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# **DIVISION 44 EC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The following article consists of synopses of reports submitted by the chairs of the various divisional task forces and committees at the Division 44 Mid-Winter Meeting held February 24-26.

### Membership, Christine Browning

As of February 8, 1989 Division 44 had a total membership of 826. Women comprised 46.6% (385 members) and men 52.9% (437 members) of the organization. [The remaining .5% (6 members) was undesignated.] Nearly 77% (635 members) have full membership status. Approximately 23% (191 members) have associate, affiliate, or newsletter only status.

The Division has been consistently growing since its inception. In August, 1986 SPSLGI had 709 members. Membership has grown by approximately 50 members a year to the present membership of 826. Current members are encouraged to have collegues join SPSLGI to continue the development of Division 44.

### Ethnic Minority Concerns, Edward Morales

The committee has taken a number of steps to promote the active involvement of racial-ethnic minorities within the Division and psychology in general.

Dr. Rehm, program chair for Division 44 was contacted regarding the scheduling of Forging Alliances III, a conversation hour to be held at the APA Convention in August to promote an open forum on ethnic minority and lesbian and gay issues. The conversation hour was scheduled to immediately proceed a forging alliances social hour at the Convention.

A letter of commendation has been sent to SPSLGI's Executive Committee acknowledging their initiative in sponsoring a racism workshop for EC members at their Mid-Winter Meeting. A similar workshop entitled *Overcoming Racism: A View from Within* was suggested for inclusion in the ALGP suite Convention programming. Drs. Amy Reynolds, Leah Fygetakis and Bart Aoki will organize this workshop.

It has been recommended that Division 44 should consider developing ties with regional, state, and local psychological associations as a way to increase membership and stimulate the formation of other gay and lesbian psychological groups. A specific goal would be increased representation from the Southeast to establish greater parity with the present East and West Coast representation of SPSLGI.

The establishment of a Division 44 liaison to Division 45 has been strongly recommended. Although there are members of both divisions who informally facilitate communication, the appointment of a liaison would strengthen the ties between divisions. Edward Morales, Ph.D., has been recommended as Division 45 liaison.

A regular column in the divisional newsletter to discuss issues, events and other ideas related to ethnic minorities has been suggested. The article for the pre-Convention issue of the Newsletter would focus on the Convention workshops and conversation hours pertinent to ethnic minority concerns.

Finally, Connie Chan, Ph.D., has been recommended as the nominee for next year's Committee Chair. This nomination is in compliance with the policy of rotating the Committee's chair each year.

#### Committee on Future Directions, Armand Cerbone & Suzanna Rose

Most of the Committee's efforts have centered on developing regional contacts in the Southeast. In the past year, Southeastern gay and lesbian psychological groups have been contacted to assess the needs of psychologists working in this area of the country. It was found that these groups have experienced some difficulty in recruiting and maintaining leadership within their organizations. They are only minimally active within or without

# **President's Column**

#### by Adrienne Smith, Ph.D.

With this, my first column as President, I am reminded of a tradition from my childhood which was used to comfort all those who mourn: everything is balanced and for each peson who dies a new person is born. I am President six months prematurely because Alan Malyon died of lung cancer in December. Alan was our elected President and would have been serving this term. All of us, and I especially, miss him terribly. We will hold a memorial service this August at APA during the time slot that would have been his Presidential address. Any of you who would like to speak or in any other form celebrate Alan's life, please let me know. We have also lost Allan Pinka, one of the founders of Division 44 and our second treasurer. In addition, Richard Berzok whose lover, Greg Herek, was our program chair in 1988, has died. Plans are in the works for memorial services for them also and, because they died of AIDS, we are planning a "quilting corner" to be held in the ALGP suite. co-sponsored by Division 44. If you know of other division members who have died of AIDS let us know so they can also be included in the guilt. And if you want to include any special item or momento in the quilt bring it with you to APA or, if you won't be able to be there in person, send it with a friend.

To balance so much loss there is a gay "rebirth" being celebrated at the same APA meeting. Karen Thompson, one of our invited speakers, has won a major first victory in the rehabilitation of her lover, Sharon Kowalski. In January, 1989 Sharon was moved to a rehabilitation center in St. Cloud, MN and will be able to name those she wants to visit her. She will also begin receiving desperately needed and delayed rehabilitation so that her presence as a human who can interact with her world will be reborn.

