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Articles submitted for publication in the Summer issue of the Society of Counseling Psychology Newsletter should be approximately 400 words in length and must be received by the editor no later than May 5<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, **I will be unable to extend this deadline passed this date** due to the time sensitive content of the summer newsletter.

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*Linda Forrest, Ph.D.*

### REFLECTIONS ON THE INTERNATIONAL COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY CONFERENCE



For those of you who were not able to join us in Chicago in early March for the International Counseling Psychology Conference (ICPC), I want to provide a recap of some conference highlights. I want to encourage you to visit the ICPC website ([www.icpc2008.org/](http://www.icpc2008.org/)) to view a description of the program, pictures of the award recipients and other photos from the conference, and summaries of conference proceedings from multiple perspectives. By the time the Society's newsletter reaches your desks, we hope to have all of the keynote addresses available on DVD for purchase. We will be sending an email announcement to SCP members once we have the details solidified.

To our great excitement, attendance reached 1444 registrants, including 109 international scholars representing 40 countries, and 742 students. We estimated the number of scholars who traveled from countries outside the US by using their home addresses on their registration form,

but we were not able to count the number of international graduate students and scholars currently living in the US. Thus the actual number of countries represented at the conference was probably greater than 40. The large presence of international students further guaranteed a strong international and student presence at the conference. Over 180 individuals with addresses outside the US were listed on the conference program, but only 109 were able to attend the conference. Travel expense and rejected applications for visas were the two most common explanations.

Many international scholars and students have sent warm emails of thanks and have commented on how welcoming, stimulating, informative, interactive and inspirational the conference was for them. Many spoke to how much they appreciated the attention and interest that was directed to their work, culture, and country. Others have spoken to how much they felt that their backgrounds and identities were validated by the focus of the conference. Current international students commented that their international backgrounds were seen as strength, a resource, and reason that they could make a special contribution to counseling psychology. Others cautioned that American counseling psychology cannot be exported wholesale to other countries, that the current hegemony of American counseling psychology needs to be challenged, and that any cross-cultural, cross-nation collaboration needs to be bidirectional and attend to power differences. Some expressed that the US-based focus on multicultural competencies and social justice issues provides some hope—because the basic skills involved in multicultural work mean

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## PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### SILENCE IS GOLDEN

*William D. Parham, Ph.D., ABPP*



Our lives remain busy because we like it like that! We say we want to slow down. We even acknowledge the likely adverse consequences for continuing to live in the fast lane. Evidence, however, suggests that we have not failed at quieting our pace we have succeeded in finding ways to manage fast-lane travel.

Recent experiences over the last several months, both planned and unplanned led me to discover the value and power of silence. Yes, creating a deliberate space and time when I am quiet and still, allowing only an awareness of my breathing, in and out slowly, and a sensory-only appreciation of the immediate surroundings. My initial skepticism about practicing “doing and saying nothing” has transformed into a quest to include this practice into a daily routine.

The resultant self- and life-insights have stimulated many “Hmmm?” moments that have also felt alluring in their invitation to look forward to tomorrow’s discoveries. During one of these quietly meditative experiences reflections on my time within the SCP became salient and gave clarity and confirmation to myriad beliefs three of which I will now share. First, I don’t have to find ways to connect to any one in our membership ... because inextricable intrapersonal connections always have and

always will exist. Further, I am as connected to SCP colleagues and students I know as I am to the colleagues and students I have yet to meet. I smiled .... and felt blessed having been reminded about all the relationships that I have yet to cultivate.

Reflections on my time within the SCP during times of quiet meditation illuminated a second confirmation ... that success is the only real option that life offers. We either succeed at self-protection and playing it safe or succeed at discovering and using the limitless energy we already possess. I smiled ... and felt blessed having been reminded that fear, anxiety, doubt and blame are used conveniently and strategically to fuel reluctance to stretch beyond boundaries that are often self-imposed. Far too much time is spent designing our lives in ways that foster self-protection. We hide under clouds of fear, self-doubt and the illusionary weight of past baggage so that we don’t have to feel so overwhelmed by the responsibility that comes with seeing the always-and-forever present and never-setting sun of confidence, courage and self-esteem that warms the universe that lies within each of us. If we allow ourselves see this energy we would then have to act upon it. Not always easy to do and sometimes scary as it requires faith that all will work out as hoped, dreamed or desired.

Finally, reflections on my time within the SCP during moments of stillness helped remind me that life is full of disguised compliments and opportunities. I smiled ... and felt blessed, again by a recollection of a story I shared with my daughters that feels apropos to this last confirmation. I asked one day, “If you were perched upon that kite flying high in the air, how tall would daddy look?” “Daddy, you would look real small”, she replied. I then asked, “What if I let out more string so that you were able to fly even higher, how tall would daddy look?” “Daddy, you would look real tiny, almost not visible.” “Sweetheart ...” asking one more question, “...what would make daddy look bigger? She quickly replied, “If you begin to tug on the string to reel me in.” She then said, “Oh!”, paused,

and then proclaimed, “Daddy, I know what you are trying to teach me.” “You do?”, I asked with a surprise. “Yes, you’re trying to tell me that you can’t pull something down that isn’t already up.” I beamed with pride at her response and gave her a big hug. I then offered her an invitation ... when people are hurting, feeling poorly about themselves or feeling disconnected from the group sometimes they do not do nice things, and that’s when it feels like they are tugging at your kite strings. When people do mean things to you, work to resist focusing on the tugging of the string. Allow yourself, instead, to see the elevation at which you must have been flying when the kite flyers felt smallness fueled their self-protective need to feel bigger. Tugs, in reality, represent indirect ways of acknowledging your success at soaring and at the same time represent opportunities for you to reach out to the kite puller letting them know that one day they too will soar.

In my role as Past-President I had the distinct honor of thinking about and inviting colleagues to participate in the future governance of our division. I had four slates to fill, President-Elect, Secretary, Vice President for Diversity & Public Interest and Council of Representatives. Eleven colleagues agreed to step to the plate and their invitations for us to consider their candidacy appear in this newsletter. All are persons to whom we are inextricable connected and who have expressed a desire to foster an environment of inclusiveness. Each has pledged to cultivate relationships with all members of our SCP and to tap the wellspring of talent that is ready for expression. In each candidate lies yet to be discovered talents that will contribute immeasurable to our SCP continuing to soar high and to provide opportunities for others to feel hopeful. So, feel their energy, then yours, and cast your vote. I’ll visit with you once more in this forum. Until then, treat yourself to moments of silence.

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## VICE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUNICATION REPORT

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As VP for Communications, I have the pleasure to work with the Directors of SCP's 3 Communication Boards. Among other activities, Linda Subich as Director of the **Communications & Technology Board** has been hard at work coordinating the efforts of our newsletter editor, Saba Ali, journal editor, Nadya Fouad, webmaster, Stewart Pisecco, and listserv coordinator, Bill Stilwell. We are grateful to all for their hard work, and are especially sad to see Stewart Pisecco's term ending as Webmaster. SCP is exploring options for maintaining our website and is actively seeking a Webmaster. If you are willing to serve, please contact me at [julia7@akron.edu](mailto:julia7@akron.edu). Among many other exciting developments on the C&T Board, SCP will be offering low cost online CE opportunities for reading TCP in the near future.

Also exciting was to watch Director of the **Member Interface Board**, Stewart Cooper's, vision of teamwork for this Board begin to blossom at the ICPC as the

SAS Co-Chairs networked with the Chair of the Community Engagement Committee regarding events and opportunities for student involvement at APA in Boston. Similarly, the entire Communications structure was in action as our new Co-Coordinators of Media and Public Relations, Heidi Zetzer and Camille Debell, engaged with all of the above people and entities, thinking of new ways to publicize the good work that SCP and its members are doing. Stewart's expertise as a consulting psychologist—he also is currently serving as Division 13's President—has been immensely helpful in thinking about the implementation of the new communication structure in SCP.

On the **APA and External Interface Board**, Director Bobbie Celeste and I would like to thank Laura Palmer for her past service as the SCP Federal Advocacy Coordinator and we would like to welcome Jim Werth to this role. We look forward to his service to the Division over the next 3 years. We continue to seek sen-

ior level persons to fill several roles on the APAEIB, including APA Awards Chair, Coordinator of APA Elected Positions, and Coordinator of APA Appointed Positions. Please email me or Bobbie if you are willing to help with these roles!

The midyear meeting and ICPC offered several opportunities for SCP to further its goals with respect to implementation of the new communications structure. The EB discussed our successes and struggles at the midyear meeting and many offered the feedback that a visual representation of the organizational chart was helpful. Although space precludes including the chart here, please check out the leadership directory at the back of the newsletter, which includes a listing of the 3 Boards and the Members of each. Please don't hesitate to send feedback to me regarding communications concerns, suggestions, or ideas.

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## VICE PRESIDENT FOR DIVERSITY AND PUBLIC INTEREST REPORT

*Elizabeth M. Vera, Ph.D.*

This newsletter update comes to you on the heels of the 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference. It is for this reason that I wish to use my column as a formal way to express my appreciation to our peers in the Society who made Diversity/Public Interest Invited Presentations: Derald Wing Sue, Madonna Constantine, Arpana Inman, Oksana Yakushko, Vivian Ota Wang, Rebecca Toporek, Michael Mobley, Steven Quintana, Roberta Nutt, Ruth Fassinger, Tania Israel, Anneliese Singh, William Liu, Lewis Schlosser, Janie Pinterits, Pam Remer, Paul Priester, Asma Masri-Jana,

Sally Hage, Lew Schollosser (again), and Saba Ali. These individuals are all first-class scholars who make profound contributions to promoting multiculturalism in the field of psychology, and who serve as leaders and role models to us all. Another recent conference that just ended was the Culturally Informed Evidence-based Practice: Translating Research and Policy for the Real World, in Bethesda, Maryland. This conference highlighted clinical research that focuses on treatment effectiveness of ESTs and EBP with people of

color. The highlight of the conference was the presentation of Teresa LaFramboise, who talked about her ground-breaking work in suicide prevention with Tribal populations. Her research is truly an example of collaborative community-based research grounded in social justice. Thank you Teresa for all that you do! I look forward to seeing many of you in Boston and hope that you enjoyed the ICPC as much as I did. As always, I welcome any questions, comments, or suggestions that you may have ([evera@luc.edu](mailto:evera@luc.edu)).

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## VICE PRESIDENT FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING REPORT

*Y. Barry Chung, Ph.D.*

A lot has happened since I wrote my last column. Kristee Haggins joined my advisory committee, together with Jeff Prince and Marie Miville. This is a great team and I am grateful for their willingness to serve in this capacity. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or feedback about education and training issues in counseling psychology, please contact any of us.

I attended the APA Education Leadership Conference in September 2007. The conference theme was about the role of psychology in education of other disciplines. A highlight of the conference for me was my first visit to the Capitol Hill for federal advocacy. We urged senators and house representatives to support SAMHSA reauthorization, specifically campus suicide prevention program and psychology workforce development. We had a great showing and this was a powerful experience. I came away with increased self-efficacy in advocacy, and I encourage you to try it if you have not done so before. APA provides excellent training and preparation for these efforts.

As SCP's liaison, I attended my first ACCTA conference in October 2007. It was a wonderful experience to network with training directors of university coun-

seling center internships. I also found out that they sure know how to put together a fantastic and enjoyable conference. At the November 2007 Consolidated Meeting of APA Governance, Catherine Grus of the Education Directorate provided a comprehensive report on internship supply and demand analysis. Recommendations were proposed to address internship match issues on short-term and long-term basis. The Board of Educational Affairs awarded \$2,000 as a Block Grant to the 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference. I thank Kathlyn Dailey (ACCTA President) and Carrie Winterowd (CCPTP Chair) for collaborating with me on the grant application.

The 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference (ICPC) just ended last week. What a memorable and historic event! Many students, early career and senior professionals, and international participants came to Chicago for a conference filled with exciting sessions. I worked with Dailey and Winterowd to put together 16 hours of invited programs on education and training (e.g., internship supply and demand, competency benchmarks, training values statement, psychology licensure and postdoctoral requirements). The various sessions and working groups came up with promising suggestions for future directions

in education and training. For example, CCPTP just released their guidelines for communication between academic programs and internship sites. Please check out the CCPTP and ICPC websites for useful documents.

Finally, I am very pleased to announce the 2008 Southeastern Regional Counseling Psychology Conference on October 10-12 in Atlanta, GA. The conference is co-sponsored by Georgia Institute of Technology, Georgia State University, and University of Georgia. You may notice that there has not been a regional counseling psychology conference in the South for many years. We hope that this conference will provide another convenient and low cost opportunity for students and professionals to network and present their research and innovative practice, in addition to the long standing Great Lakes Regional Counseling Psychology Conference this June.

Note: Dr. Chung's contact information was incorrectly published in the last newsletter. The following is the correct contact information for Dr. Chung.

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## VICE PRESIDENT FOR SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS REPORT

*Bob Lent, Ph.D.*

It was great to see everyone at the international counseling psychology conference (ICPC) in Chicago. There were a number of excellent science-track programs on the schedule, including several invited programs that my advisory panel and I had developed in collaboration with various sections (e.g., health, prevention, vocational, psychotherapy science, international) and the other SCP vice presidents (e.g., diversity, education). Connecting to the international theme of the conference, we included a session on cross-national research collaborations, involving researchers from Italy, Taiwan, Iceland, and the US.

We were pleased to have Steve Breckler, Executive Director of the APA's Science Directorate, present a special session at

the ICPC on "connecting the science and practice of psychology." Steve's talk was insightful and inspirational, offering a view of counseling psychology as a "hub" specialty that is central to other sub-disciplines within psychology. He also discussed ways in which SCP can better interface with the Science Directorate and participate in federal funding and science advocacy efforts.

Speaking of funding, I wish to thank Matt Martens (chair), Kathy Chwalisz, Karen Multon, Rich Lee, and Elizabeth Skowron for providing a panel discussion at the ICPC on ways to pursue research funding. In previous newsletter columns, I have offered my view that extramural funding is central to the health of our profession. This panel is considering additional projects de-

signed to nurture a more funding-savvy science culture in the Division.

