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DIVISION 44 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following article is a compilation of reports submitted to the Executive Committee of Division 44 at their Mid-Winter meeting in March, 1992 by the chairs of the division's working committees.

Membership. (Compiled by Steve James, Membership Chair.) SPSLGI's membership as of March 1, 1992 was 1117. Members totaled 782 (70%). Student Affiliates totaled 162 (14.5%). Associates totaled 84 (7.5%). Affiliates totaled 36 (3.2%). Fellows totaled 25 (2.3%). Life members totaled 19 (1.7%). Newsletter Only totaled 7 (0.6%). And Organizations totaled 2 (0.2%)

The division continues its record of exemplary gender parity for APA with membership consisting of 561 males (50.2%) and 540 females (48.4%). Sixteen members (1.4%) were unassigned vis a vis sex.

Future Directions. (Compiled by Armand Cerbone, F.D. Chair; and John Gonsiorek, President-Elect.) Division 44 needs to target a five year set of goals which would be its top priorities. We have a creative and vital membership. If we are to retain their interest and loyalty, we must choose projects which will provide a vehicle for their energies and creativity. There are so many issues which deserve our attention, we must determine which issues can be a gathering point.

The following is a proposed list of issues upon which the division can focus its energies. The list is divided into two areas: internal/organizational goals and external goals.

Internal/organizational goals: 1) Retention and expansion of membership. If we do not provide opportunities for members to become and remain active, we may develop membership retention problems; or, equally difficult, many members who pay dues but are otherwise not active in the division.

2) Long term fiscal stability. We have done a sound job of managing our financial resources, but it is also important to note that a deficit can occur. It is proposed that the division fund only those activities to which we are intently committed and

which are congruent with our goals. Giving small amounts of money to support many diffuse goals is both ineffective and dangerous fiscally. Our fiscal commitments and goals should be consistent.

3) Expansion of our student membership and incorporation of student membership in all aspects of the organization. If we do not provide a welcoming environment for future leaders of the division and a way to mentor new leadership, we might end up an interesting curiosity in APA's history. It seems students often interact with the division with needs for support, affiliation, and mentorship that students who do not have a well developed network of lesbian and gay colleagues might have. It is important for the division to address these needs.

4) Maintaining an effective presence within APA through selective networking. The division has accomplished considerable influence within APA structures. However, this influence is very time consuming. We may have to pull back from some affiliations we have developed over the years and focus more intently on those affiliations which meet our goals. The issues we focus upon and therefore organizations into which we put most of our networking energy should depend heavily on where the interests of our membership lies.

External goals: 1) Affecting the accreditation process. Taking a long term view, if we want to address issues of homophobia, racism, sexism, and other aspects of bigotry within the profession, having an impact on the training of psychologists is central. This objective will require a long term commitment of energy and money. We may not have the funding or personnel to carry it out at this time. We must decide whether this is the case and then either commit the resources or pull back from this goal.

2) Developing a standard of care for clinical work with gay and lesbian clients. Various division members have done remarkably creative work in the development of lesbian and gay affirmative models of psychological practice. The illness model has been

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

by **Connie Chan, Ph.D.**

Now that I am halfway through my term as President of Division 44, I would like to share with you what really goes on, both in my duties and in the activities of the Division. The best things about being President are: getting informed about the most important issues facing lesbians and gay men, and determining what role we as psychologists can play; helping to shape the direction of the Division's future; and coordinating the different projects that our committees and officers are working on.

In March, Division 44's Executive Committee, along with some committee chairs, met together in our annual business meeting. I was impressed, not just by the amount of work involved in putting such a comprehensive Convention program together, or by the careful design of our new membership brochure, but more by the feelings of intense caring and commitment to lesbian and gay issues. Our division is unique because our work in lesbian and gay issues goes far beyond our academic, professional or clinical interests; our work is part of who we are and what we care about: making a better, fair, and more complete world for lesbians and gay men. As with other labors of love, there was hard work but also a great sense of accomplishment, joy, and pure pleasure in being with a group of women and men who work well together to create that place one day where lesbian and gay psychology will lead the rest of psychology to understand about issues of difference, of diversity, of how our unique experiences and relationships provide paradigms of human relationships.