Also in January in my hometown, Chicago, we finally saw the passage of the Human Rights Ordinance which protects the civil rights of lesbians and gay men, among other formerly discriminated against groups. This "birth" has been in process for sixteen years and is vivid testimony to our persistence as a community. The motto which we in Chicago adopted after last year's defeat (for the umpteenth time) of the ordinance was "Again,

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# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SPONSORS RACISM WORKSHOP**

In conjunction with its mid-winter meeting in Los Angeles, Division 44's Executive Committee sponsored a seven hour workshop for EC members on February 24. The workshop was facilitated by Jan Armstrong, Director of the Southern California Coalition on Battered Women and a Member of the National Steering Committee of the Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

The workshop began with an intimate sharing by EC members, who discussed how racism, sexism, and homophobia (heterosexism) had affected their personal development. These poignant, personal stories provided vivid examples for Ms. Armstrong's lecture on the dynamics and interrelationship of the "isms" of discrimination. The underlying theme of the workshop was the conviction that all forms of discrimination must be challenged before any one form can be eradicated.

Following the experiential and cognitive training portions of the workshop, participating EC members generated the following resolutions to guide Division 44 in its goal of counteracting discrimination based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual preference, or any other personal factor: 1) continued interaction with Division 45 on combating discrimination; 2) disseminating the division's publication guidelines on representative ethnic minority samples in psychological research with other relevant organizations; 3) proposing a divisional by-law amendment insuring that a minimimum of 25 percent of EC members will be people of color; 4) initiating conversations with representatives of Division 45 on strategies for making the two divisions more mutual comfortable for joint membership participation; 5) discussing discrimination in its diverse forms with the various governance groups of APA; 6) contacting the program chairs of other divisions to promote relevant Convention presentations; 7) promoting work with ethnic minorities as a criteria for the nomination of Division 44 Fellows; 8) establishing criteria to insure divisional research awards are only granted to research with representative samplings of ethnic minorities; 9) establishing an ongoing article of ethnic minority concerns in the division's newsletter: 10) working with Division 45 on the establishment of interdivisional CE workshops, Convention programing, and a

discrimination impact task forces; 11) institutionalizing the EC racism workshop to insure all EC members receive sensitivity training; 12) promoting discrimination awareness in ALGP, student groups, the Association of Women in Psychology, etc.; 13) generating a letter to Division 35 suggesting that this division's research award should only be granted to research with a representative ethnic minority sampling.

Other suggestions for resolutions can be sent to: Edward Morales, Ph.D.; 325 Buena Vista Ave E.; #612W; San Francisco, CA 94117

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the larger psychological arena, e.g., affecting public policy toward lesbians and gays or affecting training psychologists in graduate programs. Generally, these organizations are uninformed about the national groups: Division 44, ALGP, and CLGC.

The Committee plans to sponsor an ALGP suite conversation hour at the APA Convention entitled *Organizing Lesbian & Gay Psychologists: Professionalism vs. Activism.* Other Convention activities will include organizing social receptions and other programs in the ALGP suite for Southeast regional psychologists; disseminating information about Division 44, ALGP, and CLGC; and laying the groundwork on integrating regional and local groups into the various national organizations. This last activity will depend on an assessment of the ambivalence of local psychologists related to lesbian and gay activist issues.

# **NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

Interested parties are invited to submit copy to Division 44's Newsletter. Newsletter deadlines are: June 1; October 1; and February I of each year. For information and submissions contact:

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## **DIVISION 44 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The candidates running for the various elected posts of Division 44 were asked to submit candidacy statements. These statements are being published to aid division members in their voting decisions.

#### **PRESIDENT-ELECT**

#### Jeffrey Rehm, Ph.D.

I would like to be President-Elect of Division 44 because as such I would be able to further its aims and goals which are mine as well. I want to help further the cause of dispelling the myths of gay and lesbian life as well as promote a positive affirmative stance in educational, legal, social, and scientific arenas of our lives.

I feel I have prepared myself for the position through my involvement in ALGP as Newsletter Editor for four years and being on the Steering Committee for three years. In Division 44 I have been Program Chair as well as Continuing Education Chair which has given me insight into the operations of the division as well as some understanding of the division's relationship to the American Psychological Association. I have been present at two Executive Committee mid-winter meetings as well as both business meetings in Atlanta, Georgia. I have been extremely impressed by the dedication and hard work of the members of that group and feel it would be a pleasure and an honor to serve as its President-Elect.

