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## **President's Message –**

*Cesar R. Torres, President*

Greetings from Western New York! I hope that 2010 is off to a great start for all of you. There have been several developments on different fronts since the October 2009 newsletter that I am pleased to report.

The Executive Council's recent efforts to improve communication among IAPS members and increase membership are paying off. IAPS has more than doubled its number of members since last year's annual conference in Seattle. At the beginning of February, IAPS had over 100 members worldwide. This is great news! If you have any questions regarding your membership, please contact Charlene Weaving, the Secretary-Treasurer, at [cweaving@stfx.ca](mailto:cweaving@stfx.ca), or Human Kinetics' Kim Scott at [kims@hkusa.com](mailto:kims@hkusa.com) or Jackie Moore at [jackiem@hkusa.com](mailto:jackiem@hkusa.com). Please continue to be proactive with your membership and invite other scholars and teachers working in philosophy of sport issues to join IAPS. They can do so by visiting our redesigned website at [www.iaps.net](http://www.iaps.net) and clicking "Join IAPS." It is a simple process.

Another great piece of news is the agreement that IAPS has recently signed with the LA84 Foundation to webpublish volumes I, II, and III (1974-1976) of the *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*. The LA84 Foundation is a private nonprofit institution "endowed with surplus funds from the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games" and its "mission is to serve youth

through sport and to increase knowledge of sport and its impact on people's lives". The LA84 Foundation's library has an impressive digital collection accessible at no cost to website visitors. Although we would have liked to have more volumes of the *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport* accessible in this way, IAPS only owns rights to the first three volumes of the journal and Human Kinetics is not willing to consider open access to the journal after a period of time. Notice that under the agreement signed with the LA84 Foundation, IAPS retains the rights to the volumes and bears no cost of publishing them. The three volumes should be available in the next few weeks. To access them, go to <http://www.la84foundation.org/index.html> and click "Search." Happy reading!

The planning for the 38<sup>th</sup> annual conference of IAPS to be held in Rome, Italy, September 15-19, 2010, by the Università degli Studi di Roma "Foro Italico" is underway. A few months ago, the conference organizers' launched the conference's website. Please visit the website at <http://www.iaps-rome-2010.com/> for important information about the conference.

On a related matter, take note of the second call for papers for this year's annual conference included in this newsletter. The deadline for abstracts is April 1, 2010. Once the review process is completed, a tentative program will be posted on the IAPS website. Information regarding the student travel grant will be posted on the website as well. I want to remind you that this year's program will include a *Warren P. Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Lecture* by Claudio Tamburrini.

IAPS held a session at the Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association on the morning of December 28, 2009 in New York City. The session was organized and chaired by Heather Reid. IAPS also held a session at the Central Division of the American Philosophical Association on the afternoon of February 20, 2010 in Chicago. The successful session was organized by Mike Austin and chaired by Tait Szabo. Jeffrey P. Fry, Rebecca Goldner, and Tait Szabo delivered papers. Finally, there will be an IAPS session at the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association on the evening of March 31 in San Francisco. The session is organized and will be chaired by Doug McLaughlin, and he and Joan Forry will present papers. I want to thank all of those who made these sessions possible for promoting the philosophy of sport all across the United States.

This fall, a number of important positions in the Executive Council will become available: two Members at Large, Conference Chair, Elections Chair, Journal Editor, and one Honors, Awards and Future Sites Committee position. I would like to urge all members to please give serious consideration to this year's elections and the call for nominations included in this newsletter. IAPS has capable and committed members who would be able not just to fill these positions but, more important, to make significant contributions to the life of our Association. If you are interested in being nominated or would like to nominate a colleague, I encourage you to contact Mike Austin, Elections Chair, at [mike.austin@eku.edu](mailto:mike.austin@eku.edu).

The Honor, Awards, and Future Sites Committee is seeking nominations for the *Distinguished Service Award* and the *Distinguished Scholar Award*. IAPS is fortunate to have many dedicated members who have made noteworthy contributions to its mission and to the literature over the years. Please consider nominating and recognizing them for their outstanding service and scholarship by contacting any member of the Committee: Mark Hamilton ([mhamilto@ashland.edu](mailto:mhamilto@ashland.edu)), Milan Hosta ([info@spolint.org](mailto:info@spolint.org)), or Joan Forry ([joan.g.forry@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:joan.g.forry@vanderbilt.edu)).

I also want to remind members to seriously consider hosting future annual conferences and attend to the notice in this regard included in this newsletter. To date, I am aware of one proposal for the 39<sup>th</sup> annual conference of IAPS in 2011. If you and your institution are interested in hosting an IAPS annual conference, we would love to hear from you. The more we can plan in advance, the better. Contact me or any member of the Honor, Awards, and Future Sites Committee if you have any questions about this. We will be happy to send you the proposal form.

Finally, please remember that Heather Reid is spearheading a fundraising effort among IAPS past-presidents to create a Student Travel Award fund. The response has been positive. However, anyone is welcome to pledge a donation to the fund. Please contact Heather at [reid@morningside.edu](mailto:reid@morningside.edu) for details about her fundraising initiative. As Heather says, collectively we form the history of IAPS and we have responsibility to ensure its future.

