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<http://www.sjsu.edu/philosophy/> For the archives of the old newsletters look at Quick Links on the first page and click on “events and newsletters.” There was no issue for 2015 or 2018.

## Obituary

**Amnon Goldworth**, born July 11, 1927 passed away August 28, 2017. As a young man Amnon was a professional violinist. He completed his dissertation *The Utilitarianism of Jeremy Bentham as a Social Decision Method* at Stanford University in 1960. Twenty five additional publications are listed in the online site *Philosophy Papers* <https://philpapers.org/s/Amnon%20Goldworth>. His most cited paper there is “The Meaning of Bentham’s Greatest Happiness Principle,” *Journal of the History of Philosophy* (1969).

Amnon taught at San Jose State between the 1960s and the 1990s. (We are unable to get accurate information about this.) After he retired he went on to work at Stanford as Adjunct Clinical Professor, Pediatrics - Neonatal and Developmental Medicine, eventually becoming Emeritus there. Amnon’s most important

contributions to philosophy were in medical ethics and Bentham studies.

He co-edited *Ethics and Perinatology* (Oxford U. Press, 1995) with William Silverman, David K. Stevenson, Ernlé W. D. Young, and Rodney Rivers. He also co-edited *Ethical Dilemmas in Pediatrics: Cases and Commentaries* with Lorry R. Frankel, Mary V. Rorty, and William A. Silverman (Cambridge U. Press, 2005). In 1983 Amnon published *The Collected Works of Jeremy Bentham: Deontology Together with the Springs of Action and the Article of Utilitarianism*, (Oxford University Press), which represented the culmination of his efforts to edit and transliterate the collected works of Bentham into a single volume.

One of Amnon’s most important legacies is the Amnon Goldworth Research Collection at the San Jose State MLK Library. The library site for this says: “The Amnon Goldworth Research Collection represents the research conducted by SJSU Philosophy Professor Amnon Goldworth to produce a single manuscript of the major philosophical works of British philosopher Jeremy Bentham (1748-1832). This collection consists of photocopies from Bentham’s papers, held by the University College in London, as well as Professor Goldworth’s research and editorial notes.” In January 2011, a “Guide to the Amnon Goldworth Research Collection” was published by the San Jose State University library. The collection is open to research and is in the SJSU Special Collections &

Archives.

<https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt3489s149/>

Joe Waterhouse (emeritus) writes: “Amnon was one of the first people welcoming me to SJSU. [I believe it was SJSC then] He was friendly and indulged my difficulties transitioning from grad student to professor. As time went on he continued to be a friend and mentor. We were office mates [233, I think] for many years.” Tom Leddy, who had Amnon as his first office mate at SJSU in the 1980s, writes that “Amnon was a genial colleague always ready with good advice.” Bill Shaw writes that “Amnon... was a good guy, with both musical and scholarly talents. I used to share an office with him, and liked him a lot.” In 2015 Amnon donated several boxes of books to the Department of Philosophy and several members coordinated to pick them up from his home in Palo Alto.

Amnon was predeceased by his wife Mary Nicholson Goldworth, a psychologist who was also originator of the oral history project of The Center for Modern Greek Studies, College of Liberal and Creative Arts, San Francisco State University. Amnon and Mary were both contributors to The California Music Center.

## **Carlos Sánchez: 2018 President’s Scholar**

Prof. Sanchez was made President’s Scholar. A write-up by Julia Halpern Jackson is found on the University blog at

<http://blogs.sjsu.edu/wsq/2017/10/04/carlos-sanchez-2018-presidents-scholar/> and also appeared in Washington Square Magazine.

Prof. Sanchez is an alumnus, having received his MA in Philosophy from SJSU in 2000. Those of us who were around then remember him as an enthusiastic and promising young man willing to

engage in long office-hour discussions. We are very fortunate to have him on the faculty.

**Jordan Liz** is our newest Assistant Professor, beginning in Fall 2018. Jordan specializes in Philosophy of Race, Philosophy of Medicine, and Biomedical Ethics. His PhD (2017) is from the University of Memphis. His dissertation title was *The Nature of Difference in the Genomics Age: An Archaeology of Racial-Medical Knowledge* “‘The Fixity of Whiteness’: Genetic Admixture and the Legacy of the One Drop Rule” in *Critical Philosophy of Race* 6:2 (2018), pp. 239-261 and “Abstraction and the Method of Genealogy.” In *Southern Journal of Philosophy* (Spindel Supplement) 55:S1 (2017), pp. 98-102. He has published two encyclopedia entries: “Racial Formation.” and “Genetics” in *Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of Social Theory*, edited Bryan S. Turner, Wiley Blackwell: 2017.

