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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Notice to Members: Newsletter Offering and Encouraging Electronic Format. After polling the membership and kicking the idea around among the officers and other interested parties, the ISEE newsletter is going to offer an electronic version as well as continuing the paper version. ISEE members are encouraged to "go electronic." The main rationales: switching to electronic mailing will save ISEE several thousand dollars per year and get you information two to four weeks faster. We hope, over the next few issues, to get the majority of members receiving the newsletter via email. Those who wish to continue receiving a paper copy of the newsletter may do so, but you only get one or the other! For those of you who would like to make the switch, please email ISEE treasurer Lisa Newton with your email address at Ihnewton@mail.fairfield.edu.Please put "go electronic" in the subject heading Thanks!

The ISEE Listserv is a forum for serious discussion of environmental ethics and to disseminate information quickly to your colleagues. To subscribe, send email to: LISTSERV@LISTSERV.TAMU.EDU, with the entire body of the message reading: SUBSCRIBE ISEE-L. You should then receive an e-mail asking you to confirm your participation. As soon as you follow the instructions in that email, you will be subscribed to the list. Questions, contact Gary Varner at gary@philosophy.tamu.edu.

University of Idaho Announces a New MA in Environmental Philosophy. The small world of places to do graduate work in environmental philosophy just gained one member. The Philosophy Department at the University of Idaho would like to announce a new MA program specializing in environmental philosophy. The philosophy departments at the University of Idaho and Washington State University (only 8 miles apart) have joined forces to offer a new MA. Although students will take courses at both campuses and with both groups of faculty, WSU students will specialize in ethics while UI students will work in environmental philosophy.

In addition to their current talented staff, UI has hired Michael Nelson (formerly of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point) to head up the environmental philosophy program. Nelson will begin his duties at UI in Jan. of 2005. Nelson would like to encourage faculty from around the country with students interested in environmental philosophy to inform their students about this new opportunity. "UI is a special place, offering a special program," says Nelson. "The university as a whole is an impressive and intensely interdisciplinary university, the department faculty is exceptionally collegial and energized, and the setting is one of the most beautiful you can imagine." The new program can be found online at http://uidaho.wsu.edu/ma-philosophy/ and Nelson can be reached at mpnelson@uidaho.edu or Department of Philosophy, 407 Morrill Hall, University of Idaho, Moscow, ID 83844-3016.

The 2005 APA Pacific Division meeting will take place in San Francisco,

March 23-27, at the Westin Hotel. ISEE will hold one group session, chaired by Geoffrey Frasz (Community College of Southern Nevada). Papers to be presented:

- * Natural Sentiments: From Adam Smith to Environmental Virtue Ethics, by Patrick Frierson (Whitman College). Commentary: Clare Palmer (Washington University).
- * Reformulating the Precautionary Principle, by Derek Turner and Kate Kovenock (Connecticut College). Commentary: Gary Varner (Texas A & M).
- * Disequilibrium Ecology: Much Ado About Nothing, by Ernest Partridge (independent scholar). Commentary: Clare Palmer (Washington University).

Essays in Philosophy, Vol. 5, No. 2, has now been published. The topic of this issue is "Animal Ethics" and it contains both invited and submitted papers worthy of your attention. The web address of *Essays* is: http://www.humboldt.edu/~essays/.

Clare Palmer, formerly at the Institute of Environment, Philosophy and Public Policy at Lancaster University, has been hired as Associate Professor in Philosophy and Environmental Studies at Washington University in St Louis. Palmer - who has broad interests in environmental philosophy, animal ethics, and religion and environment - is the editor of the journal *Worldviews: Environment, Culture, Religion* (which she will continue to edit from Washington University). A special double edition of this journal on *Teaching Environmental Ethics* is due out in the Fall.