Since its inception, Division 44 has attempted to be as inclusive, racially diverse, and as sensitive to ethnic minority issues within a lesbian/gay context as possible. I think that we have been somewhat successful but need to do more. Every three years, an all-day racism awareness workshop is held as part of the Division's Mid-winter Meeting. This year's anti-racism workshop was led by Deborah Johnson, a superb and dynamic facilitator from Santa Cruz, California who helped us to identify the institutional, systemic way in which racism, like heterosexism, has been woven into the fabric of our lives. Just as heterosexuals in our society are so accustomed to their privilege (and basic civil rights) that they don't even recognize that lesbians and gay men are denied the same privileges, white

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ATTENTION STUDENT MEMBERS

As President-Elect, I would like to try an experiment. SPSLGI's Executive Committee has discussed the importance of increasing student participation and providing opportunities for student leadership development. As I do the tasks of President-elect at the 1992 APA Convention in Washington, D.C., I would like to offer one or two students the opportunity to participate in these functions. If interested, please contact me: *John C. Gonsiorek, Ph.D.; 400 Groveland Ave.; #1707; Minneapolis, MN 554403; (612) 874-9645.*

DIVISION 44 STUDENT AFFILIATE NEWS

The following Student Membership Report was prepared from materials submitted by Lisa Frey and James Hickey, Student Affiliate Co-Chairs.

Goals Attained. An advertisement for affiliate status in Division 44 was placed in the APAGS (APA Graduate Student) Newsletter. To follow up, approximately 50 SPSLGI was sent to APAGS to cover possible inquiries. A symposium entitled *Lesbian and Gay Reflections on Graduate Training and Professional Development* was accepted for APA's Convention in August. Approximately 150 contact letters were mailed to graduate programs across the U.S. and Canada, introducing students to Division 44. A student questionnaire was prepared to assess Student Affiliate needs and was submitted to the division's Executive Committee for proposed mailing to SPSLGI's student members. (The EC considered this proposal at their Mid-Winter meeting in March, 1992 and are amenable to the idea.)

Future Goals. Advertising in the APAGS Newsletter will be continued. SPSLGI's Newsletter will be used to encourage the division's Student Affiliates to run for APAGS' Executive Committee and to promote diversity in its leadership. The division's Newsletter will be used to encourage interested persons to seek the post of Division 44 Student Affiliate Co-Chair to replace our outgoing co-chair. Finally, continued outreach to graduate psychology programs vis a vis gay and lesbian student needs will continue.

Current Proposals. Many students who inquired about Division 44 expressed a strong interest in and need of support to help finance research. As such we are proposing the following: 1) establish a research grant fund specifically for students (including perhaps those within two years of graduating); 2) establish a three-person grant committee to review student proposals; 3) sequester between \$600 and \$800 per year to sponsor student research. Possible combinations of the awards could be three or four of \$200; or more awards of smaller amounts. Of the over fifty students who have contacted us, the need for grants was the greatest need expressed. Such an established fund would encourage research on lesbian, gay, and/or bisexual

issues, would encourage membership within the division, and would promote the professional development of students.

Student Questionnaire. Lisa Frey has designed a questionnaire study for graduate students to examine student perceptions regarding the APA accreditation requirement to include diversity in graduate training curriculums. Division 45 Student Chair, Mun Wong, and the APAGS President, Rob Rella have been contacted with the proposal of a collaborative research project between both divisions and APAGS. The collaborative nature of this project is as follows: 1) broaden the developed questionnaire to include an examination of the following areas of diversity --sexual orientation, ethnicity, and gender; 2) invite collaboration of the following organizations to co-sponsor the project: Divisions 35, 44, 45; APAGS; and CLGC; 3) send the developed questionnaire to student members in the three stipulated divisions (avoiding duplications) and to 400 randomly selected graduate students through APAGS; 4) have Division 44 allocate funds to mail the questionnaire to its student members with a stamped return envelope.

