Musings from Behind the Scenes of the 2008 American Psychological Association Convention

Perhaps it was only the after effects of trying to move rapidly from the new convention center to hotel to hotel in Boston, but I felt an unusually high level of energy among Counseling Psychologists in attendance at the recent APA convention. As the new President of SCP, I had the opportunity to attend more business meetings, section meetings, award presentations, and social hours than would ordinarily have appeared on my convention dance card, although not nearly as many as I would like to have attended.

The society has grown so much that it felt like SCP held a small convention just for us within the larger APA convention. Past President Linda Forrest and Tina Richardson, Hospitality Suite Chair, should be commended for the classy accommodations that they secured for our specialized meetings.

I think the energy stemmed from so many of our members being involved in doing important work, much of which was stimulated by the creativity of the sections, the diligence of the Vice Presidents, and/or the visions of my presidential predecessors. Michael Mobley and Arpana Inman also deserve kudos for putting together an excellent program in spite of the fact that SCP was in the throes of making the new organizational structure work under the guidance of Linda Forrest and Julia Phillips with the assistance of Tracey Martin, our first management associate. In addition to SCP members’ contributions to the general convention program, the hospitality suites were the sites of a variety of activities sponsored by the 14 Sections and Special Interest Groups (SIGs). The Sections represent areas of interest that reflect the specialty of Counseling Psychology as we know and love it, but also some new and exciting areas.

For those of you who might have avoided the convention because you think it is too large, let me recommend the Sections and SIGs as places where you can find colleagues and friends with shared interests who are doing good works. Check the Society website (http://www.div.17.org) for information about our Sections and SIGs. If you don’t find one you like, consider starting a new SIG in your own specialty or interest area.

One project that caught my attention that you might have missed included the ongoing social service commitment of the Community Engagement Committee, an offshoot of Bill Parham’s “Passing the Baton” presidential project. As you may know, this group orchestrates pre-convention community service volunteer projects for counseling psychologists in convention cities. This year the Committee partnered with the Boston Ten-Point Coalition, an alliance of clergy, mental health professionals, community members and young leaders. Their collaborative project focused on helping youths to prevent and recover from the trauma of violence. It was inspiring to hear Priscilla Das-Brailsford and Chandra Corbett tell us about the youths’ appreciation and surprise that psychologists were interested in listening to them and helping them to resolve their life traumas. I met two of the community workers who helped coordinate.

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As I have said many times to a wide variety of people over the past weeks, I have experienced a diversity of emotions since becoming President-Elect of the Society. I am happy, excited, anxious, overwhelmed, appreciative, and very humbled, to name but a few. I have also found myself thinking back over the many presidents I have seen at the Society’s helm over my 31 year career. I have moving, humorous, and powerful memories of many of these former presidents, their presidential addresses, their presidential initiatives, and the many ways in which they have contributed to our Society. It is a long and very impressive list of 65 names, beginning with E.G. Williamson and culminating with Janet Helms, our newest president. I look forward to great anticipation to working with Janet, Linda Forrest, our past-president, and the entire executive board and the membership.

Having just returned from Boston, I have again been struck by the many wonderful people associated with our Society. Some of you I have known for many years—others I have just met. For me, its been the people who have always been the best part of being involved in SCP—though of course our people also do great work, important work—work that makes a difference.

One of my major tasks this year is to identify a presidential project. As stated above, I have seen many presidents develop these projects, implement them, and I have seen these projects make an incredible impact. I have thought of several ideas in terms of my own presidential initiatives: suicide prevention, an interest near and dear to both my personal and professional heart; expanding even more our many multicultural initiatives; working on membership, i.e. trying to both keep current members and attract new members to the Society as well as perhaps surveying members; examining how all of our convention programming is structured; reaching out to our elders in a variety of ways; looking for additional ways to interface with other divisions; and several others. I do not need to finalize the project for several more months, so I am very interested in your input/ideas as well. If you have a thought on a presidential project that you think would impact our Society, or any input about this process at all, please e-mail me (john-westefeld@uiowa.edu). I am also interested in your input about what you see as the major issues confronting our Society right now—what issues do you feel need to be addressed by your executive board? Again, please e-mail me with your input. I am very interested in knowing what YOU think needs to be addressed by the Society and its leaders. I am asking for your input now, primarily about my presidential project, but want to emphasize that I want your input throughout my years as president-elect, president, and past president.

Already I have quickly learned through both experience and observation what a tremendous amount of work it is to be president-elect, president and past president. (though especially president of course…) I think I can speak for every person who has ever been in these roles when I say, this can only work with your help. We need your help in several ways:

- Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering for a committee, or if you are just generally interested in volunteering in any way.
- Please encourage others to join the Society—membership is our lifeblood, and we are always interested in attracting new members, as well as keeping the members we have, and being responsive to their needs.
- Please provide us with input on the many occasions when we will ask for it.

Anyone who knows me knows I am a work-hard, play-hard kind of guy. I will try to do the best job I can for SCP—however, I will also put my family first, try to practice self-care, try to have balance in my life, and try to laugh a lot—all things that have helped me throughout my life.

Thank you again very, very sincerely for the honor of serving you—I look forward to the next three years with excitement.

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PAST PRESIDENT’S REPORT

SOME INITIAL REFLECTIONS AS PAST PRESIDENT

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There is a lot to share with members about the actions and decisions of the SCP leadership. The Society’s Executive Board (EB) along with Section and Committee Chairs (45 of us in total) met for over 7 hours on Wednesday afternoon and evening at the APA convention completing a ton of work on behalf of the Society. The EB meeting started with a visit from Dr. Carol Goodheart, a counseling psychologist who is running for APA President. In May, the Executive Board voted to endorse Carol Goodheart, a Division 17 Fellow and recipient of the 2007 Society’s Best Practice Award as our #1 candidate for APA President. Visit the SCP website to link to Goodheart’s webpage and view her qualifications and campaign statements. Goodheart talked about the large number of counseling psychologists involved in APA governance and their effectiveness that she believes is due to our counseling psychology values especially our diversity and social justice commitments, and our collaborative leadership models. Stay tuned; the EB is working on a plan to support Carol’s run for APA President with a “get out the vote” campaign. This is your FIRST reminder: DO NOT throw your ballot in the trash. Make your ballot count by electing a counseling psychologist as APA President. Vote Carol Goodheart as your #1 choice.

Debbie Nolan was introduced as the Society’s new association manager. Debbie brings to the Society “state of the art” association management skills and experience. She and her partner Greg Brooks, the technology guru on the team, have already introduced strategies for more effectively and efficiently manage the many “behind the scenes” tasks that go into keeping this huge volunteer organization moving forward. If you would like to introduce yourself to Debbie, her email address is dnolan@div17.org. In conjunction with Debbie and Greg further work is being done to improve Society communication. Communication systems to assist the EB are being reviewed, permanent email addresses for SCP officers and committee chairs are being tested on a trial basis, and the EB voted to develop a plan to convert the SCP Newsletter to a fully electronic format.

The Society’s journal, The Counseling Psychologist, received the #1 ranking among 57 journals in the Applied Psychology Category in 2007 based on the rankings provided by Reuter’s. A hearty congratulations to 2007 TCP Editor, Robert Carter, the 2007 TCP editorial board and the authors who published in TCP in 2007. It is their articles that were highly cited and garnered TCP this top ranking.

David Baker, the SCP Archivist and also the Director of the Archives of the History of American Psychology (AHAP) provided the EB with an overview of the importance and significance of good archives for psychology. Everyone present was reminded of the SCP archival policy and agreed to attend more carefully to archiving the materials associated with their leadership position, so that the history of Society will be captured in the archives for future generations of counseling psychologists.

Building on the previous success of the LGBT and Multicultural Guidelines, the Prevention Guidelines developed by members of the Prevention Section have been submitted to APA Council as a new business item. The document now begins the lengthy review process to become APA policy and will be shepherded through the process by our able Council Reps and the many counseling psychologists who are serving as leaders on APA Boards and Committees.

Several new Special Tasks Groups (STG) have been formed to study specific issues and make recommendations to the EB: STG on CACREP accreditation, STG on Masters Programs, STG on SCP programs at APA convention, STG on ABPPs in Counseling Psychology. More information about these STGs will be available in the EB meeting minutes which will be posted on the SCP website once the meeting minutes have been approved.

The EB voted to change the way members are appointed to the Program Committee. Now instead of the President Elect appointing 33 new members to the Committee, there will be an open call for reviewers that will go out each fall on listservs (SCP, CCPTP, ACCTA, and AUCCCD) requesting volunteers to serve on the Program Committee. Look for this call for reviewers this fall—this is a great way to get more involved in the Society. The EB also voted to expand the number of students on the Program Committee from 2 to 15-20 and to further develop the review training and onsite mentoring components to support these students’ professional development. The number of students on the SCP Awards and Recognition Committee was also expanded from 2 to 11-22 students, again with attention to mentoring students into the review process.