Emily Brady - also formerly at the Institute of Environment, Philosophy and Public Policy at Lancaster - has recently moved to Brooklyn College, CUNY, as Associate Professor in Philosophy. Brady works in aesthetics, in particular environmental aesthetics, and recently published *Aesthetics of the Natural Environment* (Edinburgh University Press, 2003).

Jeremy Bendik-Keymer has moved to a new position at the American University of Sharjah, next door to Dubai. He will be teaching ethics (including environmental ethics) and political philosophy in an interdisciplinary department of international studies. His colleagues come from Canada, England, France, Lebanon, India and the U.S. His book *Ecological Humanity -Ten Lectures on Becoming a Citizen of the World* is nearing completion of its first draft.

Bron Taylor is now Samuel S. Hill Professor in Religion at the University of Florida, where he is helping to develop a Ph.D. program in Religion and Nature. He is also Editor in Chief of the <u>Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature</u>, to be published in 2005.

Laura Westra writes from Canada to recommend the following book, for personal edification and classroom use: Robert Kennedy, *Crimes Against Nature: How George W. Bush and his Corporate Pals Are Plundering the Country and Hijacking Our Democracy.* Harper Collins, New York, 2004.

Schumacher College continues its series of innovative courses in environmental ethics. Two upcoming offerings are below. Further information available on www.schumachercollege.org.uk.

FUTURE SENSE. Mary Midgley, Anne Baring, Jules Cashford and John Lash. November 7-26, 2004. The course starts with Mary Midgley asking what beliefs have led us to create a society in which the very survival of humanity - and many other species – is threatened. Anne Baring and Jules Cashford see the loss and repression of the Feminine as a key part of this process, and they will explore traditions that can contribute to healing the resulting rift between spirit and nature. John Lash will discuss the nature of beliefs and take participants on a journey to future sense, integrating ecology, psychology and mythology.

IN SEARCH OF EARTH ETHICS. Kate Rawles, Jane Goodall and Stephan Harding. March 6-18, 2005. Most Western thinking considers the non-human world simply as a set of resources for people to use as they think best, with ethical considerations

applying only to other human beings. But as our concern with environmental and animal welfare issues increases, this approach is being challenged from many directions. What would be the implications for the way we live our lives if we really had a different ethical relationship to other living beings? Through discussion, outdoor experience and writing, participants will explore these challenging issues with leading thinkers and activists in the fields of animal welfare, environmental philosophy and sustainability.

OPPORTUNITIES

University of North Texas, Denton, TX. Applications and nominations are invited for a two-year position as Research Assistant Professor within the Department of Philosophy and Religion Studies. AOS: Applied Philosophy, in areas such as the environment, biomedicine/bioethics, nanotechnology, engineering, and research ethics. AOC: Open. Experiences in working with scientists and engineers, policy analysts, web design, and in applying for grants are desirable. We anticipate that this position will teach 1 course a semester (spring, fall). Qualifications for the position include: a Ph.D. in Philosophy or in another area of the humanities. Review of applications begins October 15. Search will continue until position is filled (pending budgetary approval), with a preferred hire date of January 1, 2005. Please send letter of application, C.V., and a list of references to Robert Frodeman, Chair, Department of Philosophy and Religion Studies, University of North Texas, P.O. Box 310920, Denton, TX 76201-0920. Inquiries are welcome at 940-565-2134 or: www.phil.unt.edu. UNT is an AA/ADA/EOE committed to diversity.

University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC. The Department of Philosophy (and the School of the Environment invite applications for an Assistant Professorship, tenure track, beginning

Fall semester 2005. Exceptional candidates at the Associate or Full Professor levels will also be considered.