Among other important SCP science activities, our Educational and Psychology Testing Standards special task group (Steve Brown, chair; Nancy Betz and Terry Tracey) prepared an excellent document on behalf of the Division as part the upcoming revision of the APA-AERA-NCME testing standards. Several of us (Ruth Fassinger, Jon Mohr, and I) participated in a set of meetings focused on ways to make the APA, particularly its annual convention, more attractive to psychological scientists. I also served as SCP's liaison at the Board of Scientific Affairs (BSA) meetings last Fall and will do so again at the Spring meetings of BSA in a few weeks.

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## VICE PRESIDENT FOR PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE REPORT

*Michael Duffy, Ph.D., ABPP*

The 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference in Chicago was indeed a grand occasion with attendance breaking records of our previous national conferences. In the tradition of being one of APA's primary practice divisions, the Society of Counseling Psychology as a major conference organizer arranged for a series of practice topics. The practice topics matched the overall conference theme of pointing to the future of counseling psychology and represented cutting edge issues in the practice of counseling psychology and psychology as a whole. These topics were also all presented by distinguished counseling psychologist practitioners.

Carol Goodheart, recent APA Presidential contender, presented the Practice keynote address, "A Report on National Practice and Advocacy Issues," a session chaired by Armand Cerbone, our new counseling psychologist member on the APA Board of Directors.

There was a session on "Crisis Intervention on Campus: Strategies and Lessons from VTU," chaired by Karen Settle and featuring Sherry Benton and Chris Flynn (of the VTU counseling center). This critical topic was given sharper focus after the recent Northern Illinois University shooting tragedy.

In what has been a debated topic in Division 17, Elaine LeVine presented her experiences on, "The Counseling Psychologist and Psychopharmacology:

Prescribing in New Mexico." Elaine is a faculty member at New Mexico State University and a prescribing psychologist in New Mexico...

Sharon Wills, recently of the Veterans Administration and a Texas A&M University faculty member presented on another timely topic, "Stress Disorders and Readjustment Problems Among Veterans Returning from Iraq/Afghanistan."

In "Diversifying the Practices of Counseling Psychologists: Entrepreneurial and Creative Responses to National Practice Trends," Bob McPherson engaged the audience (including a large number of students) in "thinking outside the box" in response to the likely limited future for traditional independent practice.

In another innovative practice method Linda Castillo, Collie Conoley, along with doctoral students Sallie Boulos, Andrew Reichert and Clare Duffy, presented on "Using Online Counseling to Address Educational Disparities: Techniques, Training and Supervision." Clearly, electronic service delivery will be a major part of our future; concepts such as telehealth, e-therapy, etc. have a special significance for rural and underserved populations.

There were also a series of practice CE workshops including "Suicide: Prevention, Intervention and Postvention" by John Westerfeld, "Evidence based Practice in Psychology" by Lynn Bufka of APA practice Directorate, "Future of Gen-

der: Therapeutic skills for Transgender Clients" by Carmen Cruz and Heather Aidala, "Psychotherapy with Older Adults" by Michael Duffy and "Training Counseling Psychologists to work in Medical Settings" by Mary Jo Loughran, Robert Mayfield, Elaine LeVine, Eve Adams and Len Sperry. There were also many round tables and working groups that had a practice emphasis.

Finally, 2008 ICPC Co-Chair Laura Palmer chaired a session on, "Counseling Psychologists as State Association Leaders" involving, Armand Cerbone, Bob McPherson and Michael Duffy, all previous state psychological association presidents. This session, focused on the role of advocacy and leadership of counseling psychologists, drew zero conference participants. Although the 5pm time slot may have contributed we also pondered about the relative lack of interest and awareness of the need for political advocacy among psychologists, even practitioners. The day was saved later, however, by a rousing reception and very successful political fundraiser for Senator Patti Murray (Washington State) who has championed mental health issues, including Medicare, parity and Graduate Psychology Education funding for our trainees. The importance to practice of the need to have political support simply cannot be overemphasized.

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## VP FOR SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS REPORT

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Now that the ICPC has come and gone, it's time to look ahead to the APA convention, where one of the themes to follow will be the Society for Vocational Psychology's (SVP) celebration of the centennial anniversary of Frank Parsons' seminal contributions to the field. An SVP trip to the building that used to house Parsons' Civic Service House is being planned. I look forward to seeing everyone in Boston!

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## ADVERTISING GUIDELINES

To submit an advertisement for inclusion in the SCP newsletter, contact Saba Rasheed Ali, at saba-ali@uiowa.edu. After the advertisement has been approved, payment in the form of check or money order can be sent to the Division 17 Treasurer:

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## APA COUNCIL REPORT FEBRUARY 2008

Submitted by Louise Douce, Ph.D., Council Representative

**N**orm Anderson, APA CEO reported on a number of issues including the APA Strategic Planning Process, the establishment of an APA Diversity Position and the status of the Web Site rebuild. He noted that a search of hits on mental health websites found that the APA website is #2, second only to NIMH. This suggests a major avenue to the larger public for psychology. It underscores our need to establish a state of the art website. He also announced the hiring of a new Chief Financial Officer, CFO, Archie L. Turner and Director of the Practice Directorate, Katherine C. Nordal.

Rescinded one paragraph in the 2007 **Resolution Against Torture** and replaced it with a more specific wording including "absolute prohibition against" a specific list of torture techniques and the statement that "Psychologists are absolutely prohibited from knowingly planning, designing, participating in or assisting in the use of all condemned techniques...". Hopefully this will clarify the APA firm position against Torture, eliminating a perceived loophole. Your Council reps were strongly in favor of this language change.

Putting the amendment to add **full Council Membership to the four diversity organizations back on the table**. This amendment passed Council with an overwhelming majority, but lost in the general APA election by a small margin. We voted to send back to the membership the amendment that provides voting seats on Council for the 4 ethnic minority psychological associations following an educational campaign. After some discussion, we decided to send without a pro/con statement with the amendment. The educational campaign will address frequently asked questions on this amendment. A preamble to the amendment on the ballot will set the context and summarize the educational campaign.

Sandy Shullman described the **APF, American Psychological Foundation, available funds for grants**. The annual \$20,000 violence prevention grant is to fund research on understanding and preventing hate crimes. She described other projects and how this foundation fosters the future of psychology.

**Communication with membership.** Council broke into small groups to dis-

cuss how we communicate to and receive information from our membership. A major issue is that 55% of APA members are not members of either divisions or state associations. How do we communicate with the full membership?

Two new Divisions were discussed. **Division 56 Trauma as granted permanent status**. The proposed **new Division on Qualitative Inquiry was narrowly defeated**. Issues were perceived need for a new Division versus a section in Division 5 and perceived enmity against a positivist approach. Your Council members voted for the new Division.

Approved an **amendment to add Territories to the mission statement**. This will go to the full membership as an amendment to the By-Laws. It actually makes current practice and other language in the by-laws totally consistent. It would not add new seats or change the apportionment process.

**Council Caucus activity.** There are 13 caucuses who meet around the Council agenda. These are a variety of interest communities who meet to discuss agenda items, endorse candidates for Boards and Committees and promote content agendas specific to their interests. Your Council Representatives participate in a number of these. Three were engaged in activities at this Council meeting that may be of special interest to our membership.

Social Justice Divisions. At the lunch meeting of DSJ two critical issues were discussed: (a) Bill Parham agreed to spearhead efforts to work with APA to infuse issues of social justice on the newly designed website (as well as to have separate content area); (b) Divisions were reminded to submit feedback or formal reactions on the forthcoming Casebook.

Association of Practicing Psychologists are proposing a Practice Summit in 2009 Women's Caucus had developed platform to address a broad range of women's psychological issues, hate crimes, violence and PTSD for returning Women's veterans.

## EB MIDYEAR MEETING ATTENDEES



First Row (seated) from left to right: Emilia Boesch, Jessica Semler, Helen Neville, Bob Lent, Michael Duffy, Heidi Zetzer.

Second Row from left to right: Saba Ali, Sandy Shullman, Bobbi Celeste, Linda Forrest, Louise Douce, Janet Helms, Kathlyn Daily

Third Row from left to right: Barry Chung, Stewart Cooper, Laura Palmer, Elizabeth Vera, William Parham, Julia Phillips, Jenny Cornish, Karin Lutter, Tracey Martin



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that US counseling psychologists may be better prepared to work across cultures internationally. All have asserted that the multiple voices, perspectives and cultures are critical to the success of the movement to internationalize counseling psychology.

Before I describe specific aspects of the conference, I want to speak for a moment about how important it was to have 742 students present at the conference. For me, their excitement, enthusiasm, and energy were palpable throughout the four days of the conference. The pointed questions they asked me during the Speed Mentoring exercise give me great confidence that they are thinking very seriously about their careers and how best to put their many talents to good use. At the open microphone during the conference closing session, many students spoke passionately about what attending the conference meant to their professional development, sense of connection to counseling psychology, and how good they felt about the directions they saw the profession taking after being at the conference. The conference venue was ideal way for students to both understand counseling psychology as it currently exists, but also to see counseling psychology's future and potential.

**Preconference Activities:** The preconference activities on Thursday included a large array of choices for conference attendees. The Society's 13 Sections held individual and joint conferences, business meetings and strategic planning sessions. See the conference website for a full description of all of the Section mini conferences. Many of the Section conferences filled to capacity and provided a lively, energetic, and enthusiastic start to the 2008 conference. The Section Chairs in their newsletter columns will describe each of these section preconference activities in greater detail.

**Keynote Addresses:** Thursday evening the official conference opened with four keynote addresses representing counseling perspectives from four different countries and continents. Dr. Andres Consoli, the President of the Interamerican Society of Psychology spoke about the "*Socially Engaged, Strength-Based, Emancipatory*

*Practices and the Americas: An Agenda for Counseling Psychology.*" Dr. Maria Eduarda Duarte, the Chair of the Portuguese Psychological Society, spoke about "*Anticipating the Future in Counseling Psychology.*" Dr. Nhlanhla Mkhize, Professor of Psychology at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, remarks focused on "*Speaking Together: Incorporating Indigenous Perspectives in Counseling Psychology.*" And Dr. Li-fei Wang, President of the Division of Counseling Psychology of the Chinese Guidance and Counseling Association, entitled her remarks, "*What I have Learned from the Development of Taiwan Counseling Psychology.*" These keynote speakers' slides are available on the conference website.

Immediately after the keynote addresses, we were pleased to honor six international scholars with the "*2008 Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of the Counseling Profession Awards.*" Recipients included: Dr. Raoul Van Esbroeck, Vrije University, Belgium; Dr. Jean Guichard, University of Paris, France; Dr. Kay Hyon Kim, Seoul University, South Korea; Dr. S. Alvin Leung, University of Hong Kong; Dr. Salvatore Soresi, University of Padua, Italy; and Dr. Li-fei Wang, National Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan.

The Friday morning opened with a keynote address by Dr. Sandy Shullman, Managing Partner, Executive Development Group. Sandy's speech focused on the eight leadership dispositions for dealing with uncertainty and ambiguity, important information to consider in the ever-changing world around us as we take on the challenges associated with establishing and growing our international connections and collaborations. For those of you not present, here is a brief account of what Sandy shared. Leaders do better under times of uncertainty and ambiguity if they are:

1. **Mystery Seekers:** Those who are motivated by curiosity and are drawn to the problems that are unknown or not obviously solvable.
2. **Risk Tolerators:** Those who are able to make decisions without complete information when the situation calls for it.

3. **Future Scanners:** Those who scan around and ahead, look broadly and probe deeply in areas where they do not necessarily have expertise.
4. **Tenacious Challengers:** Those who tackle tough issues, don't give up, and see their efforts as long term.
5. **Exciters:** Those who are positively energetic for themselves and also energize others.
6. **Flexible Adjusters:** Those who are able to be flexible and can come up with multiple ways to proceed.
7. **Simplifiers:** Those who can find the essence and communicate it clearly to a variety of audiences without oversimplifying.
8. **Focusers:** Those who can sort and choose what to do out of the many things that could be done, or finding the critical few.

Sandy thanked her research partners, Philip Hodgson and Randall P. White, giving them credit for these ideas, and mentioned their most recent book, *Relax—It's Only Uncertainty: Lead the Way When the Way is Changing*.

Dr. Nancy Boyd Franklin, author and professor at Rutgers University, was the Saturday morning keynoter who spoke about "*The Resilience and Cultural Strengths of African American Clients and Families.*" Nancy encouraged us to focus on joining with our clients to move past their initial resistance to therapy, and to see the joining process as essential in cross-cultural and cross-racial therapy. Having a culturally based, family system orientation will help us see the importance of understanding, respecting and involving in the therapy process powerful family members of our African American clients. Nancy shared many moving examples of the interdependence of extended African American families, their kinship care patterns, and the importance of the church family. Nancy's powerpoint slides and references along with a flyer announcing her book, *Black Families in Therapy: Understanding the African American Experience*, are available on the conference website.

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**Working Groups:** On both Friday and Saturday mornings from 10-noon were dedicated times for “Working Groups.” These groups allowed conference participants to be part of an active, engaged, interactive small group experience. Twenty-one working groups formed around a wide range of topics, allowed people with like-minded interests to gather around issues that they saw as pressing for the profession, and tapped into topics about which the steering committee knew little. Groups varied in size from 3 to 35, with a total 458 conference participants involved in working groups. There was lots of excitement and energy around both the content and the connections provided by the working groups. Working groups plan to post their working documents (descriptions, highlights, action plans and contact information if you want to get involved) on the ICPC and Society website. All of the working groups developed action plans and even if just a few of the fabulous ideas generated by these groups are implemented, the working groups will have made a difference in the course of the profession.

