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## DIVISION 44 CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

The following article highlights the presentations being sponsored by Division 44 at the APA Convention in New Orleans this August. Due to space limitations, all presentations cannot be discussed. Interested readers are urged to peruse the roster of presentations listed on pages 5 and 6 of this newsletter and the Convention program provided by APA.

### Invited Addresses

SPSLGI is sponsoring three invited addresses at the Convention. The first address will be presented by April Martin on Friday, August 11, from 4 to 4:50. Dr. Martin's address is titled *The Planned Gay and Lesbian Family: Parenthood and Children*. In recent years the issues of gay and lesbians seeking custody of their biological children; demanding the right to serve as foster parents, and the desire of gay and lesbian couples to utilize the new birth technologies to become parents have become salient legal topics. Dr. Martin's address will explore the ramifications of gays and lesbians who seek parenthood.

A second invited address will be presented by Karen Thompson on Sunday, August 13, from 3 to 3:50. *Homophobia, Handicappism and Sexism: The Struggle Continues for Sharon Kowalski* is the title of Ms. Thompson's presentation. She will be delineating recent developments in her legal struggle for her visitation rights with and greater self-determination for her lover, Sharon Kowalski; who received brain damage in a car accident.

The final invited presentation will be the Presidential Address scheduled for Saturday, August 12, from 2 to 2:50. Adrienne Smith, SPSLGI's current president, was scheduled to make the address. Dr. Smith has graciously donated this Convention time to serve as a memorial service to the late Alan Malyon. Dr. Malyon was to serve as SPSLGI's president this year but illness and death due to lung cancer prohibited him from serving his term. The memorial service is entitled *A Tribute to*

*Alan Malyon: Speakers Whose Lives Alan Touched.*

Those individuals who knew Alan and wish to honor his memory and rejoice at his contributions to psychology and to those who knew him are invited to attend.

### Conversation Hours

Division 44 is sponsoring four conversation hours at the Convention. The first presentation is scheduled for Saturday, August 12, from 4 to 4:50. *Forging Alliances III: Effecting Change around Lesbian/Gay Ethnic Minority Issues* is the title of the public forum. It will be the third in a series of Convention dialogues promoting networking among psychologists interested in ethnic minority and gay and lesbian issues. Participants are encouraged to use the session as a chance to network and discuss salient problems and coping strategies for ethnic and sexual preference minorities.

*Organizing Gay and Lesbian Psychologists: Professionalism Versus Activism* is the second SPSLGI conversation hour. It is scheduled for Sunday, August 13, from 11 to 11:50. This forum is offered as a chance for psychologists to exchange opinions and strategies on coordinating the dual roles of mental health professional and agent of positive social change.

A third conversation hour titled *Issues Facing Heterosexual Female Therapists Seeing Lesbian Clients* is scheduled for Monday, August 14, from 1 to 1:50. This forum is offered as a chance for heterosexual female therapists to examine the special issues involved in seeing lesbian clients, hopefully gaining a greater theoretical and clinical understanding of affirmative therapeutic strategies with lesbian clients.

The final conversation hour is scheduled for Tuesday, August 15, from 11 to 12:50. Co-sponsored by Division 39 (Psychoanalysis) and Division 44, the session is titled *Psychoanalysis and Homosexuality: A Positive Perspective*. A ground  
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# President's Column

by **Adrienne Smith, Ph.D.**

By the time you read this we will have celebrated the 20th anniversary of the Stonewall riots. As I wrote in my last column, to be fully open is to be fully alive so Stonewall is our birthday, **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US!!** This year, as for several past years, I will be marching with MAPSGLI, our midwestern regional caucus of Division 44. Marching in a Gay Pride parade under a banner that says "psychologist" demonstrates, through the comments from the sidelines, how eager the lesbian and gay public is to see mental health professionals being open and proud.