Candidates should specialize in some aspect of environmental ethics, and must be able to facilitate collaborative ventures with an interdisciplinary program in environmental studies. Faculty members in the Philosophy Department are leading a large NSF funded project on the ethical/social implications of nanotechnology. An area of specialization thus might be the environmental implications of nanotechnology. While candidates with degrees from interdisciplinary programs will be considered, the ability to teach philosophy courses and to satisfy tenure and promotion criteria in the Department of Philosophy is necessary. Applicants at the assistant level should send complete dossier, including current CV, graduate transcript, three letters of recommendation, sample of written work, and evidence of teaching ability. Applicants at the associate or full professor level should arrange for three letters of recommendation, and send a CV, offprints of published work, and evidence of teaching ability. Complete applications must be received by December 1, 2004. Applications should be addressed to Anne Bezuidenhout, Chair, Environmental Ethics Search Committee, Department of Philosophy, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, 29208. Interviews will take place at the Eastern Division meetings of the American Philosophical Association in Boston in late December. The University of South Carolina is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer and encourages women and members of minority groups to apply.

The Greenwall Faculty Scholars Program in Bioethics is a career development award to enable outstanding junior faculty members to carry out original research that will help resolve important policy and clinical dilemmas at the intersection of ethics and the life sciences. This research will also put Faculty Scholars in a position to help set public policy and standards of clinical practice. Three Greenwall Faculty Scholars will be selected to begin their awards in the summer of 2005. A preliminary application will be due on 5 December 2004. Approximately fifteen to twenty applicants will be invited to submit full proposals due in February 2005. Link to full program description: http://www.infoed.org/new_spin/spin_prog.asp?77274. Program URL: http://medicine.ucsf.edu/greenwall/.

CONFERENCES AND CALLS FOR PAPERS

ISEE Sessions. Proposals are invited for individual papers or panels for the APA Pacific, Central and Eastern Division meetings. For the Pacific, contact Philip Cafaro, acting on behalf of ISEE treasurer Lisa Newton, at cafaro@lamar.colostate.edu. For the Central, contact ISEE secretary Paul Thompson, thomp649@pilot.msu.edu. For the Eastern, contact ISEE Vice-President Clare Palmer, c.palmer@lancaster.ac.uk. Snail mail addresses and telephone numbers at the end of the newsletter. The deadline for proposals is September 1 for the Pacific, October 31 for the Central, March 1 for the Eastern. Contact them also if you are interested in commenting on papers or chairing a session.

The Association for Practical and Professional Ethics will hold a mini-conference on environmental policy, February 26-27, 2005, in San Antonio in conjunction with its annual meeting, February 23-27. The keynote will be delivered by Eugene Hargrove. Panels will be held on Environmental Ethics and Environmental Policy, Environmental Science and Environmental Policy, and Green Business Strategy and Environmental Policy. Papers for review should be submitted to Lisa Newton, Program in Environmental Studies, Fairfield University, Fairfield CT 06824, or Ihnewton@mail.fairfield.edu. Information for registration to the conference can be found at http://www.indiana.edu/~appe/pro.

The International Society for Universal Dialogue will hold its Sixth World Congress 15-20 July 2005 in Helsinki Finland. Main topic is "Humanity at the Turning Point: Rethinking Nature, Culture, and Freedom." Initial abstracts (300-500 words) are due November 15, 2004, full papers due February 15, 2005. Send abstracts and papers to Daniel Shannon, Department of Philosophy, DePauw University, Room 212, Asbury Hall, Greencastle, IN 46135. Email: dshan@depauw.edu.

The Australasian Journal of Human Security's first issue is scheduled to appear late in 2004. The journal will be edited by Dr Sabina Lautensach, School of Social Sciences at Auckland University of Technology (AUT). AJHS is intended to connect researchers from such diverse fields as environmental science, political studies and population health who have traditionally not had much professional communication with each other. Currently, the concept of human security itself has undergone a metamorphosis. Beginning with its narrow, strategic definition as the security of states it became enlarged to include the security of regions, communities, families and individuals. More recently, the concept was further expanded and enriched by considerations that extend beyond what has traditionally been regarded the absence of violent conflict, such as a relative safety

from acute infectious disease, minimum complements of safe fresh water and adequate nutrition, and a formal guarantee for basic human rights and dignity. Finally, human security as we understand it today has acquired an ecological dimension to reflect our understanding of the sources, sinks and services provided by healthy ecosystems to its human inhabitants.