Traci Callandrillo is serving as the Society’s representative to an interorganizational Campus Mental Health Taskforce that plans to address collaboratively concerns about how mental health issues are being addressed on campuses around the US and to develop strategies for improving mental health services. Traci will be reporting on the work of this interorganizational taskforce in future newsletters.

The EB approved funding four proposals from the APF/SCP Endowment Fund. Those funded will soon be listed on the SCP website. Bruce Walsh has done a superb job of growing the fund to its current value of over $150,000. This year the EB voted to donate from the Society’s budget $10,000 to the APF/SCP Endowment Fund.

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Vice President for Communication Report
Julia Phillips, Ph.D.

Interesting news from the APA Convention on the Communications front included the preview of APA’s upcoming roll-out of the first phase of its new website. I was especially pleased to interact with Dr. Tony Habash, APA CIO, in my role as a member of CODAPAR—the Committee on Division/APA Relations. At the Division Leadership Conference last January, a number of Division Presidents requested that they have more interaction with APA related to the website changes. Dr. Habash and his staff worked with CODAPAR to develop a survey of Division needs in this area, analyzed the data, and have been very responsive to Divisions in their thinking about APA’s website and how APA members and Division members can it most constructively. In fact, as a result of these interactions, it appears that Division 17 members should be able to renew their Division 17 memberships on-line at some point beginning in 2009.

For our own website, I wish to express sincere gratitude to Dr. Stewart Pisecco who recently finished his service as SCP webmaster. This position involved both technical and advisory input, requiring many hours of dedicated service. The website has moved to APA for hosting, and SCP will utilize a professional to do the technical updating in the future. We are currently speaking with candidates for SCP webmaster, which will become more of an advisory position, rather than a technical position.

Another piece of exciting news relates to Dr. Randy Pipes accepting the position of APA Awards Coordinator! This position had gone unfilled for a year, so we are so pleased and grateful for his willingness to serve the Society in this important way. As noted elsewhere in this edition of the newsletter, many counseling psychologists were recognized with APA Awards this year in Boston. Our past APA Awards Coordinators have helped to keep the pipelines flowing with nominees for these awards, just as I am sure Randy will. Please support these efforts by nominating deserving counseling psychologists for major APA, APPIC, APF and other awards!

As always, please feel free to email me at julia7@uakron.edu with any suggestions regarding SCP communications. Thank-you and have a great Fall Season!

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Vice President for Diversity & Public Interest Report
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After many years as a member of Society of Counseling Psychology (SCP), I am pleased to serve in the role of Vice President for Diversity and Public Interest (VPDPI). For those who do not know my background, I thought it might be useful to provide some highlights of what I have been doing recently that relates to my new role.

After receiving my PhD in 1995 from UC Santa Barbara, I spent 3 years at Boston College before moving to the University of Missouri (MU). From 2000 to 2005 I conducted a comprehensive investigation of the campus climate for diversity at MU, which led to my appointment in 2004 as a faculty fellow in the Office of the Deputy Chancellor to work on campus-wide diversity strategic planning. I was appointed interim chief diversity officer in 2006. During that same year I became the principal investigator on a grant from the Ford Foundation Difficult Dialogues Initiative, was elected to serve on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education, and was appointed to the editorial board of the Journal of Diversity in Higher Education (JDHE). More recently, I have been deeply involved in three additional projects as member of the APA Task Force on Appropriate Therapeutic Responses to Sexual Orientation, guest editor for a special issue of JDHE on “Measurement and Evaluation in Campus Climate Research,” and member of the guest editorial team (with Bonnie Moradi, Jon Mohr and Ruth Fassinger) for a special issue of the Journal of Counseling Psychology on “Critical Conceptual and Methodological Issues in Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Research in Counseling Psychology.” In May I was promoted to the position of Assistant Deputy Chancellor and Chief Diversity Officer at MU, where I now direct the Chancellor’s Diversity Initiative.

Looking forward, I am currently working with Amy Reynolds and Lisa Spanierman as tri-chair of a Special Task Group on Racism in Higher Education as part of Janet Helms’ Presidential Initiative on Racism. In addition, I am preparing to serve as the SCP coordinator for the 2011 National Multicultural Conference and Summit (NMCS) by shadowing the current group of coordinators for the 2009 NMCS. In the coming weeks I will be considering nominations and volunteers to serve on my VPDPI Advisory Council.

My vision for 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 diversity throughout the APA; and (c) increase opportunities for counseling psychologists to engage in interdisciplinary efforts to promote diversity in education, the workplace, and society. In addition, I am eager to hear from members of the Society about what you think our agenda should be in advancing SCP mission and leadership in this area. I am very open to feedback and guidance, so I hope you will share your insights and suggestions about how to move forward.

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I hope you enjoyed the recent APA Annual Convention in Boston. I moved to Boston one week before APA (to work at Northeastern University as department chair), so it was a unique experience for me to be attending the convention in my new home city. On August 14, a number of counseling psychologists gathered in the Division 17 Hospitality Suite to discuss master’s degree programs and CACREP issues. We raised some important concerns, and brainstormed ideas for action. One is to request that the APA Board of Educational Affairs take an active role in examining the issue of overseeing master’s degree programs (e.g., curriculum, accreditation, and credentialing). Another idea, among others, is to engage other counseling-related organizations in a dialogue about training and accreditation issues. Everybody in attendance expressed strong interest in moving forward with the two special task groups that deal with master’s degree programs and CACREP issues, respectively. These task groups are joint efforts of SCP and CCPTP.

In another meeting at the APA Convention, several representatives from ACCTA, CCPTP, and SCP met with Catherine Grus from the APA Education Directorate. Dr. Grus debriefed us on initiatives related to education and training issues (e.g., competency benchmarks, international quality assurance). There will be a special meeting preceding the APA Education Leadership Conference in September, when representatives of all training councils will discuss action plans for addressing supply and demand imbalance in psychology internship placements. I will report more on this in a later column. Finally, I want to thank Linda Forrest for her excellent leadership as President of SCP. Her organization skills and mentorship made it a delightful experience for all who served on SCP governance during the past year.

One of the most enjoyable parts of my role as VP for Science is to participate in the APA convention session where Division 17’s Best Science and Best Practice awards are bestowed. This year’s recipients of the Best Science and Practice awards were, respectively, Steve Brown and Jean Carter. It was inspiring to hear Steve and Jean’s talks at APA and fitting to be able to honor their enormous contributions to our profession.

This column marks the beginning of my third, and final, year as VP for Science. In addition to continuing to represent the Division at APA’s Board of Scientific Affairs meetings, my plan this year is to focus on two primary intra-division initiatives. The first initiative is to promote the success of counseling psychologists’ efforts at obtaining research funding. This initiative actually continues the momentum of a dedicated cadre of researchers who have organized sessions on research funding at recent APA conventions and at the ICPC. Matt Martens (chair), Kathie Chwalisz, Rich Lee, Robert Morgan, Karen Multon, Elizabeth Skowron, and Christine Yeh have volunteered to serve on a special task group on research funding. Their goals include raising awareness of the importance of research grants, helping graduate students and junior faculty members to acquire grant-seeking skills, and highlighting examples of large-scale research funding in counseling psychology. The group is off to a great start and has generated a very ambitious agenda for the coming year.

The second initiative is to enhance counseling psychology science programming at upcoming professional conferences. Specifically, I’d like to build on the success of the science track programming we had at the ICPC by creating more opportunities to examine the interface of science with practice, education, and diversity within SCP. Examples might include mini-courses on quantitative and qualitative research methods, science-focused sessions that cut across the interests of different SCP sections (e.g., vocational and health), and programs aimed at graduate students and early career professionals (e.g., adaptations of the “data blitz” and “speed mentoring” ideas that have been developed by APAGS). The SCP Executive Board has approved the formation of a new special task group to explore the use of conference program tracks that better serve the needs of science, practice, diversity, and education in counseling psychology.

I welcome your reactions to both of these initiatives – and your suggestion of additional ideas that may promote energy and enthusiasm around science issues in counseling psychology.

Here’s to a successful 2008-09 academic year!