I remember clearly how it felt to be afraid to walk into my first ALGP meeting about ten years ago because of fear and guilt and internalized homophobia. I would like to be President-Elect of Division 44 whose goal is to eradicate the conditions which would lead to those emotions so that no one ever has to be afraid or ashamed of being lesbian or gay again.

#### Armand Cerbone, Ph.D.

Division 44 represents a clear achievement of which we are all proud. We are proud of its agenda to bring the best of scholarship and skill to bear on eradicating homophobia and improving mental health for lesbians and gays. And we are proud of the women and men who worked hard to establish the division. Because of them, Division 44 enjoys a presence and standing in APA that exceeds what our numbers would suggest.

But because of homophobia we tend to relie too much on the uncloseted few to make the world safe for the rest of us. If we are to face the mission of Division 44 squarely and make it truly and nationally ours, we have to add all our voices and energies to those that broke the ground before us. We need a second wave of leadership.

It is in this spirit that I am running for President-Elect. I want to broaden the base of leadership in Division 44 to include those in the "provinces" as well as those in our coastal capitals. Already I have organized the Midwest Association for the Psychological Study of Gay and Lesbian Issues and petitioned the division to recognize it as a regional caucus. As Co-Chair of the Committee on Future Directions, I have taken steps to deepen the division's ties to its national membership, most particularly in the Midwest and Southeast. At present I am in private practice but for more than ten years I held academic positions, introducing to the curriculum courses on homosexuality. I want to see more clinical programs with similar courses. I want to continue pressing the division's agenda in support of research that generates new data on sexuality as well as those that reframe existing theories and practices in pro-gay terms.

Other resources I can bring to Division 44 are those born of a history of changing organizations from within or inventing organizations where none existed. I am the present Chair of ALGP, a vice-President of the board of a large social service agency in Chicago, a singing member and Vice-Chair of the Windy City Gay Chorus, and a co-founder of a teacher's union in the Boston Catholic school system.

I hope these resources will fit the needs of Division 44 and its membership.

#### MEMBER AT LARGE

#### Sari H. Dworkin, Ph.D.

I am pleased to have been nominated for the position of Member at Large of the Executive Committee of Division 44. I feel that I have the necessary background for this position and can make a significant contribution to Division 44. Living in Fresno, California, a small, conservative, agricultural city I know firsthand that there are

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still many battles to fight in the struggle for gay and lesbian rights. As an out, lesbian faculty member of California State University (who doesn't have tenure yet) I serve as the faculty advisor for the Gay and Lesbian Student Alliance, am on the Board of Directors of Gay United Services (which houses the Central Valley AIDS Team) and coordinate a sliding scale fee counseling service for gay and lesbian clients. Locally I struggle with covert and overt homophobia almost daily.

Nationally I have just finished my term on the steering committee of the Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychologists (ALGP) where I have been the treasurer for the last year. I am Women's Co-Chair of the Association for Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Issues in Counseling (part of AACD) and am currently co-editing a special issue of the *Journal of Counseling and Development* on gay, lesbian, and bisexual issues in counseling. My commitment to gay and lesbian issues in general and to gay and lesbian issues within psychology is strong. I have a great deal of energy and while it may seem that I couldn't possibly have time for another office, in actuality some of the aforementioned projects will be completed before this office begins.

As Member at Large I will devote time and energy to the strengthjening of Division 44 as the voice for gay and lesbain concerns within psychology. I hope you will support me.

#### Louise A. Douce, Ph.D.

I am currently the Director of the student Counseling and Consultation Service at Ohio State University. I have been involved in psychology internship training for the past ten years as the training director of an APA approved internship program. I am especially concerned with training for gay and lesbian affirmative therapy at all levels of graduate education. Both exposure to affirmative research, therapeutic issues and effective treatment for all psychology students and creating healthy environments that promote personal and professonal integration for the lesbian and gay students are vital. | am also concerned that Division 44 continue effective stratagems through APA's current restructuring struggles. I am especially concerned that access to and impact upon the academic community be maintained. The activities and

programs of the Committee (before we became a Division) served as my lifeline through graduate school and I am committed to maintaining that kind of visibility and opportunities for connection for the students of today and tomorrow. My other involvements include membership in Divisions 17, 35, 44, and 45. I am on the Committee for Women in 17 and the Education and Training Committee in 44. I am also on the Executive Board of the Association of Psychology Internship Centers, APIC and past president of the Association of Counseling Center Training Agents, ACCTA. In 1977, I received my Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in Counseling Psychology. I have been at Ohio State since 1977 and serve as Adjunct Faculty in the Counseling Psychology program.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION POLL

