Dear Friends,

I look forward to our annual gathering in late August. It does not appear that our host, APSA, has assigned rooms but most of our panels will be in the Omni Shoreham with a couple in Marriott Wardman. We have a full program with an interesting mix of topics and panels. All of this is to your credit as it reflects the fascinating work you are engaged on. I thank you for your submissions and encourage you to support one another by attending as many of the sessions as you can. I will post the final version of the program on Voegelinview where our intrepid editor, Lee Trepanier, also welcomes your best work. As always, your continuing financial support of EVS, in contributions small or large, is always appreciated (for donations email nfuller@ericvoegelin.org). I remind you that APSA requires your registration in order to be listed on their program.

Thursday, August 29

8:00-9:30

Panel 1, Anti-Utopian Thought in International Relations
Chair: Greg Russell, grussell@ou.edu; University of Oklahoma

A Reevaluation of Scientific International Theories
Christopher Daniel Ruiz, christopher_ruiz@baylor.edu; Baylor University

Christian Realism, Pacifism, and the Beloved Community
Daniel G. Lang, lang@lynchburg.edu; Lynchburg College

Winston Churchill and the Crisis of Zionism
Marjorie Louise Jeffrey, Marjorie_Jeffrey@baylor.edu; Baylor University
Michael S. Kochin, kochin@post.tau.ac.il; Tel Aviv University
The Anti-Utopianism of Raymond Aron
Nathan Orlando, Nathan_Orlando@baylor.edu

Discussant: David Clinton, David_Clinton@baylor.edu; Baylor University

Panel 2, Grounding the Political

10:00-11:30

Chair: James Greenaway, jgreenaway@stmarytx.edu; St. Mary's University

Aristophanes, Freud, and the Politics of the Non-transcendent
Justin Brophy, cbrophy@nd.edu; University of Notre Dame

The Nation, Metaxy, and the Order of Being
James Greenaway, jgreenaway@stmarytx.edu; St. Mary's University

Lincoln’s Romantic Political Thought: Law, Political Religion, and Slavery
David M. Sollenberger, 54sollenberg@cua.edu; Catholic University of America

Philosophy of Consciousness as Philosophy of the Person
David Walsh, The Catholic University of America, walshd@cua.edu

Discussant: Steven McGuire, Villanova University, sfmcguire@gmail.com
Josh Bowman, bowmanjosh@hotmail.com, Heidelberg University

Panel 3, Russell Kirk: A Reevaluation of His Life and Work after his Centenary

12:00-1:30

Chair: Jeffrey Polet, Hope College, polet@hope.edu

Russell Kirk and the Literary Imagination
Gary L. Gregg, University of Louisville, ggregg@louisville.edu

Russell Kirk and Catholic Social Teaching
Richard M. Reinsch, Liberty Fund, reinsch@libertyfund.org

Russell Kirk and an Educated Public
Jeffrey Polet, Hope College, polet@hope.edu

Discussants: Gregory S. Butler, New Mexico State University, gbutler@nmsu.edu
Eric Schmidt, Louisiana State University, eschmidt47@gmail.com
Panel 4, Consciousness and Politics by Barry Cooper

2:00-3:30

Chair: John von Heyking

Participants:
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Henrik Syse, syse@prio.org, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
Sarah Beth V. Kitch, kitchsb@missouri.edu, University of Missouri
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Barry Cooper, University of Calgary, bcooper@ucalgary.ca

Panel 5, What is Political Theory? Methods, Schools, and Disciplines: Roundtable

4:00-5:30

Chair: Lee Trepanier, Saginaw Valley State University, ldtrepan@svsu.edu

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Jeremy J. Mhire, Louisiana Tech University, Jeremy.j.mhire@gmail.com

Friday, August 30

Panel 6, The Initial Reception of Eric Voegelin in Brazil

8:00-9:30

Chair: Eduardo Schmidt Passos, Texas State University, San Marcos, 69passos@cua.edu

Guerreiro Ramos as a Reader of Eric Voegelin: Postcolonial Theory and the Alternatives to Liberal Modernity
Christian E. Cyril Lynch, State University of Rio de Janeiro, clynch3@hotmail.com

Eric Voegelin and Mario Vieira de Mello’s Search for the Order of the Soul in Brazilian Culture.
Matim Vasques da Cunha, Fundação Getúlio Vargas FGV-SP, martim.vasques@gmail.com