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Hospitality Suite Reservations for APA 2009
The Division 17 Hospitality Suite Committee is accepting requests for meeting space in the Suite for the American Psychological Association’s Annual Convention Toronto, August of 2009. If you are interested in scheduling a meeting in the Suite, please contact Vanessa Prosper, Ph.D., Scheduling Coordinator (vanessa.prosper@childrens.harvard.edu) by January 16, 2009 (we would love to hear from you sooner!). In your request, please include the approximate number of people you expect at your meeting and whether or not you will need catering (just yes or no); we will be putting out a call for specifics after we have received hotel information and banquet menus.
Vice President for Professional Practice Report

These comments are based on briefings on practice issues both from the Boston Convention, including our Practice Stakeholders lunch meeting, and the recent meeting of the APA Committee for the Advancement of Professional Practice (CAPP). The APA Practice Directorate is now being handily managed by Dr. Kathryn Nordal, the new Executive Director. Kathryn has already made organizational changes including a set of staff teams tracking such critical areas as primary care, RxP, reimbursement, communication and products and services. While the times ahead will be challenging for practitioners there is a hopeful sense that we are well led. There are several important issues as follows:

Parent Coordination A new area of practice that is emerging for psychologists is parent coordination. Parent Coordinators are specially trained experienced professionals under contract with a court administrator who provide a specific type of dispute resolution service to high-conflict, income eligible parents on a sliding fee basis. The goal is to protect children from the conflict often present in family and marital dysfunction and conflict. The Coordinator is a behavior consultant to the court and psychologists, with individual and family counseling skills, are in a prime position to be helpful. Seven or eight States already have enabling legislation in place and many judges use parent coordinators even in the absence of legislation.

Medicare Services The APA Practice Directorate, in collaboration with other mental health partners has been active and successful in several areas. They helped defeat an Administration proposed 9% cut in reimbursement to providers, avoiding a potentially devastating further reduction in services to older and disabled clients (only about 38% of primary care physicians are Medicare providers). APA also worked to reverse the automatic 5% cut which means psychologist providers will see a 4-5% increase in payments. APA government relations staff was also instrumental in gaining parity in mental health services payments; client co pay has been 50% for mental health services compared to 20% for medical services (this will be phased in by 2014). Finally, APA will also be at the table for a work value reevaluation of psychological services by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) which hopefully will result in an increase in reimbursement for psychological services. Special kudos go to SCP members Merla Arnold and Jean Carter who worked successfully with clinical geropsychologist Paula Hartmann-Stein to develop a new measure accepted by CMS to be used in the Bonus Reporting system (which provides a financial bonus to providers who use reporting measures within the pay for reporting system).

Early Career Psychologists (ECP) The APA Committee on ECP has produced a helpful “Financial Planning Guide for Early Career Psychologists” (hard copy from APA but online eventually) which deals with such important issues as federal loan forgiveness programs after increasingly expensive and debt laden doctoral programs. As survey of ECPs is also available on the ECP web site.

Past President’s Report (Continued from page 3)

Fund. The Society was the only APA Division to make such a donation. The Society was honored for our forward thinking at the APF Donors Reception at the APA convention. Society members led by Laura Palmer were also honored at the Association for the Advancement of Psychology reception for their excellent advocacy work and reception/dinner for Senator Patty Murray at the 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference in March 2008.

Finally, I want to say a huge thanks to all the Society members who took time in their busy lives in the days after APA to write me notes of thanks about my efforts as President. There is something very gratifying about these thank yous because these messages spoke to what was meaningful to you—you are a diverse group, different things touch different people—and I am the lucky one who gets to see it all. Your emails have run the gamut. Some have thanked me for my commitment to students and our work to towards their full involvement in the Society. Others have thanked me for modeling “grace under fire” or “apologizing for a mistake in the moment and in front of a crowd.” Still others have thanked me for my efforts to bring international issues to the forefront of counseling psychology and for planning and implementing the International Conference. And my personal favorites have been those of you who have thanked me for my Presidential Address that spoke to the potential for a train wreck that as counseling psychologists we should do every thing in our power to prevent. Some of you really resonated with the call to become learning leaders/partners who assert that culture and context are relevant and important in every decision we make about standards of professional competence. Some of you spoke of your pride in being a counseling psychologist because you are certain that counseling psychologists will be leaders in helping psychology create professional standards that are inclusive of many cultures and nations. All of these thank you’s have been an important part of reflecting on my year as President and helping me refuel—they are meaningful in very deep ways as they are helping me figure out where I want to put my energy next. To all of you who have written, a special thank you.

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nate the project, SCP invited guests, who are planning to go back to school so that they can be like the community engagement counseling psychologists they met.

The enthusiasm of counseling psychologists involved in international counseling psychology was also evident at this conference. The International Conference on Counseling Psychology, one component of Linda Forrest’s presidential project, has generated much interest in this country and in other countries about collaborative efforts in counseling psychology. I for one had some engaging on-the-run conversations about how racial identity theory does and does not work in other countries.

Not all of the news that I have to report was good news, however. Of considerable concern was Jeff Pollard’s announcement that counseling psychology is in danger of losing its status as a specialty because counseling psychologists do not sit for the annual ABPP (American Board of Professional Psychology) exam in sufficient numbers. That would be a tragedy, given that SCP is one of the two oldest ABPP divisions and future generations need the philosophy of counseling psychology to guide their practice and scholarship. Jeff, who is President Elect of the American Board of Counseling Psychology, reported that the ABPP exam is much more fun than it used to be. There is even an ABPP exam for academic psychologists! So, if you were even thinking about taking the ABPP exam, perhaps you will hear this alert as an opportunity to make the thought a reality.

I hope past presidents Louise Douce and Jean Carter will forgive me for not knowing which one of them was responsible for putting together the coalition of counseling psychologists across organizations that enables the Executive Board to keep abreast of such timely issues.

Also, increasing and maintaining SCP membership continues to be a major concern. Linda Forrest focused on increasing the representation of students and early career professionals in SCP. I will continue her efforts. However, I would also like to expand our focus to include the sandwich generation of professionals. These are our counseling psychology colleagues who are neither early career nor distinguished career professionals, but are in between. I suspect that they dropped out of APA and/or SCP to focus on family concerns or building careers. SCP needs their expertise. So, if you know sandwich counseling psychologists, encourage them to join SCP. If you have ideas about how we might attract these counseling psychologists, please send your ideas to Susan Lonborg (lonborg@cwu.edu), our new membership committee chair, or me (helms17@bc.edu). Mary O’Leary Wiley, our previous membership chair, and the membership committee did outstanding work to increase and maintain SCP’s membership. Let us see if we can replicate their accomplishments.

Not daunted by the accomplishments of SCP members and Past Presidents—only a few of which I have mentioned—I had the opportunity to introduce my presidential project for the upcoming year at the Annual Business Meeting. The meeting was a bit longer than we intended; so, in case you missed the various aspects of my project I will repeat them here. In addition to continuing to work on increasing SCP membership across the lifespan, I also asked SCP members to join me this year in my presidential project, Taking Action against Racism.

Taking Action Against Racism (TAAR) has the general goal of using principles of multicultural counseling psychology to translate the science of anti-racism into language and activities that will engage laypeople in recognizing, preventing, and fighting against racism and xenophobia. A year is a short time, so here are the areas in which I hope we can have some impact:

- **Taking Action to Prevent or Cure Racism in Higher Education**—tri-chairs Roger Worthington, Amy Dillman, and Lisa Spanierman (lbspan@uiuc.edu). The focus of this Special Task Group (STG) will be identifying unique skill sets and roles that counseling psychologists use or can teach others to use to respond to racial micro-aggressions or racist incidents on college campuses. Volunteers are welcome.
- **Taking Action Against Racism in K-12 Schools**—co-chairs Guerda Nicolas and Farah Ibrahim (Farah.Ibrahim@ucdenver.edu). Identifying skills and interventions that counseling psychologists have used to combat the “isms” faced by youths in the school system.

Contact the co-chairs for more information.

- **Fun Activities to Tell When Free Speech is Racist Speech**—co-chairs TBA. The goal is to get people interested in taking action against racism by using new technologies, such as online activities, game-based teaching modalities, and virtual learning environments, to engage them in the process of discovering how racism looks and feels especially as it is manifested in the media. If you are interested in volunteering for this STG, contact me (helms17@bc.edu).
- **You Take Action Against Racism Wherever You Are**—independent projects. Let me know what you are doing or would like to do to take action against racism and I will try to support your efforts.

Let me conclude with what is perhaps my most important observation from the recent convention. Nothing could happen to preserve the discipline and profession of counseling psychology and serve the public good in its name if it were not for so many dedicated and creative volunteers. We are an association of volunteers. But only a few are doing the work of many. Chances are that if you are reading this newsletter, you are involved at least a little. What can I do to encourage you to become even more involved?

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**FROM THE EDITOR**

Please note that in the interest of saving the Society money and in the spirit of environmental consciousness (reducing paper usage), the Division 17 newsletter will be going completely electronic. The Spring 2009 Issue of the newsletter will be posted online only on the Society’s Website and we will no longer be printing the headlines version. Please stay tuned to postal mail and email alerts to discover how to access the newsletter online.