### **Continuing Education (CE) Workshops:**

A total of 1505 workshop participants attended 23 CE workshops. In total, 53 hours of CE credits were offered. Topics varied tremendously including advocacy, AIDS, ethical and licensure issues, evidence-based practice, therapy with transgendered clients, training psychologists in medical settings, psychotherapy with older adults, self harm, and suicide. Many participants were highly complimentary about the attention paid to offering CEs as well as the breath of coverage and quality of the offerings. None of the presenters of CE workshops were paid an honorarium for their professional expertise; all of them donated their professional time that made it possible to offer all CE credits at no cost to participants. A special thanks goes to all the presenters for their generosity.

### **Many Faces of Counseling Psychology:**

The Many Faces of Counseling Psychology awards recognized 12 individuals and 2 groups among the many deserving counseling psychologists who are undertaking innovative, creative and courageous work. These awards showcased counseling psychology’s commitment to

strength-based, multicultural, developmental, and preventive approaches to psychological healthiness. Throughout the conference, the recipients of the “Many Faces of Counseling Psychology” awards were honored. Presentations included a description and photos of them and their work. Each awardee received a certificate and beautifully etched “many faces” decorative bottles. The nomination and selection process, the awardees’ work, pictures of the awardees’ and the “many faces” bottles can be viewed on the ICPC website and are described in more detail elsewhere in the newsletter.

**Sponsors and Exhibitors:** Seventeen counseling psychology programs and their universities signed on as sponsors of ICPC. Graduate school deans, college deans, provosts, and international, admissions, and alumni offices chipped in to support counseling psychology programs becoming sponsors. Nine professional organizations besides the three primary sponsors (SCP, ACCTA and CCPTP) joined the effort by becoming a sponsor. And six corporations joined us as sponsors and/or exhibitors. Together this group of sponsors and exhibitors added

\$67,000 in support for the conference.

There is so much more I would like to share with you about the 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference, but I fear I have already tested our SCP Newsletter Editor’s patience by requesting more time to write this column and more space as it expands. In closing, I feel honored to be the President of the Society during the time in which we held our fifth counseling psychology conference, a conference that expanded beyond the borders of the US to affirm an international focus. Receiving several hundred emails after the conference and hearing what the conference has meant to so many of you makes me realize how lucky I am to be President this year. The 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference laid down a solid and healthy foundation for an international future for the Society of Counseling Psychology. With great enthusiasm and excitement, I am looking forward to where we go next.

*Linda Forrest, Ph.D.  
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## SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON DIVISION 17 COMMITTEES

**Are you interested in serving on any of the following committees?**

Society Awards and Recognition Committee  
Program Committee  
Fellowship Committee (Division 17 Fellows only)  
Hospitality Suite Committee  
Early Career Professional Committee  
Continuing Education Committee  
Membership Committee  
Member Resources Committee  
Community Engagement Committee  
Conferences Committee  
APA Awards Committee

*If so, please email the following information to the Linda Forrest  
(ForrestL@uoregon.edu) by June 15, 2008:*

- Full name, job title, institution, mailing address, phone/fax numbers, and email address
- Indicate your Division membership status: Associate, Member, Fellow, Professional, International or Student Affiliate
- Indicate your top three preferences in rank order



## INTERNATIONAL COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY CONFERENCE • MARCH 5 – 9, 2008 • CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

### INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES ON THE CONFERENCE: *Towards Being Truly International, Diverse, and Multicultural*

Contributed by Changming Duan, Ph.D., Co-chair of the ICPC International Committee

When being invited by our graduate student “journalists,” many international scholars and graduate students at the International Counseling Psychology Conference in Chicago were excited to share their experiences, observations and thoughts about the conference and about the internationalization movement in counseling psychology. They expressed strong enthusiasm and used “international,” “diverse” and “multicultural” frequently to describe their experiences of the conference attendees, atmosphere, and programs. Many applauded the efforts of the conference organizers and congratulated them for reaching such a high level of international representation at the conference. Several of them specifically noted that they never before felt so welcomed, included, supported, valued, and

respected when attending international conferences, and they would attend the next ICPC wherever and whenever.

In discussing the internationalization movement in counseling psychology, many scholars shared that they deeply appreciated both the individual and collective contributions from the American counseling psychology community to the development of counseling in their home countries. They also cautioned, however, that internationalization of counseling psychology meant much more than exporting or importing the American expertise and knowledge. In their views, American scholars might play a leadership role in facilitating the connections and communications between and among different parts of the world, but the key players of the inter-

nationalization movement should be from the international communities. As one international attendee said, “we have a lot to learn, and a lot to offer too.”

The topics of multiculturalism and social justice came up often in the discussion. Several scholars especially pointed out that the multicultural and social justice foci of American counseling psychology would have significant positive impact in the development of counseling profession in other countries, and the knowledge about other cultures and countries would be necessary to further the understanding of multiculturalism and social justice in the United States. Clearly, being truly international, diverse and multicultural was seen as the desired future of counseling profession in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### POLITICAL ADVOCACY AT THE ICPC

Contributed by Laura Palmer, ICPC Conference Co-Chair

The political advocacy event at the 2008 ICPC was very successful by all accounts. Senator Patty Murray from Washington State was recognized at the Saturday evening social and reception for her outstanding leadership and support of legislation central to major issues in training and practice. This event was historical! It is the first political advocacy event which brought practice and education legislative advocacy offices together for a common purpose. It was also the first time counseling psychology worked with the Association for the Advancement of Psychology to honor a congressional leader! This event has advanced counseling psychology forward as a serious agent of political advocacy. And Senator Murray impressed the conference attendees as a legislator who appropriately understands our issues. Her passionate support for veterans and their psychological and medical needs was palpable and moving. The reception with Sen. Murray was followed by a dinner where the senator met with a smaller audience of counseling psychologists,

early career psychologists and students to discuss GPE, Mental Health Parity and the psychological service needs of returning military personnel and their families.

To elaborate a bit more on why we selected Sen. Murray as the award recipient is provided below.

*Senator Patty Murray is a very powerful member of the Democratic Majority of the U.S. Senate. She is on the Appropriations Committee Labor-Health & Human Services-Education Subcommittee and the Health, Labor, Education & Pensions Authorizing Committee. She is also Chair of the Transportation, Housing & Urban Development Appropriations Subcommittee. Her role as Chair makes her one of the 12 appropriations “cardinals” who dole out federal funding. Her position is even more powerful since she is also on the Senate Budget Committee. In addition, she is on the Veterans Affairs Committee and has a very strong interest in meeting the health care needs of veterans.*

*Senator Murray successfully added Report Language to the FY 2008 VA appropriations bill, which allows the VA Secretary to transfer up to \$5 million to the GPE Program for a special focus on trauma and meeting the needs of returning military personnel with PTSD, TBI and post-deployment adjustment problems. The GPE Program is administered by the Bureau of Health Professions and designed to support the integrated training of psychologists to work with underserved persons (e.g., older adults, children, chronically ill persons and victims of abuse or trauma including returning military personnel) in rural and urban communities. Because of recent budget cuts the GPE Program is currently funded at just under \$2 million and puts the program in serious jeopardy of being eliminated. At this meager funding level there are no grants for geropsychology training and the remaining grants are getting less than half of the funding they received in FY 2004. [The previous information was*

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## INTERNATIONAL COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY CONFERENCE, CONTINUED

### EARLY CAREER PROFESSIONALS AT THE CHICAGO CONFERENCE

Contributed by Oksana Yakushko, Anne Farrar-Anton, and Traci Callandrillo, Tri-chairs, ECP Subcommittee

“It was so good to be visible!” was one of the most common responses from the ECPs that we heard throughout the conference. Individuals commented on how helpful it was to have an ECP sign next to the programming as well as how these presentations seem to meet the needs and interests on the many diverse ECPs at the conference. Our committee of ten plus individuals worked to think of ways to highlight the ECP concerns as well as our accomplishments. Our presentations included: (a) Conversation Hour for ECPs with Society’s Leadership, (b) Conversation with State Psychology Boards: Updates on New Developments for Early Career Psychologists, (c) Navigating the Pathway: Developing a Career as a Counseling Psychologist, (d) Counseling Psychologists Developing Community Based and Human Rights Organizations, (e) Experiences of Early

Career Psychologists Involved in a Professional Leadership, (f) Early Career Professionals Mentoring Event, (g) Self-Care for Graduate Students and Early Career Psychologists, (h) How to Publish from State to Finish, (i) Build and Expand your Independent Practice for ECPs, and (j) ECP Career Pathways of International Early Career Psychologists.

In addition, nearly 40 ECPs participated in our mentoring event on Saturday. There were tears and laughter and again, comments about support and visibility for those who are just starting in their career paths as counseling psychologists.

The other question that those of us who are ECP or involved with ECP initiatives get asked is “What in the world is an ECP?” One of the responses could be “Extraspecial Counseling Psychologists”

but of course, it is the Early Career Professionals (i.e., those of us who are within 7 years of receiving our doctoral degrees). The SCP and its current leadership has a strong and renewed commitment to addressing the needs of the ECPs and to transforming the Society to become more welcoming and relevant for those who are new in the field. This conference was a great testament to this commitment.

We hope that this effort is a beginning, and we are open to hearing other new and novel ways to engage and support diverse ECPs in our Society. Please consider sharing these ideas and getting involved through the SCP’s ECP committee chaired by Oksana Yakushko (oyakushko2@unl.edu). And again, thank you for creating a welcoming engaging space for ECPs at the International Counseling Psychology Conference.

## STUDENT PERSPECTIVES ON THE ICPC

### *Students Integral in Success of ICPC 2008*

Contributed by: Jacquelyn Smith Co-Chair of ICPC Student Organizing Committee

Since its inception almost 2 years ago, the International Counseling Psychology Conference (ICPC) has made student involvement a top priority. The conference steering committee included two student members, Jacquelyn Smith and Emilia Boeschen, who advocated on behalf of students and their interests throughout the conference planning process. Furthermore, a student organizing committee, consisting of 15 students (Jacquelyn Smith, lore dickey, Glenna Stumblingbear, Jaryn Allen, Manijeh Badiee, Brittany Barber, Guler Boyraz, LaTisha Braddock, Nadia Hasan, Alia Fons-Scheyd, Julie Koch, Karin Lutter, Kelly Russo, Jessica Thull, Meris Williams) and two senior advisors (Kathlyn Dailey, Cindy Juntunen), organized and implemented conference activi-

ties that included 9 student-sponsored programs, a student happy hour, the APAGS internship workshop, and a student “speed mentoring” event. In addition, all conference subcommittees included student members, who worked to ensure that student needs were being addressed in all programming and conference related activities.

More than 700 students registered for ICPC (approximately half of the conference attendees), and the resounding message from students who participated was one of feeling involved and integrated. At the closing session and town hall meeting, an International student attendee shared that she felt “safe” to be herself and more “visible” than she had ever felt before at a conference. Students

presented, participated, learned, and were honored alongside their peers, early career psychologists, senior professionals, and international colleagues from a variety of backgrounds (academia, research, practice, and advocacy). Jessica Thull, a member of the student organizing committee shared the following, “ICPC facilitated the continued development of my professional identity by fostering connections with others that share and celebrate many of the values that initially attracted me to this field.” With its high level of student involvement and commitment to training, social justice, and the internationalization of counseling psychology, ICPC 2008 ultimately embodied the words of Linda Forrest, “students are the future of counseling psychology.”

## INTERNATIONAL COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY CONFERENCE, CONTINUED

### ICPC HONORED “MANY FACES OF COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY” AND “DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTIONS”

Contributed by Charlie Waehler, Kristi Haggins, and Lauren Weitzman, Tri-Chairs of the ICPC Awards and Recognition Committee

Twelve individuals, one group, and the leaders from another group were designated as outstanding examples of the “Many Faces of Counseling Psychology” at the 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference held March 6-9 in Chicago. This recognition showcased a few from among many deserving nominees who are undertaking innovative, creative, and adaptive work which brings a critical focus to the strength-based, developmental, and preventive approaches seen as foundational aspects of Counseling Psychology. Each recipient stood out as adding to one or more elements of the recognition review criteria, which included consideration of their professional contribution’s innovativeness and distinctiveness, the degree to which there is an integration of science and practice into one of the areas of outreach activities, theory development, practice adaptation, teaching/training practices, leadership initiatives, prevention programming, or other specific area. Most awardees excelled at incorporating the core Counseling Psychology values of social justice and multicultural competence into their contributions. Recipients received a framed certificate designating them as an outstanding example of the many faces of counseling psychology, and decorative glasswork etched with facial features created by Leandra Drumm designs of Akron, Ohio. Recipients were: Linda G. Castillo, Ph.D.; Krista M. Chronister, Ph.D.; Priscilla Dass-Brailsford, Ed.D.; Lisa M. Drogosz, Ph.D.; Adriana Espinoza, Ph.D.; Arthur M. (Andy) Horne, Ph.D.; Puncy Paul Heppner, Ph.D.; Maryam Jernigan, M.Ed.; Belle Liang, Ph.D.; Kathryn L. Norsworthy, Ph.D.; Apurva Pandya, M.A.; Chalmer Thompson, Ph.D.; the Geriatric Research, Education, Assessment, and Treatment (GREAT) Team; and the five former American Psychological Association of Graduate Students (APAGS) Chairs: James Campbell, Ph.D., Nadia Hasan, M.A., Michael Madson, Ph.D., Carol Williams-Nickelson, Ph.D., Konjrit Page, M.S.

### Recipients of the 2008 Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of the Counseling Profession Award



**Front row Award Recipients: Dr. Jean Guichard, Dr. S. Alvin Leung, Dr. Laura Nota receiving for Dr. Salvatore Soresi, Dr. Raoul Van Esbroeck, Dr. Kay Hyon Kim, Dr. Le-fei Wang. Back row Award Presenters: Dr. Larry Gerstein, Dr. Linda Forrest, Dr. Kathlyn Dailey, Dr. Carrie Winterowd, Dr. Puncy Heppner**

Six recipients received the 2008 Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of the Counseling Profession Award. These included: Dr. Jean Guichard, Dr. S. Alvin Leung, Dr. Salvatore Soresi, Dr. Raoul Van Esbroeck, Dr. Kay Hyon Kim, Dr. Le-fei Wang.

