

and Bordering Areas. This is a book that uniquely bridges the philosophical divide between Anglo-American and Continental thought.

There is also a review of Volume 10 of *The Collected Papers of Bertrand Russell*. This volume was edited by John Slater and Peter Köllner.

From the world of cinema and television, we have a video review from Cliff Henke, the fourth in a series about films dealing with Russell and his circle of friends. This time Cliff looks at a recent BBC production about D.H. Lawrence. Entitled "Coming Through," this production examines Lawrence's infamous courtship of Frieda von Richthofen Weekley. It stars Kenneth Branagh and Helen Mirren. In the next issue, Cliff will turn to the video documentary, "The First World War and the Shaping of the Twentieth Century." Cliff's work has been an important edition to the *Quarterly*. I invite additional reviews of videos or books by Society Members, particularly of Russell's own work.

In the BRS, you are asked to do more than read; you are also invited to interact. If you haven't done so, please examine, fill out, and return three essential items for the Society. The first is our membership profile. You have surely noticed the inclusion of these profiles in the last two issues of the *Quarterly*. They are an important way that we learn about each other, sharing our interest in Russell. Have you sent one? Please take a moment and fill out the profile. Then mail it to me. The second item is the membership renewal form. We need you to renew immediately, sending in your personal information and membership fees. Your support allows the Society to continue to promote the work and views of Russell worldwide, pays for the *Quarterly*, partially funds *Russell: the Journal of the Bertrand Russell Archives* (edited by Ken Blackwell), finances the Russell Book Award and the Russell Paper Prize, and supports the annual meeting. Thank you for your support. And if you can, please give a bit extra to help secure the financial basis of the Society. The third item is your voting ballot for the Board of Directors. In the last issue of the *Quarterly* there was a call for nominations. Unfortunately, because I produced the *Quarterly* behind schedule, the nominations should have been suggested in the previous issue to that, and the ballot in the last issue. I am completely to blame for the tardiness of these materials. But we can catch up quickly if you will take a moment, fill out the ballot, and mail it to the chairman of the board of directors, Michael Rockler. His address is on the form.

I hope you enjoy this issue of the *Quarterly*. Thanks again to my assistant editors, Bob Barnard and Katie Kendig.



FROM THE PRESIDENT
THE 1998 ANNUAL MEETING:
"NEW DIRECTIONS IN RUSSELL STUDIES"
JOHN LENZ
DREW UNIVERSITY

Believe it or not, the 1998 meeting will be the 25th annual meeting of the BRS. As announced in the last *Quarterly*, we have been busy making plans for a great meeting. We think we have put together a solid, informative, and enjoyable program. We even have a full multi-media program. We believe it will be as good as, or better than, the meeting two years ago, which the editor of *Russell: the Journal of the Bertrand Russell Archives* called "the most intellectually stimulating BRS conference this member can recall attending." In addition to our scheduled speakers and workshops, we also have important business to conduct, such as the election of new officers and much discussion about the future direction of the Society. One challenge is how the BRS can work together with the large worldwide group of people who engage in learned and stimulating discussion of Russell via the Internet mailing list, *Russell-L*. The annual meeting is the one time that all those who love Russell, for our various and different reasons, come together to share ideas. We are also looking forward to meeting new members, members from the South who may not regularly attend the annual meeting, and philosophers and humanists from Florida. The St. Petersburg area is the home of, among others, longtime Russell activists Jan and Lee Eisler, respectively our current BRS Vice President and Vice President Emeritus.

The theme of the program calls attention to the revival of Russell studies in recent years. New criticisms of Russell have appeared in recent works, such as Ray Monk's biography and Philip Ironside's intellectual biography. New perspectives on Russell continue to enrich our understanding of his work and his place in the history of thought. At the annual meeting we will acknowledge this trend with provocative papers in several key areas of Russell studies, including biography, philosophy, humanism, religion, and education.

The Annual Meeting of the BRS will be held on the weekend of June 19-21, 1998, at the Ethics Center of the University of South Florida in St. Petersburg. The address is 100 5th Avenue South, St. Petersburg. Please note: there is also an Ethics Center at the University of South Florida's Tampa Campus. We are at the St. Petersburg campus. Please don't get confused -- come to St. Petersburg. The program will begin on Friday evening, June 19th and end early in the afternoon on Sunday, June 21st. Much of the planning work has been done by Jan Eisler and by Mitchell Haney, a postdoctoral fellow who teaches at USF.

The St. Petersburg area is served by Tampa/St. Pete Airport. The airport at

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Clearwater is also an option. There is a limo service at Tampa/St. Pete that is available for \$12.00, dropping people off at downtown hotels or other destinations. It is quite frequent and highly recommended. The Hilton and some other hotels have a shuttle service.