Saba Rasheed Ali
Newsletter Editor
I am honored to be writing my first newsletter article for SAW as the incoming Chair of the section. Thus, my first order of business is to thank outgoing Chair, Connie Matthews, for her service to SAW. Not only has Connie been a great leader, one who kept us focused on pressing issues, she has been a wonderful colleague. I feel fortunate that she is still participating in SAW as the Past Chair (and that I can call on her with questions!). That’s how it is with SAW … you come (maybe to our fabulous Champagne Breakfast at APA), you get connected, you serve, and you stay. We hope that more of you will join SAW and find out about the many wonderful Division 17 members who call SAW their home.

I also want to thank the other members of our executive board: Meghan Davidson (incoming Treasurer), Oksana Yakushko (Membership Chair), and Sue Morrow (Newsletter Editor). We also thank Dawn Szymanski (outgoing Past Chair) and Corinne Datchi-Phillips (outgoing Student Representative) and hope they find ways to stay connected with us (I’ll be in touch!). We hope others of you will also be inspired to participate more actively — it’s a lot of fun.

We have had a great year and an exciting set of events at the APA Convention in Boston. We were delighted with our Mentoring Pre-Conference Workshop at the International Counseling Psychology Conference in Chicago and with the continuing promotion of the Guidelines for Psychological Practice with Women and Girls. In fact, our Women of the Year in 2007 were Roberta Nutt, Carol Enns, and Joy Rice, the indomitable leadership trio behind the success of the Guidelines. At our annual Champagne Breakfast (this year without the champagne, as there are regulations about serving alcohol in hotels on Sunday mornings in Boston!), we announced the Woman of the Year for 2008: Helen Roehlke. Congratulations, Helen!

We look forward to many more great events in the coming year. We are revamping our website, looking for ways to use technology even more effectively, and looking for ways to connect more intentionally with sister organizations. Please contact me if you have interest in joining SAW or serving on a committee. Look out for updates, our dues reminder, and information about our student awards and student poster opportunities in our newsletter "WomanView" and on our list-serv. I look forward to hearing from you!

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SECTION ON THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN

Getting Connected, Staying Connected

Programming that is innovative and relevant to the work we do with college and university students in counseling centers has become the hallmark of SCUCC and this year in Boston was no exception. Thanks to Marilynn Wells & Cathy Brack (Georgia State University), Rebecca MacNair-Semands & David Spano (University of North Carolina Charlotte) and Chris Brownson (University of Texas Austin) our symposium “The Changing Face of Practice in University Counseling Centers” offered a succinct view of the documented trends in changing service demands in UCC settings as well as a systems level intervention designed to prevent campus tragedy (Brownson) and a positive psychology perspective and intervention (MacNair-Semands & Spano) to address staff burn-out as a result of the changing nature of our practice. This discussion continued into the roundtable lunch that has become a section tradition. If you are not a member yet, or have not found your way to the section roundtable lunch, this is a wonderful time to connect with other counseling center psychologists, enjoy a free lunch, and have an opportunity to discuss often in more depth the ideas that have been flowing during the symposium.

Congratulations to SCUCC Award Winners:
- Outstanding Graduate Student/Intern: Abby Myers, Georgia State University
- Early Career Professional Contribution in Counseling Center Work: Sheri Lyn Clark, Appalachian State University
- Outstanding Contribution to Counseling Center Work: Lauren Weitzman, University of Utah

Upcoming collaborations of SCUCC include work with Roger Worthington and Lisa Spanierman on a presidential initiative to address racism on university and college campuses. A conference call to discuss how SCUCC can be active in this initiative is planned for this fall. Additionally, the American College Health Association initiated an interorganizational gathering of leaders from various groups to discuss the many overlapping issues embedded in addressing higher education and mental health. This was an exciting and dynamic meeting, which resulted in plans for ongoing interorganizational meetings and project development. APA, and SCP in particular, has recognized the importance of our involvement with this new group, and section past chair, Traci Callandrillo was appointed as the first liaison to this task force and will continue to report to our section about how we can collaborate.

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SECTION FOR THE PROMOTION OF PSYCHOTHERAPY SCIENCE

The overall goal of the Section for the Promotion of Psychotherapy Science (SPPS) is to promote the production and dissemination of psychotherapy process and outcome research. In efforts toward this goal, a highlight of SPPS activities during the 2008 APA conference was a symposium honoring Dr. Bruce Wampold’s lifetime achievements in psychotherapy research. Dr. Kevin McKay, one of Bruce’s former students, provided insight into Dr. Wampold’s methods of conducting research through a presentation entitled *The Two Worlds of Dr. Bruce Wampold: The Mathematics of Therapist Effects and Extant Evidence Thereof*. A second former student, Dr. Takuya Minami, described the collaborative nature of Wampold’s work through the presentation *Benchmarking the Benefits of Psychotherapy in Naturalistic Settings*. Both presentations provided an insider’s perspective about the process at work in Dr. Wampold’s research. The SPPS student research award this year went to Dr. Tanya Razzhavaikina for her dissertation project entitled, *Mandatory Counseling: A Mixed Methods Study of Factors that Contribute to the Development of the Working Alliance*.

A second highlight of the conference was the *Meet the Authors* program in the SCP hospitality suite during which four accomplished psychotherapy researchers in counseling psychology, Dr. Collie Conoley, Dr. Myrna (Micki) Friedlander, Dr. Susan Whiston, and Dr. Nancy Murdock, met with students to provide opportunities to talk about each researcher’s past work and their future directions.

The Section also welcomed two new board members, Dr. Margit Berman as treasurer, and Dr. Conoley as Member-at-Large. The Section will hold elections in the next few months for a Chair-Elect and another Member-at-Large. In the coming year, SPPS hopes to promote work toward a major contribution in the form of either a journal article or a book of chapters to generate interest and disseminate knowledge about psychotherapy research.

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HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY SECTION REPORT

I would like to begin by thanking Sara Maltzman for her six-year commitment to our section. During her tenure the Section has grown and been successful in attracting many new members. I also want to thank Cyndy McRae for her leadership and frequent guidance to me in my time as Chair-Elect. Thanks to both Sara and Cyndy for their leadership!!

As the new Chair, I recently suggested that we focus our Section’s efforts on collaborative projects of substance to the field of counseling health psychology. Some ongoing projects include the following:

We met jointly with SERD to continue our discussion regarding collaboration on issues of health disparities. Potential projects identified for submission to next year’s APA in Toronto were identified.

We continue to stay abreast of ongoing efforts of the Council of Clinical Health Psychology Training Programs (CCHPTP) to be certain the unique perspectives of counseling psychologists are represented. An important first step is for any Counseling Psychology doctoral programs that offer health psychology training, to become members of CCHPTP.

We are proceeding with our ICPC working group on the unique competencies of Counseling Health Psychology with plans to develop the discussion results into a manuscript for submission.

Our Section activities at APA were many and varied. We awarded Errol Philip (Univ of Notre Dame) the Student Research Award, had an active discussion at our business meeting, and hosted a few students interested in internships in health psychology settings. Lastly, I want to thank Larry James for his excellent and well-attended Booz Black Award talk. His innovative health psychology work was highlighted and its impact on our field has been well documented. Thanks again Larry and good luck in your new endeavor as Dean of the School of Professional Psychology at Wright State University.

Finally, we are pleased to announce new additions to our Governing Board. Joining Cyndy McRae, Jim Donnelly and myself are Nicole Borges of Wright State (Chair-Elect) Brian Lewis of the University of Miami (Treasurer), Annette Kluck of Auburn (Membership Chair) and Stephanie Bauman of Washington State University Tri-Cities (Member-At-Large). Suzanne Mazzeo of VCU will be joined by Larra Petersen (The Nebraska Medical Center) as editors of our newsletter. Thanks to all for your commitment to our Section.

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SECTION REPORTS

SECTION ON ETHNIC AND RACIAL DIVERSITY

The SERD team had some great activities during the APA convention in Boston 2008. We hosted a symposium entitled “Healing from Racism: Psychologists Creating Change Through Resilience and Empowerment” and had a great panel of speakers including: Dr. Kevin Nadal (John Jay College), Joleen C. Schoulte (University of Iowa) Ruth Howard (University of Wisconsin-Madison).

We also hosted the SERD student poster presentation and selected the following 5 outstanding posters for presentation:

1) The Relationship Between Service-Learning and Cultural Competence in Undergraduate Students: A Qualitative Case Study
   First author: Allie Smith, M.Ed. Co-authors: Jenny Penney Oliver, Ph.D.; Corey Johnson, Ph.D. Gwynn Powell, Ph.D.

2) Validating the Internalization of Asian American Stereotypes Scale
   First author: Frances Shen, M.A. Co-authors: Yu-Wei Wang, Ph.D.; Jane Swanson, Ph.D.