AJHS will be peer reviewed. In line with its aims, contributions of a wide variety are sought, including letters to the editor (< 1000 words), research notes on work in progress (< 6000), full length articles (6000-8000), book reviews (< 800), conference reports (< 800), announcements of upcoming events, and abstracts of significant publications. Authors of full-length articles are encouraged to first submit an abstract (< 300 words). For detailed instructions on format and style, as well as a template, please visit www.humansecurityjournal.com Submissions (one emailed softcopy and three hardcopies) should be sent to Sabina Lautensach, AJHS, School of Social Sciences, Auckland University of Technology, PO Box 92006 Auckland 1020, New Zealand Sabina.lautensach@aut.ac.nz.

Marc Bekoff is currently developing a list of entries for a multi-volume

encyclopedia tentatively titled *Encyclopedia of Human-Animal Relationships: An Exploration of Our Connections with Other Animals*, to be published by Greenwood Publishing Group. This encyclopedia will cover almost all aspects of human-animal

interactions from a strongly multi-disciplinary perspective. He hopes to include all disciplines, all species, and all cultures. The main audience for this book will be school, public, and college libraries. This encyclopedia will be written at a level accessible to high-school students, but will also be sufficiently thorough and accurate for use by college students. At this point he is in the process of developing a coherent and comprehensive entry list and would like input into what general and specific topics would be appropriate entries for this encyclopedia. Since this is an encyclopedia for a broad audience, topics will need to be understandable

to lay readers. He is not looking for research articles, but rather short essays that synthesize the best of contemporary scholarship in an accessible and engaging manner. Please send suggestions to marc.bekoff@colorado.edu with the subject line Encyclopedia of Human-Animal Relationships - request for entries.

Sustainability: Science, Practice, & Policy is a new peer-reviewed, open access eJournal (http://ejournal.nbii.org) that will focus on shaping the intersection between nature and society and those working to effect change. The mission of the e-Journal is to provide a platform for the dissemination of new practices and for dialogue emerging out of the field of sustainability. Articles will address a wide range of issues related to sustainability by incorporating diverse social, economic, political, and biological/environmental interactions. Authors will use discussions of science, practices, and/or policy to examine ways that can lead to solutions to sustainability problems. Contact: Amy L. Forrester, Managing Editor, CSA-Cambridge Scientific Abstracts, 7200 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 601, Bethesda, MD 20814. E-mail: aforrester@csa.com (301) 961-6722 (phone). (301) 961-6740 (Fax) http://www.csa.com>

Ethics & The Environment provides an interdisciplinary forum for theoretical and practical articles, discussions, and book reviews in the broad area encompassed by environmental philosophy. Possible topics include conceptual approaches in ecological philosophy such as ecological feminism and deep ecology as they apply to issues such as cloning, genetically modified organisms, new reproductive technology, war and militarism, environmental education and management, ecological economics, and ecosystem health. We encourage submissions offering new and imaginative conceptions of what counts as an "environmental issue."

Manuscripts may be submitted at any time to the Editor. Please send

three copies, two without the author's name, for anonymous review. For matters of style, consult THE CHICAGO MANUAL OF STYLE. Upon acceptance an abstract of 100 words or less and a brief author bio will be requested. Manuscripts will not be returned. Send submissions to: Victoria Davion, Editor ETHICS & THE ENVIRONMENT Department of Philosophy University of Georgia Athens, GA 30602-1627. Inquiries to Mona Freer: mfreer@uga.edu.

Ethics and the Life Sciences, featuring interdisciplinary ethical issues related to the environment, food, and human health. This conference, sponsored by the APA, the University of Delaware and the Delaware Biotechnology Institute, will take place October 22-24, 2004 in Newark, DE. Featured speakers include Arthur Caplan, Mark Sagoff, Ganesh Kishore, and Richard Rorty.