Much has been done in the last few months and I am pleased that, with your support, progress is being made in several important areas. Let's continue promoting the Association, its purpose, and the discipline. If you have any concerns, ideas, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at [crtorres@brockport.edu](mailto:crtorres@brockport.edu).

## **Secretary-Treasurer's Message.**

### ***Charlene Weaving***

#### Membership news

I would like to thank IAPS members for being proactive in updating memberships. Due to your patience and willingness, the transition to a yearly membership that operates within a calendar year has been a great success!

Please do not hesitate to contact me at [cweaving@stfx.ca](mailto:cweaving@stfx.ca) if you have any difficulty registering or have not received your JPS journals.

#### IAPS budget

An account has been opened in Canada, and based on an IAPS executive decision, we have invested some supplementary funds at no risk for student travel conference awards. We hope to continue to support and encourage student participation at IAPS conferences.

#### IAPS email list serve

If you do not receive emails from the IAPS list serve, address: [sportphil@jiscmail.ac.uk](mailto:sportphil@jiscmail.ac.uk), we highly recommend that you join (see IAPS website for details and instructions: <http://iaps.net/email-group> ) so that you can receive up to date information regarding conferences, call for papers, research, seminars, etc.

## News from The Journal of the Philosophy of Sport

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### 1. Special Section on Philosophy of Sport in Non-English Speaking Countries/Regions; IAPS

#### Panel Discussion

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, the fall 2010 issue of the JPS will have a special section devoted to philosophy of sport in non-English speaking countries and regions. So far, I have received the agreement of the following scholars to prepare reports:

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| Germany                 | Claudia Pawlenka,  |
| Italy                   | Emanuele Isadori   |
| Japan                   | Takayuki Hata  |
| Latin America           | Cesar Torres and Daniel Campos,  |
| Netherlands and Belgium | Ignaas Devisch, Hilvoorde, I.M. van (Ivo), Jan Vorstenbosch,<br>Johan Braeckman, |
| Scandinavian Countries  | Gunnar Breivik,  |
| Slavic Countries        | Ivo Jirascek and Peter Hopsicker   |

(I also have a tentative arrangement with an author who will write on work in Spain on philosophy of sport.)

Please Help! I would like to add reports from a few more countries/regions. In particular, if anyone has suggestions for scholars to approach in France, Africa, and other parts of Asia, please pass the relevant contact information along to me. (Self-nominations are permissible!)

I am also in the initial stages of organizing some form of panel presentation from these authors at the IAPS meeting in Rome in September. Given the growth of the discipline, I expect it will be useful and timely to have a systematic review and discussion of sport philosophy activities from around the world. Hope to see you all there.

## 2. Future JPS Special Sections

Please send suggestions for topics for future special sections for the journal, including suggestions for guest editors who could solicit and review manuscripts for these sections.

## 3. JPS Table of Contents Volume XXXVII Issue 1 (2010) (forthcoming in May 2010)

### The Warren K. Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Lecture

A Critique of Violent Retaliation in Sport - Nicholas Dixon

#### Articles

A Feminist Reconstruction of Liberal Rights and Sport, Michael Burke

Being-in-the-Void: A Heideggerian Analysis of Skydiving , Gunnar Breivik

A Conceptual Analysis of Clutch Performances in Competitive Sports , Darren Hibbs

Mercy Killing, Pam Sailors

On the Value and Meaning of Football: Recent Philosophical Perspectives in Latin America

Daniel Campos

Doping in Cycling: Realism, Antirealism and Ethical Deliberation, Carwyn Jones

Aristotle's Golden Mean: Its Implications for the Doping Debate , Scott Kretchmar and Jung

Hwang

### Review Essays

Contemporary Athletics and Ancient Greek Ideals, (by Daniel A. Dombrowski), Reviewed by

Michael Austin

Sport As A Form of Human Fulfillment: An Organic Philosophy of Sport History, (by Robert

G. Osterhoudt), Reviewed by William J. Morgan

## **2010 IAPS Conference – Final Call for Papers**

The International Association for the Philosophy of Sport invites the submission of abstracts to be considered for presentation at the 38th annual 2010 IAPS meeting. The conference will be

held in Rome, Italy between September 15-19, 2010. Abstracts are welcome on any area of philosophy of sport, including metaphysics, epistemology, aesthetics and ethics, and from any theoretical approach, including analytic philosophy and critical theory. In addition to abstracts for papers, proposals for round table and panel discussions, including a tentative list of participants, are also welcome and should follow the same format as paper abstracts. Graduate students and emerging scholars are encouraged to submit works in progress. Abstracts should be 300-500 words long (in either **English** or **Italian**) and must be received by April 1, 2010. The preferred mode of submission is by e-mail. Please send the abstract as an attachment, preferably in Word. Contributors who do not have access to e-mail should feel free to send a hard copy instead. Please submit e-mail copies of abstracts to the Conference Chair at: [dxh174@psu.edu](mailto:dxh174@psu.edu)

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Abstracts will be reviewed by a Program Committee of three IAPS peers. Contributors will be notified about the status of their abstracts by May 14, 2010.