## **Two Philosophical Poems**

### **Gilles Deleuze**

Peter Hadreas  
October, 2018

Of philosophers from A to Z  
One should pause and regroup at the letter D.  
For even more inventive metaphysically than  
Whitehead was  
Is the French philosopher Gilles *Deleuze*.

He’s a primo travel and adventure guide  
To Humeland, to Proustville and to  
Kantianside,  
And for just twenty or thirty dollars more  
You can journey to Nietzscheberg and to  
Bergsonapore.

And, if you want to travel fully *de luxe*  
Follow him to Leibniziana for a few more  
bucks.  
There a fantasmagoric windowless house he’ll  
unfold  
Through fealty to Leibniz’s mathematical feats  
retold.

Ah Deleuze, Deleuze your work is colossal!  
You've argued that one and one is two is a fossil.  
It's a human leftover that should be extinct,  
Hopelessly too simplified, too stupefied, and too indistinct.

And this little ditty is only worth the trouble  
If some difference it makes in our miniscule bubble.  
For you, we are no more than myopic crisscrossings,  
Chaotic interdigitations of twistings and tossings.

The next one is by John Urban [see alumni notes at the end of this newsletter for information on John]

### **Four Thoughts On Thinking**

by John Urban from his book *Dusty Days*  
Felton: River Sanctuary, 2018.

To think is to plow

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Logic is necessary for Reason,  
But not sufficient.

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Reason is creative, but few think.

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Reason runs everywhere.

## **Department Prizes**

**For 2016-17**

### **The Herman Shapiro Memorial Scholarship went to**

Bhardvaj Patel

### **The Temple Prize for Outstanding Paper went to**

Duncan Keller

### **The Lydia A. and George V. Pinto Scholarship (for commitment to Social Justice, Service to Community, and Love of Philosophy) went to**

Vladimir Salcedo Nateras

### **The Manor Prize for Outstanding Logic Student went to**

Bryan Nocera

### **The Arthur Ordaz Award went to**

Keith Burnett, Daniel Guzman, Sal  
Curcio and Omar Alattas

for 2017-18

**The Herman Shapiro Memorial  
Scholarship went to**

Adam Long

**The Temple Prize for Outstanding  
Paper went to**

Hannah Southerland

**The Lydia A. and George V. Pinto  
Scholarship (for commitment to Social  
Justice, Service to Community, and  
Love of Philosophy) went to**

John Hermann

**The Manor Prize for Outstanding  
Logic Student went to**

Elena Korjavina and Cuc Phan

**The Arthur Ordaz Award went to**

Katherine Krause, Ryan Steburg and  
Daniel Taborga

**The Rick Tieszen Memorial  
Scholarship**

Mark Stratton

**Famous Philosophical Saying:  
“What Goes Around Comes  
Around.”** If you received an award  
from the Philosophy Department  
when you were a student here,  
perhaps it is time to “pass it on,” as  
another saying has it.

**Different prizes have different  
addresses:**

> Temple Prize  
> Herman Shapiro Scholarship  
> George V & Lydia Pinto Scholarship  
Mail personal checks, cashier's checks, or money  
orders to the Financial Aid and Scholarship  
Office, Attn: Scholarship Coordinator, One  
Washington Square, San Jose, CA 95192-0036.  
Make checks payable to San Jose State  
University or simply, SJSU.

> Ruth Manor Award  
> Arthur Ordaz Award  
Mail personal checks, cashier's checks or money  
orders to Tower Foundation - San Jose State  
University, One Washington Square, San Jose,  
CA 95192-0256  
Make checks payable to the [Tower Foundation  
of San Jose State University](#)

**Daniel Susser Leaves for Penn  
State.**

Our colleague Prof. Daniel Susser has been  
appointed Assistant Professor in the College of  
Information Sciences and Technology and  
Research Associate at the Rock Ethics Institute  
at the Pennsylvania State University, a joint  
position which he will start in August. Good  
luck and bon voyage Daniel!