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Insight Media offers hundreds of videos, CDs, DVDs on the environment, policy, conservation, ethics. Samples: "On Nature's Terms: People and Predators Coexisting in Harmony"; "Wilderness: The Last Stand"; "Contaminated Land Remediation"; "Enviroethics: The Rights of Future Generations"; and many more. Insight

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RECENT ARTICLES AND BOOKS

Thanks to Lee Speer, Philosophy, Colorado State University, for many of the items from <u>The New York Times</u>. Thanks to Chris Drinkwater, UK, for help editing the bibliographic entries.

- --Adam, John A., <u>Mathematics in Nature: Modelling Patterns in the Natural World</u>. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2003. Math in nature, leading to a deeper appreciation of such natural phenomena as cloud formation, tree heights, leaf patterns, butterfly wings, and even puddles and mud cracks. Adam is in math, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.
- --Albers, Heidi J., Amy W. Ando, and Daniel Kaffine, "Land Trusts in the United States: Analyzing Abundance," Resources (Resources for the Future), Spring 2004, Issue No. 153, pp. 9-13. There are now 1,200 trusts conserving 6 million acres, and trusts are protecting an average of 500,000 additional acres each year. Surprisingly, states where federal, state, and local agencies protect vast areas often have a high concentration of land trusts as well.
- --Alexandre, J; Dinizfilho, F, "Phylogenetic Diversity and Conservation Priorities under Distinct Models of Phenotypic Evolution," <u>Conservation Biology</u> 18(no.3, 2004):698-704.
- --Andow, David A.; Hilbeck, Angelika, "Science-Based Risk Assessment for Nontarget Effects of Transgenic Crops," BioScience 54(no.7, 1 July 2004):637-649(13).
- --Arnold, Craig Anthony, "Working Out an Environmental Ethic: Anniversary Lessons from Mono Lake," Wyoming Law Review 4(no. 1, 2004):1-55. Does environmental law reflect or encourage an environmental ethic? The Mono Lake (California) conflict, now twenty-five years old, offers an ideal case study of the role of environmental law and litigation in achieving environmental conservation and implementing an environmental ethic. The California Supreme Court's Mono Lake opinion is regarded as one of the ten most important environmental law cases of the twentieth century. It has been cited in over 100 judicial or administrative opinions. Environmental law matters but only as a component of a broader social and natural whole. Anthony is in law, Chapman University School of Law, Orange, CA.
- --Babbitt, Bruce, "Another Attack on the Arctic," <u>New York Times</u>, July 8, 2004. This time a proposal to lease rights for gas and oil development on Teshekpuk Lake in Alaska, a shallow lake 30 miles across, the summer breeding ground for hundreds of thousands of waterfowl, as well as important to indigenous Inupiat communities. Babbitt was U.S. Secretary of the Interior from 1993-2001.
- --Barnard, E., "Perspective: Old-Growth: Some Questions, Truths, and Consequences," <u>Journal of Forestry</u> 102(no.3, April/May 2004):60-60(1).
- --Barringer, Felicity, "Unusual Alliance Is Formed to Clean Up Mine Runoff, New York Times, August 18, 2004, A13. In Utah unexpected alliances (ski resort operators, businesses, the U.S. Forest Service, and environmental groups) are co-operating to clean up the U.S. West, where mining waste has polluted the headwaters of 40 percent of all watersheds.
- --Barringer, Felicity, "Forest Service Seeks Limits on All-Terrain Vehicles," New York Times, July 8, 2004, p. A12. The U.S. Forest Service is proposing that ATV's must stay on established trails, rather than drive anywhere they please, creating "outlaw" trails. Such non-trails now cover five times as many miles as the proper trails. ATV riders particularly like the challenge of steep slopes and this creates much erosion. ATV use has increased sevenfold in the past thirty years. Some of the 155 National Forests already require staying on trails, but many do not. ATV use has increased sevenfold in the past thirty years. One rider, asked about the appeal of riding in the mud, said, "I like getting muddy. If you haven't gotten muddy, you haven't ridden."
- --Barringer, Felicity, "A Search for Pearls of Wisdom in the Matter of Swine," New York Times, July 7, 2004, p. A4. Pig farms in eastern North Carolina produce massive wastes in land, water, and air and have become one of the most politically divisive issues in the state. During the 1990's the number of hogs grew from three to over nine million. Systems to deal with the waste, using lagoons and spraying treated wastes onto fields--the wastes do contain phosphorus and nitrogen, the main ingredients in fertilizer--has repeatedly failed. The EPA has done little and the State of North Carolina has mandated a study to which industry has contributed \$ 18 million. That study, two years overdue, is about to be released, lead by C. M. Williams of North Carolina State University. The better the solutions are, the more expensive they are.

