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President's Message –

Cesar R. Torres, President

Greetings fellow IAPS members! This is my last President's Message. Before sharing the latest news about the Association with you, I would like to say that it has been a great honor and privilege to serve you over the last two years. I have learned a great deal about the workings of the Association, its relations to other international institutions, and the outstanding service and production of many of its dedicated members. I should emphasize how fortunate I have been to work closely with talented, motivated, and committed colleagues on the Executive Council. Collectively, much has been done over the years to strengthen the Association as well as to stimulate, encourage, and promote research, scholarship, and teaching in the philosophy of sport and related practices. I encourage you to continue serving the Association and its mission to deepen our record of collective accomplishments.

In about a month and a half, we will gather in Rochester for the 39th annual conference of IAPS. The event will be hosted by The College at Brockport, State University of New York. The program, with more than 100 presenters from all over the world and three panel discussions, looks terrific. It should be stressed that we will welcome colleagues from countries that have never been represented at IAPS annual conferences in the past. Notice that this year, Jim Parry will deliver the *Warren P. Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Lecture* and J.S. Russell will be the keynote speaker. It is also quite exciting that Warren P. Fraleigh, one of the Association's founding fathers, will also deliver a keynote address and will be honored for his dedication to the Association. Similarly, we are looking forward to awarding the first *R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award*. If you have not yet seen the program, you can do so by accessing the IAPS website at www.iaps.net or the conference website at <http://www.brockport.edu/iaps2010>. The planned social activities as well as the opportunities for sightseeing in Rochester and its surrounding area are quite attractive. I want to thank my fellow members in the Organizing Committee, especially Peter F. Hager, for their work in organizing the event. I also want to thank Jesús Ilundáin-Aguruza, Conference Chair, and Leslie Howe and Lev Kreft, the other members of the Program Committee, for their efforts to put together an excellent program that promises to be academically rewarding. Finally, I would like to remind students whose abstracts have been accepted that they can apply for the Student Travel Award. To do so, visit the conference website.

The Student Travel Award Fund has received an impressive number of generous donations. In this regard, the option to donate to the fund when members renew their membership is working very well. We thank you for your donations and encourage you to keep donating in future years. Students are the future of both IAPS and the field of philosophy of sport, and participation in our annual conference can and should be an important part of their education.

I also would like to take this opportunity to solicit agenda items for the forthcoming Annual Business Meeting. Should you have any, please contact me at crtorres@brockport.edu or Charlene Weaving, Secretary-Treasurer, at cweaving@stfx.ca. In said meeting, the results of the election, the recipients of honors and awards, and the location of next year's annual conference will be announced. In addition to these announcements, current Association business will be discussed. Your participation is critical for the wellbeing of the association.

By the time you read this newsletter, you should have received the ballot for this year's elections. I am very pleased that there is a full slate of exceptional candidates for the available positions

and I want to thank all of them for their willingness to serve IAPS. I also want to extend my appreciation to those leaving the Executive Council and the Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee for their service, namely, Leslie Howe, Lev Kreft, Emily Ryall, Sharon Stoll, and Mark Hamilton. Please complete the ballot by the deadline and follow the submission instructions carefully. It is also timely to thank Mike Austin, Elections Chair, for overseeing this year's election.

On a different front, I am pleased to inform the membership that J.S. Russell, editor of the *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*, has been negotiating, with the assistance of the Executive Council, the new publishing contract. For details about the negotiations, see his comments in this newsletter.

As it was already informed, the International Convention on Science, Education, and Medicine in Sport 2012 (ICSEMIS 2012) will be held in Glasgow, Scotland from July 19-24, 2012. At this time, I can announce that the four parallel sessions IAPS proposed for ICSEMIS 2012 have been accepted. This means that IAPS will be represented at ICSEMIS 2012 through Mike McNamee, whose nomination as a keynote speaker by the Association was accepted, and these four parallel sessions. I would like to thank Jim Parry (Violence in Sport), Sigmund Loland (Multiculturalism and Governance in Sport), Andrew Edgard (The Ethical and Aesthetical Dimensions of Media Coverage in Sport), and Lisa Edwards and Paul Davis (Too Fast to be Female? Caster Semenya and the Politics of Gender Verification in Sport) for their time and effort in putting together the proposals.