I would not be able to be an openly lesbian psychologist if it were not for another birthday that we, as members of Division 44, are celebrating at this upcoming meeting in New Orleans. It was five years ago, at the 1984 APA Convention in Toronto, that we officially became a division. In a child's life five is the age at which we make the first major move away from the protection of home into the wider world. At five we are expected to begin to be concerned with our fellows as well as with our own household.

Appropriately enough, we as a division are right on schedule developmentally. This year we will sign a contract to produce an annual volume of writings by Division 44 members for each of the next five years. If the number and quality of papers merits it, after five years of annual production we will probably graduate to a journal. Dr. John Gonsiorek has done a wonderful job in working out the preliminaries and he and Dr. Beverly Greene will be the co-authors. They will issue a call for papers in August in New Orleans so get ready.

Not only are we letting our world know that we are ready to reach out beyond home with our productions, we are also aware of the needs of our "neighbors", the Public Interest Directorate. The membership of our division reflects our diversity. We are composed of clinicians and scientists, educators and counselors, authors, thinkers, doers, writers, in all fields of psychology. What unites us in this variety is our commitment to "removing the stigma of homosexuality" in all areas of psychological teaching, research, service, and consumerism. To this end we are a public interest division, that is our major identification is

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## ALGP SPONSORS CONVENTION PROGRAMMING

The Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists (ALGP) will be offering diverse programs during the APA Convention in New Orleans. The following article highlights some of the events sponsored by ALGP.

On Thursday, August 10, the 1989 ALGP Leadership Conference, *Organizing for Support and Change*, will be held from 9 am to 6 pm at the Frenchmen Hotel in the Quarter. Featured speakers include: Florence Denmark, Steve Morin, Gregory Herek, and ALGP Chair Armand Cerbone. The Conference allows participants to exchange information and network with other psychologists interested in advancing the equality of lesbian and gay people both within APA and in society. This conference will be an important one for all who are interested in the future and direction of ALGP.

For further information please contact:

*Armand Cerbone, Ph.D.  
990 W. Fullerton  
Suite 490  
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(312) 248-0292.*

ALGP will also host a hospitality suite at the New Orleans Hilton during the Convention. Daytime programming is currently being scheduled. Traditionally, the ALGP suite has been a center for the presentation of additional lesbian and gay related programming. In addition, the suite has traditionally served as a meeting place for psychologists interested in the study of lesbian and gay issues. This networking occurs as interested individuals informally drop by the suite; and in "rap sessions" featuring Convention presenters discussing their research in a conversational format.

ALGP's traditional kick off party will be held Friday evening. The party allows individuals to peruse the literature display of materials from various lesbian and gay psychological organizations; and to socialize with colleagues. The kick off party will be followed by men's and women's parties on Saturday and Sunday evenings.

ALGP's annual fund raiser and awards banquet will be held on Monday, August 12 at the former residence of Tennessee Williams. All are invited to come and support ALGP while honoring the work of colleagues.

### **Clinical Director Pride Institute An Inpatient Treatment Center for Gays and Lesbians with Chemical Dependency**

**Full-time. Responsible for Clinical supervision of staff, patient Consultation, psychological testing. Will report to chief of clinical services. Experience in chemical dependency required. Send Resume to:**

***Pride Institute  
14400 Martin Drive  
Eden Prairie, MN 55344  
Attn: Mel Pohl, M.D.  
1-800-547-7433***

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## Division 44

*SPSLGI annual volume of writings.* Division 44 has contracted to publish an annual collection of writings by division members for the next five years. Co-editors of the volumes will be John Gonsiorek and Beverly Greene. For further information contact: *John Gonsiorek, Ph.D.; Physicians and Surgeons Bldg; 63 S. 9th St; Ste 506; Minneapolis, MN 55402.*

*"Ask Me About Division 44" buttons.* These promotional buttons for SPSLGI will be available at the Convention for a \$5.00 contribution. Created last year to promote awareness of Divison 44 and its ongoing programs, funds raised this year by button sales will be contributed to the legal expenses of Karen Thompson. Buttons will be available in the ALGP Hospitality suite.