3) A Qualitative Examination of Collective Self-esteem in African American College Students
   First author: Erika L. Blue, M.Ed. Co-authors: Changming Duan, Ph.D.; Brandy Peoples, M.A. (no email address available); Danyele Shelton, B.A.; Heather Spaulding, M.Ed.

4) An Experience of ADHD
   First author: Mistie Seawell, M.A.

5) Support, Well-Being, and Distress in Cross-Cultural Comparison
   First author: Corrie Wilkeford, B.A.; Co-authors: Ruth Chao, Ph.D.

Congratulations are also in order to this year’s SERD award recipients: Dr. Lewis Schlosser for the Early Career Mentoring Award, David S. Shen Miller for the SERD Student Award and Dr. Arpana Inman for the Outstanding Contribution to Scholarship on Race and Ethnicity Award. These award recipients were honored at the SERD town hall meeting.

I also want to highlight SERD’s collaboration with the Health Psychology Section. Through our collaboration we hosted a very successful symposium entitled: “Addressing Health Disparities: With an Ear for the Beat of Different Hearts” with keynote speaker Dr. Carolyn Tucker at the International Counseling Psychology Conference in Chicago, March 2008. In addition, at APA 2008 we had a meeting to discuss collaborative opportunities for APA 2009.

A special thanks to the programming committee (Shari Robinson, Leya Moore and Theresa Segura) in getting the symposium panel together and the student poster presentations and the Award Committee Chairs: Drs. Christine Yeh and John Queener, for their hard work and commitment to the Awards Committee.

To our general membership, colleagues and friends, thanks for your continued support of SERD.

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INTERNATIONAL SECTION

The International Section has been busy since the ICPC and APA conferences, and our membership has increased significantly since March. First, appreciation should be directed to Puncky Heppner and Larry Gerstein, both of whom initiated the Section and were its first co-chairs. The number of tasks they and others accomplished was impressive, including writing bylaws, initiating committees, getting the webpage online, and coordinating conference efforts. Their leadership was laudable, and their vision of the future of counseling psychology is admirable. We are certain that they will continue with their international work and we will consult with them as past chairs. There were many individuals who assisted them, and appreciation is extended to everyone who worked to make the section successful.

At the APA convention Puncky and Larry have turned over the chair positions to tri-chairs Changming Duan, Mark Leach, and Alvin Leung. The Section decided to include an international chair given its obvious focus, and Alvin Leung of Hong Kong was voted into this position. Both Changming and Mark tied in the national voting, and in the spirit of inclusiveness both Puncky and Larry decided that tri-chairs would be appropriate for the next two years. Dong-gwi Lee is now the international membership co-chair along with Johanna Nilsson, Teresa Tuason is now treasurer, taking over Mark’s old position, and Li-fei Wang is still secretary. Manijee Badiee of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln is the new student representative.

Congratulations are extended to Frederick Leong, who was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award at the APA convention, and Nicholas Scull of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, awarded the Graduate Student Research Award.

There are a number of creative activities that will be continued or initiated this year, and we will be asking for volunteers from the membership. These include sub-committees on international women’s issues, manuscripts to help non-U.S. authors, program, awards, and divisional collaborations. We also hope to revitalize a language committee to help get journal abstracts published in other languages. We will also be working more closely with our international liaisons, with other

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SECTION FOR LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL AWARENESS

It continues to be an amazing and energizing time to be a part of the Section for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and soon to be officially included Transgender Awareness! At the business meeting, members and officers reviewed section goals and achievements and spent time identifying do-able goals in each of the areas of functioning of our strategic plan: scholarship, advocacy, practice, mentoring, & supervision/training. 2008 was the inaugural year for Section Awards. Congratulations to:

Jorja Jamison, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
LGBT Outstanding Graduate Student Award

Tania Israel, Ph.D., University of California, Santa Barbara
Early Career Award for Contribution to LGBT Counseling Psychology

Nathan Grant Smith, Ph.D., McGill University, Montreal, Canada
SLGBA Award for Significant Contribution to Social Justice & Advocacy Award

Congratulations as well to the winners of our student poster awards:

Chao, Hung, Patton, Garriott, Mobley, Michael, Fu, Chun-Chun, Hseih, Catherine, & Khairallah, Taleb, University of Missouri, Columbia. An Ecological-Psychosocial-Cultural Adjustment Model for Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual International Students in the United States

Gupta, Arpana, Szymanski, Dawn, University of Tennessee. Internalized Oppressions as Correlates of African-American Sexual Minority Persons’ Distress

Gratitude to hosts of our fabulous section dinner and cabaret this year: Anneliese Singh & Theo Burnes. The delicious meal at Club Café, the company, and the entertainment “by us for us” was not to be forgotten. Especially dear, and unforgettable was being privileged to hear David Whitcomb’s story about his mother singing to him when he was a boy, and then to have the surprise of her joining him on stage as he sang “when you wish upon a star, makes no difference who you are…anything your heart desires will come to you.” For a few sweet moments Chloe, standing there, with her arms around David, singing those words to him and to us, represented the mother that so many people needed to have. Thank you David, for sharing your talent, your story, and especially your mom with all of us. If you have not been an active part of the section, let me encourage you not to miss what has become a wonderful tradition of meeting new and greeting old friends and colleagues.

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POSITIVE PSYCHOLOGY SECTION

Greetings from the Positive Psychology Section!

I would like to begin by saying how excited I am to be taking over the Chair position for the Positive Psychology Section. I officially began my Chair duties at APA in Boston and have a great crew of officers to work with. Danny Singley has taken over our Communications Officer position, Janice Jones is our new Treasurer, Pamela Cogdal is serving as our Practice Representative, Rhea Owens and Candice Ackerman are our new Student Representatives, and Rod Hetzel will be serving as Past Chair. While I am delighted to have such a great group to work with, we would love to fill some officer and representative positions that remain open. More specifically, we are still in search of a Chair-Elect, a Teaching/Training Representative, and a Research Representative. If you are interested in filling any of these positions or would like more information, please contact me and I will be sure to get you what you need.

The Positive Psychology Section Programming that took place at APA this year was a symposium on Hope Theory conducted by Shane Lopez, Lisa Edwards, Jen Cheavens, Matt Gallagher, and Kevin Rand. The symposium honored the decades of research on Hope, as defined by the late C.R. Snyder, by exploring various new findings and applications of his work. If you were not able to make it to this symposium in Boston, you are in luck! The Fall 2008 Issue of the Naming and Nurturing Newsletter is dedicated to this topic, with each of the symposium participants summarizing their work for our readership. The newsletter will also provide more information about our new officers and representatives and the agenda for our section for the next two years. The newsletter will be available on the web in early November. Be sure to check it out!

At the section business meeting, a number of topics were discussed and ideas for the section were planned. Some highlights of that meeting included planning for the development and dissemination of a survey to all Division 17 members regarding their interests in and use of positive psychology in the workplace, the creation of strengths-based outreach podcasts to give positive psychology away to more people on a national/international scale, major updates to our section website, and ideas

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PREVENTION SECTION

The Prevention Section had a productive and exciting 2008 APA conference. The Prevention Section symposium was titled “Science and Practice of Prevention: From Start to Finish” and was chaired by Larissa Buhin and Jonathan Schwartz. The Prevention Section accepted two student poster proposals this year: Sulzner, J.M., Donovan, A., & Israel, T.; Evaluation of a Teen Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Program University of California, Santa Barbara and Tu, C.C., & Wahl, K.H.; Comprehensive School Counseling Program and Perceived School Climate University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

The Prevention Section continues to pursue APA approval for the prevention guidelines. An interdivisional working group was organized to facilitate this process. The working group was chaired by Sally Hage and John Romano.


The Prevention Section presented the following awards at the Business Meeting:

Award to George Albee
The Prevention Section gave a special award at the 2008 APA convention to Dr. George Albee (posthumously) for his extensive contributions to the field of prevention over his lifetime. Dr. Albee has been a major provider of theoretical, research, and interventions in the prevention field. The Prevention Section takes great pride in recognizing his enormous impact and influence, and we are thankful for the excellent leadership and creativity he showed in being a developer of the field. The Award will be displayed at University of Vermont, where Dr. Albee was a Professor Emeritus.

Counseling Psychology Dissertation of the Year Award in Prevention. This award is given for a dissertation project demonstrating outstanding contributions to field of prevention. The recipient receives a plaque acknowledging the award.

The 2008 award goes to Erica L. Medlock of the University of Oregon.

Counseling Psychology Graduate Student Prevention Research Award
For prevention research in counseling psychology conducted by a student as part of her or his graduate training. The recipient receives $200 for prevention research.

The 2008 award goes to Stephanie Chapman, University of Houston.