On a related matter, be aware that the call for abstracts/papers for ICSEMIS 2012 has opened on July 1 and closes on November 1. Full details of the on-line submission process including details of the Young Investigator Award can be found at www.icsemis2012.com

On the evening of Wednesday, April 20, IAPS held a session at the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association in San Diego. The session was organized and chaired by Doug McLaughlin. Joan Grassbaugh Forry, Kevin Krein, William J. Morgan, and Stephen Schmid presented papers. I want to thank them for promoting the association and the philosophy of sport in the event. Please look forward the call for papers for the IAPS sessions at the divisional conferences of the American Philosophical Association later this year and early next year.

Feel free to contact me at crtorres@brockport.edu with you concerns, ideas, and suggestions.

To conclude, I would like to thank you for your support and confidence over my tenure as IAPS president. Enjoy the rest of your summer or winter, depending whether you reside in the Northern or Southern hemisphere. See you in September in Rochester!

Secretary-Treasurer Message

Charlene Weaving

Membership news

IAPS Members

IAPS memberships continue to increase and I encourage anyone who experiences difficulty registering to please contact me at cweaving@stfx.ca. I will do my best to help you with the

process. Furthermore, if you have not received your spring issue of JPS be sure to contact me for follow up.

Student Travel Award

We have been thrilled with the generosity that IAPS members have shown in donating to the Student Travel Award via the online membership donation option. Your support enables student participation at meetings and encourages student involvement in sport philosophy.

Call for agenda items for the upcoming IAPS Annual General Business Meeting

According to the IAPS constitution, the July Newsletter should include a solicitation for additional agenda items for the General Business Meeting. Therefore, I encourage you to submit recommendations and suggestions for agenda items to cweaving@stfx.ca by August 28, 2011

I look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones at upcoming conference in Rochester.

News from The Journal of the Philosophy of Sport

J. S. Russell (editor), jsrussell@shaw.ca

There are some important changes being planned for the journal. Our contract with Human Kinetics expires at the end of October and we have begun working on an agreement with Routledge to publish the journal thereafter. Routledge has offered us some substantial financial incentives, both to IAPS and its membership. The IAPS executive felt that moving to Routledge would give the *JPS* greater visibility in a broader range of scholarly communities and would add prestige and publishing flexibility. I will provide a full report at the Annual Meeting in Rochester in September.

I will also propose to the membership at the Annual Meeting that we increase the size of the editorial board from 20 to 24 members. This will help to further diversify the board geographically and philosophically.

As always, let me know if you have any questions or suggestions. I am always especially open to proposals for special section topics for the second volume of the journal. This year's special topic is actually a symposium on officiating and adjudication that Mark Hamilton kindly agreed to guest edit.. The contributors and the titles of their articles are given below in the (at this time tentative) table of contents.

Hope to see all of you in Rochester....

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Convention, Audience, and Narrative: Which Play Is the Thing? Leslie Howe

Beyond Autotelic Play Stephen Schmid

The Most Valuable Player Problem Remains Unsolved Stephen Kershner

***Special Section: Symposium on Officiating and Adjudication in Sport
(Guest Editor: Mark Hamilton)***

Editor's Introduction Mark Hamilton

On Interpretivism and Formalism in Sport Officiating: From General to Particular Jurisprudence Mitchell N. Berman

Categorical Shortcomings: Application, Adjudication, and Contextual Descriptions of Game Rules Chad Carlson and John Gleaves

The Moral Ambiguity of the Make-Up Call Mark Hamilton

Fairness, Epistemology & Rules: A Prolegomenon to a Philosophy of Officiating? Graham McFee

Limitations of the Law-Sport Comparison J.S. Russell

Review Essays

The Ethics of Sport: A Reader (Edited by Mike McNamee) Reviewed by Chad Carlson

Cycling--Philosophy for Everyone: A Philosophical Tour de Force (Edited by Jesus Ilundain and Michael W. Austin) Gabriela Tymowski

2011 IAPS Conference – Brockport, NY

Peter F. Hager, phager@brockport.edu, Cesar Torres, crtorres@brockport.edu

The 39th Annual Conference of the International Association for the Philosophy of Sport (IAPS) is around the corner! As you know, the conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Rochester, New York from Thursday, September 8 through Sunday, September 11, 2011.