*AIDS Quilt.* Quilting materials will be available in the AGLP Hospitality suite for those individuals who wish to prepare a panel for the AIDS Quilt for Division 44 members who have died of AIDS. Contact Division 44 officers at the Convention for further information.

## APA

*Townmeeting: Health Policy Taskforce.* On August 12 at the APA Convention members of SPSSl's Health Policy Taskforce will facillitate a discussion with APA members about the changing nature of health care and its impact on the individual and society as a whole. ultimately enhance our quality of life and broaden the health care choices available to us rather than limiting our control over our health and bodies?

*Congressional Science Fellowship Program.* APA will sponsor at least two Fellows for a one-year appointment beginning September 1, 1990. Fellows spend one year working as a special legislative assistant on the staff of a Member of Congress or Congressional Committee. The fellowship stipend is \$29,000 plus \$2,500 for relocation to the Washington, D.C. area. Applications are due by November 15, 1989. For additional information contact: *Congressional Science Fellowship Program; Office of Public Interest Legislation; APA; 1200 Seventeenth St., N.W.; Washinton, D.C. 20036.*

## Presentations/Publications

*The 15th National Conference on Feminist Psychology.* Hosted by the Arizona Chapter of the Association for Women in Psychology, the conference is to be held in Tempe, Arizona, March 8-11, 1990, and is seeking proposals on the theme: *Feminist Psychology: Reclaiming Liberation* . All types of programs are welcome: research, theory, applied and clinical practice, teaching, supervision, client advocacy, and public policy. Presentatons may be made by professionals, students, etc. For more information and guidelines, contact: *Sue Morrow; Conference Co-Coordinator; 110 W. Geneva Drive; Tempe, AZ 85282; (602) 966-0039.*

*Journal fo the History of Sexuality.* This new journal illuminates the history of human sexuality in all its expressions, recognizing various differences of class, culture, gender, race, and sexual preference. For information about subscriptions and a JHS style sheet for submission of articles, please write to *John C. Fout; Editor; Journal of History of Sexuality; Bard College; Annandale-on-Hudson, NY 12504.*

*Pre-Stonewall, lesbian mental health practitioners.* A book of lists is currently being compiled for Alyson Publications dealing with lesbian psychologists, psychiatrists, theorists, researchers, etc. who worked prior to Stonewall (1969). Lesbian academics, philosophers, mathematicians, and scientists of any era and country are also being sought. For further information or contributions of material please contact: *Dell Richards; 1250 33rd St.; Sacramento, CA 95616; (916) 452-4790.*

*Women and Therapy.* The journal is planning a special issue on the topic of *Professional Training for Feminist Therapists: Personal Memoirs..* Authors are requested to submit a one-page abstract dealing with their training as feminists and therapists by December 1, 1989. For additional information and submissions contact: *Esther Rothblum; Department of Psychology; John Dewey Hall; University of Vermont; Bulington, VT 05405.*

## DIVISION 44 1989 APA CONVENTION PROGRAMMING

The following is a listing of Division 44's programming at the 1989 APA Convention. The listing includes co-sponsored sessions. The divisions listed in parentheses are those that are the primary sponsor or co-sponsors of the session. If no division is listed, Division 44 is the primary sponsor. Check your Convention program for room assignments.

### Friday 8/11

9:00-9:50 am Panel Discussion: What is a Psychologist? (Division 1)

12:00-1:50 pm Symposium: Developmental Transitions in the Life Span: Intercultural Perspectives. (Division 1)

12:00-1:50 pm Symposium: Men's Studies in Psychology: Its Legitimacy, Status, and Direction. (Division 1)

1:00-2:50 pm Symposium: The Syndrome of Nonverbal Learning Disabilities: The White Matter Hypothesis. (Division 40)

4:00-4:50 pm Invited Address: April Martin. The Planned Gay and Lesbian Family: Parenthood and Children (Co-sponsors: Divisions 35, 41, 43) (Chair: Smith)

