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On the Web

The Ethics Connection, Web site of the Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, offers articles, cases, decision-making resources, and opportunities for dialogue. New content includes:

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The Acupuncture Alternative

Does a physician have a duty to refer patients to alternative forms of medical therapy? The Center's associate director of health care ethics, Anh Tran, S.J., a licensed practitioner of Chinese medicine, looks at some of the ethical issues involved acupuncture and other non-Western forms of medicine. **On the Web at:** <http://www.scu.edu/SCU/Centers/Ethics/dialogue/candc/cases/Acupuncture.html>

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Ethics and War in Comparative Religious Perspective

Each of the major religious traditions contains moral rules or principles bearing on war that contradict one another to some extent. Director of On-Campus Ethics Programs David Perry discusses how believers might address those contradictions. **On the Web at:** <http://www.scu.edu/SCU/Centers/Ethics/publications/submitted/Perry/ethics.html>

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AT THE CENTER

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Directions

The publication you are reading now, "At the Center," is just one of the new programs Santa Clara University's Markkula Center for Applied Ethics has instituted, under the leadership of new executive director, Kirk O. Hanson. This newsletter will come to you quarterly with information about research and programs of the Ethics Center.

To inaugurate his tenure, Hanson has instituted three major initiatives:

- » A senior fellows program to support SCU faculty in conducting research on applied ethics
- » New resources for external groups seeking guidance and referral on ethics
- » Expansion of the Center's Web site, the Ethics Connection (www.scu.edu/)

We invite your comments and questions.

On the web at: <http://www.scu.edu/SCU/Centers/Ethics/publications/ie/v12n2/Hanson.html>

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Character Programs Expanded

Character-based Literacy, an innovative program that combines teaching language arts with teaching values, expanded into XX new schools and two new counties in academic year 2001-2002. Currently, the project reaches more than 4,000 students in 100 schools, alternative and traditional.

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A major grant from the Walter S. Johnson Foundation brought the program to court-community schools in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Character education training for special education teachers—particularly from the Latino community—is being provided through SCU's School of Education, using a grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

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In The News

“All civilized, humanitarian people have a right to be angry, but we need to distinguish between the anger we feel and the actions we take.”

DAVID PERRY, Director of On-Campus Ethics Programs, on the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks
Quoted in the San Jose Mercury News



About Our Programs

Cloning and Stem Cell Dilemmas Explored

“California Cloning,” held Oct. 12, explored the ethical, legal, religious, and scientific aspects of the report to the legislature of the California State Advisory Committee on Human Cloning. Center Director of Health Care and Biotechnology Ethics Margaret McLean was a member of the committee. **On the Web at:** www.scu.edu/ethics/guvl;ciuads.html

Ethics for Attorneys General

Executive Director Kirk O. Hanson and SCU Presidential Professor of Ethics and the Common Good, June Carbone (Law) ran a workshop for 50 states attorneys general at the group’s state convention December ? in Los Angeles. The presentation focused on something something. **On the Web at:** www.scu.edu/ethics/practicing/focusareas/legal.html

Japanese Ethics Officers Visit

Ethics and compliance officers from XX Japanese companies toured the Markkula Ethics Center January ? and participated in a training session with Executive Director Kirk O. Hanson. **On the Web at:** www.scu.edu/ethics/news/whatsnew/homepage.html

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By Center Staff and Scholars

Note: All papers from the Center’s 2001 conference, “At Our Best: Moral Lives in a Moral Community,” have been published in recent editions of The Journal of Business Ethics, Business and Society Review, Business and Professional Ethics Journal and Professional Ethics.

Margaret McLean, director of biotechnology and health care ethics, “Something Something,” keynote talk, Mayo Clinic, December 2001.

Michael Meyer, scholar (philosophy), “The Simple Dignity of Sentient Life: Speciesism and Human Dignity,” Journal of Social Philosophy, 2001, V32

Steve Johnson, S.M., director of character education, “Character-based Literacy,” keynote talk, JASPA Convention, Oct. 2001.

Thomas Shanks, senior fellow in business and public policy, “Best Practices Presentation on the City of Santa Clara Code of Values,” Annual Convention, International City Managers Association, Sept. 2001.

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AROUND THE CENTER

Markkula Lectures

- Jan 15** Carol Delaney, associate professor of social and cultural anthropology, Stanford University, “Abraham on Trial,” 3-4:30 p.m. Wiegand Room, Arts and Sciences Bldg. SCU
- Apr 3** Susan Moller Okin, professor of law, Yale University, “Legal Ethics,” 3-4:30 p.m. Wiegand Room, Arts and Sciences Bldg. SCU

Ethics at Noon

All Ethics at Noon programs are held from 12-1 p.m. in the Wiegand Room, Arts and Sciences Bldg., SCU

- Jan 23** “Arab-Israeli Co-existence: Reality and Challenges Ahead,” Walid Mula (Arab-Israeli educator/activist).
- Jan 29** “A Kantian Account of Dignity,” Thomas Powers (Philosophy).
- Feb 27** “Treating Persons as Ends,” Robert Audi (Philosophy).
- Apr 4** “United City, Divided Priorities: Myth and Reality behind the Rhetoric of a United Jerusalem,” Anat Hoffman (Jerusalem City Councilor).
- Apr 10** “Moral Elitism vs. Moral Egalitarianism,” Amelie Rorty (Brandeis University).
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