This study would provide meaningful and important information regarding the compliance of graduate programs to APA's accreditation criteria on diversity. It would also consider the impact of such compliance or lack thereof on minority and non-minority graduate students. The study would potentially provide information regarding the needs and future directions of accreditation requirements in the area of diversity. It would also model productive collaboration in research efforts.

Anyone seeking further information, wishing to work on the above projects or provide input on other projects, and/or wanting to indicate an interest in seeking the post of SPSLGI's Student Affiliate Co-Chair can contact:

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Organizations

Gay and lesbian psychology students in the New York metropolitan area are invited to join the Student Committee of Psychologists for Human Dignity (PHD), formerly the New York Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists. The goal of the Student Committee is to develop a strong support network for lesbian and gay psychology students in New York. For information about membership and upcoming meetings, contact: Liz Sapareto (212) 533-9811 or Robert Katz (718) 434-2338.

Research

A family study of Biological Determinants of Human Sexuality is being conducted by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Participants in the study are currently being sought. To participate, one must be at least 18 years old and have two or more adult gay or lesbian relatives. Two types of families are of particular interest: 1) those in which there are three or more gay men or lesbians; 2) those families in which both of the parents and the paternal grandfather of a gay person are available for participation. Participants will be interviewed in private by a gay-positive researcher; and, will donate a blood sample. Participant's identity and participation in the project will be strictly confidential. Travel expenses and per diem will be paid by NIH. For further information or to volunteer, contact: Dr. Dean Hamer; NIH BLD 37; Rm 4A13; Bethesda, MD 20892; (301) 402-2709.

The Committee for the Approval of Continuing Education Sponsors (CACES) seeks nominations for two members to serve 1993-1995 terms. This Committee, which meets twice a year, is responsible for reviewing applications from and approving organizations seeking APA approval as providers/ sponsors of CE and for developing and refining the criteria that organizations must meet in order to become approved by APA to offer continuing education for psychologists. Nominations are due by August 1 and can be sent to: Joanne Brazinski; CE Programs Office; APA; 750 First St. NE; Washington, D.C. 20002.

Nominations

The 1993 Distinguished Scientist Lecturer Program, sponsored by APA's Board of Scientific

Affairs, is open for nominations. The Board is seeking nominations of scientists from the spectrum of psychological research. These individuals must be actively engaged in their research programs and be excellent speakers. All nominations should include a letter stating the nominee's qualifications and a CV. The deadline for nominations is May 8, 1992. Questions and nominations can be addressed to: Distinguished Scientist Lecturer Program; APA; 750 First St., NE; Washington, D.C. 20002.

Conferences

The Sixth Spring California Men's Gathering will be held from May 29th through June 1, 1992 in Malibu, California. This year the CMG is dedicated to the topic of "Men's Health: Body, Mind and Spirit." Activities will include: workshops, fun, sports, unstructured time, and evenings of dance, music, and entertainment. For further information and/or registration, contact: California Men's Gathering; P.O. Box 228; Long Beach, CA 90801-0228; (310) 432-2088.

The Twenty-third Annual Conference of the Western Association of Women Historians will be held May 29-31 at the Huntington Library in San Marino, CA. For more information, contact Edith Gelles, Institute for Research on Women and Gender; Serra House; Stanford University; Stanford, CA 94303-8640.

The Ninth Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, entitled "Transformations: Women, Gender, and Power" will be held at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, NY. Topics to be addressed include the relations between feminist history and social and political practice. For more information, contact: Elaine Abelson; New School for Social Research; Eugene Lang College; 65 W. 11th St.; New York, NY 10011.