5:00 pm Social Hour: Celebrating Lesbian and Gay Contributions to Psychology (Cosponsors: APA Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns, Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists)

### Saturday, August 12

8:00-8:50 am Symposium: Lesbian Partner Abuse Issues and Ethics in Therapy. (Division 35)

9:00-10:50 am Division 44 Outgoing Executive Committee Meeting. (Chair: Smith)

11:00-12:50 pm Symposium: Social Constructionism and the Psychology of Sexuality and Identity. (Chairs: Siever and Glassgold) (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 1, 8, 27, 35)

1-1:50 pm Follow-up Discussion with April Martin (ALGP Suite)

2:00-2:50 pm Presidential Address: A Tribute to Alan Malyon: Speakers Whose Lives Alan Touched. (Chair: Smith)

3:00-3:50 pm Debates on Sexuality and Personnel Security. (Division 19) (Participant: Gregory Herek)

3:00-3:50 pm Division 44 Open Business Meeting. (Chair: Smith)

3:00-3:50 pm Invited Address: Igor Grant. Neurobehavioral Consequences of HIV Infection. (Division 40)

4:00-4:50 pm Conversation Hour: Forging Alliances III: Effecting Change Around Lesbian/Gay Ethnic Minority Issues. (Chair: Morales)

5:00 pm Social Hour: Forging Alliances. (Co-sponsors: Division 9, APA Board of Ethnic Minority Affairs, Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists, APA Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns) (Chair: Bridgewater)

### Sunday, August 13

9:00-9:50 am Paper Session. Latest Advances in Neuropsychology: AIDS, Subcortical Processing and Mental Imaging. (Division 40)

9:00-10:50 am Incoming Executive Committee Meeting. (Chair: Smith)

11:00-11:50 am Conversation Hour: Organizing Gay and Lesbian Psychologists: Professionalism Versus Activism. (Chairs: Cerbone, Rose)

12:00-12:50 pm Paper Session: Dynamics of Lesbian Couples: Communication and Coping Skills. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 12, 20, 35) (Chair: Becker)

1:00-1:50 pm Symposium: AIDS, Sexual Politics, and the Sexual Landscape. (Chair: Scrivner)

3:00-3:50 pm Invited Address: Karen Thompson. Homophobia, Handicapism, and Sexism: The Struggle Continues for Sharon Kowalski. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 35, 41, 45) (Chair: Smith)

3:00-4:50 pm APA Master Lecture, Gregory Herek. Illness, Stigma, and AIDS.

3:00-4:50 pm Gender-sensitive Family Therapy: Are Guidelines Needed?--A Test Case. (Division 43)

4:00-4:50 pm Panel Discussion: Multidisciplinary Response to the Karen Kowalski Case. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 35, 41, 45) (Chair: Brown)

5:00 pm Social Hour: Psychologists Involved with Catastrophic Illness Related Issues. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 31, 35, 38, 41; APA Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns) (Chair: Rhem)

5:00 pm Social Hour: Division 35 Social Hour. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 8, 9, 17, 27, 44, 45)

## DIVISION 44 1989 APA CONVENTION PROGRAMMING (cont.)

### Monday, August 14

- 9:00-9:50 am Paper Session: Psychobiology of Sexual Behavior. (Discussant: Gonsiorek)  
10:00-10:50 am Poster Session: Salient Psychological Issues of Gay and Lesbian Populations. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 1, 2, 4, 8, 12, 31, 38, 40) (Chair: Rehm)  
11:00-11:50 am Follow-up Discussion with Karen Thompson (ALGP Suite)  
11:00-12:50 pm Symposium: Regional Diversity of Gay and Lesbian Communities: Strategies from the South. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 8, 12, 27, 35) (Chair: Bridgewater)  
1:00-1:50 pm Conversation Hour: Issues Facing Heterosexual Female Therapists Seeing Lesbian Clients. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 8, 12, 27, 35) (Chair: Russell)  
2:00-3:50 pm Symposium: Gay Identity and Community Cohesion: Coping Resources for AIDS. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 8, 9, 20, 27, 38) (Chair: Oulette-Kobasa)  
3:00-3:50 pm Presidential Address: The Professionalization of Psychology: Power Struggles Revisited. (Division 1)  
3:00-3:50 pm Gender Issues in the Training of Family Psychology. (Division 43)  
3:00-4:50 pm Symposium: Formation and Running of State Committees on Ethnic Minority Affairs. (Division 31) (Chair: Muritsugu)