In an effort to assertain the continuing education needs of its membership, Division 44 is sponsoring the following poll to assess the types of CE workshops desired by members. Please complete the questionnaire provided below, detach, and mail to : *Jeffrey Rehm, P.O. Box 8422, Orange, CA 92664.* 

1. How important is continuing education in your professional life?

(a) very (b) somewhat (c) not very

2. Would you attend continuing education programs sponsored by Division 44?

(a) yes (b) uncertain (c) no

3. Where would you be most likely to attend CE programs? (Please rank as many as apply, beginning with "1" for the most likely location.)

- local events sponsored by Division 44 and other organizations
- \_\_\_\_ national conferences of other groups (e.g., AWP)
- \_\_\_\_ pre-convention workshops at the APA Convention
- \_\_\_\_ convention workshops at the APA Convention

#### Allan Pinka, Ph.D.

Allan Pinka died of AIDS on January 4, 1989 at the age of 41, just two years and four months after Harley Knight, his lover of 16 years died of AIDS. Long before the AIDS epidemic became so tragically personal for Harley and Allan, Allan was involved in organizing the response of concerned psychologists to the impending AIDS crisis. In 1983 he and Alan Malyon wrote an article for the **Professional Psychologist** entitled *Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome: A Challenge to Psychology*. From 1983 to 1986 Allan served on the psychosocial advisory council of AIDS Project Los Angeles.

Allan was Secretary-Treasurer of ALGP from 1980-83 and then served in the same position for Division 44 from 1984-87. Highly organized and thorough with the management and disbursal of funds, somehow, Allan managed to mantain collegial goodwill while delivering unpleasant messages about limited revenues.

As careful and thrifty as Allan was with the spending of organization funds, he spent freely of his time and energies in serving ALGP and Division 44, as well as local and state psychological organizations. He averaged approximately ten hours per week of volunteer time, setting an excellent example for all of us to follow in working toward common goals.

Alan Malyon and Allan worked quite closely in professional matters; and the depth of their personal friendship and mutual devotion serve as eloquent testament to the love of brother for brother. Alan Malyon and his lover of 13 years, Allen Chivens, helped Allan Pinka through the difficult years of living with Harley's battle with AIDS, and then they joined forces in fighting with Allan Pinka against his own HIV infection. The one mercy there is in the death of these two friends is that neither knew that the other had died. Allan went into a coma before he learned that Alan Malyon had died.

Both Allan and Alan will be deeply missed for their depth of caring and commitment to being the best human beings and psychologists they were capable of being, for their dedication to lesbian and gay concerns in psychology, for their devotion to their friends, and for their being such good, gentle men. Both men are missed, and yet, they are still in all of our hearts.

#### Alan Malyon, Ph.D., A.B.P.P.

Alan K. Malyon died in Los Angeles on December 27, 1988 from lung cancer at the age of 47. He received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Texas Tech University in 1974. An APA member since 1975, he was a member of Divisions 9, 12, 29, 39, and 42. In June of 1981 he became a co-founder of the Society for the Psychological Study of Lesbian and Gay Issues which later became Division 44 of APA. He became one of the first Fellows of the division. Although he was elected president of the division in 1987, his illness prevented him from taking office. Last year, the division honored him with its award for Outstanding Contribution to Lesbian and Gay Concerns in Psychology.

Alan was a member of APA's Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns from 1984 through 1986 and served as chair in 1986. He was also a past Chair of the Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists. He won recognition and appreciation for his leadership in a successful effort to remove "homosexuality" from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

Professional practice has also been greatly advanced by virtue of Alan's work. He served on APA's Committee on Professional Standards and was Chair of the California State Psychological Association's Division of Professional Practice. His writing centered on lesbian and gay affirmative approaches to psychotherapy and the psychological impact of AIDS on gay men.