### **Call for Future IAPS Conference Proposals**

The Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee invites you to submit proposals (as soon as possible) for the 39th Annual Conference of the International Association for the Philosophy of Sport to be held in the fall of 2011. Note that proposals are welcome not only for 2010, but also for future conferences. The Committee encourages all those who are interested in hosting a conference to submit a proposal. Assistance can be provided with the proposal submission. Email Mark Hamilton ([MHAMILTO@ashland.edu](mailto:MHAMILTO@ashland.edu)) or Joan Forry ([joan.g.forry@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:joan.g.forry@vanderbilt.edu)) to get a site proposal form that outlines the procedures to host



an IAPS Conference or to submit a proposal.

## **Call for IAPS Scholarship Nominations**

### ***Joan Forry***

The Honors, Awards & Future Sites Committee seeks nominations for the Warren P. Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar award and the Distinguished Service award.

#### Warren P. Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award

The recipient must have contributed eminent manuscripts to the philosophic literature concerning sport for at least five years. The recipient need not be a member of the Association. The recipient of this award will receive a certificate commemorating her/his achievement, and will be invited to present an original essay at an Annual Meeting following her/his selection in the form of the *Warren P. Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Lecture*.

#### Distinguished Service Award

The recipient must have made sustained and meaningful contributions to the Association through active participation and leadership. The recipient must have contributed to the Association for at least ten years and must have been a member for at least the same number of years. The recipient will receive a certificate commemorating her/his achievement.

Please consider nominating your colleagues for their outstanding achievements. To make a nomination, email Mark Hamilton ([MHAMILTO@ashland.edu](mailto:MHAMILTO@ashland.edu)) or Joan Forry ([joan.g.forry@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:joan.g.forry@vanderbilt.edu))

## **Call for 2010 Executive Council Nominations**

Nominations are now open for a number of vacancies on the IAPS Executive Council. The vacancies occur in the following positions:

*2 slots: Member at large*

*1 slot: Honors, Awards, and Future Sites*

*Conference Chair*

*Journal Editor*

*Elections Chair*

*Nominations must satisfy a number of conditions:*

1. Each nomination must include a nominator, a seconder and a nominee.
2. The nominator, seconder and nominee must be members of IAPS (note that for election onto the Honours, Awards and Future Sites Committee requires IAPS membership of three years or more)
3. Nominations must reach Mike Austin by 5 June 2010 at [mike.austin@eku.edu](mailto:mike.austin@eku.edu)
4. The seconder and nominee must acknowledge they will second or accept, respectively, the nomination by sending an email to that effect to Mike Austin.
5. The nominee is advised to supply a brief biography (no more than 200 words) at the time of nomination.

**Handy Hint:** The easiest way to complete the nomination is for the nominator to copy the original nomination email to both the seconder and the nominee who can then use 'reply all' to acknowledge acceptance and attach the brief biography. Once the nomination is complete, Mike Austin will forward an email to the nominator, seconder and nominee. Please be diligent in fully completing the nomination process.

## **Other News and Announcements**

### ***WEBSITE and TWITTER***

Remember that we have a new website and that we are on twitter.

<http://twitter.com/IntPhilofSport>

### ***IAPS session 2011 Central Division Meeting of APA***

Mike Austin is coordinating an IAPS session at the 2011 Central Division Meeting of the APA. Those interested in presenting should send an abstract of 150 words or less to Mike at [Mike.Austin@EKU.EDU](mailto:Mike.Austin@EKU.EDU) 1 August 2010.

### ***IAPS session 2011 Eastern Division Meeting of APA***

International Association for the Philosophy of Sport in conjunction with the APA Eastern Division Meeting December 27-30, 2010, at the Boston Marriott Copley Place.

The International Association for the Philosophy of Sport invites the submission of papers to be considered for presentation at the 2010 APA Eastern Division Meeting. Papers are welcome on any area of philosophy of sport from any theoretical approach. Presenters must be members of both APA and IAPS and pay regular conference registration fees. For more information on IAPS, go to <http://www.iaps.net/>.

Papers should be no more than 10 pages in length, 20 minutes reading time. Only 300-500 word abstracts are required for consideration. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is May 15, 2010. Abstracts should be submitted as attachments by e-mail [.doc, .docx, .rtf, or .pdf format] to [joan.g.forry@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:joan.g.forry@vanderbilt.edu). Only those contributors who do not have access to e-mail should send a hard copy to Joan Grassbaugh Forry at the address below.

Submitting authors will be notified of the acceptance or rejection of their papers by May 30, 2010.

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### **Philosophy of Sport Blog**

Announcing a blog that launched in April 2008, called "Philosophy of Sport" Here's the link:

<http://philosophyandsports.blogspot.com/>

The blog is dedicated to news and views related to the philosophical dimensions of sport, and is intended to help raise the profile of philosophy sport in the worldwide philosophical community. Apart from Mike Austin, the contributors include Heather Reid, Milan Hosta, Charlene Weaving, Douglas Hochstetler, and Mark Holowchak, with more to come.