Those attending the meeting have the choice of staying in several excellent hotels in the area, such as the Hilton (813-894-5000) across the street from the Ethics Center (at \$75 a night) or the Heritage Holiday Inn (at \$58 a night). The latter is highly recommended, only about a fifteen minute walk from the Center, or a five minute cab ride. The Heritage Holiday Inn is at 800-283-7829. However, it does not have a shuttle service from the airport. We have reserved a block of rooms at the Heritage Holiday Inn. The special rate may be obtained there by asking for the "USF/Ethics Center/ Russell Conference rate" from June 19-21. Other hotels in the area include the McCarthy Hotel (813-822-4141), the Four Seasons (813-894-7411), the Bayboro Inn (813-823-0498), the Imperial Inn (813-821-2281), the Beach Park Motor Inn (813-898-6325), the Madison House Bed and Breakfast (813-821-9391), and the Hotel Pennsylvania (813-822-4045). Except for the Imperial Inn, these hotels are less than a half mile from the Ethics Center. The Imperial is one mile away.

Again, the Heritage Holiday Inn does not have a hotel shuttle. You should take the limo service at the airport, a cab, or arrange for an airport pickup through either myself or John Shosky (703-660-9279). We will have a couple of cars down there, so an advance arrangement for airport pickup by one of the BRS members is quite possible and recommended for anyone who wants to forego a cab. But make your pick-up arrangements well in advance, so everyone can be accommodated.

Routledge has again offered to furnish a book display with discounted prices for those attending the BRS annual meeting.

There is a lot to do in St. Petersburg. I recommend the Salvador Dali Museum (very close by), the Sea Bird Sanctuary, or Busch Gardens. The beach is also very close to the Ethics Center.

Please register ASAP, using the enclosed form.

For more information, please contact me at jlenz@drew.edu or by calling 973-765-0776. I look forward to seeing you there.



**"NEW DIRECTIONS IN RUSSELL STUDIES"
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM
JUNE 19-21, 1998
ETHICS CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA**

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1998

- 4:00 - 5:30 Registration
- 5:30 - 7:00 Dinner (on your own)
- 7:00 - 7:30 Welcoming Remarks, Award of the 1998 Bertrand Russell Society Book Award, and the 1998 Bertrand Russell Society Award
- 7:30 - 8:00 Jan Loeb Eisler (BRS VP): "Humanism in Florida and Around the World"
- 8:00 - 8:30 Alan Schwerin (Monmouth College): "Russell and Critical Thinking"

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 1998

- 8:00 - 9:00 Registration
- 9:00 - 9:30 Tim Madigan (*Free Inquiry*): "W.K. Clifford and the Ethics of Belief"
- 9:30 - 9:45 Coffee
- 9:45 - 11:15 Audio Tape (with transcript) of Russell's Debate with Father Frederick Copleston on "The Existence of God"
- 11:15 - 11:30 Break
- 11:30 - 12:00 Stefan Anderson (Lund, Sweden): "Bertrand Russell's Personal Religion"
- 12:00 - 1:30 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:30 - 2:00 H. James Birx (Canisius College): "Russell and Cosmology"
- 2:00 - 2:30 Robert Barnard (University of Memphis): "Russell's Flirtation with Phenomenology"
- 2:30 - 2:45 Break
- 2:45 - 3:15 John Shosky (Charles University): "How Russell Taught Symbolic Logic"
- 3:15 - 4:00 Michael Rockler (National-Louis University and BRS Chairman) and James Alouf (Sweet Briar College): Workshop on Russell's Essay "Freedom v. Authority in Education"
- 4:00 - 6:00 Free Time
- 6:00 - 7:00 Red Hackle Hour in Ethics Center
- 7:00 - 9:30 Banquet and viewing of new BBC

documentary about Russell's life (not as yet seen in the United States)

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 1998

- 8:00 - 9:00 Registration
9:00 - 9:30 John Lenz (Drew University): "Bertrand Russell as a Utopian Thinker"
9:30 - 9:45 Break
9:45 - 10:15 Trevor Banks (Ottawa, Canada): "The Dogmatism of a Rationalist: Some Thoughts on Bertrand Russell's Tendency to Overgeneralize"
10:15 - 11:15 Panel Discussion on Ray Monk's *Bertrand Russell: The Spirit of Solitude*. Invited panclists include Ken Blackwell (McMaster University), Nick Griffin (McMaster University), Mitchell Haney (University of South Florida), and John Shosky (Charles University)
11:15 - 12:30 Business Meeting of the Bertrand Russell Society and Meeting of the Board of Directors
12:30 Closing

REGISTER NOW!

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**100 5TH AVENUE SOUTH
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA 33701**

To Register: Simply fill in the registration form below and mail it back to John Lenz. Please also include \$75 per person for coffee and snacks, the Red Hackle Hour, the Saturday night banquet, and conference fees and materials.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone or e-mail: _____

Please make check payable to John Lenz. Please send registration form to **John Lenz, BRS President, 38B Loantaka Way, Madison, New Jersey 07940, U.S.A.** Thank you.