Counseling Psychologist Life Time Achievement Award in Prevention
For counseling psychologists who have engaged in more than ten years of prevention activities, including theory building, research, practice, training, and/or leadership.

The 2008 award goes to Dr. Michael Waldo, New Mexico State University.

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.
SECTION ON SUPERVISION AND TRAINING

The Section on Supervision and Training held its official business meeting at APA in Boston. Three awards were given: The Distinguished Professional Achievement Award went to Karen O’Brien, University of Maryland. The Outstanding Publication of the Year Award went to Lewis Schlosser Seton Hall University and Jeffrey Kahn of Illinois State University for their paper, “Dyadic Perspectives on Advisor-Advisee Relationships in Counseling Psychology Doctoral Programs,” Journal of Counseling Psychology, 2007.

The Student Poster Award went to Torricia Yamada, Samuel Shepard, Alissa Doobay, and Nicole Hochhausen for their study “Policies for Problems of Professional Competence: A Call to Action.” These students examined doctoral handbooks for all APA accredited programs in counseling psychology to determine the prevalence of well-articulated statements regarding professional conduct.* They received a travel award of $200.

Newly elected officers were Theo Burnes, President Elect; Carol Falender, Treasurer, Lillian Wong, Communications Chair, and Janie Pinterets, Membership Chair. We have two main goals for this year: (a) to increase membership, and (b) to prepare a special issue on supervision for The Counseling Psychologist. People interested in contributing to the special issue should contact Lee Nelson at mhnels@education.wisc.edu. We are currently updating our website, where you may obtain information about the section, as well as membership applications. You may reach our page at: http://www.lehigh.edu/~incpsych/

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SOCIETY FOR VOCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

This year at the APA convention, the Society for Vocational Psychology celebrated the 100th year of vocational guidance! Our roots trace back to Frank Parsons’ establishment of the Boston Vocational Guidance Bureau and the publication of his book, Choosing a Vocation. The event was celebrated with a dinner in a restaurant that is housed in what was once the Civic Service House where Parsons established the Boston Vocational Guidance Bureau, an agency to help Bostonians find occupations for which they were best fitted. Many thanks go to Kuder, Inc. for sponsoring the event, and to the work of Don Zytowski, Catalina D’Achiardi-Ressler, Marti Martz and their staff for their flawless organization. Our programming at APA included a symposium celebrating a century of vocational psychology practice. The symposium, chaired by SVP Past-Chair Paul Gore, included outstanding presentations made by Don Zytowski, Amy Mazur, Kit Harrington Hayes, Kendall Dudley, Maureen Kenny, and Saba Ali.

At our annual business meeting we offered heartfelt thanks to outgoing board member David Blustein who finished his term as Past-Chair. David’s extraordinary leadership has contributed much to our section over the years. We also thanked outgoing board member Lisa Flores for her stellar work as treasurer of our section. Paul Gore has moved into the position of Past-Chair, as I have transitioned into the role of chair. We also welcome the addition of our new treasurer, Sherri Turner.

SVP Awards. During our annual business meeting, we were pleased to recognize the extraordinary work of Dr. Jo-Ida Hansen by awarding her the 2008 SVP Professional Achievement Award. Dr. Hansen has long been recognized for her pioneering and sustained contributions to vocational psychology research and professional achievement. We also recognized four of our student members: Taisha Caldwell, Southern Illinois University, was awarded the SVP-ACT Award for her dissertation entitled, “Considering achievement motives: Exploring educational success in African American College students.” Two students were awarded the SVP Student Award: Saurabh Gupta, Arizona State University, for his dissertation “Structural analysis and cross-racial/cultural validity of Holland’s theory of vocational interests as measured by the UNIACT,” and Kerri Murphy, Boston University, for her dissertation, “The College-to-Career transition: An exploration of emerging adulthood.” Please join us in congratulating these well-deserved award winners.

Members’ Articles Featured in American Psychologist. I would like to bring to your attention three outstanding articles recently published (May 2008) in the American Psychologist and written by SVP members. David Blustein wrote a thought-provoking article entitled, “The role of work in psychological health and well-being.” This article, which served as the introductory contribution of this special section, provided an overview of contemporary vocational psychology and a presentation of the psychology-of-working perspective. In their excellent article, “Work Transitions,” Nadya Fouad and John Byrner focused on the different types of transition throughout a person’s working life and the resources needed at different stages to ensure successful transitions. Finally, Ruth Fassinger outlined challenges and opportunities for psychology relevant to issues of diversity in education and work in her exceptional article entitled, “Workplace diversity and public policy.”

Ninth Biennial Conference. The Society has chosen the theme and location of our next biennial conference. Patrick Rottinghaus, Lisa Flores, and Mark Pope will be hosting our conference in St. Louis Mis-

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International Section (CONTINUED)

divisions within APA, and with other organizations such as the Counseling Psychology division of the International Association of Applied Psychology. A few of our members attended the International Congress of Psychology held in Berlin in July. We will be expanding our website at http://www.internationalcounselingpsychology.org/ and hope to initiate more international collaborations from this site.

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Positive Psychology Section (CONTINUED)

for recruitment of more members to our section. Detailed minutes of the business meeting will be posted on the web and sent to all those who are members of our section list serve in the near future.

I look forward to the years ahead as the leader of this group and invite you all to join me on this journey.

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Vocational Psychology Section (CONT’D)

souri at the end of June 2009. The conference theme will focus on the role of values in careers. This conference will precede the National Career Development Association (NCDA) conference also to be held in St. Louis July 1-3, 2009. More information will be posted to our website at: www.div17.org/vocpsych/.

I would like to close by offering my appreciation to all section members for their support as I assume the role of Chair of the Section. In my two years as section chair, I have two major initiatives that encourage the inclusiveness modeled by our previous leaders. First, I would like to nurture inclusiveness within our group by mentoring future leaders within the section. We are in the process of establishing workgroups for projects of interest to our membership. We have established the first such workgroup to develop our programming for the 2009 APA symposium. If you have an idea for a project that you would like to take the lead on, please contact me. The second way in which I plan to further inclusiveness is by continuing to enrich and expand our collaboration with other national and international organizations, such as the sponsorship of future events similar to the NCDA legislative luncheon held in Washington, D.C. in July, and the IAEVG-SVP-NCDA International Symposium held in Padua, Italy last year.

We have a very active membership, including a growing student membership. If you are not a member, please consider joining us! I look forward to hearing from you.

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STUDENT AFFILIATES OF SEVENTEEN REPORT

So, where exactly did the summer go? It sure seems like as graduate students, one season RAPIDLY changes to another and you are left wondering where the time went. Classes start up again, comprehensive exams might be around the corner, internship applications are due, and when exactly was I supposed to work on my dissertation? It sure feels like as graduate students, we sometimes define our lives based on the next upcoming event. Such is the case for the Student Affiliates of Seventeen as we reflect on our experiences at APA Boston this year and prepare for the upcoming excitement of the National Multicultural Conference and Summit (NMCS) in New Orleans.

For those of you who were able to attend APA this year in Boston, you may have had the opportunity to catch a few of the Division 17-sponsored events. Whether it was the SCP Business Meeting, the SAS/CCPTP Poster Session and Social Hour, the Fellows Talks, or one of the SCP Awards Addresses, you may have caught the buzz that Division 17 is it! The Society of Counseling Psychology is thriving and so are its members. We left with a sense of great pride about belonging to such a fantastic profession and were also filled with hope as we anticipate the counseling psychology graduate students of today will be tomorrow’s leaders in psychology and will have a lasting impact on APA into the future. We have big shoes to fill as we follow in the footsteps of current fellows such as Dr. Barry Chung, Dr. Jennifer Cornish, and Dr. Kathleen Chwalisz to name a few. We are so very grateful to these fellows and their colleagues within SCP who have offered their time to mentoring and investing in the future leaders of counseling psychology. We invite you as students to attend conferences such as APA and NMCS to take advantage of the opportunities to interact with and engage in conversation with these inspiring intellectual leaders.

We encourage you to attend the NMCS as a way to challenge your professional growth as you engage in difficult dialogue, understand privilege and what it means in therapeutic relationships, and expand your knowledge in the realm of Multicultural Counseling. Also, this Conference is a great time to take advantage of conversing with professionals who are deeply invested in furthering the fourth force in psychology. Make sure you are subscribed to the SAS Listserv for updates on student-friendly programming and events at NMCS. The SAS Listserv is also a great way to learn more about ways to get connected ahead of time (i.e.; volunteering, finding a roommate for the conference, assisting with programming) should this interest you. Please e-mail dickey at div17sas@und.edu to subscribe to the SAS Listserv.