- --Barringer, Felicity, "Logging and Politics Collide in Idaho," <u>New York Times</u>, August 9, 2004, A10. Roadless area disputes, resulting from President Bush's plan to withdraw a Clinton ban.
- --Bautista, LM; Garcia, JT; Calmaestra, RG; Palacin, C; Martin, CA; Morales, MB; Bonal, R; Vinuela, J, "Effect of Weekend Road Traffic on the Use of Space by Raptors," <u>Conservation Biology</u> 18(no.3, 2004):726-732.
- --Bear, D, "Some Modest Suggestions for Improving Implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act," Natural Resources Journal 43(no.4, 2003):931-960.
- --Bekoff, Marc, "Conservation Behavior Is Here to Stay" Review of: Festa-Bianchet, M. and M. Appollonio, eds., Animal Behavior and Wildlife Conservation," Conservation Biology 18(2004):591-595.
- --Berkes, F, "Rethinking Community-Based Conservation," Conservation Biology 18(no.3, 2004):621-630.
- --Biel, Alice Wondrak, "The Bearer Has Permission: A Brief History of Research Permitting in Yellowstone National Park", <u>Yellowstone Science</u> 12 (no. 3, Summer 2004):5-20. With a discussion of bio-prospecting in the Park. After the use of a microbe from the hot springs, <u>Thermus aquaticus</u>, in developing the Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) process, instrumental in DNA sequencing, and worth millions of dollars and a Nobel Prize, the Park has been considering requiring benefit-sharing agreements. These are authorized by the National Parks Omnibus Management of 1998, and are on the horizon, though few such agreements have as yet been put in place.
- --Boff, Leonardo, <u>Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor</u>. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 1997. Environmental degration and poverty. By a Brazilian author.
- --Bonds, MH; Pompe, JJ, "Calculating Wetland Mitigation Banking Credits: Adjusting for Wetland Function and Location," Natural Resources Journal 43(no.4, 2003):961-978.
- --Bormann B.T.; Kiester A.R., "Options Forestry: Acting on Uncertainty," <u>Journal of Forestry</u> 102(no.4, June 2004):22-27(6).
- --Boyd, JA, "Hip Deep: A Survey of State Instream Flow Law from the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific Ocean," Natural Resources Journal 43(no.4, 2003):1151-1216.
- --Boyd, James, "What's Nature Worth? Using Indicators to Open the Black Box of Ecological Evaluation," Resources (Resources for the Future), Summer, 2004, Issue no. 154, pages 18-22. The value of nature is inherently complex; rarely is there a clear-cut, "right" answer to a question like which ecosystem is the most valuable. A central problem is that complex answers, including economic and ecological measures, are difficult to convey to the public. But unless they are clearly conveyed, the public is not convinced by scientists and economists. One line of solution is to use "indicators." Boyd is with Resources for the Future.
- --Brooks, Thomas M.; da Fonseca, Gustavo A. B.; Rodrigues, Ana S. L., "Protected Areas and Species," Conservation Biology 18(no.3, 2004):616-618.
- --Brosius, J. Peter, "Indigenous Peoples and Protected Areas at the World Parks Congress," <u>Conservation</u> <u>Biology</u> 18(no.3, 2004):609-612.
- --Brown, Chip, <u>Good Morning Midnight: Life and Death in the Wild.</u> New York: Riverhead Books (Penguin Group), 2004. The remarkable life and haunting death of Guy Waterman. Waterman was from a prominent family, a gifted speech writer, and a New England outdoorsman and mountaineer of some renown. After fighting depression, one afternoon in the winter of 2000, having discussed his plans in detail with his wife, he walked away from her and their home. He took a familiar path up into the mountains of New Hampshire, sat down and died by freezing, alone with the ice, rocks, and wind.
- --Brunnermeier, SB; Levinson, A, "Examining the Evidence on Environmental Regulations and Industry Location," Journal of Environment and Development 13(no.1, 2004):6-41.
- --Cafaro, Philip, "Review of: Peter Singer, <u>One World: The Ethics of Globalization," Conservation Biology</u> 18(2004):585-586.
- --Cain, LP; Kaiser, BA, "Public Goods Provision: Lessons from the Tellico Dam Controversy," <u>Natural Resources Journal</u> 43(no.4, 2003):979-1008.

