this resulted in a publishing residency at L'Automàtica in Barcelona as well as presenting materials at the Swiss pavilion for the London Design Biennale. With the Global Neuroethics Summit Delegates, I co-authored "Neuroethics Questions to Guide Ethical Research in the International Brain Initiatives" in the journal *Neuron*.

In 2019 I will be returning to Berlin for a final collaboration on the five-year research project, "The Technosphere," at the Haus der Kulturen der Welt. I plan to be

present at the Global Neuroethics Summit in Daegu, South Korea, and I am finalizing plans for a visit to Shanghai. If you are interested in ways of imagining mental health informed by East Asian philosophical traditions and/or comparative study of the development of "modern art" in East Asia, then I would very much like to collaborate with you. Please drop me a line: [pb@paulboshears.com](mailto:pb@paulboshears.com)

### **Ľubomir Dunaj, University of Prešov**

Last year I published an extended study about Egon Bondy. His lifelong project was focused on 'ontological clarity' as the key precondition for a fulfilling life, defined as a life in which an emancipated subject is able to find a free, creative and responsible answer to the question of the purpose of human life, which in turn functions as an important precondition for the establishment of a just society. Bondy attempted to recover the emancipatory project of Marxism, observing that every substantial model of reality, in both its theistic and mechanical-materialist versions, is problematic and logically untenable. His search for an alternative, non-substantial model of being brought him to the study of non-Western ontological conceptions, especially those of Buddhism and Daoism, which in his view were more consistent than their Western counterparts.

See the Slovak version: "Čínska filozofia, Bondy a hľadanie ciest k eliminácii hypertrofovaného ega" In: Peter Kužel et al.: *Myšlení a tvorba Egona Bondyho*.

Shorter versions of the text were translated into English language (published as a part of the text co-authored with Hans-Herbert Kögler): "Beyond Ethnocentrism," In: Ananta Kumar Giri (ed.), *Social Theory and Asian Dialogues: Cultivating Planetary Conversations*; and into Chinese



language: “从埃□·邦迪 (EgonBondy)的本体□研究看中国古代哲学的当代价□和影响力”, In: Anqing Deng (ed.), *Acadēmia Ethica* 4.

### **P.J. Ivanhoe, Sungkyukwan University**

On 15 November of this year, I assumed a new position as Distinguished Chair Professor in the College of Confucian Studies and Eastern Philosophy at Sungkyunkwan University, where I serve as the Director of the newly established *Sungkyun Institute for Confucian Studies and East Asian Philosophy* and Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Confucian Philosophy and Culture*. I was honored to give a number of keynote addresses over the past year including two in the A. C. Graham Memorial Lectures Series, “The Values of Spontaneity,” (16 March 2018) and “Selfishness and Self-Centeredness” (13 March 2018) at the University of London, London, England. I served as guest editor, contributing both an introduction and article to a recent special issue of the *Journal of Korean Religions*

(<https://www.uhpress.hawaii.edu/title/jkr/>) and published a review of John Makeham’s *The Buddhist Roots of Zhu Xi’s Philosophical Thought*, (<https://ndpr.nd.edu/news/the-buddhist-roots-of-zhu-xis-philosophical-thought/>). I co-edited a volume, *The Oneness Hypothesis: Beyond the Boundary of Self*, with Owen Flanagan, Victoria Harrison, Eric Schwitzgebel, and Hagop Sarkissian, (New York: Columbia University Press, 2018) and have several works forthcoming, including “Wagging Tails and Riding Elephants: Why Study Non-Western Philosophy?” in Eddy Nahmias and Tom Polger, eds., *Owen Flanagan’s Work In Cognitive Neuroscience*, (MIT Press, 2019) and *Zhu Xi Selected Writings*, editor, the inaugural volume in *Oxford Chinese Thought*, series editors: Eric L. Hutton and Justin Tiwald (New York, Oxford University Press, 2019).

### **Bo Mou, San Jose State University**

In 2018 I have completed three multiple-year research projects whose results have been recently published: (1) authored monograph book *Semantic-Truth Approaches in Chinese Philosophy: A Unifying Pluralist Account* (Lexington Books, Jan 2019); (2) edited anthology *Philosophy of Language, Chinese Language, Chinese Philosophy: Constructive Engagement* (Brill, 2018); (3) edited reference book *Chinese Philosophy* (a four-volume set) for Routledge’s “Critical Concepts in Philosophy” reference book series (Routledge, 2018).

### **Wang Ronghua, University of International Business and Economics (UIBE)**

I uploaded the following three pieces of my writing onto “www.readchina8.com” in the last year: 1) “A Glimpse into the ‘Etiquette and Rites” (仪礼); 2) The Record of Rite and Ceremonies (礼记); 3) The Rites of the Zhou Dynasty (周礼). All are introductions to the three books on Propriety among the thirteen Confucian classics.

### **Xiaonong Wang, Ludong University**

Much of my study of this year has focused on *Yijing and Zhuzi Yulei*, and translating some articles authored by other Chinese scholars on Confucianism. Besides my three books which I listed on the last Newsletter, I have published an article and four translated articles on *Confucian Academy* (孔学堂), a bilingual quarterly academic journal devoted to studies of Confucianism.