Voegelin’s Reception in Brazilian Catholic Political Thinkers: History and the Political Community in the Redefinition of the Modern Brazilian Nation.
Gustavo Santos, Oficina Municipal, gadolfo1917@gmail.com

Discussants: Nathalia Henrich, The Catholic University of America, henrich@cua.edu
Gustavo Santos

Panel 7, Life as a Spiritual Journey
10:00-11:30

Chair: Jerry L. Martin, jerry.martin@verizon.net; University of Colorado at Boulder

Aspects of Evil
Abigail L. Rosenthal, alr.martin@verizon.net; Brooklyn College of The City University of New York

Avenues on the spiritual
Jerry L. Martin, jerry.martin@verizon.net; University of Colorado at Boulder

Altruism: The Renouncement of Self
Stephen Calogero, scalogero@stmarytx.edu; St. Mary's University

The Political Philosophy of Josef Pieper
Thomas E. Lordan, tomlordan@q.com; Independent scholar

Discussants: Macon Boczek
Olivia O’Donnell, State University of New York at Plattsburgh, odonnego@plattsburgh.edu

Panel 8, Pierre Manent’s Practical Natural Law and the Problem of Transcendence
12:00-1:30

Chair: Ralph C. Hancock, Brigham Young University. ralph_hancock@byu.edu

Manent’s Natural Law and the Revival of Liberal Democracy
Jenna Silber Storey, Furman University, jenna.storey@furman.edu

The Contribution of Montaigne to the Eclipse of Natural Law
Peter P. Seaton, St. Mary’s Seminary and University. seaton_paul2004@yahoo.com

Manent’s Renewal of Natural Law and Christian Conscience
Daniel J. Mahoney, Assumption College, dmahoney@assumption.edu

Manent’s Practical Natural Law and the Problem of Transcendence
Panel 9, The Political Theory of Slavery and Abolition

2:00-3:30

Chair: Gregory Collins, Yale University, gregory.collins@yale.edu

John Marshall, Slavery, and Anti-Nationalist Constitutional Decision-Making
Paul Finkelman, Gratz College, paul.finkelman@yahoo.com

Natural Right and Anti-Natural Right Arguments in Antebellum America
Alan Levine, American University, alevine@american.edu;
Daniel S. Malachuk, Western Illinois University-Quad Cities, ds-malachuk@wiu.edu

The Enlightenment Roots of American Anti-Abolitionism
Joshua Aaron Lynn, Eastern Kentucky University, josh1854@gmail.com

Lincoln, Majority Rule, and the ‘Ultimate Extinction of Slavery’
James H. Read, St. John’s University / College of St. Benedict, jread@csbsju.edu

Discussants: James R. Stoner, poston@lsu.edu; Louisiana State University
Robinson Woodward-Burns, Howard University, robinson.woodward@howard.edu

Panel 10, Literature, Persons and Modern Politics

4:00-5:30

Chair: David Sollenberger, The Catholic University of America, 54sollenberg@cua.edu

Eric Voegelin and Walker Percy: The Political Problem of “Post-Christian” Life,
Matalyn Vander Bleek, The Catholic University of America, vanderbleek@cua.edu

The Inward Turn of the Transcendentalists: Hawthorne’s Inscapes Into the Person
John McNerney, University College Dublin, john.mcnerney@ucd.ie

Karol Wojtyla and Vaclav Havel
Carly Jones, The Catholic University of America, 86jonesc@cua.edu
Deplorable Political Consciousness in Dostoevsky’s *Notes from the Underground*
Thomas Hutchinson, tff6@wildcats.unh.edu
Discussants: Carol Browning Cooper, University of Houston, carol.b.cooper@gmail.com
David Sollenberger

**Saturday, August 31**

**Panel 11, Liberal Politics and Liberal Education**

8:00-9:30

Chair: Dennis Coyle

Is a Moral Basis of Political Science Possible?
Robert M. Schaefer, rschaefer@westga.edu; University of West Georgia

Person and Common Good in Yves Simon
V. Bradley Lewis, lewisb@cua.edu; Catholic University of America

Those Were the Days: The Current Relevance of the Liberal/Communitarian Debate
Dennis J. Coyle, coyle@law.edu; Catholic University of America

Discussants: Graham Walker, Independent Institute, gwalker@indepent.org
Samuel Goldman, George Washington University, swgoldman@gwu.edu