- --Calderazzo, John, <u>Rising Fire: Volcanoes and our Inner Lives</u>. Guilford, CT: Lyons Press, 2004. Earth's volcanoes have inspired poetry and terror. They also inspire a sense of where the world truly begins. "Over the long arc of time, volcanoes heave themselves up into high, holy mountains and haunted summits, burst apart, erode back down. Their lavas leap and turn with the grace of sandhill cranes in their mating dance; they breathe, roar and sing. And singing, volcanic rocks and fires can deeply affect the way we see and act in the world, the stories we tell about the world." "The natural world can revolutionize the human heart." Calderazzo teaches English, including nature writing, at Colorado State University.
- --Carlson, Allen, and Arnold Berleant, eds., <u>The Aesthetics of the Natural Environment</u>. Peterborough, Ontario: Broadview Press, 2004. Contributions by Ronald Hepburn, Allen Carlson, Arnold Berleant, Noël Carroll, Stan Godlovitch, Yuriko Saito, Emily Brady, Marcia Muelder Eaton, Holmes Rolston, III, Cheryl Foster, Ronald Moore, John Andrew Fisher, Donald W. Campbell, Thomas Heyd, and Yrjö Sepänmaa. Designed as an introduction to the present state of the field of environmental aesthetics. Carlson is in philosophy, University of Alberta, Edmonton. Berleant is philosophy (emeritus), Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus. now in Castine, Maine.
- --Castree, N., "Environmental issues: signals in the noise?," <u>Progress in Human Geography</u> 28(no.1, 1 February 2004):79-90(12).
- --Chapman, Audrey R., "The Greening of Science, Theology, and Ethics." Pages 211-227 in Ted Peters, ed., Science and Theology: The New Consonance (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1998). Chapman is with the Program on Dialogue on Science, Ethics, and Religion, American Association for the Advancement of Science.
- --Chase, J.M.; Leibold, M.A., "Ecological Niches: Linking Classical and Contemporary Approaches," <u>Biodiversity and Conservation</u> 13(no.9, August 2004):1791-1793(3).
- --Clark, Brad, "Agenda Setting and Issue Dynamics: Dam Breaching on the Lower Snake River," <u>Society and Natural Resources</u> 17(no.7, August 2004):599-609(11).
- --Cohen, W.B., "Integrating Remote Sensing and Ecology," BioScience 54(no.6, 1 June 2004):483-483(1).
- --Cohen, W.B.; Goward, S.N., "Landsats Role in Ecological Applications of Remote Sensing," <u>BioScience</u> 54(no.6, 1 June 2004):535-545(11).
- --Corkeron, PJ, "Whale Watching, Iconography, and Marine Conservation," <u>Conservation Biology</u> 18(no.3, 2004):847-849.
- --Davis, SK, "Review of: Silver Fox of the Rockies By Daniel Tyler," <u>Natural Resources Journal</u> 43(no.4, 2003):1287-1290.
- --Dean, Cornelia, "Red-Footed Falcon Makes its Western Hemisphere Debut," New York Times, August 12, 2004. Birders from all over are hastening to Martha's Vineyard to see the first ever Red-footed Falcon in this hemisphere. It belongs in Russia and Africa.
- --DePalma, Anthony, "Do Fish Have Water Rights?" New York Times, June 25, 2004, p. A22. On the Delaware River, efforts to keep trout in the river (which requires cool water) conflict with a thirsty New York City. The city has reservoirs upstream and if the level of the river drops too low, and the water heats up, the City has to release water to keep the fish cool, water which a thirsty New York needs. New York also has to keep a minimum flow so that Philadelphia and Trenton can have their share of the Delaware.
- --Dinar, S; Dinar, A, "Recent Developments in the Literature on Conflict Negotiation and Cooperation over Shared International Fresh Waters," <u>Natural Resources Journal</u> 43(no.4, 2003):1217-1286.
- --Domosh M.; Duncan N.; Rose G., "Rose, G. 1993: Feminism and geography: the limits of geographical knowledge," <u>Progress in Human Geography</u> 28(no.3, 1 June 2004):363-368(6).
- --Donnelly, R; Marzluff, Jm, "Importance of Reserve Size and Landscape Context to Urban Bird Conservation," Conservation Biology 18(no.3, 2004):733-745.
- --Draper, AE, "Conservation Easements: Now More Than Ever-Overcoming Obstacles to Protect Private Lands," Environmental Law 34(no.1, 2004):247-282.
- --Drew, Christopher, and Richard A. Oppel, Jr., "Friends in the White House Come to Coal's Aid," New York Times, August 9, 2004, A 1, A11. Mountaintop mining, with reduced safety proposals are now being proposed

