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**2008 AMINTAPHIL CONFERENCE
FREE SPEECH IN A DIVERSE WORLD
VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY
SEPTEMBER 25 – 28**

This Newsletter contains several new items pertaining to AMINTAPHIL publications and the up-coming conference, as well as hotel information you have received before.

I. NEW AMINTAPHIL VOLUME

The volume from our 2006 conference has now been published. The title is *Coercion and the State*. The editors are David Reidy and Walter Riker. This is the second volume, published by Springer, in a series entitled *AMINTAPHIL: The Philosophical Foundations of Law and Justice*. Congratulations to David and Walter, and to Tim Sellers, the series editor, for this achievement.

All members who are current in their dues for the last two years are entitled to a copy of the volume and will receive one from Springer in due course. If you are unsure if you owe dues, feel free to contact me and I will let you know.

**II. SUBMITTING AND ACCESSING PAPERS AND
COMMENTARIES**

2. It is now time to start sending papers and commentaries for the Free Speech conference. They should be sent electronically as a .doc or .rtf file to me at Bruce.Landesman@mail.hum.utah.edu.

Shortly after I receive papers, they will be posted so that members can have access to them through our web site. The part of the site that gives members access is private; you will need a login and password to access the papers. The login and password is the same for **each** AMINTAPHIL members, as follows

Log-In: Amphil
Password: AM2008

To access the papers go the web site at <http://www.philosophy.utah.edu/AMINTAPHIL/>. Click on "2008 Conference" and then on "View Papers". Then type in the log-in and password, and click on "Log In".

III. DEADLINES AND LENGTH

The deadline for Principal Papers is **August 20**; the deadline for commentaries on principal papers is **September 15**. The Executive Committee is currently discussing policies on late papers. In the past we have accepted papers and commentaries and put them on the program until the last minute. This will no longer be the case. There will be no guarantee that late papers/commentaries will get on the program. A detailed policy on late papers will be circulated in the next newsletter in about a week.

Principal paper should be no longer than 5,500 words (about 20 pages)
Commentaries: 2, 200 words (about 8 pages). If I receive papers that significantly exceed these limits, I will request that they be shortened.

IV. REGISTRATION

The Registration fee for the conference is \$100. This includes the banquet. If you wish to bring an extra guest to the banquet, an required \$50 is required. You can find a registration form at the end of this newsletter. You can also find a copy of the form on the web site on the 2008 Conference page.

You can pay either by sending me a check or by credit card. A credit card payment form is now available on the web site on the 2008 Conference page.

There is no deadline for registration but we would appreciate it if you would register soon, so we can get a good idea of the numbers attending.

V. HOTEL INFORMATION

You have received hotel information before but here it is again to make it easy to find. You can also find it on the 2008 Conference page. Click on "Hotel and Other Local Arrangements".

A. HOTEL

A block of rooms has been reserved at The Radnor Hotel. Please make reservations directly with the hotel. The group rate is \$159.00 per night for a single and \$169 per night for a double occupancy. When reserving, please refer to "AMINTAPHIL at

Villanova." The reservations department is available from 8 am to 8 pm (EST) at 610-688-5800 or toll-free at 800-537-3000. The hotel address and website are as follows:

The Radnor Hotel
591 East Lancaster Avenue
St. Davids, PA 19087
1-800-537-3000 Toll Free
610-688-5800 Front Desk
<http://radnorhotel.com/>

This block of rooms is being held only until August 29, 2008. You can make reservations up to that date but Sally Scholz, the local arrangements chair, and I would appreciate your making your hotel reservations soon, if you have not already done so. This will be helpful to us.

Driving directions to the hotel can be found at <http://radnorhotel.com/directions.htm>

There may be some who would like to find a less expensive hotel in the area. Here is a web-site for other hotels, with distances:

<http://www.villanova.edu/studentlife/specprograms/parents/visit/hotels.htm>

Feel free to see what you can find.

B. MEETING LOCATION

Conference roundtable sessions will be held in the West Lounge of Dougherty Hall in the heart of Villanova's campus. Dougherty Hall also houses four eating venues: "The Pit"--an "all you care-to-eat" dining hall, the "Italian Kitchen," "The Grill" for burgers and fries, and a faculty dining room. Hours of operation vary. In adjacent buildings, additional eating options abound, including "Holy Grounds" where one can satisfy any caffeine need.

C. TRAVEL FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL

Here are links for travel to and from Villanova University, including maps:

<http://www.villanova.edu/studentlife/specprograms/parents/visit/travel.htm>

<http://www.villanova.edu/enroll/admission/visit/maps/index.htm>

The information on these sites include instructions for arranging a shuttle from the Philadelphia airport to the hotel or campus. Rental car companies are also readily available at the airport.

By far the cheapest way to travel from the airport to the hotel or campus is by regional rail. As of this writing, the train from the airport to Villanova is \$10. Each terminal in the airport has a train station. You can buy the tickets on the train but there may also be machines at the stations in the terminal. Take the train to downtown Philadelphia, 30th Street Station. Once there, get off the R1 Airport and board the

R5Paoli/Thorndale train which stops at Villanova (if you arrive during rush hour, please note that some "express" trains skip the Villanova station). Signs from the station will direct you to the conference location in Dougherty Hall. If you wish to take the train to the hotel, simply stay on for one more stop. The hotel is a mile walk from the Radnor train station. Schedules for trains are available on line at http://www.septa.com/service/rr_schedules.htm.

If you wish to travel by taxi, Bennett Taxi Service (610) 525-0513 from the airport to Villanova is approximately \$68 plus driver's tip one way.

There is also a shuttle from the airport to the HOTEL (but not VU) for \$19. Please call Tropiano 1-800-559-2040

4. BASEBALL

The Philadelphia Phillies are playing at home on September 26 and 27 in the evening and September 28 in the afternoon. This may be of interest to AMINTAPHIL members who are baseball fans but live in major league deprived cities! Further information can be found at http://philadelphia.phillies.mlb.com/schedule/index.jsp?c_id=phi&m=9&y=2008.