The Seventeenth National Conference on Men and Masculinity, entitled "Coming Home to New Families," will be held July 9-12, 1992 at the McCormick Center Hotel in Chicago. The conference is "pro-feminist, gay affirmative, and male supportive and promises three dynamic keynote speakers, over 100 workshops, and two major cultural events. Preceding the conference, on July 8, there will be two one-day conferences: "The Fourth Annual Men's Studies Conference" and the "Ending Men's Violence Conference." Both of these

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conferences will also be at the McCormick Center Hotel in Chicago. For more information, contact: M & M; P.O. Box 43714; Tucson, AZ 85733; (602) 881-0991.

The Fourteenth National Lesbian and Gay Health Conference and Tenth Annual AIDS/HIV Forum sponsored by the National Lesbian and Gay Health Foundation, Inc., and the George Washington University Medical Center will be held July 8-12, 1992, in Los Angeles at the LA Airport Hilton Towers. The conference theme is "Making Health Care Human: The Impact of Age, Gender, and Race." A special educational track of the conference will be devoted to "Strategies for Inclusion-Responding to the Changing Face of AIDS." For more information, contact: Shayne Ladner at NLGHF; P.O. Box 65472; Washington, D.C. 20035; (202) 797-3708 or 667-9778.

Journals

The Journal of the History of Sexuality announces a special issue on lesbian and gay history to be published in volume 4, number 1 (July, 1993). Submissions are being sought, with a deadline of June 30, 1992. For more information, contact: John C. Fout, Editor; Journal of the History of Sexuality; Bard College; Annandale on Hudson, NY 12504.

Studies in Psychoanalytic Theory, a new journal devoted to the study of psychoanalysis and cultural criticism in the humanities, social sciences, and fine arts, is seeking articles with lesbian and gay connections to psychoanalytic theory in literature, rhetoric, and film. Send articles with SASE to: Christina Murphy, Editor; Studies in Psychoanalytic Theory; Box 32875; Texas Christian University; Fort Worth, TX 76129; (817) 921-7221; Fax: (817) 921-7333.

Reviewers for manuscripts for APA journals are being sought by the APA Publications and Communications Board. The Board is particularly interested at increasing the proportion of women, ethnic minority men and women, and members of other underrepresented groups. For further information contact: Leslie Cameron; Journals Office; APA; 750 First St., NE; Washington, D.C. 20002-4242.

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privilege is so much a part of people's lives that they don't recognize the constant dissonance experienced by people of color. To illustrate, I'll cite one concrete example from my own life. Last week, when I went into a department store to purchase some jewelry, I asked to see some earrings in a locked case. The saleswoman was friendly, so I smiled at her and made small talk. As the earrings were handed to me, I accidentally dropped one onto the floor, between the counter and the wall. I immediately and profusely apologized while the manager rushed over to fish the earring out. I was shocked to see that friendliness had suddenly turned into a mask of hostility on their faces, and they said (literally), "Go back to where you came from. We don't like waiting on 'boat people' here." Once again, I was reminded that while I may have a Ph.D., may be a tenured professor at a university, may dress professionally, and have credit cards to purchase what I might want, I was still seen as an Asian woman: alien, inferior, and an object of scorn. This incident is but one isolated example of what people of color experience on a consistent basis, day in and day out. We are never really sure if people are interacting with us based upon who we are with our individual traits, or if their reactions (even, or especially the positive ones) are based upon judgments determined by our race, our ethnicity, our accents, or a combination of all these plus our gender and sexual orientation. Lesbians and gay men can usually have some understanding of what it is like to be discriminated against, but the dissonance of being strong, successful, and yet a person of color in this country is never-ending and takes its toll.

The anti-racism workshop brought many of these issues into sharper focus for the Division leadership and helped us to understand how those of us who are white can stop being mere agents of racism and white privilege and become allies against racism with those of us who are people of color. As a Division which is committed to making a difference in the quality of lesbian and gay lives, we must also be aware of the allies, the linkages we need in working together to continue the never-ending struggle against racism, sexism, heterosexism, and injustice in all forms. For some of us these issues are never separated, and I believe that Division 44 must have a vision and an agenda that is constantly working on all these issues simultaneously with caring and commitment.