**16<sup>th</sup> Annual Philosophy  
Department Alumni Conference**  
Saturday, May 5, 2018



**Socrates and Diotima. Bronze relief from Pompeii, first century B.C. Naples, Museo Nazionale. From *The Mask of Socrates*, by Paul Zanker, UC Berkeley Press, 1996**  
Peter Hadreas, SJSU “Plato’s *Timaeus* 35A-39E and Projective Geometry,” Elena Korjavina, Grad Student, Philosophy, SJSU “Films that Feature a Strong Female Lead: A Reflection on Persisting Cultural Values,” Dan Williamson, SJSU “Biopolitics and Business Ethics,” Paul Michael Whitfield, B.A., Philosophy and History, 2015 “On the Synthesis of Kantian Intuitions in Debates About Nonconceptual Content,” Paul, an MA Candidate with SFSU’s Department of Philosophy, is graduating this Spring. Donald J. Ciraulo, M.A., Philosophy, 1975 “Silicon Valley A Case of Nominal Occlusion.” Prof. Ciraulo was a student of Herman Shapiro’s and Arturo Fallico’s. He began teaching philosophy part-time at south bay community colleges in 1976, teaching at De Anza, Evergreen, and West Valley Colleges. He became a full time teacher at West Valley College in 1990 where he taught until his retirement in 2015. William Parkhurst, University of South Florida, M.A. SJSU, 2013 “Schopenhauer’s Sources on Mathematics and Logic,” Helen Christine, B.A. Philosophy SJSU, 2006 “Yoga as the Key to Happiness: An Examination using Western Philosophy and Modern Science,” Jason Greene, SJSU, M.A., 2016 “Iron Curtains and Glowing Screens.” This paper deals with increasing intolerance generated by social media.

This year we also had poster sessions. 1. Daniel Bohigian, Kinesiology SJSU, B.A. Philosophy,

SJSU, 2011, M.A. Philosophy, SJSU, 2014 “Artistic Interpretations of the “In Game” Occurrence of NFL Protests,” Janet Stemwedel, SJSU “The Moral Imperatives of #MeToo,” Tom Leddy, SJSU “Diotima’s Theory of Love.”

## Upcoming Local Conferences and Events

### Philosophy Talks at Stanford

**Feb 1 Colloquium: David Enoch**  
3:30PM | BUILDING 90, ROOM 92Q,  
False Consciousness for Liberals, Part I:  
Consent, Autonomy, and Adaptive  
Preferences

**Feb 7 Should You Lie to a Person with  
Dementia? 7:00PM | CUBBERLEY  
AUDITORIUM,**  
Should you be honest to the person about  
painful truths — their parents are dead, they  
will never leave this nursing home — or  
should you lie to keep...

**Feb, 8 Adam Crager Colloquium**  
3:30PM | BUILDING 90, ROOM 92Q, MAP

**Mar. 1 Jane Friedman Colloquium**  
3:30PM | BUILDING 90, ROOM 92Q, MAP

See <https://philosophy.stanford.edu/>  
For other events at Stanford.

## American Philosophical Association

### 2019 Pacific Division Meeting

Will be 4/17/2019 » 4/20/2019

In Vancouver, British Columbia.

<https://www.apaonline.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=800535&group=>

## American Society for Aesthetics, Pacific Division Spring 2019, Berkeley, CA

Mar 22 at 9 AM – Mar 23 at 6 PM

Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave, Berkeley,  
California 94704

Please email the meeting organizers, Anthony Cross and Shelby Moser, at [asapacific2019@gmail.com](mailto:asapacific2019@gmail.com) if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to comment on a paper or chair a session.

**Special Rates for Students.** Registration for the full conference for all students is at the nominal fee of \$15. Society members actually charge themselves more in order to defray expenses associated with allowing students to attend at such a low cost. Simply go to the ASA web site <http://aesthetics-online.org/> to register online.

In the past, several SJSU students have attended sessions, one even giving a paper. Please contact Prof. Leddy [Thomas.leddy@sjsu.edu](mailto:Thomas.leddy@sjsu.edu) for more information.

## Student Accomplishments

**Baltazar Lopez** when working for The County of Santa Clara, was instrumental in securing \$10 million for public art projects and an additional \$650,000 per year for Silicon Valley Creates (<https://www.svcreates.org/>), for them to distribute as grants. Baltazar has sought to use ideas learned in the Seminar on Aesthetics to public arts issues. He also reports that he “just started a new job with Congresswoman Anna Eshoo’s district office in Palo Alto. He hopes he can continue applying philosophy in the real world and with the great professors SJSU has to offer, I think we can.”

