

Appignani Foundation Lectures on Science, Reason and Secular Ethics

Friday, April 10, 2009

Paper: 7:00 pm; Learning Center, Room 194 (5100 Burnson Drive)
Reception following the discussion.

“The Ethics of Killing Civilians in War”

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