Brief descriptions of the awardees, as well as contact information, are available at the 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference website at <http://www.icpc2008.org/awards.php>.

### WORKING GROUPS AT THE ICPC

Contributed by Gunjani Patel-Stamp Gunjani Patel-Stamp and Megan Marks, Members of the Working Group Committee

During the recent International Counseling Psychology Conference in Chicago, 21 working groups convened for over four hours to engage in topics related to research, international issues, multiculturalism and diversity, student needs, and training and licensure issues. A primary goal of the working group sessions was to create an environment which allowed for individuals with similar interests to work together on current topics of interest to the field. The concept of working groups was

introduced at the last national conference in Houston. There were a few key modifications to the working groups from the past, which included no other programming except for continuing education workshops at the same time as the groups and a poster session organized during the last evening social hour so that findings from the working group sessions could be shared with everyone for further involvement.

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## INTERNATIONAL COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY CONFERENCE, CONTINUED

### Political Advocacy at ICPC (Continued from page 9)

provided by Sheila Forsythe and Dr. Nina Levitt of the APA Education Government Relations Office via email 2/29/08.

Peter Newbold, Director of Congressional & Political Affairs of the APA Practice Organization provided the following information on the Mental Health Parity Bill via email 3/3/08. *Both the Senate and House are moving mental health parity legislation through the legislative process. The Senate and House have each passed a strong bill which will now move forward to get these two similar pieces of legislation consolidated into a final bill to present to the President to be signed into law.*

*The Senate mental health parity bill (S. 558), sponsored by Pete V. Domenici (R-NM), Edward M. Kennedy (D-MA) and Michael B. Enzi (R-WY), was passed by a unanimous vote on September 18, 2007. Three House committees have approved the House bill (H.R. 1424), sponsored by Patrick Kennedy (D-RI) and Jim Ramstad (R-MN).*

*The Senate and House bills are very similar and both fully protect consumers by—*

- *Completely ending insurance discrimination against mental health and substance use disorder benefits by requiring full parity coverage with physical health benefits.*
- *Preserving strong state parity and consumer protection laws while extending parity protection to 82 million more people who cannot be protected by state laws.*

*Differences between the Senate and House parity bills can be worked out so that ultimately negotiations produce a bill that can pass the Senate and is acceptable to the House. While the bills are similar in many respects, there are differences to be addressed. These primarily concern: how the range of diagnoses to be covered will be specified, how the law will address the management of benefits by health plans, and how out-of-network services will be covered.*

*The Congressional Budget Office projects that House and Senate parity bills would raise average health plan costs by only 0.4%. This cost increase is shared between*

*the employer and employee, with the employer typically paying a third of the total.*

*Pass parity this year: Employers continue to pay the cost of untreated mental disorders.*

- *Indirect costs of untreated mental health disorders result in a \$79 billion annual loss to businesses due to loss of productivity and absenteeism.*
- *Indirect costs of poor employee health, such as absenteeism, disability and lost performance at work are two to three times higher than the direct medical costs.*
- *Total cost of presenteeism (productivity loss resulting from real on-the-job employee health problems) is estimated to be more than \$150 billion a year. Mood disorders alone are estimated to cost more than \$50 billion per year in lost productivity.*
- *American employees used about 8.8 million sick days in 2001 due to untreated or mistreated depression.*
- *Depression results in more days of disability than chronic health conditions such as heart disease, hypertension, and diabetes.*

*The message to congress this year is to pass parity this year: Behavioral health problems have a large yearly cost to employers and the nation.*

- *Anxiety: Total cost \$42.3 billion; 88% of the cost per worker suffering from anxiety is attributable to decreased productivity.*
- *Depression: Total cost \$83.1 billion; \$26.1 billion (31%) in direct medical costs, \$5.4 billion (7%) in suicide related mortality costs, and \$51.5 billion (62%) in workplace costs.*
- *Substance Abuse: Total cost \$246 billion — \$148 billion for alcohol, \$98 billion for drugs. Lost productivity accounts for \$162 billion of the total cost.*

SCP has made a significant and visible commitment to engagement in the political advocacy process. Thanks to all who participated in the Murray event and to those who will respond to requests for engagement in the future. James Werth will

continue to keep us updated and engaged in legislative processes in his role as Federal Advocacy Coordinator.

To stay up-to-date on legislative developments pertinent to counseling psychology and our constituents, go to: <http://www.apa.org/ppo/issues/eadvocacy.html#issue-facts>. To stay apprized of policy related issues go to: <http://www.apa.org/ppo/policylinks.html>. It takes about 3 minutes to send a statement to congress through the Capwiz email system available to us through APA. Get your message to your congressional leader at the following website: <http://capwiz.com/apapolicy/home/>.

This article was provided by Laura Palmer, Co-Chair, ICPC 2008, and Coordinator of the ICPC Political Advocacy events. Contact information: [palmerla@shu.edu](mailto:palmerla@shu.edu) or 973 761 9449.

### Working Groups at The ICPC

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Facilitators of the groups included both professionals and graduate students, which allowed an opportunity for graduate students to take on leadership roles. Overall, the working groups were very well attended and many participants expressed much enthusiasm and excitement over the work accomplished at the conference. Each group developed several exemplary “next steps” for work to be accomplished beyond the conference. Some examples include future research and publications as well as policy changes. While much work was accomplished during the conference, the goal was to allow the working groups to begin their work at the conference and to carry the work beyond the conference. As such, facilitators **welcome** and **encourage** individuals to join their working groups! For a full list of the working groups, highlights of work accomplished, and contact information for the facilitators, please visit the link <http://www.div17.org/>. Special thanks to all of those involved. The working group committee members included, Sherry Benton, tri-chair, Kathy Bieschke, tri-chair, Nancy Elman, tri-chair, Julie Ancis, Lisa Edwards, Megan Marks, Larry Marks, and Gunjani Patel-Stamp.

## SECTION REPORTS

### SECTION ON ETHNIC AND RACIAL DIVERSITY

The SERD team had some great activities during the International Counseling Psychology Conference in Chicago 2008. We partnered with the Health Psychology Section to host a session focusing on health disparities entitled: "Addressing Health Disparities: With an Ear for the Beat of Different Hearts." We were honored to have Dr. Carolyn Tucker as our keynote speaker. Dr. Paschal Kabura from Uganda was scheduled to be our second speaker, however he was unable to participate due to difficulties obtaining a visa to travel to the United States. The session was well attended with approximately 80 individuals in attendance. Below is a brief description of Drs. Tucker and Kabura, followed by some pictures taken at the session.



From right to left: Dr. Ward, Dr. Bingham, Dr. Tucker, Dr. Hensley, Tamika Bailey and Angelica Brozyna

Dr. Tucker's research areas include (a) patient-centered culturally sensitive health care assessment and intervention, (b) health and wellness promotion and obesity/overweight modification interventions for racial/ethnic minority and low income children, adolescents, families, and communities, and (c) children's problem behaviors and academic performance. She received her doctorate degree in Clinical Psychology from the State University of New York at Stony Brook. Dr. Tucker has been on faculty at the University of Florida for 30 years, and has joint appointments the departments of psychology, pediatrics, and community health and family medicine at University of Florida. In 2005 Dr. Tucker was

appointed by the Secretary of Health and Human Services to serve a four-year term as a member of the HHS Advisory Committee on Minority Health.

Dr. Paschal Kabura was born and raised in Uganda. He completed two undergraduate degrees in Uganda, an M.A. in Human Services from St. Edward's University in Austin, TX, a second M.A. in Clinical Psychology at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA, and Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from Gannon University; internship at Boston University. Dr. Kabura currently serves as CEO

and Counseling Psychologist at Virika Hospital in Uganda, where he established a clinic and counselor training institute. He is committed to training counselors to address the overwhelming mental health needs in Uganda, a country where citizens are rebuilding their lives following many years of social and political instability.

Thanks for your continued support of SERD.

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### SECTION FOR THE PROMOTION OF PSYCHOTHERAPY SCIENCE

The Section for the Promotion of Psychotherapy Science has been involved lately in a number of activities with a goal of promoting psychotherapy research within the Society of Counseling Psychology. Prior to the International Counseling Psychology Conference in Chicago, the section sponsored a pre-conference workshop entitled "Innovative Strategies to Facilitate Process and Outcome Research: Working with Small Samples." The workshop included a plenary session in which a series of papers were presented: (a) *Using consensual*

*qualitative research (CQR) to do process and outcome research in psychotherapy* by Dr. Clara Hill, (b) *Analyzing client narrative change in psychotherapy process-outcome research: Sequential, event, and qualitative interview strategies* by Dr. Lynn Angus, (c) *Quantitative issues in research with small samples of dyads* by Drs. William Hoyt and Brent Mallinckrodt, and (d) *Cultural consideration in conducting small N research* by Dr. Madonna Constantine. After the paper presentations, workshop attendees met with the presenters to discuss specific ap-

plications related to process and outcome research with small samples.

At the American Psychological Association Convention in August 2008, the Section for the Promotion of Psychotherapy Science will honor Dr. Bruce Wampold who was selected to receive the SPPS 2008 Outstanding Lifetime Contribution Award. This award is given to recognize outstanding scholarship that contributes to our knowledge of psychotherapy and Dr. Wampold's contributions have been partic-

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## SECTION REPORTS

### *Section for the Promotion of Psychotherapy Science (CONTINUED)*

ularly significant. During APA in Boston, the award will be given as a part of a symposium with the title of "The Contributions of Bruce Wampold." This symposium will consist of four presentations. First, Zac Imel and Steven Benish will discuss Wampold's work on the *Relative efficacy of treatments of various disorders*. The second presentation will be given by Takuya Minami on *Benchmarking outcome in naturalistic settings*. Third, *Therapist effects and the role of the alliance* will be covered by Scott Baldwin. The final presentation, given by Zac Imel and Kuldhir Bhati, details recent *Advances in the Contextual Model*. I believe this symposium will be

interesting and informative and I would like to encourage counseling psychologists and students to attend.

Another initiative that began last year was a Meet Process and Outcome Researchers session at the APA convention. This session was designed so that students, early career professionals, and others could interact informally with prominent psychotherapy researchers. The Section for the Promotion of Psychotherapy Science will sponsor this session again at the APA convention in Boston. Those who attended last year indicated they liked the opportunity to discuss issues related to process

analyses and measuring outcome with specific researchers. More information about this opportunity to network with other researchers will be forthcoming.

Finally, the Section for the Promotion of Psychotherapy Science welcomes new members and anyone interested in psychotherapy research can simply join the section by contacting me at [swhiston@indiana.edu](mailto:swhiston@indiana.edu). I would particularly like to encourage students who are interested in process and outcome research to join this section.

*Susan Whiston, Chair*  
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## HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY SECTION REPORT

ICPC was a wonderful success for the Society of Counseling Psychology as well as for the Counseling Health Psychology Section. We had a great time, and we want to thank all of you who came to our General Meeting, the "Health Disparities" pre-conference co-sponsored by SERD, our Working Groups, and our session on the "Past, Present, and Future of Counseling Health Psychology." The participation and enthusiasm at all of our sessions was very energizing and exciting! Perhaps the most gratifying aspect of the conference was the number of students who came to our sessions. We were so pleased with their interest and involvement in the Section, and impressed with their experience and sophistication in the Working Groups.

One of the aspects of the conference that we want to carry into the future is our collaboration with SERD. The pre-conference on "Health Disparities" was very successful! It was a joy to work with Earlise Ward, Chair of SERD, in preparing for the session, and it was clear that our passions for the topic overlapped and resulted in a synergy that was perhaps greater than what either of our sections alone could have generated. Our speaker, Carolyn Tucker of the University of Florida, was enthusiastic, informative, generous with her time, and had us all singing by the end of her presentation! Unfortunately, the other speaker who was

planning to come, Paschal Kabura of Uganda, was unable to attend because of visa difficulties. However, he emailed his presentation and some slides so we could have some sense of the incredible challenges of health care and mental health care in Africa.

The Working Groups considered the important topic of "Defining Unique Competencies in Counseling Health Psychology." Cynthia Belar, Executive Director of the Education Directorate of APA, opened the session with an overview of the history of Health Psychology. Led by Chair-elect, Don Nicholas, the groups discussed the competencies set out recently by the Council of Clinical Health Psychology Training Directors (CCHPTP), and additional strengths we bring to the field as Counseling Psychologists. Group leaders included Nicole Borges, Sara Maltzman, and Cyndy McRae.

Looking forward to APA, we will be sponsoring several sessions in the Hospitality Suite. In addition to the Section Board Meeting and General Meeting for Section members, we will have an hour for students to discuss issues to consider in applying for Health Psychology internships. We will have current and recent interns at the meeting to present their perspectives on the application process and the types of experiences that are most beneficial to acquire during graduate

school. Finally, we decided that the work with SERD was so important that we will continue our considerations of Health Disparities in some shared time with them at APA. Come join us!!

*Cyndy McCrae, Chair*  
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## FROM THE EDITOR

Last fall I assumed the newsletter Editor position from Libby Nutt Williams. Libby stepped down a little early because she accepted a new position as Dean of the Core Curriculum and First Year Experience at her institution, St. Mary's College of Maryland. I must admit, I have big shoes to fill. Libby and her student assistant, Jennifer Connolly did an amazing job with the newsletter. Included in their accomplishments are creating the streamlined headlines version of the newsletter and taking the full version electronic. I want to thank Libby and Jennifer for the new and exciting directions they took with the newsletter and for their guidance during the transition period. I also would like to wish Libby the best of luck in her new position.

*Saba R. Ali, Newsletter Editor*



## SECTION REPORTS

### SECTION ON ANIMAL HUMAN INTERACTION: *Research & Practice (AHI)* *IT'S OFFICIAL!*

As the newest Section in the Society of Counseling Psychology, we are excited, grateful, and eager to get started. The Section on Animal-Human Interaction: Research & Practice (AHI), which had been a section-in-information the past year, was approved by the Executive Board of SCP at the International Counseling Psychology Conference (ICPC) for full section status.