### Tuesday, August 15

- 8:00-8:50 am Symposium: Special Issues in AIDS: Hispanic Education and Long Term Compliance. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 8, 18, 20, 38) (Chair: Scrivner)  
9:00-10:50 am Paper Session: Coping with AIDS: Risk Reduction and Condom Use. (Co-sponsors: Divisions 8, 18, 20, 38) (Chair: Martin)  
11:00-12:50 pm Conversation Hour(s): Divisions 44 and 39 (Psychoanalysis): Homosexuality from a Positive Perspective. (Co-sponsor: Division: 39) (Chair: Hencken)  
12:00-1:50 pm Symposium: Psychotherapy and AIDS: Clinical, Ethical, and Practical Considerations. (Co-sponsors: Divisions: 12, 18, 40, 41) (Chair: Remien)

2:00-3:50 pm Paper Session: Psychology and AIDS: Professional Response to the Epidemic. (Co-Sponsors: Divisions: 8, 12, 31, 35) (Chair: Pingitore)

### Presentations Without Designated Times (Check Convention program)

*Division 9:* In the Lives of Women: Institutionalized Violence and the Politics of Research.

The Experience of Violence in the Lives of Adolescence.

Best Intentions: Gay Men and AIDS-Related Behavior Change.

*Division 13:* Symposium: Emerging Issues of the AIDS Health Crisis: Organizational Response.

Symposium: Consulting Psychology and Health/Behavior Problems: Disaster in the Nineties?

*Division 17:* Conversation Hour: Gay and Non-gay Psychologists and Academics Working Together.

(Chair: Dworkin)

Paper Session: Quality of Life for Special Populations: Historical, Current, and Future Perspectives.

*Division 22:* Symposium: AIDS and Rehabilitation. (Participants: Mapon, Backer, Ostby)

*Division 27:* Poster Session: Working the the Community

*Division 38:* Health Psychology and AIDS: Stress Reduction, Psychotherapeutic Techniques, and Safe Sex

### ALGP CONVENTION PROGRAMMING

See page 3 of this Newsletter  
for details

# AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION CENTRAL REPORT

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

**Activities of the Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns.** The Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns met on April 7-9 for its single meeting this year. Because of the cancellation of fall committee meetings, new CLGC members for 1990 were nominated at the April meeting and appointed by BSERP in May. The new CLGC members-to replace Connie Chan and Tony D'Augelli when their terms expire in early 1990--will be Augustine Baron, University of Texas, Austin, and Barbara Slater, Towson State University. Linda Garnets was elected CLGC chair for 1990. She will begin her tenure after the 1989 Convention.

For a copy of CLGC's minutes, write to Clinton Anderson at the Central Office, or come to the CLGC Open Meeting at Convention, where copies of the minutes will be available. CLGC's Open Meeting in New Orleans will be Sunday, August 13, 2-2:50 pm. Check your program for location.

**Child Custody for Lesbian Mothers.** CLGC and the Committee on Women in Psychology are engaged in a joint project to assist lesbian mothers in child custody cases. Linda Garnets (CLGC), Christine Browning (CWP), and Sheryl Gallant (CWP) are reviewing the literature on lesbian mothers and their children. The review will be shared with public interest law firms.

Once the literature review is complete, it will be used by Lynne Bravo Rosewater (CWP) and Connie Chan (CLGC) to develop a pamphlet for psychologists.

Once the above projects are completed, the hope is to develop training materials and a continuing education workshop. A 1990 Convention program has been recommended to Division 44, with hopes that the attendees at such a program will form the beginning of a referral list. The Committees also agreed to take up once again the proposal for APA to write a model brief to be filed in cases.