APA COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

by Douglas Kimmel, Ph.D.

The most significant issue currently before Council is the revision of the APA Code of Ethics. The process has been underway for six years and all components of APA have had a chance to review various drafts. The problem is that the current code is too vague to be enforceable in our litigious society, and it is silent on critical issues such as sexual harassment. Therefore, a new code will be debated and is expected to pass at the next Council meeting during the APA meetings in Washington. Any interested members who would like to review it may contact me (I believe it will be published in an issue of the APA Monitor). In general, the rational and basic structure of the proposed code seems fine to me. The inclusion of "sexual orientation" is not a problem. My concern is that too much effort is given to "legislating morality"; instead, I think that the code should focus on those critical issues that we want to censure psychologists for doing or not doing, while leaving other areas as ethical issues to consider, balance, and aspire toward resolving. In the former group I would place behaviors such as sex with clients/patients, sexual harassment, not giving credit to junior authors in research reports, failure to obtain informed consent for research, etc. In the latter group would be issues that are important, but not grounds for dismissal from APA; these might include plagiarism, dual relationships, accepting barter, and obtaining informed consent from therapy clients. Of course, the difficult issue is which behaviors belong in which category. The problem is that if too much morality is legislated, we may become so preoccupied with avoiding any missteps that could lead to an ethics complaint that we might tend to restrict our services to low-risk people and situations, and spend too much time creating a 'paper trail' to prove that we were ethical. I'd appreciate your thoughts on these issues.

Three other business items were directly relevant to Division 44: (1) \$6000 was approved to fund a meeting of national organizations seeking to change the U.S. Department of Defense policy on homosexual orientation. This action was a follow-up to the resolution taken at the August Council meeting where restrictions were placed on advertising by the military in APA publications. (2) A "Bill of Rights"

was approved that said in part, "All Members, Fellows, Associate Members and Affiliates shall be treated with respect and without discrimination on the basis of race, national or ethnic origin, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age mental or physical disability. . . ." (3) All standards or guidelines passed by any Division must be reviewed by APA to ensure that other members are not adversely affected; thus, if we or another division were to establish guidelines on therapy with lesbians and gays, it would have to be reviewed and relevant groups would have a chance to give their reactions.

Finally, the new APA building near Capital Hill is very beautiful. APA profited greatly by selling its buildings in Washington and Virginia, paid off the debts from Psychology Today, and got a good deal on the new site (which is near the recently-renovated Union Station). Also, because of the current recession, it was able to buy new furniture at rock bottom prices. So, the space, furnishings, and staff morale are all greatly improved. There will be tours available during the upcoming Convention in August.

LONG-RANGE GOALS: SURVEY AND OPEN MEETING

At its Mid-winter Meeting, SPSLGI's Executive Committee began a process of targeting long-range goals for the Division. *Your input is crucial!* Please fill out and return the enclosed survey card. At Convention in Washington, D.C., the EC will sponsor an open meeting targeting long-range goals prior to making a final selection at the incoming (future directions) EC meeting. An extra hour is being added to the incoming EC meeting solely for the purpose of reviewing SPSLGI members' input.

The EC needs your feedback via the enclosed survey, and your input at the Convention open meeting. For input, questions, ideas, etc. on long-range goals, contact: *John C. gonsiorek, Ph.D.;* 400 Groveland Ave.; #1707; Minneapolis, MN 55403; (612) 874-9645.

AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION CENTRAL REPORT

The following article was synthesized from materials submitted by Clinton Anderson, APA's liaison to Division 44, to SPSLGI's Executive Committee at their Mid-winter Meeting in March, 1992.

