The Department of Philosophy at Bowling Green State University presents:

Political Utopia: Promise or Peril?

The 4th Annual Workshop in Applied Ethics And Public Policy

April 25th & 26th, 2014

Bowen–Thompson Student Union
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Day 1: Friday, April 25th
208 Bowen–Thompson Student Union

8:30-9:00 a.m. Coffee & Breakfast Items

9:00-9:50 a.m. Alexander Guerrero (University of Pennsylvania)
“Political Legitimacy and Social Context”
Chair: James Wilson, University of Chicago

10:00-10:50 a.m. Blain Neufeld (University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee)
“Public Reason and Ideal Theory”
Chair: Alexander Bearden, Bowling Green State University

11:00-11:30 a.m. Break & Refreshments

11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m. Bob Talisse (Vanderbilt University)
“Can Nonideal Theories Guide Action?”
Chair: James Wilson, University of Chicago

12:30-2:15 p.m. Lunch (at the Oaks)

2:15-3:45 p.m. Keynote Speaker: Jerry Gaus (University of Arizona)
Coauthor Keith Hankins, University of Arizona
“Searching for the Ideal, and Feasible Ways to It”

3:45-4:00 p.m. Break

4:00-4:50 p.m. David Wiens (University of California, San Diego)
“An Internal Problem for Ideal Theory”
Chair: Christian Coons, Bowling Green State University

6:30-7:30 p.m. ***Social Hour (Pub - 1st floor of BTSU) ***

7:30-9:30 p.m. Dinner and Cash Bar (201 BTSU)
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Day 2: Saturday, April 26th
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9:30-10:00 a.m.  Coffee & Breakfast

10:00-10:50 a.m.  Rosa Terlazzo (Kansas State University)
“When is Non-Ideal Theory too Ideal? Adaptive Preferences, Children, and Ideal Theory”
Chair: Colin Manning, Bowling Green State University

11:00-11:50 a.m.  Laura Valentini (London School of Economics and Political Science)
“Utopophobia, Factophobia, and the Idea of a Realistic Utopia”
Chair: Benjamin McKean, Ohio State University

12:30-2:00 p.m.  Lunch (at the Oaks)

2:00-3:30 p.m.  Keynote Speaker: David Estlund (Brown University)
“Prime Justice”

3:30-4:00 p.m.  Break & Refreshments

4:00-4:50 p.m.  Danielle Wenner (Carnegie Mellon University)
“On the Need for a Non-Ideal Democratic Theory”
Chair: Keith Hankins, University of Arizona

5:00-5:50 p.m.  Justin Weinberg (University of South Carolina)
“The Agency of Justice and the Limits (if any) of Political Philosophy”
Chair: Phil Smolenski, Queen’s University