- by David Lauriski. When he first proposed the changes he was top executive of a Utah mining company, and his proposals got nowhere because of objections by union officials and safety experts. But now the proposals are again being made by David Lauriski, himself head of the Mine Safety and Health Administration.
- --Dybas, Cheryl Lyn, "Invasive Species: The Search for Solutions The Search for Solutions," <u>BioScience</u> 54(no.7, 1 July 2004):615-621(7).
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OBITUARY

John Passmore (1914-2004) died in July 2004, a few months before his 90th birthday. In his seminal book *Man's Responsibility for Nature* (1974) Passmore argued that there is urgent need to change our attitude to the environment, and that humans cannot continue as predators on the biosphere. However he rejected the view that we need to abandon the Western tradition of scientific rationalism, and was unsympathetic towards attempts to articulate environmental concern through radical revisions of our ethical framework, which he conceived as misguided mysticism or irrationalism. Passmore's unequivocal anthropocentrism made him a reference point in the discourse of environmental ethics and many treatises in field begin with (or include) a refutation of his views. Passmore's skepticism about attempts to attribute intrinsic value to nature, and his preferred position of valuing nature in terms of what it contributes to the flourishing of sentient creatures (including humans), is perhaps not as unfashionable now as it was 20 years ago.

Passmore was as much a historian of ideas as a philosopher and his scholarship always paid careful attention to the complex historical context of philosophical problems. He published about twenty books, many of which have been translated. Passmore will be remembered as a thinker who helped to shape public debate and who helped to open up domains of applied philosophy and the history of ideas to the wider world. A full obituary of Passmore can be found at http://philrsss.anu.edu.au/about/profiles/Passmore/. (thanks to Bill Grey)

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