**Public Interest Governance Reorganized.** At its meeting in April, GLGC enthusiastically endorsed the Public Interest Summit Group's proposal for reorganization of PI governance, favoring the constituency-based model and a special role for ethnic minority representation at the Board level.

BSERP and BEMA met the same weekend in early May and spent considerable time together discussing PI

governance organization. The discussion will continue at Convention in a Public Interest Open Forum to be held on Sunday, August 13, 3:00 to 4:50.

**Youth Issues.** Beginning in September, 1989, the National Education Association will be developing "recommendations for meeting the needs of lesbian and gay students through direct services and through staff development." Any suggestions for ways in which APA can contribute to and cooperate with the NEA will be appreciated.

**Watkins v. U.S. Army.** The case was decided in favor of the gay black army sergeant Perry Watkins but on much narrower grounds than the equal protection basis that APA argued in its brief.

**BenShalom v. Marsh.** APA used the Watkins brief--paid partially by the contributions of Division 44 members--as the basis for a brief filed in March in the case of Miriam BenShalom, an Army reserve officer also fighting against the Army's refusal to allow her to re-enlist. No decision has been handed down to date from the 7th Circuit Court.

**American Bar Association.** Bryant Welch, Executive Director of the APA Practice Directorate, gave testimony before the American Bar Association in favor of a policy supporting protections against discrimination for lesbians, gay men, and bisexual persons. The policy was adopted and is expected to have a positive impact on the legislative environment for gay rights since so many legislators are attorneys.

**Civil Right Amendment Act of 1989 (S. 47 and H.R. 655).** The gay rights bills have been introduced in the US Congress with 61 original cosponsors in the House (up from 50 last Congress) and with seven original cosponsors in the Senate (up from 5 last Congress). Please write your representatives and senators to ask them to cosponsor the bills. They are a long way from passage or even getting a hearing in subcommittee but the more cosponsors they have the better the chances for future action.

**Hate Crimes Statistics Act.** Senator Paul Simon and Representative John Conyers introduced their Respective versions of the hate Crimes Statistics Act on February 21 and both versions have now been reported out of their respective Judiciary Committees. Please contact your senators and representative to request their co-sponsorship  
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## CE WORKSHOP OFFERED

Division 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 infection. 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

## Newsletter Editor Sought

Division 44 is currently receiving applications for the editorship of SPSLGI's divisional newsletter. Perspective editors would be responsible for the compiling and preparation of materials for three annual newsletter issues. Word processing skills are required.

Tenure of the new editor would begin with the post-Convention newsletter issue of next year (November, 1990).

Interested parties can contact:

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9033 Wilshire Blvd.  
Suite 406  
Beverly Hills, CA 90211

(213) 392-1504.

## 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/affective 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 Division 44 Membership as (Circle One) Fellow Member Associate Affiliate Student Affiliate Newsletter Only  
Please make check for 1989 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



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with the Public Interest Directorate where we join forces with those other divisions which are also focused on righting society's inequities towards oppressed groups. By unifying around our common concerns we are stronger than any one of us can be alone. This is as true of divisions as it is of individuals.

At the Executive Committee meeting in February your division leadership agreed to inform the APA Board of Directors of our deep concern over the lack of funding and apparant general lack of support received by the Public Interest Directorate. Copies of the letter which was written were sent to representatives of boards and committees throughout the rest of the public interest community. We hope (and plan) to work with all interested others to see that PI is a strong, viable force representing all of us.

Those of you reading this newsletter who are members of divisions throughout APA, particularly divisions which do not identify themselves as public interest, can help your own cause by lobbying your division to support the fight to enhance public interest. Ask your division what they are doing for public interest. Remind them that psychology is a human science and thus must be ever concerned with human needs. Remember, our right to be open and proud is only possible in a world in which everyone may be proudly themselves. Having worked to gain that right within APA, aided by friends and allies from many other groups and divisions, we are obligated to do whatever each of us can afford to do to guarantee that everyone's rights are safe.

## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

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

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## 1990 CONVENTION PROPOSALS

Start thinking about submitting a symposium, paper, or poster session to Division 44's Program Committee for the 1990 APA Convention in Boston (August 10-14). The theme for our first Convention in the 1990's will be *On the Cutting Edge: Innovative Theory, Research, and Practice Concerning Lesbian and Gay Issues in Psychology*.

If you would like to talk about an idea, get information on submitting a proposal, or find other people with whom you could submit a symposium, contact:

*Carol S. Becker, Ph.D.*  
Department of Human Development  
California State University, Hayward  
Hayward, CA 94542  
(415) 881-3076 or (415) 339-8356

The deadline for proposals is December 15, 1989

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breaking event, the session has been planned as a unique opportunity to discuss the utilization of psychoanalytic techniques in gay/lesbian affirmative therapeutic interventions.

### Social Hours

Division 44 will also be sponsoring three social hours at the Convention. These sessions are an important opportunity for psychologists interested in lesbian and gay issues to network in an informal setting.

*Celebrating Lesbian and Gay Contributions to Psychology*, is scheduled for Friday, August 11, at 5. *Forging Alliances*, is scheduled for Saturday, August 12, at 5:00 *Psychologists Involved with Catastrophic Illness* is scheduled for Sunday, August, 13. These occasions allow participants to interact in an informal atmosphere, revitalizing old friendships and networking with new colleagues.

In addition, Division 44 is sponsoring and co-sponsoring an exciting lineup of symposia, paper sessions, panel discussions, and poster sessions. These presentations will occur in conjunction with programming scheduled for the ALGP Suite.

See you in New Orleans!

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of the hate Crimes Statistics Act and opposition to any amendment to delete or weaken the inclusion of sexual orientation.

**Americans with Disabilities Act.** On May 9th the most significant civil rights legislation of the decade was introduced in the Senate as S. 933 by Tom Harkin (D-IA) and in the House as H.R. 2273 by Rep Tony Coeihio (D-CA). The bill, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is designed to end discrimination against individuals with disabilities. Disabled persons included under the bill include persons with mental illness and persons infected with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus among others. Please contact your senators and representative and urge that they cosponsor the Americans with Disabilities Act (S. 933 or H.R. 2273) today.

**AIDS Mental Health Service Demonstrations.** APA is actively working to secure funding for the AIDS mental health service demonstration program authorized last year in the omnibus AIDS bill (P.L. 100-607). The program would allow for the demonstration and evaluation of a variety of approaches to aid individuals suffering severe, negative reaction to HIV infection. Please contact your senators or representative and urge that they contact members of the Senate or House Appropriations Committee in support of a \$10 million appropriation.

**Survey of Health and Human Sexual Behavior.** The National Institutes of Health, at the urging of the National Academy of Sciences and the President's AIDS Commission have undertaken the development of a survey of adult American sexuality. The purpose of the survey is to develop data for projections about the extent of HIV infection in the population and to assist in the design of AIDS prevention interventions. Unfortunately, the survey has become the target of an attack by far right conservative forces who are opposed to asking the kind of sexually explicit questions necessary to obtain the information needed to fight AIDS. Please contact Dr. Louis Sullivan c/o APA and urge expeditious approval of the survey of Health and Human Sexual Behavior without compromising the scope or breadth of the survey instrument.

**Behavioral Research.** APA is lobbying the Congressional Appropriations Committee to direct ADAMHA to expand its AIDS research efforts. ADAMHA should also begin to more aggressively study the social ramifications of this disease

including discrimination, stigmatization and social pathology, such as anti-gay violence. One of our most significant initiatives is to provide the funds to initiate a program of randomized field experiments for evaluating new intervention programs at the community level. Please contact your members of the House and Senate and urge that they contact the Appropriations Committee with recommendations to increase the Social and Behavioral AIDS Research Portfolio legislation.

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