In closing, we wish you all well as you persevere/survive/thrive in your respective programs this academic year and encourage you to continue to become further invested in your SCP as it will greatly benefit you in your future career. At the time of this article submission, there are still multiple positions open for students to serve on SCP Committees. Please e-mail us if you are interested in getting involved in this way.

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UPDATES FROM THE EARLY CAREER PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE

The ECP committee is a group of about 10 to 12 early career professionals (within seven years of receiving a doctoral degree) from many varied professional and life experiences: counseling centers, independent practices, career counseling centers, diverse academic settings, hospitals, VAs, and post-doctoral positions. Our current goals are to make the Society of Counseling Psychology more relevant for the ECPs as well as to make ECPs more visible in our Society. We also want to highlight for ECPs the many new innovative ways that Society is trying to incorporate our voices and interests. To reach these goals we have develop a set of short and long term objectives. One of our current objectives is to develop a new website for the Division’s main site and to establish new collaborations for ECPs across our Society, the APA, and other psychology organizations. We would like your input as well as welcome your involvement! Please contact the current chair Oksana Yakushko at oyakushko2@unl.edu or the chair-elect Larisa Buhin at Lbuhin@thechicagoschool.edu

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OTHER REPORTS

EMPOWERING THE COMMUNITY TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE

by Chanda C. Corbett, PhD

The SCP Community Engagement Committee (CEC) held its’ “Youth and Community Violence Training” in partnership with the Boston Ten Point Coalition in Dorchester, MA on August 13th as a part of this year’s “Give Back” effort. Youth advertised the workshop to the community as a “No More Trauma” workshop and walked door to door to get the word out for all to attend. Their success yielded over 100 youth and adult community members and representatives from the Mayor’s Office. Rev. Dr. Ray Hammond, a founder of the Ten Point Coalition, welcomed us and shared the vision of the organization. Dr. Joseph White captivated and educated the participants with a historical perspective of violence and the keys to reducing violence. Mr. Byron Beaman shared personal experiences with trauma and the importance for youth to finish strong because their lives are necessary. Minister Chris Brown educated the community about trauma and beckoned everyone to heal the community. And Dr. Priscilla Dass-Brailsford set the stage for the break out sessions facilitated by APA and Ten Point Coalition volunteers.

The community leaders actively shared about trauma reactions, discussed ways to work with those acquainted with trauma, and shared personal self care strategies in the break out sessions. The closing group session enthralled us all as we attentively listened to group members share highlights. APA was repeatedly thanked for coming to the community to conduct this workshop. Multiple adults identified themselves and offered the 50+ youth in attendance their support and mentorship. One adult traveling from Washington, DC thanked a youth for inviting her to this event which allowed her to experience the “best day in her life in many years.” Youth leaders repeatedly and emotionally shared how thankful they were to be invited to share in this experience and to be listened to. “There is someone who really cares about what we have to say... good to know that there are adults who care about what we have to say... adults go through things too.” “It means a lot that you listened to us.” Youth thanked us for “showing (we) care” and for not seeing them as statistics. Another youth thanked her peers “for stepping up because it takes a lot.”

“No More Trauma” was truly an experience that empowered the community to work together to end and cope with the trauma that so many Boston neighborhoods experience. This event marked the third year of “Give Back” SCPs efforts to serve the communities in which APA Conventions are held. Next year you will have the opportunity to give back in Toronto. Contact Priscilla Dass-Brailsford (pdbrails@lesley.edu) or Rebecca Toporek (rtoporek@sfsu.edu) if you would like to step up to the plate to exercise social justice and serve the community.

TCP NEWS

The Editorial Office of The Counseling Psychologist (TCP), Division 17, and Sage Publications are pleased to announce that TCP will increase from 6 to 8 issues in 2009, with a total of 1200 pages, effective January 2009. First and foremost, this increase in publication space will enable TCP to shorten the turn-around time between manuscript acceptance and publication in the print version of the journal. It will also allow the journal to revitalize the Legacies and Traditions and International Forums, while enabling two new initiatives, the Practice Forum and Integrative Reviews to be fully developed and realized as new and relevant resources for the TCP readership.

We are also pleased to announce that The Counseling Psychologist had the highest impact factor (3.977) in all applied psychology journals for 2007. We congratulate Editor Robert T. Carter, his associate editors and editorial board for their excellent leadership for the journal and counseling psychology.
SOCIETY HIGHLIGHTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2008 SCP FELLOWS!

Each year Division 17, the Society of Counseling Psychology, is given the opportunity to recognize members of the Division who have had significant impact on the specialty of Counseling Psychology. The impact pertains to the areas of science, teaching and training, service delivery, administration, policy development, and/or advocacy. Fellowship is an honor bestowed upon members who have made “unusual and outstanding contributions or performance in the field of psychology.” Their contributions are viewed as having enriched or advanced Counseling Psychology well beyond the level that normally would be expected of a professional psychologist. Fellows are selected by peers on the basis of evidence of sustained superior performance that is recognizable at a national (rather than local or regional) level. Nominees must meet both APA and Division 17 requirements to be considered for Fellow status. The APA requirements for Fellow Status are as follows:

- Receipt of a doctoral degree based in part on a psychological dissertation, or from a program primarily psychological in nature, and conferred by a graduate school of recognized standing.
- Prior membership as an APA member for at least one year and membership in the Division through which the nominations is made.
- Active engagement at the time of nomination in the advancement of psychology in any of its aspects.
- Five years of acceptable professional experience subsequent to the granting of the doctoral degree. Please note, however, that it is highly unusual for applicants to be awarded Fellow status within 10 years of the granting of the doctoral degree.

Additional requirements for Fellow status in Division 17 are:

- At least three years post-graduate professional experience in counseling psychology.
- Membership in the Division for at least one year.
- Current engagement in education and training, practice, or research in counseling psychology.
- Significant and distinctive contributions to Counseling Psychology in one or more of the following areas: Scientific Achievement, Professional Practice, Leadership and Administration, Teaching and Training, and/or Recognition of Excellence.

New Fellows must submit:

- Uniform Fellows Application
- Self-statement detailing contributions, evidence of contributions, and impact on Counseling Psychology
- Current vita with “R” by listings of publications in refereed journals
- Three endorsements from APA Fellows, including the Fellow Status Evaluation Form and Fellow Status Evaluation Worksheet

For Current Fellows of other APA Divisions, only the following is required:

- Current vitae
- Self-statement detailing contributions, evidence of contributions, and impact on Counseling Psychology
- A letter of endorsement from a SCP Fellow

Any member or Fellow of Division 17 may make a nomination. Self-nominations also are invited. Nominations should be sent via regular mail or e-mail to the Chair of the Fellows Committee:

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CALL FOR DIVISION 17 FELLOWSHIP NOMINATIONS

Deadline for Nominations: September 15, 2008
Deadline for Receipt of all Materials: October 15, 2008

Front row (left to right): Shane Lopez, Itamar Gati, Julia Phillips, Beth Haverkamp, Y. Barry Chung

2009 APA Fellows in Division 17 announced at the 2008 SCP Annual Business Meeting:
Prior APA Fellows new as Fellows in Division 17: Linda Campbell and Alberta Gloria.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOCIETY OF COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY AWARDS 2009
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Awards and Recognition Committee requests nominations for the following Division 17 Awards:

- LEONA TYLER AWARD
- JOHN HOLLAND AWARD
- JOHN D. BLACK AWARD
- FRITZ AND LINN KUDER EARLY CAREER SCIENTIST/PRACTITIONER AWARD
- DOROTHY BOOZ BLACK AWARD
- SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD
- BEST PRACTICE & BEST SCIENCE AWARD
- LIFETIME MENTORING AWARD
- BARBARA A. KIRK AWARD
- DONALD E. SUPER FELLOWSHIP

Members of the Division 17 Committee on Awards and Recognition and members of the Executive Board may make nominations. However, if they do so, they must withdraw from the voting process related to any nominee for whom they have written a letter of support. Announcements of all Award winners are made at the annual APA Convention (all Award recipients are notified confidentially prior to the convention). Current members of the Division 17 Executive Board are not eligible for these awards during their term of office.

Nominations should include and be limited to the following: (a) a nomination letter which discusses the significance of the nominee’s contributions and achievements as it relates to the award criteria; (b) no more than three supporting letters from other psychologists; and (c) a copy of the nominee’s vita. Additional materials for particular awards may be required as noted below. All materials should be submitted electronically to Alvin Alvarez, Awards Committee Chair. Those without access to email should collaborate with a colleague who does have access.

SEND MATERIALS ELECTRONICALLY TO: Alvin Alvarez, aalvarez@sfsu.edu

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS:

(a) November 15, 2008: For Tyler, Holland, Black, Kuder, Booz Black, Social Justice, Best Practice & Best Science, Lifetime Mentoring Awards

(b) February 15, 2009: For Kirk and Super Awards

THE LEONA TYLER AWARD is given to stimulate and reward distinguished contributions in research or professional achievement in Counseling Psychology. The Award – the Society’s most prestigious – honors the former President of both the Society and the American Psychological Association.