## ETHICS BOWL

Michael Jordan reports: “This year we took two teams (11 students) to San Diego to compete in the CA IEB regional competition. Both teams did well but neither team qualified for Nationals. Although we did not qualify, we took ten students to Chicago to watch the IEB national Championships. Not only did the students watch each match, they also participated in the running of the bowl by acting as runners in between rounds. Kyle Yrigoyen and I both judged the

event and I was given the honor of judging the final round. Santa Clara University won the event.

I am currently on the steering committee for the Bioethics Bowl and we are working on moving the event back to a state where CA can participate. Currently Alabama is supposed to host again next year, but I hope this will change [as this state is among those that is being officially boycotted by the CSU system for reasons of discrimination against the LGTB community.]

I will be judging the High school invitational ethics bowl in May and the SJSU EB team will help coach and mentor a local high school team next fall. My students are excited about this and it is great outreach to the local high schools.

Next year the CA regional event will be held at Santa Clara University and the National IEB will be held in Baltimore.

I am also working with a number of other coaches to organize and run a possible event that would be for the teams that do not qualify for nationals. I am trying to find ways to expand the number of events so students can have more debating experience.” Michael hopes that SJSU can host a debate event next Spring.

## Santa Clara University Conference Feb. 9, 2019

Aesthetics, Art, and Life  
8:30am - 5:00pm  
Williman Room, Benson Memorial Center

To reserve a place at the conference contact:  
Janis Davis  
408-554-4093  
[jldavis@scu.edu](mailto:jldavis@scu.edu)

2019 Austin J. Fagothey, S.J. Philosophy  
Conference  
Schedule:  
8:30 - 9:00 Registration  
9:00 - 10:15 Gregg Horowitz (Pratt  
Institute)  
The Aesthetics of Hoarding  
10:15 - 10:30 Break

10:30 - 11:45 Sondra Bacharach (Victoria University of Wellington)  
 Finding Your Voice in the Streets: Street Art and Epistemic Justice  
 11:45 - 1:00 Break for Lunch  
 1:00 - 2:15 Shen-yi Liao (University of Puget Sound)  
 Bittersweet Food  
 2:15 - 2:30 Break  
 2:30 - 3:45 Julianne Chung (University of Louisville)  
 Exemplars, Personal Ideals, and the Epistemic Value of Art  
 3:45 - 5:00 Panel Discussion with Q&A  
 Co-sponsored by the SCU Department of Art & Art History.

\$20 (includes refreshments/coffee)  
 Students with valid ID: Free  
 SCU Students, Faculty and Staff: Free

## Center for Comparative Philosophy

<http://www.sjsu.edu/centercomp/hil/>

The Center Co-Sponsors the journal:

**COMPARATIVE PHILOSOPHY An International Journal of Constructive Engagement of Distinct Approaches toward World Philosophy**

<http://scholarworks.sjsu.edu/comparativephilosophy/>

Prof. Bo Mou who edits the journal has announced a SPECIAL ISSUE CELEBRATING THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY. In addition to his introductory editorial notes there are the following articles: Fred Dallmayr “Apophatic Community: Yannaras on Relational Being,” Minglai Dong, “Correcting Things as Correcting Feelings: A Phenomenological Study of Wang Yang-ming’s Doctrine of *Ge-wu*,” Paul Dottin, “Sino-African Philosophy: A Re-Constructive Engagement,” Adrian Kreutz, “Recapture, Transparency, Negation and a Logic for the *Catuṣkoṭi*,” Joshua Stoll, “Inference, Perception, and

Recognition: Kaśmīr Śaivism and the Problem of Other Minds.”

A second part of the issue includes three constructive engagement dialogues.

CONSTRUCTIVE-ENGAGEMENT DIALOGUE (1)  
 HONGLADAROM, Soraj / How to Understand the Identity of an Object of Study in Comparative Philosophy

SUN, Wei / Pragmatic Approach or Constructive-Engagement Strategy? —A Methodology in Comparing Chinese and Western Philosophy  
 MOU, Bo / A Further Look at Explanatory Potency of Constructive Engagement Strategy: Replies to Hongladarom and Sun

CONSTRUCTIVE-ENGAGEMENT DIALOGUE (2)  
 PEREDA, Carlos / On Mexican Philosophy, For Example  
 VARGAS, Manuel / Disagreement and Convergence on the Case of Latin American Philosophy, For Example: Replies to Carlos Pereda and Robert Sanchez

