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THE PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER OF
THE COPYRIGHT SOCIETY OF THE U.S.A.
IS PLEASED TO PRESENT:

**The Rhetoric of the Copyright Debates: The Use of Metaphors,
Moral Panics, and Folk Devils in the Great Copyright Wars**

William Patry - Senior Copyright Counsel, Google Inc.
Author of *Patry on Copyright*

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Summary: The use of rhetoric in copyright debates seems to have reached new levels. It is common place for both sides of the issue to pepper the discussion with terms like "thieves," "parasites," "criminals," "capitalists pigs," "alarmists" and the like. Although copyright debates always have been freighted with metaphors, moral panics, and folk devils, the rhetoric seems to have increased over the years as the focus of the discussions turned towards a very public medium -- the Internet. Our speaker will review the serious objectives behind such linguistic fireworks.

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