THE JOHN HOLLAND AWARD for Outstanding Achievement in Career and Personality Research is given for notable research on career and personality topics. This award is for mid-level professionals who have received their doctorate degrees between 10 and 20 years ago. The award has an associated monetary prize, which was initiated and funded by Psychological Assessment Resources, Inc.

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THE JOHN D. BLACK AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN THE PRACTICE OF COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY is given to stimulate and reward outstanding achievement in the practice of Counseling Psychology. The monetary prize associated with the award is donated by Consulting Psychologists Press, Inc.

THE FRITZ AND LINN KUDER EARLY CAREER SCIENTIST/PRACTITIONER AWARD, funded by The National Career Assessment Services, Inc., was established to honor early career achievements in science and practice. The recipient must have received the doctorate degree within the past ten years (i.e., 1998 or later). The award, which includes a cash presentation, is made for outstanding contributions to the science and practice of counseling psychology.

THE DOROTHY BOOZ BLACK AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN COUNSELING HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY is given to encourage and award outstanding research and practice in counseling health psychology. The award has an associated monetary prize, which is funded by Consulting Psychologist Press, Inc. Nominees must have made a primary contribution in research and practice of counseling health psychology focused on health-related processes and outcomes.

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).

Social Justice Award Nomination Materials: Nominations are made in the form of a letter that describes the significance of the nominee’s contributions relevant to the award criteria. No more than three supporting letters of endorsement should be sent from stakeholders connected to the social justice work of the individual(s) being nominated. For consideration the candidate should submit the following: (a) current vita, (b) documentation from other sources (e.g., newspaper articles, workshop brochures, publications) that indicate widespread awareness or recognition of the nominee(s) contributions and (c) a 3 to 5 page essay summarizing the nominee(s’) work for social justice and how this work meets the criteria for the Social Justice Award to accompany the electronic letter of nomination. Members of the Awards and Recognition Committee may also collect relevant information regarding the nominee(s).

BEST PRACTICE & BEST SCIENCE AWARD: SCP will once again be sponsoring the “Best Science and Best Practice” invited presentations at the upcoming 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).
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SCP STUDENT AWARDS

THE BARBARA A. KIRK AWARD is presented in recognition of outstanding student-initiated research (dissertation or other). The award, which includes a cash presentation was established to honor the late Barbara A. Kirk. To be eligible, the research must have been produced by a graduate student conducting independent research while enrolled in a counseling psychology program. The piece of research can be submitted up to one year after graduation. The nominee must be the principal author of the research.

Nominations should include and be limited to the following (a) a nomination letter discussing the significance of the nominee’s contributions to Counseling Psychology and that includes the names, phone numbers, program and institutional affiliations, and APA divisional membership of the endorser and of the nominee and (b) a full length APA style article (as one would submit for publication) or an 1,800 word summary (identical to APA convention proposals).

THE DONALD E. SUPER FELLOWSHIP is awarded to support dissertation research on a topic related to career development and is accompanied by a cash award. Only doctoral students enrolled in a counseling psychology program are eligible. Because the Fellowship is intended to support recipients during their tenure as students, the anticipated completion date for the dissertation should not fall before the award date (The award is presented at the annual convention of APA.)

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BSSV RECRUITMENT LETTER

SEEKING BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCE VOLUNTEERS

The American Psychological Association’s (APA) Office on AIDS is currently recruiting volunteer consultants to support its Behavioral and Social Science Volunteer (BSSV) Program. The program’s purpose is to improve the capacity of community based organizations (CBOs), health departments (HDs), and community planning groups (CPGs) to design, adapt and/or evaluate effective HIV prevention interventions for communities of color.

Prospective volunteers should possess the following criteria:

- master’s or doctoral level degree in behavioral or social science;
- representative of a minority ethnic/racial group;
- experience with/knowledge of HIV prevention science and its application among communities of color; and
- personal desire to give back to local communities to reduce the further spread of HIV.

While HIV prevention staff of CBOs and HDs are working diligently to end the epidemic, local psychologists, sociologists, anthropologists, social workers and public health experts are needed to team up with these providers and share their expertise to ensure that programs are scientifically sound and culturally competent.

Volunteers of the BSSV Program will receive the following benefits:

- training in state of the art science and service delivery around HIV prevention for communities of color;
- opportunities to learn from and network with national experts;
- opportunities to help facilitate and apply knowledge in community settings that are practical, useful and time efficient; and
- be a part of an activist group of social scientists who are committed to improving the health of communities disproportionately affected by HIV.

For more information about this program, please contact Shauna Cooper at scooper@apa.org or 202-336-6176. Thank you for considering this request.

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NOMINATIONS FOR SOCIETY OFFICERS

The Society for Counseling Psychology encourages you to nominate members to serve as Division 17 officers. Nominations of individuals who represent the diverse characteristics of the membership, and enjoy providing leadership are welcomed. We hope that the Society’s commitment to diversity will be reflected on the Executive Board through the nomination and election of persons who represent a variety of perspectives based on different race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, country of origin, ability, age, and work setting. Given our commitment to internationalizing counseling psychology, we especially encourage nominations of counseling psychologists who reside outside the United States.

Newly elected officers will assume responsibility on the day following the Society/Division 17 Annual Business Meeting at the APA Convention in August 2009. All offices involve a three-year commitment of service to the Society. The election process begins with members of the Society nominating colleagues for offices to be filled. This year the Society will hold elections for the following officers:

- President-Elect
- Vice President for Professional Practice
- Vice President for Scientific Affairs
- APA Council Representative

Please send up to three nominations for each office to Past President Linda Forrest, either via email to: ForrestL@uoregon.edu or by regular mail to: Linda Forrest College of Education, University of Oregon Eugene, OR 97403

Nominations must be received by December 1, 2008.
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COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY FUND: CALL FOR PROPOSALS

BACKGROUND: Established in 1998, this award is to sponsor not-for-profit activities for scientific, literary, or educational purposes to enhance the science and practice of counseling psychology. It particularly aims to support research on the implementation of innovative counseling programs and models. About $5,000 is available to fund projects for 2008.

REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must be members of APA Division 17 (Society of Counseling Psychology).

APPLICATION PROCESS: The Counseling Psychology Fund is administered by APA Division 17. Proposal due dates are November 1 or April 2 of each year. Proposals should include the following materials:

- An executive summary (200 words)
- What is the project’s goal? Provide a work plan and timeline
- How is the sponsoring organization qualified to conduct this project?
- What other organizations and/or funders are involved in the project? What are their contributions to the work?
- Whom will this project serve?

- What are the intended outcomes, and how will the project achieve them?
- What is the geographic scope of the proposed project?
- What is the total cost of the project? Provide a detailed budget.
- Summary of qualifications

Send proposals (5 paper copies) and an electronic copy (wbwalsh@sbcglobal.net) to:

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APA CONVENTION 2009: CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Call for Proposals for the 2009 APA annual convention in **Toronto, Ontario, Canada (August 6-9)**, appears in the September 2008 issue of the APA Monitor as well as the APA website (www.apa.org/convention). The deadline for submissions will be Monday, December 1, 2008 at 12 midnight EST. **All proposals must be submitted electronically via the APA website. We will not accept faxed, emailed, or postal mail submissions.** The theme for the 2009 Division 17 program is “Using Counseling Psychology to Make the World Better: Science, Practice, and Policy.” We invite **Symposium, Roundtable, and Poster submission**s that focus on the psychological well-being of populations within and outside the U.S. through research, training, practice, or public policy using developmental, multicultural, and positive psychology or strengths-based perspectives. All proposals will be reviewed anonymously.

We would like to increase the number of Continuing Education (CE) sessions offered at the convention by Division 17. If your symposium is accepted and you wish to apply for CE credits for your program, you will need to complete a disclosure statement and identify program objectives. We will remind authors of accepted symposia of this option when we send decision letters.

The following information about the review and decision process may also be useful. Space is limited, and we anticipate that we will only be able to accept approximately 40%-50% of the proposals. Each proposal is reviewed by two or three people who use the following criteria: (a) relevance of topic to the Division 17 theme; (b) contribution to theory, research, practice, training, advocacy, and policy; (c) organization and clarity; and (d) quality of writing. In addition, if you are submitting a proposal based on research, you will need to report at least preliminary data and results. Final decisions about acceptances will be made by the program co-chairs in January 2009. Notification of acceptance or rejection will be handled electronically sometime between late February 2009 and early March 2009. For further information on proposal submissions to the 2009 Convention, you may contact the Program Chair or Co-Chair at:

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