He leaves behind Alan Chivens, his lover of 13 years, and a family of friends who will miss him. During his last two years, he spent much of his time and energy caring for his dear friend Allan Pinka. They were able to spend Christmas Eve together.

This would have been Alan's presidential year for Division 44. Activities in his honor are being planned for the New Orleans Convention.

# AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION CENTRAL REPORT

The following article was prepared by Clinton Anderson of APA's Office of Public Interest.

Watkins Case Update. The APA filed its amicus brief in the case of Sergeant Perry J. Watkins v. United States Army, et al. on August 31, 1988. As of this date the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals has issued no decision. To obtain a copy of the Watkins amicus brief, write the Office of Social and Ethical Responsibility, American Psychological Association, 1200 17th., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036

Council Resolution on Holding Convention in Sodomy States. At its August, 1988 meeting, the APA Council of Representatives voted to approve the following substitute resolution on holding conventions in states with sodomy laws. "APA reaffirms its opposition to laws criminalizing consensual adult sexual behavior in private and directs the Board of Convention Affairs to consider the presence of such laws as a factor in the selection of future convention sites and in programming."

Hate Crimes Legislation. The Hate Crimes Statistics Act which passed the U.S. House of

Representatives in 1988 did not reach the Senate floor during the 100th Congress. Senator Paul Simon and Representative John Conyers introduced their respective versions of the bill, both of which include sexual orientation, in February. Please contact your Senators and Representative to request their co-sponsorship of the Hate Crimes Statistics Act and their opposition to any amendment to delete or weaken its inclusion of sexual orientation.

A bill to increase criminal penalties for hate motivated crimes has been introduced into the Senate of New Jersey (S. 2746). For more information on the bill and how to support it, contact Heidi Jones of the New Jersey Lesbian and Gay Coalition at (201) 664-2950 (answering machine) or at the Gay Men's Health Crisis at (212) 337-3592 (direct line) or (212) 807-6664 (main switchboard).

NIMH Research Workshop on Anti-Gay and Anti-Lesbian Violence. The National Institute of Mental Health is sponsoring a research workshop on anti-gay and anti-lesbian violence. It is scheduled for April 10-12, 1989.

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### Membership in Division 44

All social scientists with interests in applying psychological knowledge to the study of lesbian and gay issues are warmly welcomed as members, irrespective of personal sexual/affectional orientation. New members are elected formally once a year in early Fall. However, they are placed on the mailing list immediately if qualified for membership and if dues are paid. The five classes of membership in the division at this time are Fellows, Members, Associates, Affiliates and Student Affiliates. Affiliate members of the division are either students or non-students. Affiliates can hold membership in the APA or be non-members. Names of Affiliate members are not published in the APA Register and are kept strictly confidential.

# Membership Application: SPSLGI - APA Division 44

Name		Date				
Mailing Address						
City				State	Zip Code	
Office Phone ()		Home Phone (	)			
Education/Highest Degree	Date	Institution				
Major Field of Study						
Professional Affiliation						
Present Position (Title)						
APA Membership Status: (Circle One)	Fellow	Member	Associate		Student	None

Application for Divison 44 Membership as (Circle One) Fellow Member Associate Affiliate Student Affiliate Newsletter Only Please make check for I989 Membership Dues or Newsletter subscription of \$20.00/\$10.00 for students (US currency only, please) payable to SPSLGI, and return check along with this application form to:

Christine Browning, Ph.D. Counseling Center SS 1, Room 202 University of California Irvine, CA 92717

## **CE WORKSHOP OFFERED**

**D**ivision 44 will offer a Continuing Education workshop in conjunction with the 1989 APA Convention entitled *Neuropsychological Manifestations of HIV Infection: Guidelines and Procedures for Assessment and Differential Diagnosis.* The workshop will focus on the clinical assessment of individuals within the spectrum of HIV infecton. Wilfred G. von Garp, Ph.D., a neuropsychologist affiliated with the V.A. Hospital in Brentwood, California will conduct the workshop. Six hours of CE credit will be earned by participants.