We would like to remind you that if you have not yet done so, you can register for the conference and book rooms at the Hyatt through the conference website (<http://www.brockport.edu/iaps2011>). The website also includes links with travel and regional information that will help you plan your stay in Western New York State. If you need information beyond what has been provided on the website or if you have any questions regarding the registration and reservation processes, please do not hesitate to email one or both of us at the addresses below. Our goal is to make your planning and attendance as easy as possible! At this point, we also would like to inform you that the Hyatt will send you a letter with useful information about the hotel, parking, airport shuttle, and driving directions, among other practical issues, about ten days before your arrival.

The 2011 conference promises to be a special one, as it signifies a homecoming for IAPS. The first full conference of the then Philosophical Society for the Study of Sport (PSSS) was hosted at Brockport in November of 1973. In addition, many PSSS and IAPS scholars, including some past presidents, have taught at the College and/or presented papers for its annual Sport Philosophy Lecture. At the head of this list is Warren P. Fraleigh, one of the Association's founders, who will be honored during the 2011 conference and will treat us with a keynote address.

We are also looking forward to honoring Jim Parry, who will deliver the 2011 Warren P. Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Lecture during the conference, and J.S. Russell, who will deliver a keynote address. Cesar R. Torres will give his Presidential Address after completing his two-year term as IAPS President. The program of academic presentations and panels to be offered by IAPS members from around the world looks outstanding.

Western New York and the surrounding area offer a variety of exciting traveling and recreational opportunities that we hope you have considered when planning your conference attendance.

Please feel free to contact either of us if you have questions regarding the conference.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Rochester in September,

2011 Conference At a Glance

Jesús Ilundáin-Agurruza, Conference Chair

With the preliminary book of abstracts and program finalized, I am able to provide you with some numbers and statistics. Given the quality, high number of submissions, and the sizeable number of students presenting (25%), it can safely be said that not only is the conference shaping up to be a very special event and worthy follow-up to the original IAPS conference, but also that this reflects the healthy state of the profession. The quality of the abstracts, as you can see from the posted file online, was very high. The presentations will cover an impressive horizon of areas, themes, and methodologies in the philosophy of sport that will make the choice of which session to attend quite a difficult one!

Some Numbers:

- Total number of papers accepted: 101
- Number of panels: 3
- Total number of presenters: 120
- Total number of countries represented (based on institutional affiliation, not nationality of presenter): 20
- Total number of students (undergraduate, Masters, Ph .D.): 29, with 3 as co-presenters (Very exciting!)
- To this we may add the three keynote presentations and the presidential address (noted below parenthetically): 124 total presenters.

As can be expected there have been a few instances of unfortunate cancellations. As of July 12 these were the numbers (I will give a revised count at the conference's Business Meeting):

- Total number of papers in the book of abstracts and presentations in the program:
- **100 + 3 panels** (+ three keynotes and one presidential address)
- Total presenters **116 (+4)**

Below follow details on number of presenters on a per country basis as of July 12 (ranked from most numerous to less numerous, and in the case of number parity, alphabetically):

1. USA	63	8. Australia	2
(+2: keynote/president)		9. Brazil	2
2. Canada	15	10. China	2
(+1 keynote)		11. Czech Republic	2
3. United Kingdom	5 (+1 keynote)	12. Ethiopia	1
4. Japan	5	13. Greece	1
5. Norway	5	14. Italy	1
6. Germany	3	15. Iran	1
7. Turkey	3	16. Netherlands	1

17. Nigeria	1
18. Poland	1
19. Slovenia	1
20. Spain	1

I also wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all of you: first, for your willingness to be a part of this year's conference. Second, for the patience, friendliness, and collegiality you have shown me in our interactions. Third, I would like to thank the organizers on site, Dr. Peter Hager and Dr. Cesar Torres, and the members at large (alphabetically) Leslie Howe, Lev Kreft, Sarah Teetzel, and Charlene Weaving, for all the behind-*and*-in front-of-the-scenes work. And last, my sincerest gratitude (in advance) to those of you whom I "rounded up" as chairs for sessions, and who have been willing and very accommodating.