CONSTRUCTIVE-ENGAGEMENT DIALOGUE (3)  
 MONTEMAYOR, Carlos & FAIRWEATHER, Abrol / Review of *Attention, Not Self* by Jonardon Ganeri

GANERI, Jonardon / Reply to Montemayor & Fairweather

## FACULTY NEWS

### Peter Hadreas

Semi-retired, I have the leisure to study philosophers whose books I had otherwise barely cracked. So recently I have read a great deal of the writings of Emmanuel Levinas and Gilles Deleuze. I was invited to read a paper I wrote titled “Levinas and Causality with a look toward Plotinus” at a conference held at Seattle University, November 9-11. Unfortunately the number of people who are studied both in Levinas and Plotinus are few and as far as I could

tell and none of them were in Seattle at the time. Hopefully having nothing to do with that demographic fact, I remain convinced that my thesis is a worthy one and would make a serious contribution not only to Levinasian scholarship but to fairly longstanding lacunae in theories of causality as applied to philosophy of mind. I have also asked Tom to append to this newsletter some verse about Deleuze.

## Tom Leddy

I have had the good fortune to have been able to teach some pretty exciting classes recently: Philosophy 106 with a special emphasis on world aesthetics, Phil 107 Philosophy of Film, Phil 292 Aesthetics with a focus on Dewey and also on Saito's Everyday Aesthetics, and finally Phil 290 a seminar on Plato with emphasis on Beauty, Love, Art and Creativity. Since the last newsletter I published "A Dialectical Approach to Berleant's Concept of Engagement" *Espes* 6 (2):72-78 (2017). I have a long book review dealing with contemporary aesthetics and also an article on Dewey and studio arts coming out in the *Journal of Aesthetic Education*. Three papers I gave were one for a conference at University of Pennsylvania: "Making and Materiality: Studio Arts in a Liberal Arts Education: A Visual Studies Workshop." Sept. 17, 2018. The conference was titled. "Dewey: The Liberal Arts and the Visual Arts." I also gave "The Dilemma of Everyday Aesthetics Resolved in a Pluralist Way." at the American Society for Aesthetics, Pacific Division, Asilomar, 2017, April 5. In the Spring, 2018 I gave a paper at Asilomar ASA on Richard Eldridge, Romanticism and Herzog. In the Fall of 2017 I organized a panel in New Orleans on art and ritual and gave a paper on that topic.

This semester I am on sabbatical working on my second book, this one on Dewey and Aesthetics.

## George Pinto

**George takes Applied Philosophy very seriously, spending his spare time in areas of public concern and justice. He is currently on the Board of the Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa-USA and works closely with 2011 Nobel Peace Prize winner Leymah Gbowee to "unlock the wisdom of girls and inspire a new generation of girls to be global leaders, peace builders, and community advocates" (the mission of the foundation). George also**

**supports his friend, 2014 Nobel Peace Prize winner, Kailash Satyarthi, in his fight against child slavery, child labor, children sex trafficking and other injustices against children. In March 2018, George was invited by the Prince of Jordan and attended a Children's rights conference which hosted 10 Nobel Peace Prize winners and global supporters. This summer George intends to attend the Lindau (Germany) Nobel Laureate meeting of approximately 30 Nobel Prize winners in Physics and Chemistry along with 500-600 young scientists from around the world. George supports one of the aims of the conference which is to foster, mentor, and encourage women in Science.**

**In 2018, George worked with three other SJSU Lecturers to start the SJSU Chapter of the California Faculty Association for Lecturers to work on issues Lecturers face on campus. The Council promotes Lecturers' rights and offers an opportunity for Lecturers to share both experiences and best practices. George continues to volunteer with Goa Sudharop, a non-profit he co-founded in 2000. Recently he visited remote villages in India to further the rights of women and empower them (economic independence) by obtaining paid work. The non-profit is also working on encouraging girls (ages 10-11) consider STEM subjects in college and in 2018, the non-profit held workshops in Oakland and in Goa (India). George is a Board member of the Joseph Naik Vaz Institute based in California, which among other aims, work on issues of justice in a religious context.**

## Carlos Sánchez

See the announcement of President's Scholar on page 1. Carlos co-edited with Robert Eli Sanchez, Jr. *Mexican Philosophy in the 20th Century: Essential Readings* (Oxford New Histories of Philosophy, Oxford U. Press, 2017)

## Janet Stemwedel

appeared in Episode 43 – of Sci Phi Podcast  
"Nick chats with Janet Stemwedel, Professor and Chair in Philosophy at San Jose State University, about how within two weeks of defending her dissertation in physical chemistry at Stanford she realized that the questions that really kept her up at night were philosophical questions about science rather than scientific questions, why

scientific knowledge-building needs ethics, the transmission of "best practices" in the community of science, how engaging in several online academic communities through blog writing and Twitter has helped her philosophical work, and her decision to speak out about sexual assault within the #MeToo Movement."