The workshop will be offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on August 10, 1989 in New Orleans. Cost of the workshop is \$100. For further information, contact: Jeffrey Rehm, Ph.D.; P.O. Box 8422; Orange, CA 92664 [(714) 634-5942]

#### (APA Report, continued from page 8) APA Co-sponsorship of Homophobia Conference. At its December 1-4, 1988 meeting, APA's Board of Directors approved APA's co-sponsorship of the Second Conference on Homophobia Education, which will be sponsored by the Campaign to End Homophobia in Los Angeles on June 31-July 3, 1989. For more information about the conference, contact *The Campaign to End Homophobia, P.O. Box 819, Cambridge, MA 02139.*

One main project that developed from the first homophobia conference is *Empathy: A Newsletter for Professionals Working to End Homophobia.* The first issue of Empathy was published in November and the next issue is planned for March, 1989. To add your name to the mailing list, contact *M. Mauk*, *P.O. Box 1888, Lenoir, NC 28645.* 

Model Anti-Violence Project to be Developed. According to Cheryl Tyiska of the National Organization for Victim Assistance, NOVA has initiated a planning group for a model anti-violence project for lesbians and gay men to be implemented by NOVA's local victim assistance program "Project Response." Clinton Anderson of APA's Central Office staff will be participating in the planning group. Support groups of the problems are two planned aspects of the project. For more information and to offer suggestions and recommendations, contact Clinton Anderson, (202) 955-7727, or by writing the address given above.

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and again, and again . . . and again". We knew that birth takes a long time and is worth waiting for. We also know, both in Chicago and in Division 44, that the constant efforts of hard working openly gay women and men is essential to continue the growth that these and other births make possible.

Alan Malyon, Allan Pinka, and Richard Berzok were proudly openly gay men when they died. They will be mourned with equal pride and openness by lovers, friends, colleagues, and relatives. To die unknown is death not only of the body but of the soul, of the essential humanness to which we are all entitled. Each time one of us passes for straight, each time one of us is too frightened of real or imagined consequences to come out, we die a bit. A lifetime of passing means you have lived your physical existence only half alive.

Coming out is being "born again". How ironic but how fitting to use the byword of the forces of conservatism to describe the joy and aliveness of acknowledging our gayness. Each time we refuse to hide, each time we march in a Gay Pride Parade, wear a pink triangle openly, put our gay and lesbian activities on our Vita, contradict a homophobic remark, or in any other form give voice to our total identity, we are accepting life, we are being born. And it is in this context of birth and rebirth that the deaths of our friends and colleagues, while representing great losses for all of us, also represent great triumphs of their spirits which choose to be fully alive by fighting homophobia through their contributions to Division 44.

We are one of only three divisions [the others are Divisions 35 (Women) and 45 (Ethnic Minorities)] whose existence not only reflects our common interest in a field or speciality of psychology but is of vital importance to our very survival as members of an oppressed group. Division 44 is a place where a previously dispised identity is transformed into strength and pride. Now, because we have a division, there are many more open lesbians and gay men in APA. We will continue to work, in conjunction with CLGC and ALGP, toward the day when the assumption of heterosexuality will no longer be made by an APA member and when it will be safe for everyone in APA to be open about her or his sexual orientation.

We need you, everyone who reads this column, to join us in countering the death of the spirit by

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### **Division 44**

**Division 44 sponsors four divisional awards.** These awards are in the areas of Practice, Service (intradivisional), Science, and Public Policy (extradivisional). Nominations are now being accepted for all awards to be presented in August at the APA Convention in New Orleans. Nominations (including self-nominations) can be sent to: *Douglas Kimmel, Department of Psychology, City College of CUNY, New York, NY 10031.* 

As a memorial to Alan Malyon, a founding member of the division, Division 44's Executive Committee has created a student scholarship. The scholarship will be given to a psychology student involved with gay and lesbian studies. Individuals wishing to make tax deductible contributions to the trust fund established for this scholarship should make their checks out to Division 44 with a memothat the monies are designated for the Alan Malyon Memorial Scholarship. Checks should be sent to: *Terry S. Gock, Ph.D., 2550 W. Main St., Suite 201, Alhambra, CA 91891.* 

**Division 44's survival** depends on its continued membership growth. Division members are encouraged to network with their collegues, encouraging them to join Division 44. Our goal is to have each division member enlist one new member for the division. Those wishing to join Division 44 can use the membership application on page 8 of this newsletter.

