

## Notes on Contributors

**Andrew Aghapour** is a Charlestonian. He graduated in May with majors in philosophy and religious studies. He wrote “Narrative Ethics and Coherentism” for a senior seminar on metaethics with Professor Anthony Williams. Andrew is now attending Cambridge University to complete an M.Phil. in the history and philosophy of science. He then plans to return to the U.S. to continue his graduate studies, focusing on the intersection of philosophy, science, and religion.

**Elena Dowin** comes from Raleigh, North Carolina. She will be a junior this fall, pursuing a major in business administration and minors in Jewish Studies and psychology. “Chabad-Lubavitch” was originally written for Professor Joshua Shanes’ special topics class on Hasidic mysticism.

**Karen Erkert** wrote “A Right to Live” for her bachelor’s essay in sociology, working with Professor Deborah McCarthy as her advisor. Born and raised in Cameroon, she became interested in HIV/AIDS as she saw the epidemic affect the lives of friends there. She graduated in May 2007 with a double major in French and sociology and plans to continue her education in the field of public health.

**Sam Kakavitsas** graduated in May with a B.A. in political science; he is originally from Charlotte, North Carolina. American electoral behavior, labor history, geography, and political methodology are among his primary interests. He plans to work on a 2008 election campaign, and eventually he would like to teach high school or college, or work as a union organizer. “The Peripheral South” was originally written for an independent study with Professor Lynne Ford.

**Gregory Mason** comes from Delta, Pennsylvania. He received his degree in history in May and plans to begin law school in 2008. “Life Behind the Wall” was originally written for Professor Irina Gigova’s research seminar on the Cold War in Eastern Europe.

**Rhett Orvin**, a native Charlestonian and sometime resident of Mt. Pleasant, wrote this paper for a class on film genre, taught by Professor John Bruns. A future Peace Corps volunteer, he is currently a full-time student and divider of meats, vegetables, and seafood from their extraneous parts and subsequent griller of same at Sermet's Corner Restaurant.

**Michael Pesta** wrote "An Unfair Burden or Social Darwinism?" for Professor Michael Cipriano, in partial fulfillment of the requirements for graduation from the Honors College. Born and raised in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, he graduated in July of 2007 from the Honors College with a B.S. in accounting and is currently employed by PricewaterhouseCoopers in Philadelphia. He would like to thank his family for their love and support.

**Stephanie Pridgeon** is originally from Atlanta, Georgia. She double majored in Hispanic Studies and Latin American and Caribbean Studies, graduating spring 2007. She is now beginning graduate studies in Hispanic literature at the University of Virginia. "La reinención de una identidad" is taken from her Bachelor's Essay on women's writings during Argentina's Dirty War, directed by Professor Maria Colomina-Garrigos.

**Cameron Read** comes from Anderson, South Carolina. He graduated this May with a double major in philosophy and religious studies. "In Search of Sophia" began as work for Professor Lee Irwin's class on esotericism class in the fall of 2006, and then was expanded into a paper for Professor June McDaniel's senior seminar on religious symbolism in the spring of 2007. After taking a year off, Cameron plans to continuing his education in religious studies at the graduate level.

**Kent Roth**, from Fresno, California, is a senior currently working on a dual major in international business and Latin American and Caribbean Studies. His essay was written while abroad for an independent study in political science, directed by Professor Douglas Friedman. He plans to attend graduate school in environmental management or a related subject.

**Jeff Silverberg** is from Little River, South Carolina. He graduated this May from the Honors Program, majoring in communication with a concentration in corporate communication and minors in Jewish Studies and economics. “Agenda Control and Special Interest Decision Making” was first written for his Bachelor’s Essay in economics with Professor Peter Calcagno.

**Mary Alice Springs** is from Murrells Inlet, SC. She graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology in the spring of 2007. Her paper, “Inequality in Transport: The Problem with Auto Hegemony,” was originally written for Professor William Danaher’s “Power and Privilege” class. She will be taking a year off after graduation to pursue an internship at the Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments in North Charleston. She then plans to go back to graduate school for urban planning with concentrations in smart growth, transportation planning, and environmental planning in the fall of 2008.

**Kevin Wooten** has recently graduated with a double major in political science and classics. In the future he plans to study twentieth-century American history, with a focus on the civil rights and social protest movements of the 1960s and 1970s. “On the ‘Propaganda’ of Domitian’s *Correctio Morum*” was written for Noelle Zeiner’s fall 2006 classics seminar, “Power and Propaganda in the Ancient World.”

**Sarah Zoller**, a native of Charleston, graduated in May with a major in psychology and a minor in Jewish Studies. She is now studying for an M.S. in gerontology at the University of Southern California. “Age-Related Differences in the Detection of Homophone Substitution Errors” was first written as a Bachelor’s Essay in psychology, under the direction of Professor Katherine White.