Second Sawyer Seminar Conference:
The Epistemic Significance of Group Deliberation
Northwestern University
Jan. 23-24th, 2015

All talks are free and open to the public.

Please REGISTER HERE, and contact Matthew Kopec with any questions or comments.

Talks will be held in:
John Evans Alumni Center
[1800 Sheridan Road, Evanston, IL 60208]

Friday, January 23rd

8:30 a.m.  Coffee & light breakfast
9:00 a.m.  Welcome
9:15 a.m.  Ryan Muldoon, University of Pennsylvania
            Title: “Perspectival Diversity and Belief Polarization”
10:45 a.m. Break with light refreshments
11:15 a.m. Fabienne Peter, University of Warwick
            Title: “Non-instrumental Epistemic Value in Group Deliberation”
12:45 p.m. Break for lunch at local restaurants
2:30 p.m.  Michael Titelbaum, University of Wisconsin
            Title: “Plausible Permissivism”
3:45 p.m.  Break with light refreshments
4:15 p.m.  Reid Hastie, Booth School of Business, University of Chicago
            Title: “If and when does information pooling increase accuracy in group estimates and decisions?”
5:45 p.m.  Receptions with light refreshments, beer & wine (all are welcome)
7:00 p.m.  Dinner at a local restaurants
Saturday, January 24th

8:30 a.m.  Coffee & light breakfast

9:00 a.m.  Brian Skyrms, University of California at Irvine
Title: “A Philosophical Problem: From David Lewis to Signaling Networks”

10:30 a.m. Break with light refreshments

11:00 a.m. Kevin Zollman, Carnegie Mellon
Title: “Two Dilemmas for Deliberative Groups”

12:30 p.m. Break for lunch at local restaurants

2:00 p.m.  Chiara Lisciandra, University of Helsinki
Title: “Modeling Norm Change”

3:30 p.m.  Break with light refreshments

4:00 p.m.  Erik Olsson, University of Lund
Title: “Truth Tracking Performance of Deliberating Groups: How Connectivity and Clustering Can Reduce Collective Competence”

5:30 p.m.  Drinks at local establishments

Discussant-at-large:
James R. Larson, Jr., – Psychology, Loyola University Chicago

Main Organizers:
Sanford Goldberg – Philosophy, Northwestern
Matthew Kopec – Philosophy, Science in Human Culture, Northwestern

Organizing Committee:
Fabrizio Cariani – Philosophy, Northwestern
Steve Epstein – Sociology, Science in Human Culture, Northwestern
Casey Johnson – Philosophy, University of Connecticut at Storrs
Jennifer Lackey – Philosophy, Northwestern
Nicholas Leonard – Philosophy, Northwestern
Uri Wilensky – Computer Science, Learning Science, Center for Connected Learning and Computer-Based Modeling, Northwestern