APA's centennial will be celebrated in 1992. Division 44 is currently developing projects and programs to honor the historic contributions of gay and lesbian psychologists and psychologists involved in gay and lesbian issues. Individuals with suggestions for Divison 44's Centennial Program can contact: *Dee Bridgewater, Ph.D., 9033 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 406, Beverly Hills, CA 90211.* 

**Ooops.** Do to an error of the printer, the last Newsletter included several defective issues. If your individual copy of the Newsletter was incomplete and you wish to recieve a replacement copy, please contact: *Christine Browning*, *Ph.D.*, *Counseling Center*, *University of California*, *Irvine*, *CA 92717*.

**Division dues** have been raised by Division 44's Executive Committee to \$20 for members and \$10 for student affiliates. This dues increase was determined a necessity for the division to continue its work in championing lesbian and gay issues within APA and society in general.

## ALGP

The Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists fulfills an important function in promoting the needs of lesbians and gays in psychology. These functions include providing the hospitality suite at the Convention, sponsoring the annual leadership conference and lobbeying APA for lesbian and gay affirmative practices. This work requires time, effort and money. Division 44 members are encouraged to contribute to ALGP by becoming members, volunteering to work on ALGP projects, and making tax deductable, financial contributions. For additional information contact: *Armand Cerbone, Ph.D.; 9900 W. Fullerton; Suite 490A; Chicago, IL 60614* 

## Conferences

The Second Conference on Anti-Homophobia Education will be held at UCLA in Los Angeles from June 30 to July 3, 1989. Entitled Ending Heterosexism & Homophobia: Strategies, Networking & Support, the conference was initiated by the National Organization for Changing Men and co-sponsored by 25 other organizations including APA. Participants will showcase their work, network with others in the field, and examine resources in print, slides, film, and other media. For additional information, write: The Campaign to End Homophobia; PO Box 819; Cambridge, MA 02139. Or, call: Jeff Beane (213) 273-6375.

# Fullbright Scholarship

The Gainesville Family Institute is proud to announce that its co-director, Dr. Andres Nazario, Jr., has been awarded a Fullbright Scholarship in the field of Psychology for the academic year 1989-90. Dr. Nazario will travel to Montevideo, Uruguay in April 1989 to train faculty and students at the Catholic University, *Damaso Antonio Larranaga*. The topic of Dr. Nazario's program will be *Strategic Family Therapy: Assessment and* 

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#### Treatment.

Dr. Nazario is a member of the American Psychological Association, and of Divisions 43 (Family Psychology), 44 (Society for the Psychological Study of Lesbian and Gay Issues), and 17 (Counseling Psychology). He is a member of the Committee on Ethnic and Racial Concerns of Divisions 43 and 44.

Dr. Nazario holds a doctorate in Counseling Psychology from the University of Florida.

## **Publications**

The Journal of Homosexuality is planning a special issue devoted to gay and lesbian studies. Proposals for papers on relevant topics are being sought. Possible topics include: how to define the field; conceptual and theoretical approaches; issues and approaches to research; values and purposes of programs; how to develop programs; describing and evaluating model programs; issues and experiences in teaching; community based programs; relationship to other programs (e.g., women's studies, ethnic studies); developing teaching resources (archives, reading, textbooks, etc.). Send brief summaries or descriptions of proposed contributions to: Henry L. Minton: Department of Psychology; University of Winsor; Ontario; Canada N9B 3P4.

### APA

The Board of Convention Affairs would like each person with a disability who is planning to attend the Convention in New Orleans, August 11-15, 1989, to identify himself or herself and to provide information on how we can make the Convention more readily accessible for his or her attendance. APA will provide a van with a lift as transportation for persons in wheelchairs, interperters for hearing impaired individuals, and escorts/readers for persons with visual impairments. We strongly urge individuals who would like assistance to register in advance for the Convention on the APA Advance Registration and Housing Form which will appear in the March through May issues of the American Psychologist. A note outling the person's specific needs should accompany the form. The deadline for registering in advance is June 26.

The National Psychology Graduate Student Association of the American Psychological Association was recently formed. The intention of NPGSA is to represent and promote the interests of psychology students within APA. These interests include education and training issues; networking opportunities; research ethics specific to students; APA Convention student activities; training opportunities for ethnic or sexual minorities; etc. All student affiliates of APA are automatically made members of NPGSI. Student Affiliate fees are \$25.00. For further information, contact: James Campbell; Membership Committee Chair; 509 W. 9th; #2; Stillwater, OK 74074.