Probably the best way to get to know us will be to join our activities when you can, work with us on joint projects, invite us to collaborate with you and, we hope, benefit from the contributions we feel we can make to the field of counseling psychology. We could not be more pleased to have found a home in SCP.

AHI fits into counseling psychology in a number of ways: we will be examining the role of the human-animal bond in empathy development, the ability to form and express attachments, reaction to grief and loss, the challenges of aging, and other developmental passages throughout the lifespan. Contributions can be made by AHI to the field of violence prevention by examining the important link between animal abuse and family, juvenile, and community violence. We also want to understand how human interaction with animals promotes health, e.g., the role of

animals in recovery from illness, animals as partners in confronting depression and anxiety, and companion animals' contributions to maintaining physical and emotional health in the elderly. Yet another important area of AHI—animal-assisted therapies in health and mental health related prevention and intervention programs in a variety of contexts—is one that we hope will bring us in contact with our colleagues in other sections and disciplines. Further, AHI topics include pet grief counseling, clinical signs of mental health risk involving the animal-human interactions in families and communities, as well as the development of counseling programs to address the needs of veterinary students, animal shelter volunteers, and animal rescue workers.

AHI actively participated in the events at ICPC:

- We held a business meeting on Thursday, March 5, attracted 26 participants, the majority of whom were students. AHI wants to encourage students to join this new section and to help us build it.
- AHI presented a Roundtable Discussion on *Animal/Human Interaction: Contemporary Issues in Practice*. Five members of the Organizing Committee of AHI led this interchange: Camille DeBell, Oklahoma State University;

Aubrey H. Fine, Cal Poly University; Karen D. Schaefer, New Mexico State University; Kimberly A. Hays, Illinois State University; Melissa E. Trevathan, University of Houston. The discussion which was intended to highlight a number of contemporary practice and research issues was so well attended that the group had to borrow an extra table to accommodate all participants! Topics included integrating animal-assisted therapy into clinical practice, working with clients with grief issues related to pet loss, working with clients who have been affected by animal abuse, and using animal-assisted therapy with clients with Alzheimers. The group also discussed developing a symposium for an upcoming APA convention and proposing a special issue on animal-human interaction to *TCP*.

- Melissa Trevathan also presented a poster on “The Utility of Animal-Assisted Therapy for Counseling Psychology: Research and Clinical Practice.”

We look forward to meeting our colleagues and working and learning together. For information, questions, or suggestions, please contact Mary Lou Randour at [Randour@comcast.net](mailto:Randour@comcast.net).

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### SECTION FOR LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL AWARENESS

I am writing the column with gratitude for the opportunity to be a part of the Section for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Awareness during this particularly exciting time in our development as a section. Programming during ICPC was amazing! Our section partnered with the Section for Independent Practice to offer a dynamic workshop “Best practices for working with diverse LGBT Youth and Young Adults.” The presentation brought together panelists Dr. Gary Harper, Dr. Maureen Laferty, and Dr. Robert Garofalo and also included an experiential component incorporating movement/dance by

About Face Theatre Troupe of Chicago.

Also, during ICPC, twenty four of us had an opportunity to spend 4 hours together working on a strategic plan. As we reviewed the mission and purposes of our section contained in our not so ancient (revised in 1995) bylaws, members noticed that our section was formed with the purpose of “awareness” of LGB issues and to support professional development of LGB professionals and students. Our goals at that time included creating community, encouraging research and scholarship related to LGB issues, as well as

providing networking opportunities for LGB professionals and students. Our goals themselves nearly brought me tears (for many reasons). As a section, and yes, as a people, we have come so far in the last decade (and we have so far yet to come). All that networking, awareness building, research, scholarship, creation of community, willingness to be out when it wasn't close to safe, built a solid foundation from our community now has both opportunity and the challenge to move beyond awareness and appreciation and into advocacy. Thank you. Thank you to those

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## SECTION REPORTS

### SECTION ON COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY COUNSELING CENTERS

Greetings to all of you from the Section on College and University Counseling Centers. I hope that the academic year is winding down smoothly on your campus, and for those of you who attended the International Counseling Psychology Conference, you have sufficiently recovered from what was an exciting and dynamic meeting! Counseling center psychologists were deeply involved in the program offerings, and I'd like to acknowledge and thank our SCUCC section members who worked so hard to put together our fantastic preconference activities. SCUCC partnered with the Section on Positive Psychology for these activities, and offered a half day of conversation and information entitled "Strength-Based Approaches to Counseling Practice, Supervision/training, and Outreach in College and University Counseling Centers." Attendees received CE credits for this program, and the results were quite impressive! All the participants did a fantastic job of providing practical information well-grounded in theory, and keeping the audience very entertained as well. In addition, our section

offered a program on crisis intervention on college campuses that provided important ideas for moving us forward in our ability to advocate for the needs of individual agencies on our campuses.

Important symbolically, while less so financially, SCUCC contributed part of our conference funds to a co-sponsorship of the ICPC with the American College Personnel Association and ACPA's Commission on Counseling and Psychological Services. This partnership resulted in a shared exhibit space in the conference's exhibit hall, and quality time spent together among colleagues who are important volunteers within these two organizations. This joint sponsorship is symbolic of larger opportunities afoot for SCUCC.

In February, I had the honor of representing APA, SCP, and SCUCC at the first meeting of a developing consortium focusing on mental health issues in higher education. Representatives from the highest levels of leadership attended from a variety of organizations, including the American Psychiatric Association, the

National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA), the American College Counseling Association (ACCA), ACPA, AUCCCD, and the American College Health Association—the sponsoring organization who hosted this meeting at their mid-year executive meeting—convened for a discussion of the important issues around mental health in higher education. This half-day meeting resulted in a plan to move forward with a continued interorganizational coalition focused on the shared interest in addressing mental health issues in higher education. These ideas were brought back to the leadership of SCP and APA, and have opened doors of possibility for unprecedented synergy and collaborative opportunities for SCUCC, SCP, and APA.

I look forward to seeing many of you in Boston, and please look for more information about the happenings in SCUCC in our newsletter, free to you when you become a member!

*Traci Callandrillo  
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### *Section for Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Awareness (CONTINUED)*

who built the section when the climate was more difficult. Before Ellen came out, you were there. Thank you to those who are still available for mentoring to help the section grow into what we dream of being next. Remember for us how other social justice movements have navigated and help us know our own history. Thank you to those who are joining now with new visions of inclusivity and new energy for the way that psychology can be used to advocate for social justice. Challenge us not to feel we have done enough, to be satisfied and thus leave anyone out of the circle, and show us our blind spots. Share your energy with us.

Our strategic plan includes proposing revisions to our by-laws including a name change for our section and revised goals and purposes. The specific changes have been discussed business meeting, executive board meetings, and ICPC strategic planning meeting and a draft of proposed

changes will be circulated to the membership prior to Boston Convention. The spirit of the changes is to reflect our intention to be inclusive of transgender issues, to reflect the development of our section to include commitment to social justice and advocacy as well as our traditional focus on building community and scholarship. The changes also will reflect our intention to provide mentoring and development to members across the career life-span.

Our strategic plan focused on key domains of functioning of our section: scholarship, mentoring/professional development, advocacy/public policy, practice, training, leadership. While considering these domains, we reminded each other of our training and values as counseling psychologists and our foci on: prevention, health, career, systemic intervention, considering culture and context, life-span and strengths. A work group was assigned to each domain and a

list of goals for each domain was generated. It was decided that one achievable goal for this year in each domain would be set and this would be reported back to the membership via the newsletter. One first priority is updating our website. Robert Kizer, a graduate student member from the University of Missouri-Kansas City agreed to serve as webmaster and will be working with our executive board to make this happen. Thank you Bobby!

Exciting plans are being made as our section grows into what we can be. Thanks to those who have contributed and who continue to do so. Boston holds some excellent programming and some exciting opportunities for connection. Don't miss the section dinner and cabaret, this is quite possibly the best time to meet members and find out what our section is all about.

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## OTHER REPORTS

### SAS REPORT

The International Counseling Psychology Conference has come and gone and we are delighted to report that student involvement at the conference and in the society is on a sharp rise! Over 700 students attended the conference, which made up almost half of the conference attendees! Also, student programming was well attended and students volunteered many hours of their time to the profession to help the conference to run as smoothly as possible. As students, we are enjoying such a fantastic time in the Society of Counseling Psychology and experienced members in SCP are clearly invested in the future leaders of the Society!

Investment in students took another great leap forward during the Society of Counseling Psychology's Executive Board Meeting that was held at the ICPC in March. The SCP Executive Board passed a proposal set forth by SAS to implement a procedure to open up nominations for all SAS members to become a student representative on all SCP Committees and Special Task Groups (STG). This will represent a change in the process of appointing students to leadership positions within the Society that will reflect a more democratic way of finding interested and

qualified students to serve their profession.

The following procedures will be used to solicit and select students for Committees and STG's. STG's and committees searching for appointments will submit an e-mail request to UND's SAS e-mail. Committee requests will be received in time to announce vacancies in the Spring SCP Newsletter and STG requests will be addressed as they are formed.

SAS Co-chairs will formulate an announcement for the SAS listserv as well as incorporate committee information into SAS's SCP newsletter article. These announcements will include the name of the committee/STG, the mission of the committee/STG, approximate number of hours of commitment for the year or two years for committees, and required meetings to attend. Students will be given two weeks to respond with submission of vita/resume.

A review committee consisting of three students from the SAS Executive Board will use a rating system to rank preferences for candidates based on a blind review of applications. The final selection will be given to SAS Co-Chairs within two weeks,

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who will then make the recommendation to the SCP President Elect and SCP VP of Communications. The student will be notified pending their approval.

This newly-approved process will be slightly delayed for implementation this spring. Since this is the case, be on the lookout for listserv announcements about committees and STG's. Students appointed by this new process will begin their service tenure on committees in August 2008. STG service will begin after appointment has been made.

It's a great time to get involved and become a leader in SCP and it is important to be on the SAS listserv to receive announcements for leadership opportunities. Please contact the SAS webmaster, lore dickey (lore.dickey@gmail.com), to sign up for the listserv.

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### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The Membership Committee continues to bring enthusiasm and quality discussion on membership issues in an attempt to bring in and retain Society membership. Many thanks to those who worked hard at the International Conference, especially coordinator and Chair-elect, **Susan Lonborg**, and her staff of students and committee members.

Thanks also to all other Membership Committee members: **Charlene Alexander** (Ball State University), **Jaryn Lynn Allen** (Student, University of North Dakota), **Frederick J Dorn** (University of Mississippi), **Shawn Victoria MacDonald** (ECP, St. Mary's College of Maryland), **Ramona Mellot** (Northern

Arizona University), **Alex L Pieterse** (ECP, George Mason University), **Marcy Rowland** (ECP, Independent Practice, State College, PA), **Lori Simons** (Widener University), and **Jessica Thull** (Student, Marquette University). We have worked hard to increase the representation of students and early career professionals on our committee, and they have brought outstanding ideas and energy to our work.

**Lori Simons** has developed and implemented a survey that now goes to all SCP members who fail to renew or resign their membership. Initial results indicate that most either forget to renew or move to professional positions outside the field.

**Ramona Mellott** continues to work with our **Membership Liaison** program, which allows each academic department to appoint a faculty and student membership representative to SCP. We so appreciate those who are representing SCP to their home university and look forward to gathering with them in Boston.

As of our most recent census (Year-end 2007), the Society of Counseling Psychology has 2091 Members, Fellows, and Associates (a 1% decrease), and 830 Student Affiliates (a 1% increase). This reflects the first year in several that membership has been stable in our division, unlike APA membership in general,

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## OTHER REPORTS

### Membership Committee Report (CONTINUED)

which has been declining. Thank you to all of you who renewed your memberships for 2008. Please encourage your students and colleagues to join SCP. Just pass along the membership application from this newsletter, or refer them to [www.div17.org](http://www.div17.org). Finally, we warmly welcome the following new members, who have joined SCP during August, September, October, November and December, 2007.

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#### NEW MEMBERS:

Paul Cheung  
Courtney Gasser  
Nancy Boyd-Franklin  
Steven N Broder  
Sara R Byczek  
Mark H Chae  
Margaret Crosbie-Burnett  
Melanie M Domenech Rodriguez  
Dianna G Ducote-Sabey  
Juan A Garcia  
Katharine D Hatch  
Keith C Herman  
Annette Lacey

Georgios Lampropoulos  
Dwight M Lofton  
Lynn D Miller  
Samuel S Park  
Salina Renninger  
Tina Richardson  
Lori K Roberto  
Sherry S Rostosky  
Tiffany C Sanford-Martens  
Richard N Shadick  
Casey T Tobin  
Greta Winograd  
Hyung C Yoo

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATOR'S REPORT

I am the Emergency Response Coordinator for the Society. As a new position, serving as part of the APA Interface board under Bobbie Celeste, I am still sorting out my role and how to best fulfill its expectations. I am also the APA Disaster Resource Network Coordinator for Indiana, so I believe some of the duties for these roles will overlap.

As you are well aware, there have been a number of highly publicized crises in the past year that affected the SCP community. Our colleagues at Virginia Tech and Northern Illinois reached out for help and support poured in from every quarter imaginable. Other campuses have experienced student losses in the past few months, as have several high schools and middle schools, and workplaces, around the U.S. Most of these losses have not received the publicity of the first two, but

they are no less significant in their home communities. Disasters may be forces of nature (e.g., earthquakes, hurricanes, tornados) or human-created (e.g., the bombings at Oklahoma City or the World Trade Center). Imagine the potential for chaos in the event of a flu pandemic. And, never forget that a seemingly small disaster becomes huge when it happens to YOU: a house fire or car accident in which a loved one is lost; the sudden death of a public safety worker in the line of duty. Our communities experience disasters every day, and it is crucial that counseling psychologists be prepared to offer support, guidance, and advocacy when needed.