**Panel 12, The Politics of Wit I**

10:00-11:30

Chair: Travis D. Smith, travis.smith@concordia.ca; Concordia University

Jesting with Giants: Rabelais on the Political Uses of Wit
Zak Black, University of Toronto, zak.black@mail.utoronto.ca

The Creating Person: God, Art and Action in the Work of Miguel de Unamuno
Enrique Pallares, Catholic University of America, 00pallares@cardinalmail.cua.edu

Discussants: Taylor Putnam, University of Toronto, taylor.putnam@mail.utoronto.ca
Panel 13, Integralism and the American Constitutional Tradition: Roundtable

12:00-1:30

Chair: James Patterson, Ave Maria University, james.patterson@avemaria.edu

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James R. Stoner, Louisiana State University, poston@lsu.edu
Gladden J. Pappin, University of Dallas, pappin@gmail.edu
V. Bradley Lewis, The Catholic University of America, lewisb@cua.edu
Jeffrey Polet, Hope College, polet@hope.edu

Panel 14, The Politics of Wit II

Marriott Wardman Park
Division 1: Political Thought and Philosophy: Historical Approaches

12:00-1:30

Panel 15, Unlearning Liberalism and Conservatism

2:00-3:30

Chair: Aaron D. Hoffman, Bellarmine University, ahoffman@bellarmine.edu

Trump the Aberration
H. Lee Cheek, East Georgia State College, lcheek@ega.edu

Reconsidering Conservatism: Challenges to a Failing Ideology
Eugene J. Halus, Immaculata University, ehalus@immaculata.edu

New Thinking on the Right
Daniel McCarthy, The American Conservative, mccarthydp@gmail.com

Whose Liberalism? Which Failure?
Steven P. Millies, Chicago Theological Union, smillies@ctu.edu

Discussant: Aaron D. Hoffman
Dennis Coyle, The Catholic University of America, coyle@law.edu
Panel 16, Voegelin as a Reader of Political Philosophers: Roundtable

4:00-5:30

Chair: Bernat Torres Morales, Universitat Internacional de Catalunya, Barcelona, btorres@uic.es

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Bernat Torres Morales, Universitat Internacional de Catalunya, Barcelona, btorres@uic.es
Shaun Rieley, Catholic University of America, 35rieley@cua.edu

Sunday, September 1

Panel 17, Ideology and History

8:00-9:30

Chair: Jodi Bruhn, Stratéjuste Canada, jbrun@stratejuste.ca

Observations on a Political Dimension of Karl Löwith's Philosophy of History
Stan Molchanov, 10molchanov@cua.edu; Catholic University of America

Art and Ideology: The Struggle for Independence
Eugen L. Nagy, e.l.nagy@gmail.com; University of Southern Mississippi

Númenórean Gnosticism: A Voegelinian Interpretation of Tolkien
Zachary Yost, zyost81@gmail.com; Catholic University of America

The Myth of the Social Contract: Bossuet and Leo XIII
Dennis Nilsen, Catholic University of America, dennis.nilsen.rvc@gmail.com

Discussant: Martin Palous, Florida International University, martin.palous@gmail.com
Jodi Bruhn, jbrun@stratejuste.ca

Panel 18, Regions of the Political: Territoriality, Sovereignty, and the Body Politic

10:00-11:30

Chair: Ellen L. Kennedy, ekennedy@sas.upenn.edu; University of Pennsylvania
Schmitt in Jerusalem
Nathaniel Shils, nshils@sas.upenn.edu; University of Pennsylvania

The Enduring Partisan State: A Commentary on the DPRK chez Carl Schmitt
Juman Kim, jumank@uoregon.edu; University of Oregon

Dissenting Opinion: Carl Schmitt and the Problem of Power in US Legal Theory
Rheuben Bundy, rbundy@uoregon.edu; University of Oregon

Power in the Blood: Politics and Martyrdom in Augustine’s *Civitate Dei*
Ian Tuttle, iptuttle4513@gmail.com; Catholic University of America

Discussant: Eduardo Schmidt Passos, 69passos@cua.edu; Texas State University, San Marcos

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**Business meeting**  Marriott, Virginia B  Marriott Wardman  
Saturday, August 31, 6:30-7:30

**Reception**  Marriott Wardman  
Saturday, August 31, 7:30-9:00