## Homophobic Incidents

America is experiencing an epidemic of homophobia. The civil liberties and physical well being of gays and lesbians are being jeopordized. APA has demonstrated its concern by filing amicus briefs in court cases involving gay and lesbian issues; supporting passage of legislation safeguarding gay and lesbian rights; etc. If you are aware of any homophobic incidents involving psychologists or in which APA's lobbeying efforts would be valuable, contact: Adrienne Smith, Ph.D.; President, Division 44; 1641 West Irving Park; Chicago, IL 60613

(President, continued from page 9) encouraging more lesbian and gay psychologists to join Division 44. Our new membership drive is based on "each one reach one." By each of you enlisting at least one new member for our division you will not only increase the strength of Division 44 and thus the volume of the voice with which our concerns will be heard in the Council and governance structures of APA. You will also be sharing the sense of pride and rebirth of your friend or colleague belonging to the division in which her or his gay identity or gay afirmative views (for your straight friends) can be acknowledged publicly. Each psychologist who joins Division 44 says, by that action, that she or he refuses to accept being less than fully alive in order to protect APA from having to confront and deal with the varieties of sexual orientation of its members.

# **By-Law Amendments**

**D**ivision 44's Executive Committee generated the following two proposed amendments to the division's by-laws at the EC's Mid-Winter Meeting in Los Angeles, February 24-26. Members are requested to vote on the proposed amendments by using the ballot provided below. Please indicate your vote on each proposed amendment by circling yes or no, detach, and mail to: *Terry S. Gock, Ph.D., 2550 W. Main St., Suite 201, Alhambra, CA 91801.* The deadline for receiving completed ballots is June 1, 1989.

# I. Proposed By-Law Amendment (Article III, No. 4):

Division 44 is committed to institutionalizing strategies for inclusion of people of color among our elected leadership. To further this end, the minimal acceptable percentage of people of color among the elected membership of the Executive Committee shall be no less than 25% at any time. This minimal level shall not be construted as representing a limit on the number of people of color on the elected Executive Committee of the Division. The Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee will be charged with ensuring that ballot slates are constituted so as to ensure that this minimal acceptable percentage will be maintained at all times.

Yes

# 2. Proposed By-Law Amendment (Article III, No. 5):

No

No

There shall be gender parity among the elected officals of Division 44's Executive Committee. The Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee will be charged with ensuring that ballot slates are constituted so as to ensure that this parity will be maintained at all times.

Yes

GUIDELINES

**D**ivision 44's Executive Committee has established the following advertising policy and advertising rates for the divisional newsletter.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISTING

Advertising Policy: The publication of any advertisement in the Division 44 Newsletter is not an endorsement of the advertiser or of the products or services advertised. Division 44 reserves the right unilaterally to reject, omit, or cancel advertising for any reason. Advertisements that unfairly discriminate against any group or individual will not be accepted.

Advertising Rates: (For camera-ready copy)

1/8 page	\$35.00 per issue
1/4 page	\$75.00 per issue
1/2 page	\$150.00 per issue
Whole page	\$300.00 per issue

Enclosures: \$300 per issue plus any additional postage incurred by the Division to mail the enclosure.

Classifed ads (positions offered/wanted; re-location of offices; publication announcements, etc.) will be calculated according to the listed rate structure.

If you have advertisements you feel would be appropriate to the Newsletter's readership of mental health professionals interested in lesbian and gay issues, mail submissions to: *Dee Bridgewater,Ph.D.*; 9033 Wilshire Blvd.; Suite 406; Beverly Hills, CA 90211.

### Lesbian & Gay Issues Report Available

In response to inquires regarding graduate programs in psychology that welcome gay and lesbian students and/or offer training relevant to gay and lesbian issues, APA's Office of Social and Ethical Responsibility has published *Graduate Faculty Interested in Lesbian and Gay Issues.* This 40-page report presents the results of a survey conducted in the fall of 1987. Courses with significant emphasis on lesbian and gay issues; faculty involved in related research, training, and supervision; and relevant supervised internships and practica are presented. The report is available for \$10 from the *SER Office; APA; 1200 Seventeenth St., NW; Washington, D.C. 20036*