## Anand Vaidya

published (2017) "Bimal Krishna Matilal and the enduring significance of the constructive engagement between contemporary analytic and classical Indian philosophy." *American Philosophical Association Newsletters: Asian and Asian American Philosophers and Philosophies*, 17(1), 28. "Review of: Comparative philosophy without borders." *Philosophy East and West*, 67(3), (2017) 922-932, and "Modal knowledge: Beyond rationalism and empiricism," *Springer International Publishing*.

## EMERITUS NEWS

**Phil Davis** will publish his book *The Logic of Obligation, Choice and Action* on Feb. 28, Austin McCauley.

## Alumni News

The editor is eager to publish materials about alumni: please send to [Thomas.leddy@sjsu.edu](mailto:Thomas.leddy@sjsu.edu) or Tom Leddy, Department of Philosophy,

Are you an alum interested in work outside of academia? Here is a useful website: Phil Skills  
<http://www.philskills.com/resources>

**Jesús H. Ramírez** (M.A.) is a PhD Student at University of South Florida and is an instructor there, at Hillsborough Community College, and University of South Florida.

**Brian T. Prosser** (M.A.) is a Subject Matter Expert and Content Developer in Critical Thinking & Philosophy Ponte Vedra, Florida Higher Education and a (Contractor) for Lumina Datamatics/Cengage Learning/Aplia, Inc.

**William Parkhurst** is a PhD candidate University of South Florida.

**Rocio Alvarez** is in the Philosophy Department working on her PhD at Texas A&M.

**Timothy Blackwood** although not an alumnus deserves recognition as a Volunteer Ethics Bowl debate coach for our teams since 2010. Timothy has a J.D. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1972. Master's degree, History and Philosophy of Science Indiana University Bloomington, 1967.

**James Gray (M.A., 2008)** has, since 2014, been a Card Game Designer & Publisher, Recoculus. James received a second M.A. from U. C. Santa Cruz in 2016.

## Maribeth Hendrickson

(B.A. 1967, MA 1969) Ph.D., Philosophy Stanford University in 1978 and a J.D., Law, University of California, Hastings College of the Law in 1981. She taught Philosophy at Foothill College Professor of Philosophy from 1874-2006 when she retired. She was also an Attorney. She currently provides assistance with writing, research, editing, college applications, presentations, academic papers.

**Alexandria Wilson (B.A. 2012)** is a Grant Writer & Program Manager Mayers Intermountain Healthcare Foundation since 2018.

**Nick Rotsko**, (BA in Phil and Econ, 2005; UT Law in 2010) made partner at Phillips Lytle, Buffalo NY.

**John Urban, (BA Physics, Minor in Philosophy, 1966, John was also in the MA program in the 1980s)** published a book of poems, many of them philosophical, titled *Dusty Days: Poems* (Felton CA, River Sanctuary: 2018). He previously published *Three Songs for Children: Poems* (Felton CA, River Sanctuary 2016), John Urban was born at Fort Jefferson, a.k.a. Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. He attended schools in Alaska, Wyoming, and California, graduating from San Jose State College, San Jose, California with a degree in Physics, minors in Philosophy and Creative Writing. He presently lives in San Jose. His Poems have been published in the *Common Ground Review, New Vision, Jet Fuel Review, The Mobius Strip, The Rolling Stone, Sound and Literary Art Book Issue 13 and The Broad River Review*. *Three Songs for Children* is his first collection of Poems. He considers his work to be in the Romantic Tradition of Emily Dickinson, Hart Crane and Wallace Stevens, but distinguishes it as Transcendental Romanticism. His interests and influences include Classical Metaphysics and Modern Spirituality.”

**Dale Andrade (M.A. 2011)**  
**Financial Institutions Group Risk and Control Consultant at Wells Fargo**  
**Fremont, California**