The duties of the ERC include examining SCP's response to emergencies, and evaluating the SCP emergency response system. To that end, I want to get a sense of how many SCP members have been

trained in disaster response work, and possibly where the gaps are. We can't determine next steps without understanding the basics.

Be on the lookout for a survey from me asking a few simple questions, including: name, contact information, previous disaster training and experience, willingness to assist outside of your local area. Thank you in advance for your prompt responses; the more complete my database the better! [And, if you happen to be a member of the Indiana Psychological Association, don't be surprised to see the survey twice; as the DRN for Indiana I need to create that database, too. Please respond to both surveys.]

Sharon Bowman,  
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## FACULTY AT 4-YEAR COLLEGES SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP REPORT

At the APA conference in San Francisco, the Division 17 held a SIG-Information meeting for a proposed Special Interest Group on Faculty at 4-Year Colleges. This SIG provides a forum for counseling psychologists who pursue academic careers at undergraduate liberal arts colleges and other four-year institutions. As yet still in the planning stages, the SIG could:

- help faculty connect with other counseling psychologists teaching at undergraduate institutions
- inspire discussions on bringing unique values and themes of counseling psychology into the undergraduate curriculum
- provide opportunities to share ideas on challenges of balancing teaching, research, and practice in the undergraduate setting
- expand research collaboration with others who share similar training
- offer mentorship for the tenure-track process in a setting where few others share a scientist-practitioner identity
- offer a source of information for

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## OTHER REPORTS

### *Faculty at 4-Year Colleges Special Interest Group Report (CONTINUED)*

graduate students who are interested in teaching at the undergraduate level

Counseling psychologists wanting to teach in undergraduate psychology departments currently have few clear options of mentoring. According to APA surveys, counseling psychologists represent between 6-8% of full-time faculty in undergraduate psychology departments, compared to clinical psychologists at 22% (Kyle & Williams, 2000; Stoloff, Sanders, & McCarthy, 2006). This means that few graduate school faculty will have the knowledge or experience to guide graduates who wish to teach at the undergraduate level. In addition, finding other counseling psychologists who teach at undergraduate institutions is difficult.

Faculty already teaching in this setting, and graduate students hoping to teach in this setting, could benefit from a group that allows for support and mentoring within this career path.

For counseling psychologists teaching in the undergraduate setting, finding colleagues with similar philosophical approaches to clinical issues or research (e.g., the focus on strengths, multicultural perspectives, consideration of social context in addition to biological and psychological issues) becomes critical. It allows for shared teaching strategies introducing the counseling psychology perspective; opportunity for support on unique challenges of balancing teaching, research, and practice in the undergraduate setting;

and mentorship for the tenure-track process as a scientist-practitioner.

Due to positive interest at the recent APA conference, we are now in the process of gathering names of Division 17 members who are interested in this SIG. Once official, the SIG on Faculty at 4-Year Colleges will have a listserv and annual gathering at the APA conference. Please contact Deborah Wiese (wiesedl@whitman.edu) or Stephen Cook (s.cook@ttu.edu) to be included. Interested members will be contacted by email by the end of the May regarding plans for APA and the next steps for the SIG.

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## OLDER ADULT SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP REPORT

The mission or purpose of the SCP Older Adult Special Interest Group is to bring together Counseling Psychologists to work on behalf of older adults, their families, and caregivers. We seek to do this in a manner that is sensitive to multicultural issues that older adults experience throughout their diverse communities.

As counseling psychologists, we seek to facilitate personal and interpersonal functioning across the life span. The Older Adult SIG will advocate for the psychological/mental/behavioral health and wellness needs and concerns of older adults in their diverse communities and care settings, through practice, public ad-

vocacy, education, information sharing, and/or research.

Activities consistent with its mission and purpose include: support efforts to encourage APA recognition of geropsychology as a practice specialty (APA has acknowledged a geropsychology proficiency); support efforts to ensure mental/behavioral health concerns are addressed by policy makers; develop linkages with other groups advocating for older adults e.g., APA's Committee on Aging, Society of Clinical Geropsychology (Division 12, Section II), Adult Development and Aging (Division 20) and Psychologists in Long Term Care; collect

and disseminate information important to the lives of older adults; support activities that enhance education and training of psychologists who work with (or want to work with) older adults, their families, and/or caregivers.

If you wish to join this group to lend your support and expertise as well as learn from the expertise of other members please contact Merla Arnold at ma159@columbia.edu. You will also be informed of important older adult related issues and events.

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## COMMITTEE FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REPORT

### *Step Up and Get Engaged with Boston!*

You are invited to "Step Up & Get Engaged" with the local community in Boston 2008. This will be our 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of SCP's Community Engagement and "Stepping Up to the Plate: Giving Back to the Community" activities. Before booking your flight, consider these events being planned for the Boston 2008 APA Convention.

- 1) Social Justice and Service! Volunteers will have the opportunity to serve food with a local agency that also provides social justice education for volunteers.
- 2) Social Justice and Learning! Conference for local service providers with series of speakers on topics relevant to serving marginalized communities

in the Boston area. As the community identifies their needs for topics, we will be looking for facilitators with expertise in a variety of areas. We will also be looking for volunteers to help make the day work!

- 3) Social Justice and Shopping and Dining! A guide to Boston retail and

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## OTHER REPORTS

### *Committee for Community Engagement Report (CONTINUED)*

restaurants that work toward social justice in the community will be compiled to provide SCP members with opportunities to support the local communities' efforts.

(pdbrails@lesley.edu) or Rebecca Toporek (rtoporek@sfsu.edu). As plans are solidified, information regarding events and scheduling will be available on the SCP website (<http://www.div17.org/>).

If you are interested in "Stepping Up & Getting Engaged" with the Boston community in any of the above events, please contact Priscilla Dass-Brailsford

Our engagement with New Orleans and San Francisco during the 2006 and 2007 APA Conventions proved to be a great start. For a glimpse of "Give Back"

events at the San Francisco Convention, see the SCP Fall 2007 Newsletter, pages 17-18 ([http://www.div17.org/Newsletter/SCP\\_Newsletter\\_Fall\\_2007.pdf](http://www.div17.org/Newsletter/SCP_Newsletter_Fall_2007.pdf)) or for the New Orleans events see the SCP Fall 2006 Newsletter, page 15 ([http://www.div17.org/newsletter/October\\_2006.pdf](http://www.div17.org/newsletter/October_2006.pdf)).

## **2008 SCP AWARDS**

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD BEST PRACTICE & BEST SCIENCE AWARD LIFETIME MENTORING AWARD**

Nomination Materials are currently being received for the following awards. Please see the Division 17 Awards Webpage for specific information on nomination materials & procedures [http://www.div17.org/about\\_awards\\_div17.html](http://www.div17.org/about_awards_div17.html)

**SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD:** The Social Justice Award is given to a living member(s)\* of SCP with a degree in Counseling Psychology or demonstrated identity as a Counseling Psychologist, and a sustained commitment to the specialty, to community involvement, to recognizing diversity, and to demonstrating evidence of achieving community or organizational change that supports disenfranchised, disempowered, less privileged, or oppressed groups and has a larger impact on practice, research, and scholarship in the field. The associated monetary prize is funded by the editors of *The Handbook of Social Justice in Counseling Psychology*. \*The award may be given to an individual or to a small group whose collaborative work meets the spirit of the award (in which case the lead nominee must meet all criteria above).

**BEST PRACTICE & BEST SCIENCE AWARD:** SCP will once again be sponsoring the "Best Science and Best Practice" invited presentations at the upcoming (2008) APA convention. We are seeking presenters who can showcase their accomplishments in each of the following areas: (1) One invited presentation would highlight best practices by one of our SCP members who is engaged in cutting-edge innovation and evidence-based-practice that has significantly contributed to service delivery across diverse populations, and (2) A second invited presentation would showcase some of our best science by one of our SCP members who is engaged in programmatic, cutting-edge, innovative, empirical research that has significantly contributed to scientific knowledge, theory, and practice across diverse populations. *Criteria for the Selection of Invited Presenters:* (1) Be a member of the SCP, but excluding current members of the Executive Board of the Society, and (2) have long-standing, widely recognized expertise within and outside SCP.

**LIFETIME MENTORING AWARD:** This award for outstanding achievement in mentoring is given to acknowledge career contributions to Counseling Psychology via excellence in mentoring. This award is for professionals who have provided mentoring throughout their careers. There is no monetary prize associated with this award. There will be three to five awardees per year. *Criteria for the Lifetime Achievement in Mentoring Award:* (1) Nominated individuals must have made long-term contributions to counseling psychology via their mentoring activities. These contributions could be in a variety of arenas, for example in science, practice, leadership and administration, teaching and training, and/or recognition of excellence, (2) Nominated individuals should hold a degree in counseling psychology or a closely-related field, and/or have made demonstrable contributions to the field of counseling psychology through mentoring others, (3) Individuals must have provided outstanding mentoring to individuals working in the field of counseling psychology, and (4) While there is no requirement to this award for the number of years an individual has engaged in mentoring activities, given the award's emphasis on "Lifetime Achievement," it is expected that nominated individuals will demonstrate a commitment to mentoring activities during an extended length of time (i.e., 15+ years).

**Deadline for ALL award nominations is FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2008**

All materials should be submitted electronically to  
Lauren Weitzman, Awards Committee Chair, at [lweitzman@sa.utah.edu](mailto:lweitzman@sa.utah.edu)



## CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

### CANDIDATE STATEMENTS FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITIONS

#### President-Elect Nominees:

**Steven J. Danish**

**Mark Leach**

**John S. Westefeld**

#### VP for Diversity and Public Interest Nominees:

**Susan Kashubeck-West**

**Laurie “Lali” McCubbin**

**Roger L. Worthington**

#### Secretary Nominees:

**Tina Q. Richardson**

**Lewis Schlosser**

**Oksana Yakushko**

#### Council Representative Nominees:

**Louise Douce**

**W. Bruce Walsh**

#### President-Elect Nominee:

**Steven J. Danish**

I am Professor of Psychology and Social and Behavioral Health and Director of the Counseling Psychology Doctoral Program and Life Skills Center at Virginia Commonwealth University. I came to VCU as Chair of the Psychology Department in 1985. Previously, I held academic positions at Penn State University and Southern Illinois University and received my doctorate in Counseling Psychology from Michigan State University. I am a licensed psychologist, an ABPP in Counseling Psychology and a registered sport psychologist of the Sports Medicine Division of the United States Olympic Committee. I am a Fellow in APA Divisions 17, 27 and 47, APS and the Association of Applied Sport Psychology (AASP) as well as past President of the Society of Community Research and Action (Division 27). In 2007, I received the Lifetime Achievement award for “Prevention” (Di-

vision 17) and am the Distinguished Alumni in the College of Education at Michigan State University this year. I have received grants from NIMH, National Cancer Institute, Office of Substance Abuse Prevention, U.S. Department of Education, U.S. Olympic Committee, U.S. Diving, and Athletic Footwear Association.

My goals and beliefs:

1. The Society, as am I, is committed to social justice, although it is not clear to everyone what it means or how to do it. For me, it means that we work at a **systems- or community-**level to advocate and initiate change rather than continuing to “blame the victim” (see Ryan, 1971). We must choose systems-level targets, while simultaneously strengthening individuals (see Danish & Forneris in the *Handbook of Counseling Psychology*, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition).
2. The Society needs to build on the excellent start we have made in making counseling psychology an international enterprise.
3. Counseling Psychology is particularly well suited to take advantage of the number of doctoral programs housed in Schools of Education and become more active in developing and evaluating programs in the schools to ensure that students are able to succeed in life. This will require teaching social and emotional skills as well as academic skills.
4. The Society needs to become much more involved in health care and reducing health disparities around the world. Our strengths in health promotion and disease prevention should enable us to be able to make a unique contribution.
5. Finally, a population in dire need of attention is our returning veterans. The number of returning veterans and their needs far outweigh available resources. Counseling psychology is ideally positioned to help returning veterans who are having difficulty transitioning from the combat zone to their families, workplaces and communities.

If elected, I hope to continue the activist work of Bill Parham, Linda Forrest and others to expand the reach of the Society throughout APA and in the communities in which we live.

#### President-Elect Nominee:

**Mark M. Leach**

When considering counseling psychology and its history I think of the humanity underlying many of its values, and its emphasis on considering individuals holistically. For example, the division’s increasing emphasis on social justice grew, in part, from a collective desire to advance our diversity interests, and we must maintain our commitment to apply our knowledge to help others thrive. From this advocacy mindset we must continue the growth that has occurred under the leadership of our predecessors. We must remember that we have benefited from our past and enjoy more resources than most individuals worldwide. The recent International Counseling Psychology Conference helped us recognize common professional beliefs and reminded us of the collective potential to advance counseling psychology’s relevance globally. We have done well advocating for our members locally, and we can increasingly persist in partnering with others and find creative ways to tackle some of humanity’s greatest needs including peace and reconciliation, trauma, and social and economic development.

The division has increased its APA voice significantly over the past decade, our journals have high impact ratings, our clinicians are influential, and we are considered an active division. With that comes a responsibility for continued strong leadership for our educational, scientific, political, and practice members. I plan to provide that leadership and represent you conscientiously and respectfully both within the division and with larger organizations (e.g., APA, IAAP). Additionally, I plan to address perceived irrelevancy of counseling psychology at the institutional

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## CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

### President-Elect Nominees: (CONTINUED)

level as evidenced by recent program closures, proving that we must communicate our integral value to university and community missions. Means to continue doing so include international cooperation, social advocacy, and cross-discipline professional relationships.

My involvement with Division 17 includes being Co-chair-elect of the International Section, currently acting as the section Treasurer, and previous involvement in various division and CCPTP task groups, TCP Editorial Board, convention Program Co-chair, and Hospitality committee member. I have also chaired multiple accreditation site visits, am involved with three other APA divisions, and am on the Executive Board of the Counseling Psychology division of the International Association of Applied Psychology.