This year's IAPS, thanks to your involvement, is sure to be a memorable occasion. I am really looking forward to seeing you in Rochester.

R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award

This inaugural award had the auspicious beginning of counting with a total of nine essays that were submitted for review by eight students. Three anonymous reviewers read the papers, and all candidates received feedback from all three reviewers. I want to extend a hearty thank you to the reviewers on behalf of every one at IAPS for doing this fun but demanding task (I am sure most prefer to thank than to comment! But if I am mistaken and you would like to volunteer, contact me for next year's award).

The winner will be announced at the IAPS meeting in September. And the author's name and presentation will be highlighted in the final program as well. The winning essay is awarded a \$ 250 US prize, and the conference registration fee is waived. Above all, this bestows a great honor on the student, who may be said to follow in the inspiring wake of Dr. Kretchmar.

I also want to commend and thank the students for submitting their work. All of the essays were of very high caliber, which made the task of reviewing and commenting on them enjoyable (and almost autotelic). Since the authors will be presenting their work in September, you will be able to judge by yourselves. They are (alphabetically):

- Kenneth Aggerholm, *Express Yourself—On the Value of Theatricality in Soccer*
- Adam Berg, *Conquest of the Useless: Pragmatism, Problems, and Meaning*
- Colleen English, *Speaking of Play*
- J.C. Greening, *The New Sport: Lifestyle Action Sports and Wittgenstein's Family Resemblances & A Fresh Perspective: Parkour and the Infinite Potentiality of the Environment*
- Francisco Javier López Frías, *Habermas' Hermeneutics within the Realm of Sports Ethics: The Limits of the Interpretativist Approach*
- Sarah W. Newman, *Ceci n'est pas une nature: Altering Nature for Sport*
- Adam G. Pfleeger, *Intra-Lusory Deception in Competitive Sport*
- Kristi Tredway, *The Philosopher on the Court: Judith Butler, Gender Performance, and Women's Professional Tennis*

IAPS List of Universities offering Graduate Degree Programs

If you would like to include your graduate program on this list, please contact Sarah Teetzel at teetzel@cc.umanitoba.ca

Institution	Degree(s)	Supervisors	Contact information	Program website	Location
Brock University	MA	Dr Danny Rosenberg	drosenberg@brocku.ca	http://www.brocku.ca/applied-health-sciences/future-students/future-grad-students	St. Catharines, Canada
Charles University in Prague	PhD	Prof Jim Parry Dr Irena Martinkova	s.j.parry@leeds.ac.uk martinkova@ftvs.cuni.cz	http://www.ftvs.cuni.cz/doktorske_sk/svseke/ssk.php	Prague, Czech Republic
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IAPS Election News

Mike Austin. Elections Chair

The ballot for 2011 will be sent to members with the following positions open: President, Newsletter Editor, two Members-at-Large, and one Honors, Awards and Future Sites Committee position. The ballot is due by the close of business on 15 August 2011.

Other News and Announcements

Sport and the Environment: Philosophical Dimensions

A sport philosophy conference was held at St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish Nova Scotia in June 2011 and was organized by Charlene Weaving and Gabriela Tymowski. Canadian research funds from Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) were secured for this conference. Keynotes included: Leslie Howe, Kevin Krein and Scott Tinley. IAPS members: Sarah Teetzel, Joan Forry, Natalie Szudy, Deb Vossen, Danny Rosenberg, Pam Sailors and James Greening attended.

Website and Twitter

Remember that we have a new website and our twitter feed on to the website.

<http://twitter.com/IntPhilofSport>