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ND Philosophy

Philosopher in Print

This month's 'Philosopher in Print' is grad student, Fr. Philip Neri Reese O.P.. His article "Separate Substances and the Principles of Being as Being: Aquinas's (†1274) Aporia and Flandrensis's (†1479) Answer" is available in a forthcoming issue of *Documenti e studi sulla tradizione filosofica medievale*.



Abstract

This article draws attention to an oft-overlooked puzzle arising from Thomas Aquinas's account of the principles of metaphysics, and an even more oft-overlooked answer found in the work of the 15th century metaphysician, Dominic of Flanders. §1 provides an account of Aquinas's aporia, which arises from the fact that he holds, on the one hand, that created separate substances are among the principles of being qua being, and, on the other hand, that created separate substances fall under being qua being. §2 defends the genuineness of this aporia with a detailed analysis of the proemium to Aquinas's Metaphysics commentary. Finally, §3 shows how Dominic of Flanders resolves this aporia with an account of the role of separate substances as celestial movers that renders them not only cosmological principles of change, but also ontological principles of being.

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November

- 04** **Midwest PhilMath Workshop**
4:00-5:00 pm
for Zoom link, email blanchette.1@nd.edu
- 10** **Pedagogy Workshop: Sara Bernstein**
Leading Classroom Discussion
11:10-12:30 pm
- 11** **Midwest PhilMath Workshop**
4:00-5:00 pm
for Zoom link, email blanchette.1@nd.edu
- 17** **Pedagogy Workshop: Mike Zhao**
Conceptualizing your Class
10:00-11:00 pm
Meeting ID: 930 8385 7409
Passcode: #aCZ83
- 18** **Midwest PhilMath Workshop**
4:00-5:00 pm
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Get to know our Philosophers!

[Jc Beall]

1. What would you sing at Karaoke night? *"Coal" by Tyler Childers*
2. What did you want to be when you were small? *Farmer or Cowboy (or both)*
3. If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be? *Okra (cooked on high for 5-10 minutes in olive oil, with a tbsp of salt, and finally 3 fresh (hot, uncooked) chillies on top at the end)*
4. What's the worst gift you've received? *My first philosophy book, which stole me away from being a farmer/cowboy*
5. Who would you want to play you in a movie? *Pete Carroll, I s'pose (random ND people keep telling me I look like him)*

- 12** Last Class Day!
- 13** Reading Days
Nov. 13-15
- 16** Finals Week
Nov. 16-20
- 25** Happy Thanksgiving!
Office closed Nov. 24-27

events.nd.edu for full list

- **Food Drive!**
The Philosophy Department will be holding a food drive to benefit the Food Bank of Northern Indiana. If you would like to help out, either bring new, labeled food goods or donate directly to the food bank [here](#).
- **Winter Session**
Winter session will be held January 4-27th. We hope to have the list of classes available very soon. More information is available on wintersession.nd.edu.
- **Winter Break Office Hours**
For the months of December and January, the offices will only be open on Wednesday's. It will be fully closed December 21st through January 5th. Of course, the office staff will always be available via email during office hours.
- **Friday Zoom Gatherings**
Postdoc, Corey Dethier, has been running the weekly Friday Zoom gatherings for the department. Corey recently took a job in Hanover (congrats, Corey!) so he will not be able to run the meetings next semester. If you would like to take over the job as host, please email [Christine](#).
- **Grad Student launches physics website**
HPS student, Sebastian Murgueitio Ramirez, launched a [website](#) to teach science in first year of college and last year of high school. It is currently being used at the University of Toronto.
- **Got a COVID-tail?**
Are you sporting longer than normal locks in coronatime? Send us a picture of your "covid-tail" to be featured on our Instagram page!
- **Love Memes?**
Interested in creating funny philosophy memes for our social media pages? Contact [Christine](#)! And be sure to follow up on social media!
- **Philosophy Merch!!!**
Womens size XS-L and Men's S-M are available. We also have phone wallets for \$1! They make great stocking stuffers!
- Do you have any suggestions for our newsletter or have news that you want featured? Fill out [this form](#) to tell us!

Meme of the Month



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