I am humbled to be considered for this position. With the position comes a responsibility to work collaboratively with the Executive Committee, foster listening to all voices within the division, and maintain the momentum that has already made Division 17 a strong, focused, and visionary division.

#### President-Elect Nominee:

### John S. Westefeld

I am honored to again be nominated by my peers for President of the Society of Counseling Psychology. My experience with the Society of Counseling Psychology spans 29 years. Specifically, I have chaired the following Division 17/Society of Counseling Psychology Committees: Awards, Hospitality Suite, Nominations, Prescription Privileges (Ad-Hoc), SIGS, and Membership. In addition, I have served as Division Treasurer, Secretary Pro-Tem, and as a member of the CCPTP Board. I believe that these experiences have helped prepare me to be President of our Society.

My career includes work at the Iowa State University Counseling Center, the Psychology Department at Hood College, and the Counseling Psychology Programs at Auburn University and The University of Iowa. I served as Training Director at Auburn and Iowa for 13 years. I am currently in my 17<sup>th</sup> year as a professor at the University of Iowa. I am a Fellow of Division 17 and a Diplomate in Counseling Psychology.

If elected I would have several goals:

- Work within the Society to continue to increase communication, e.g. regular contact with members via e mail, soliciting their input, etc.
- Continue to reach out to groups external to the society.
- Work to raise national awareness concerning suicide prevention and suicide education through a variety of initiatives.
- Continue the already existing long-range planning activities for the society, designed to examine our current and future identity and mission.
- Establish a Special Task Group (STG) to examine the issue of internship supply/demand, specific to counseling psychology.

Again, I sincerely and humbly thank my peers for this nomination. I believe I am at a point in my career where I could both give much to the Society, and gain much from the Society. I hope to receive those opportunities.

## VP FOR DIVERSITY AND PUBLIC INTEREST

#### VP For Diversity and Public Interest Nominee:

### Susan Kashubeck-West

#### Biography

Susan Kashubeck-West is an associate professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis and a 1989 graduate of the counseling psychology program at The Ohio State University. She is a member of APA and Divisions 17, 35, 44, and 45 and a member of the American Counseling Association. Her research interests include multicultural issues related to race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, and gender, and body image/eating disorders. Dr. Kashubeck-West has served on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Counseling Psychology*, *The Counseling Psychologist*, *Journal of Counseling and Development*, and the *Psychology of Women Quarterly*.

#### Statement

I am very honored to have been nominated for the position of Vice President for Diversity and Public Interest. My commitment to multicultural issues has become a driving force in both my personal and professional life over the past 20 years. Counseling psychology has been a leader in the field in promoting attention to diversity and multicultural issues and I am proud to be aligned with the Society in this mission. At the same time, I believe there is much more work that needs to happen to ensure that diversity and multicultural issues are viewed as central to our profession, rather than as an area of specialization for some of us. I believe that everyone, but especially those of us who have privilege related to race and ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religion, ability, and so on must be

committed to working for change at institutional and systemic levels to end oppression. I feel that serving in the office of VP for Diversity and Public Interest would be an important way for me to further my work in this area. While significant change has taken place, much more work in terms of public policy and advocacy needs to be done.

As a White faculty member teaching multicultural counseling, my strongest efforts are often targeted at White students who need to become aware of their privilege with regard to race and ethnicity and their responsibility to work to end oppression in all of its forms. I am passionate about the work I do with students and would carry this passion into my work for the Society if elected to this position as VP of Diversity and Public Interest.



## CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

### VP for Diversity and Public Interest: (CONTINUED)

#### VP For Diversity and Public Interest Nominee:

#### Laurie “Lali” McCubbin

##### Biography

Laurie “Lali” McCubbin is an assistant professor of counseling psychology in the Educational Leadership and Counseling Psychology program at Washington State University. Her research interests and expertise focus on resilience and recovery processes among indigenous peoples and people of color across the life span. She is currently the Associate Director of the Stress, Coping and Resilience Project: Individuals, Families and Communities in collaboration with the University of Hawaii at Manoa. She has written several articles and book chapters on trauma and transformation among indigenous peoples as well as family diversity and public policy. She also serves on the editorial board for the *Journal of Multicultural Counseling and Development* and is a reviewer for the *Journal of Counseling Psychology*, and the *Journal of Career Assessment*.

##### Statement

I am honored and humbled to be nominated for the Vice President for Diversity and Public Interest. I have been actively involved in the Society early in my career serving as a committee member for the Section on Ethnic and Racial Diversity (SERD), as Chair and Past Chair of SERD and in my current capacity as Chair of Chairs. Being of indigenous and multiracial ancestry, I am deeply committed to diversity in all aspects as a counseling psychologist: as a teacher, clinician, supervisor, mentor, scholar, community member and leader. Being Chair of Chairs has provided me with a unique opportunity to see the diversity and the strengths within our division and how we as a Society have much to offer in promoting social justice, diversity and influencing public policy. Coordinating training workshops and poster sessions across the sections has allowed me to see opportunities in developing, maintaining and enhancing alliances within the membership of the Society including early career psychologists, experi-

enced leaders, clinicians and scholars and our respected elders.

As Vice President of Diversity and Public Interest, my goals would be to: (a) cultivate and enhance alliances among members within the society to focus on key issues facing diverse populations; (b) increase involvement among early career psychologists, mid career and senior level counseling psychologists who are committed to diversity and public policy issues (c) to promote social justice, diversity and public policy through the dissemination of current and challenging research, sharing teaching, training opportunities and promulgating evidence based practice to developing and senior professionals and organizations; and (d) support exchanges and continuous dialogue around emerging and challenging scholarship as well as maintain our standing as the leading organization in APA promoting diversity.

#### VP For Diversity and Public Interest Nominee:

#### Roger L. Worthington

##### Biography

Roger L. Worthington received his doctorate from the University of California at Santa Barbara in 1995. He is currently the Chief Diversity Officer at the University of Missouri (MU). He is the principal investigator of a \$100,000 Ford Foundation Difficult Dialogues Initiative grant. He was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the newly formed National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education, serves on the Editorial Board of the newly established *Journal of Diversity in Higher Education*, is a member of the APA Task Force on Appropriate Therapeutic Responses to Sexual Orientation, and is the Division 17 coordinator for the 2011 National Multicultural Conference and Summit.

Roger is a licensed psychologist and an associate professor of Educational, School

and Counseling Psychology, where he has taught courses on counseling & interpersonal skills, ethics and law for professional psychology, research design, measurement, and human diversity. He has published numerous articles, book chapters, and an encyclopedia volume on issues of human diversity in counseling and education. He has won numerous awards for service and teaching excellence.

##### Statement

After many years as a member of Society of Counseling Psychology (SCP), I am pleased and excited to have been nominated for the role of Vice President for Diversity and Public Interest. I feel that my numerous roles and activities in service to our profession have prepared me well to serve in this role.

Diversity in society can be viewed as both burgeoning and under threat. Even as the population rapidly becomes more diverse and cultural shifts toward inclusion make important leaps forward, significant resistance to the goals and values of diver-

sity continue to surface, including but not limited to challenges to affirmative action in hiring and higher education admissions and scholarships. These conflicting themes of growth and deficit, promise and challenge produce incongruity between societal demands for competencies to function effectively in the global multicultural marketplace while at the same time political, economic and legal constraints continue to hinder our efforts to be responsive.

My agenda in this role is straightforward: (a) work collaboratively with my colleagues on the Executive Board to integrate diversity into all aspects of SCP operations; (b) maintain and strengthen partnerships across SCP sections and APA divisions to promote the advancement of diversity throughout the APA; and (c) increase opportunities for counseling psychologists to engage in interdisciplinary efforts to promote diversity in education, the workplace, and throughout society.



## CANDIDATE STATEMENTS: SECRETARY

### Secretary Nominee:

#### Tina Q. Richardson

##### Biography

Dr. Tina Richardson received her Ph.D. in counseling psychology from the University of Maryland in 1991. She is a tenured Professor and Training Director of the Counseling Program at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Her research interests include the following areas: multicultural competence, minority student professional development and violence prevention. Special emphasis is placed on multicultural competence, racial and ethnic identity development, and school safety. In addition to her faculty position at Lehigh University, she has a vibrant consulting practice that maintains a focus which parallels her research interests. She serves on the editorial board of *The Counseling Psychologist* and is an ad hoc reviewer for a number of psychology journals. She is a board member for several community-based and international organizations that focus on academic achievement, violence prevention and women's issues. Her commitment to social justice and human rights is recognized both nationally and internationally.

##### Statement

I am pleased and honored to receive a nomination for Secretary of the Society of Counseling Psychology. I believe my experiences serving on several committees for the Society has prepared me to step quite seamlessly into the position of Division 17 Secretary. My experience as a member of the Hospitality Committee for the 2007 APA Convention in San Francisco and Chair of the Hospitality Committee for the 2008 Convention in Boston has given me the opportunity to work very closely with SCP leadership. These roles have prepared me to work collaboratively with the Executive Board in monthly meetings and ongoing projects. It is my observation that the SCP is an efficiently and smoothly run division. In my role as secretary I would welcome the opportunity to support the presidential trio, officers, sections, and special interest groups as well as the entire membership. As secretary, I will dedicate my time and hard work to support the division to

ensure that SCP continues its tradition of effectively bringing together psychologists, students, professional and international affiliates who are dedicated to promoting education and training, scientific investigation, practice, diversity and public interest in professional psychology.

### Secretary Nominee:

#### Lewis Z. Schlosser

##### Biography

I completed my Ph.D. in 2003 from the University of Maryland under the mentorship of Charlie Gelso. Since then, I have been an Assistant Professor in the Department of Professional Psychology and Family Therapy at Seton Hall University. My research focuses on advising and mentoring relationships and multicultural topics. I am interested in the intersection of race, ethnicity, and religion in general, and Jewish issues in particular. At Seton Hall, I serve as the Practicum Coordinator for the Counseling Psychology Ph.D. program and the Faculty Advisor to the Student Research Committee; I also wrote the Student Research Handbook for our doctoral program. My service to Division 17 began in 2004, when I served as the Catering Co-Chair for the Hospitality Suite Committee. Since then, I have served (a) as the co-chair of the SERD Mentoring Committee (2004-2006), (b) on the Program Committee (2005-2008), and (c) on the *Passing the Baton* STG (2006-2007). I will be completing my role as Division 17 Hospitality Suite Co-Chair for the 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference. I have also provided service to my local state psychological association in a variety of roles, including being the current Chair of the Editorial Policy Committee. I am the member of several editorial boards, including the *Journal of Multicultural Counseling and Development*, *Training and Education in Professional Psychology*, *Counseling and Values Journal*, and *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality*. Finally, I consult with the NYC Department of Correction regarding the psychological fitness of their correction officers and correction officer candidates.

### Statement

I am truly honored to be nominated for Division 17 Secretary. I relish the opportunity to get more involved with the leadership of our profession, as I see counseling psychologists poised in a unique position for the future – one in which we can truly effect change in the society at large. As secretary, I would seek to facilitate communication among SCP members in a timely and accurate fashion. I see this as a critical position since it is important to accurately reflect what happened in a given meeting and to strive for objective reporting. I welcome the opportunity to serve the SCP in this way. In closing, I believe that my strong oral and written communication skills, ability to collaborate with others, and strong work ethic make me an outstanding candidate for the position of secretary. Thank you for your consideration.

### Secretary Nominee:

#### Oksana Yakushko

##### Biography

I first moved to the United States from Kiev, Ukraine in search of an undergraduate education in history. I decided to immigrate to the U.S., and continued my education and work here. I received my doctoral degree in Counseling Psychology from the University of Missouri – Columbia in 2004. Since my graduation, I have been working as an assistant professor of counseling psychology at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln. Lincoln has been an excellent place for my academic work because of its recent immigration-rich history (e.g., it is an officially designated relocation city for refugees). The focus of my research and clinical training has focused especially on recent immigrants and refugees. I also maintain close personal and professional ties with my home culture and country, and am involved in a number of international human rights initiatives related to human trafficking, xenophobia, and gender violence. In addition, I have enjoyed being active in our division. I currently serve as a Chair of the Early Career Professionals (ECP) committee as well as a Membership Chair for the Sec-

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## CANDIDATE STATEMENTS: COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

### Council Representative Nominee:

#### Louise Douce

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve the Society as a member of the Council of Representatives these past three years. I have worked as a collaborator and mediator on a number of issues including Model Licensure, Psychopharmacology Curriculum and our Resolution Against Torture. I enjoy this work as an opportunity to put our Counseling psychology values and perspectives in action.

The time has never been better for the values, prospective and collaborative skills that characterize Counseling Psychology to influence the larger organization of APA. We have been successful in our appointments to Boards and Committees. We have worked collaboratively to bring multicultural competency to the center of our thinking about the science and practice of psychology. We are promoting the science of Counseling Psychology on multiple fronts. Yet there is much more to do.

We have been very well represented on Council by our former representatives and by the excellent leadership of our members on the Board of Directors. We have formed strong collaborations and helped resolve several controversial issues. I welcome the opportunity to continue on this team.

I have served the Society in a number of roles over my career. I have been a member of SAW, SERD, GLB; supervision and the new interest group on globalization. I have served on the Awards, chaired Fellows and served the Board as the Vice President for Education and as President. Currently I am on the APA Board of Educational Affairs and the Counseling Psychology representative on the Council of Specialties.

Finally, I received my Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in 1977 and joined the staff of the Counseling and Consultation Service at The Ohio State University. I am currently the Director and adjunct

faculty in the Counseling Psychology program. My career has been an integration of practice, training, teaching, research, advocacy and administration.

I believe I could continue to be a positive force on Council. I look forward to continued service to our Society and profession.