My article:

“Translating *Zhuzi Yulei* into English: With Special Reference to *Selections from Classified Conversations of Zhu Xi* and *Getting to Know Master Zhu: English Translation of Selections from Zhuzi Yulei*” (*Confucian Academy*, 2018)



My translated articles:

“Generative Thinking as the Essentials of *Changes Studies*” (*Confucian Academy*, 2018)

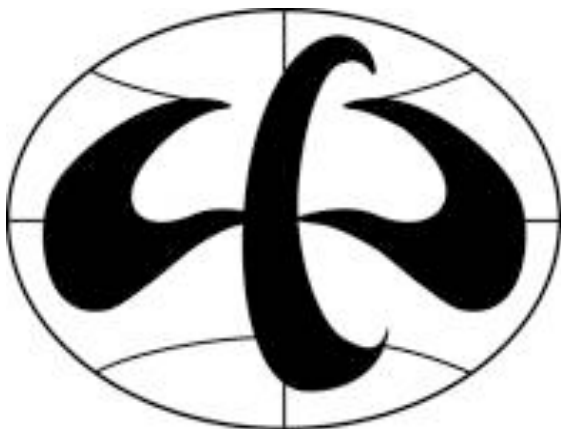
“Revisiting Wang Yangming’s Theory of Knowledge and Action and Wang Fuzhi’s Critique” (*Confucian Academy*, 2018)

“The Historical Status, Spiritual Realm, and Moral Integrity of Zhang Zai and the Guanzhong School” (*Confucian Academy*, 2018)

“Retrospect and Prospect: A Review of the Daoist Studies in China Since 1978” (*Confucian Academy*, 2018)

**Wai-ying Wong, Lingnan University**

I have published a monograph *Confucian Ethics in Western Discourse* (Bloomsbury, 2017). The paperback edition is going to be published in April, 2019. This book brings Confucianism into the dialogue with contemporary Western moral philosophy, showing how the former is not only still relevant to the latter, but also in what sense and to what extent it can significantly contribute to it. It also contains the most up-to-date interpretation and reconstruction of the mainstream ideas of the two most important contemporary Neo-Confucians, namely, Mou Zongsan and Tang Junyi.



ISCWP GROUP SESSIONS AT THE  
2019 APA-EASTERN DIVISION MEETING  
NEW YORK, NY, JAN 7-10, 2019

Session 1: Wed Jan 9, 11:15am-1:15pm  
*Exemplars and Human Flourishing*

Chair: **Chuyu Tian** (Columbia University)

Speakers:

**Tim Connolly** (East Stroudsburg University)

“Exemplars and Human Flourishing in Mencius”

**Mathew A. Foust** (Central Connecticut State University) “Exemplars and Human Flourishing in Josiah Royce”

**Andrew Lambert** (CUNY-Staten Island) “Exemplars and Human Flourishing in LI Zehou”

Session 2: Thu Jan 10, 9:00am-11:00am  
*Epistemology*

Chair: **Susan Blake** (Bard College)

Speakers:

**Aaron Creller** (University of North Florida)

“Finding the Value of Completeness through the Lens of Chinese Epistemology”

**Sarah Mattice** (University of North Florida) “Epistemology and Chinese Buddhism: From the Pure Land to It’s All in Your Mind”

**Cameron Brewer** (Central Connecticut State University) “What is Refuted in Kant’s Refutation of Idealism?”



ISCWP GROUP SESSION AT THE  
2019 APA-CENTRAL DIVISION MEETING  
DENVER, CO, FEB 20-23, 2019

*The date and time of this session is tentative, as the APA not yet published a final draft of the schedule.*

Sat Feb 23, 1:40pm-4:40pm  
*Reality and Morality*

Chair: **Lara Mitias** (Antioch College)

Speakers:

**Mark Kevin S. Cabural** (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology) “Daoist Themes in Martin Heidegger’s *The Thing*”

**Joseph Harroff** (Temple University) “Pragmatic Moral Realism in Confucian Role Ethics”

**Christopher Kirby** (Eastern Washington University) “Goblet Words and Moral Knack”

**Colin Lewis** (University of Colorado-Colorado Springs) “Human Nature is Ugly: A Response to Schwitzgabel”

ISCWP GROUP SESSIONS AT THE  
2019 APA-PACIFIC DIVISION MEETING  
VANCOUVER, CANADA, APR 17-20, 2019

*The dates and times of these sessions are tentative, as the APA not yet published a final draft of the schedule.*

Session 1: Wed Apr 17, 6:00pm-8:00pm  
*Phenomenology and the Political*

Chair: **Dandan Chen** (State University of New York- Farmingdale)

Speakers:

**Puqun Li** (Kwantlen Polytechnic University) “A Comparative Case Study of “The Western Inscriptions” and the Conclusion of *The Critique of Pure Reason*”

**Ranjoo Herr** (Bentley University) “Confucian Democracy as Popular Sovereignty? A Defense”

**Qingjie Wang** (Chinese University of Hong Kong) “Heidegger’s *Dasein* and its Translation and Reception”

**Philip Walsh** (Fordham University) “The Phenomenology of Ritual Resistance: Colin Kaepernick as Confucian Sage”

Session 2: Thu Apr 18, 6:00pm-8:00pm  
*Metaphysics and the Ethical*

Chair: **Chengyi (Andrew) Peng** (Chinese Academy of Social Sciences)

Speakers:

**Sin Yee Chan** (University of Vermont) “Cry for Her—Don’t Just Cry With Her—The Value of Compassion”

**Wenqing Zhao** (Whitman College) “Gender as Natural Differentiation: A Critique”

**Mathew A. Foust** (Central Connecticut State University) “Thoreau’s Mencian Ethics”

**Colin Lewis** (University of Colorado-Colorado Springs) “Xunzi’s Ritual Program: A Practice Model of Virtue”



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Many thanks,  
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