### Council Representative Nominee:

#### W. Bruce Walsh

##### *Biography*

W. Bruce Walsh, Ph. D. (University of Iowa), is Professor Emeritus in the Department of Psychology at The Ohio State University. Walsh is the founder and charter editor of the *Journal of Career Assessment* and the *Biennial Review of Counseling Psychology*. He has coauthored and coedited 24 books. In 1998 he served as President of the Society of Counseling Psychology. From 1990 to 2002 he served as the Director of Training for the Counseling Psychology Program at Ohio State. In 2004 he received the Leona Tyler Award from the Society of Counseling Psychology in recognition of outstanding accomplishments. He holds Fellow status in APA, APS, and is licensed as a psychologist in Ohio.

##### *Statement*

Current social, political, and economic trends present the science and practice of psychology with significant challenges. All too often the news includes headlines that raise in the public's mind questions about psychology's scientific and professional contributions. I believe the APA Council of Representatives must attempt to provide both consumers and policy makers with a greater amount of large scale outcome results from the professional practice of psychology and, in addition, attempt to translate how the science of psychology is being applied to the major social problems that have the public's greatest attention. In this context, we also need to expand ideas about how

psychologists practice and how best to prepare them for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. In addition, I am committed to pursuing and providing tangible membership benefits for both academicians and practitioners and to getting more psychologists actively involved in advocacy for both our discipline and those we serve. Finally, I am committed to aggressively increasing diversity among our professional ranks and in integrating multiculturalism and social justice within the Association.

I believe very strongly in what counseling psychology has to offer and hope to be a continuing part of making things happen as a Council Representative.

### Secretary: (YAKUSHKO CONT'D)

tion for the Advancement of Women. In the past, I have also been involved as a co-chair of the Taskforce on Mentoring International Students.

##### *Statement*

I am honored to be nominated for the position of the Secretary for the Society. I envision that my work as a member of the Executive Committee would continue to support the goals of our Division in promoting diversity, education, training, scientific development, and advocacy. In my position as a Secretary, I would focus on supporting active responsive communication within our leadership. In addition, I hope to bring my experiences as an ECP and an international/immigrant professional to our leadership's table. My position as a chair of the ECP Committee and a past co-chair of the Taskforce on Mentoring International Students has been instrumental in my greater understanding of the distinct and diverse needs of those who are new to our profession. And most of all, this position holds an appeal to me as a way to add my contribution to strengthening and invigorating our Society.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOSPITALITY SUITE LOCATION AND CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Division 17: Hospitality Suite for American Psychological Association's Annual Convention in Boston, August 2008 will be located at the Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel. The address for the hotel is 606 Congress Street, Boston, MA, 02210. If you need to schedule meeting space in the Hospitality Suite, contact Dr. Tina Q. Richardson at [div17hospitality@hotmail.com](mailto:div17hospitality@hotmail.com).

**Attention Students!** Each year during the APA annual convention, Division 17, Society of Counseling Psychology (SCP), hosts a Hospitality Suite that conducts important business meetings, social events, and informal discussions with key SCP figures and students in the field. The Division 17 Hospitality Suite Committee is now recruiting student volunteers in Counseling Psychology to provide service to the division at the APA annual convention this year in Boston in August. This is an excellent opportunity to meet SCP leaders from across the country and to network with other Counseling Psychology graduate students. We are asking for students to volunteer their time in at least one 3-hour shift. We ask volunteers to attend an orientation meeting on the first day of the convention Wednesday, August 13 at 7 p.m. For volunteering to staff the Hospitality Suite, each student will receive a free book from a publisher as well as an invitation to the Division 17 Presidential Reception. Feel free to email me if you have any questions at [tqr0@lehigh.edu](mailto:tqr0@lehigh.edu). If you are interested, please send you name, email, home mailing address, and phone number to [div17hospitality@hotmail.com](mailto:div17hospitality@hotmail.com) by May 1, 2008. Thanks in advance for your consideration.

### WHAT'S NEW AT THE COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGIST?

In September 2007, SAGE launched "*The Counseling Psychologist Online First*" webpage (<http://tcp.sagepub.com/pap.dtl>) where forthcoming articles published in *TCP* may be accessed on-line before they are scheduled to appear in print. Articles that can be accessed on this website are linked full-text.

### COMING SOON...

#### Earn Continuing Education (CE) Credits for Reading Articles in *TCP*!

Underwritten by the Society of Counseling Psychology (Division 17, American Psychological Association), and in partnership with PsychoEducational Resources (PER), *TCP* will begin its Online CE Program with the **May 2008** issue. Each issue of *TCP* will have a designated article carrying a stipulated number of CE credits (2-4 credits). Readers may purchase, complete, and submit their CE Quiz online at <http://per-ce.net/ce/tcp.php> in the convenience of their homes or offices for an affordable \$25 fee. Quizzes are scored instantly and CE certificates are available immediately for download or printing (80% correct score earns credit—free re-takes, if needed).

PER is approved by the American Psychological Association to provide CE to psychologists, and by a wide range of individual state boards for other professionals, as well. Visit PER at <http://per-ce.net/ce/tcp.php> for more information, and join the thousands of licensed mental health professionals who turn to PER each year to meet their continuing education needs.

### LISTSERV ANNOUNCEMENT

Bill Stilwell, the Coordinator of SCP LISTSERVs, Linda Subich, Director of SCP Communications & Technology, and Julia Phillips, VP for Communications, extend their sincere apologies to all SCP members for the major inconvenience posed by a technical error in managing SCP LISTSERVs.

On Monday February 4th, SCP members' e-mail addresses from the DIV17ANNOUNCE LISTSERV were mistakenly uploaded into DIV17, the SCP's discussion-oriented LISTSERV. Recognizing the magnitude of this inconvenience to SCP members, the discussion-oriented DIV17 LISTSERV was closed immediately upon discovery of the error.

For greater clarity in the future, the discussion-oriented LISTSERV has been renamed DIV17DISCUSS@lists.apa.org and will be rebuilt with ONLY those who have previously subscribed. In addition, we have enlisted support from APA Division Services to separate the management of the two LISTSERVs.

We would like to take this opportunity to differentiate between the DIV17ANNOUNCE and DIV17DISCUSS LISTSERVs. DIV17ANNOUNCE@lists.apa.org includes all SCP members, but is used ONLY by the SCP President on a monthly basis to share important news and timely announcements with the general membership of Division 17; as an ANNOUNCE ONLY LISTSERV, it has no capability for replying to messages or for subscribers to post messages to it. We encourage members to STAY ON this ANNOUNCE ONLY LISTSERV because the monthly posting is an important component of our new communication structure that supplements our SCP Newsletter and SCP website.

Again, we offer our sincere apologies for the inconveniences caused by the recent mistaken upload of all members to the wrong LISTSERV. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to better our communication mechanisms and processes with SCP members.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE OFFERED FOR TEACHING THE PSYCHOLOGY OF MEN CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM AT THE APA BOSTON CONVENTION

Teaching the Psychology of Men will be a Continuing Education Program during the APA Convention in Boston. Eight or more scholarships will be awarded to graduate students who want to attend the workshop free of charge. Issues related to the psychology of men and masculinity are increasingly identified as important areas in psychology including boy's and men's development across the life-span, issues of multiculturalism and sexual orientation, violence against women, homophobia, fathering, men's health and others. Therefore, the teaching of the psychology of men is central to psychology, yet one of the least developed areas in psychology.

The purpose of this introductory workshop will be to assist psychologists in developing course work on the psychology of men using the theoretical and empirical literature on men and masculinity. Participants will learn basic knowledge on how to create a psychology of men course or how to infuse this content into existing courses on gender or the psychology of women. Each presenter will share their syllabi, reading materials, class manuals, evaluation processes, and other resources. The workshop will discuss pedagogical processes such as traditional lecturing, psychoeducational techniques, group discussion approaches, use of video media, student assessment techniques, managing classroom problems, and the infusion of diversity and multiculturalism as critical content.

The goals of the workshop are to help psychologists: 1) Design a psychology of men course or incorporate the psychology of men into existing courses; 2) Locate syllabi, core concepts, readings, media, self assessments, and other resources to teach the psychology of men; 3) Utilize multiple teaching methods when teaching the psychology of men including psychoeducational and multicultural approaches; and 4) Enumerate the critical problems/dilemmas and solutions when teaching the psychology of men.

The teaching faculty of the workshop include: Jim O'Neil, Ph.D, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT; Michael Addis, Ph.D, Clark University, Worcester, MA; and Jim Mahalik, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.

Information about the graduate student scholarships, how to apply, criteria for selection, and the deadline date can be obtained by emailing Jim O'Neil, Chair, Committee on Teaching the Psychology of Men, Division 51 of APA, at: jimoneil1@aol.com.

**Registration For APA Continuing Education Programs Begins May 1, 2008:  
Call 1-800-374-2721, ext. 5991 • Online Registration at [apa.org/ce](http://apa.org/ce)**



## THE 2008 SUMMER PROGRAM AT ISPRC August 12-14, 2008

### *Practice and Service Delivery*

The Institute for the Study and Promotion of Race and Culture (ISPRC) was founded in 2000 at Boston College, under the direction of Dr. Janet E. Helms, to promote the assets and address the societal conflicts associated with race or culture in theory, research, mental health practice, health, education, business, and society at-large. ISPRC attempts to solicit, design, and distribute effective interventions with a proactive, pragmatic focus. Each year the Institute addresses a racial or cultural issue that could benefit from a pragmatic scholarly focus through its Summer Program.

#### **I. Assessment**

- Diagnostic assessment: race and mental health issues
- Neuropsychological assessment
- Integrating racial identity into assessment and evaluation

#### **II. Interventions**

- Racial and cultural dynamics in designing, implementing, and evaluating interventions
- Measuring and assessing racial and cultural factors in interventions
- The process of integrating race and culture into practice and service delivery for ethnic minority populations

### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The summer training program provides two and one-half days of comprehensive training in the areas of race and culture, and the integration of these concepts into practice and service delivery. The program consists of both didactic and experiential exercises that are intended to assist participants in integrating racial and cultural constructs into their practice. Participants receive training from experts in the field in the following domains: assessment, interventions (children, families, and group), supervision/consultation, and creating a culturally welcoming environment.

#### **III. Supervision and Consultation**

- The impact of race and culture in the supervisory relationship
- Efficient ways of integrating race and culture into the supervision process
- Dealing with resistance from supervisors and supervisees in discussing race and culture in supervision

#### **IV. Creating A Culturally Welcoming Environment**

- Building relationships in the therapy or service environment
- Assessing the physical environment
- Specific strategies and available resources for creating a welcoming environment

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### The 8th Annual Diversity Challenge

#### *Race, Culture, and Trauma*

Sponsored by the Institute for the Study and Promotion of Race and Culture

**OCTOBER 3 & 4, 2008 • Boston College**

**Proposal Submission Deadline: April 21, 2008**

The Institute for the Study and Promotion of Race and Culture at Boston College invites you to join us for the Institute's eighth annual national conference in Boston, a city known for its struggles and efforts to address issues of racial and ethnic cultural diversity in U.S. society. The Institute was founded in 2000 at Boston College, under the direction of Dr. Janet E. Helms, to promote the assets and address the societal conflicts associated with race and culture in theory and research, mental health practice, education, business, and society at large. The Institute solicits, designs, and distributes effective interventions with a proactive, practical focus. Each year the Institute addresses a racial or cultural

issue that could benefit from a pragmatic, scholarly, or grassroots focus through its Diversity Challenge conference. **The theme of Diversity Challenge 2008 is the examination of the intersections among race, culture, and trauma across the lifespan.**

#### *Areas of Emphasis:*

- Mental Health
- Treatment
- Assessment
- Service Delivery
- Education
- Community Programs
- Policy
- Advocacy
- Training



### SCP BOSTON CONVENTION PROGRAM FOR APA 2008

The Program Committee is excited and thrilled about the Society's program for the American Psychological Association 2008 annual convention in Boston! As Program Co-Chairs express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to all program committee members who reviewed proposals this year. The success of the 2008 Division 17 Convention Program is the result of hard working, diligent colleagues who collectively reviewed nearly 400 proposals. We thank Tracey Martin, the new Society Administrative Manager for her incredible and significant contributions to processing proposals and directing logistics during our program review; Amanda Carr, doctoral student at Lehigh University, for her invaluable support and assistance; and all Society members both professionals and students for submitting your scholarly work to the Division. As a way to build on the excellent reviews and scholarly commitment of our colleagues, the Program Committee will

be holding a meeting in the Hospitality Suite on Thursday, August 14, 2008 from 9:00 – 9:50 am. We invite all current members and interested colleagues to attend this gathering. Our convention program will feature 200 posters, 50 symposia, 3 Discussion Hours, 3 Workshops, and 5 Conversation Hours. Our poster presentations will consist of the following 5 clusters: (1) Career Counseling and Vocational Psychology, (2) International and Assessment Issues, (3) Counseling Process & Outcome and Training & Supervision, (4) Diversity and Multicultural Issues, and (5) Individual Differences and Mental Health Adjustment. Our symposia presentations will address topics such as healing from racism; international perspectives on career indecision; training social justice advocates; counseling Muslims; resilience in spiritual communities; older lesbian, gay, and bisexual individuals; NIH funding; well-being among Middle Eastern, South Asian, and Jewish

communities; resilience; social class; and rural communities. In maintaining our Society's tradition, this year's Fellows Address will honor 11 colleagues on Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> and our Society President, Linda Forrest, presidential address entitled: "International Standards of Professional Competence—The Influence of Culture and Context" will be delivered on Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. We hope that you will find the convention program intellectually stimulating and critically informative in regards to research, theory, practice, training, supervision, and consultation foci within Counseling Psychology. Please stay tuned for the July 2008 issue of the Newsletter for the full convention program schedule. If you have any questions, please contact us.

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Membership Categories/Dues:

- APA member who wishes to join Div. 17. (\$37)  
 APA member who wishes to join Div. 17 for the first time and was most recently a SAG member. (\$18)  
 Professional Affiliate. Masters or doctoral level counseling psychologist (or related discipline) who is not an APA member and who wishes to join as a non-voting member. (\$70)  
 International Affiliate. Masters or doctoral level counseling psychologist (or related discipline) who need not belong to APA and who wishes to join as a non-voting member. (\$17)  
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