The Public Interest Directorate and the Public Policy Office staff met on February 3, 1992 to discuss APA activities for 1992. The following plan was decided.

Legislative Activity

Hearings in House Government Operations. APA will continue to work with the Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Project to advocate for hearings in the House Government Operations Committee (Conyers, Chair) when the General Accounting Office audit is completed, now expected to be mid-March at the earliest. At the present, the committee staff-person who is handling the issue for Rep. Conyers is not willing to discuss hearings until the GAO report is delivered. Once the report has been received, then APA will pursue hearings and a witness slot in those hearings, working in conjunction with the Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Project.

Other Legislative Vehicles. A number of other legislative vehicles has been discussed. If any such vehicles are introduced, or a decision about introducing them becomes imminent, APA will need to consider its position, and consider then what activity to undertake.

Governance

Division Activity. APA needs a working/advisory group from the membership. Core groups from which members of an advisory group should come are Divisions 19 (Military Psychology) and 44. The Presidents of the two divisions appointed members to serve in such a capacity in the aftermath of last year's Convention, but the group has not functioned. Because of the limitations in Central Office resources for the issue, more active participation of the divisions is needed. Discussions will be held with Division 19 and 44 at their Mid-winter meetings to assess what activity they can generate and sustain.

Implementation of Advertising Resolution. A plan for assessing progress toward the desired change in the Department of Defense policy will have to be developed this year, probably to culminate in the December 1992 Board of Directors meeting.

Divisions 19 and 44, CLGC, and the Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest will need to consider this issue during the Winter/Spring round of their meetings.

Coalition Building

Joint Statement of ANA, both APAs, and NASW. The joint statement of the four organizations comprising the Joint Commission on Interprofessional Affairs (JCIA)--the American Nurses Association, the American Psychiatric Association, the American Psychological Association, and the National Association of Social Workers--will be finalized, it is hoped, by the end of February. The letter to Defense Secretary Cheney can then be sent and the statement released to the press in proximity to the time of the release of the General Accountancy Office report.

Meeting of National Organizations. Our primary vehicle for coalition-building in 1992 will be the meeting of national organizations, assuming the APA Council approves money for it. After the Council meeting, a planning/execution group will be convened, including the working advisory group from Divisions 19 and 44. A decision will need to be made then whether to invite the other three JCIA organizations to join us as sponsors of the meeting.

Public Affairs

Joint Statement with ANA, APA, and NASW. The public affairs office and the Monitor are ready to respond when the statement is finalized. The Monitor also has a story on the GAO report ready to go once it is released.

For further information and/or for input on these or other salient issues, contact: *Clinton Anderson; APA; 750 First Street, NE; Washington, DC 20002-4242.*

COUNCIL REP ELECTED

Congratulations to Leah Fygetakis, Ph.D. for winning the recent election for Division 44's Council of Representative seat. Dr. Fygetakis will be SPSLGI's second voice on Council. In last year's APA-wide balloting, Division 44 doubled its representation from one to two seats.

A warm thank you is also extended to the division's other candidate in the election, Bianca Cody Murphy, Ph.D.

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made defunct and in the twenty years since our members have done a remarkable job filling in the vacuum. The next step is taking what we have developed and institutionalizing it into a standard of care. Our knowledge base has reached a point where we can begin to make some proposals about what competent and ethical psychological services for gay and lesbian clients ought to look like, and to make these proposals part of standard psychological practice and professional ethics. This again is an ongoing, gradual process that will take many years. If we want to make certain that what we have developed in the past two decades does not become merely an interesting blip in the history of late 20th century psychology, we must translate it into an appropriate standard of care.

3) Focus on gay and lesbian youth. If we are ever to have effective preventive mental health for gay and lesbian people, we must start with developing, expanding, and strengthening services for gay and lesbian youth. If we want to see less distress in gay and lesbian adults, this is how we will effect it, i.e.

through prevention.

4) *The textbook project.* This idea was suggested by Richard Wagner, President-Elect of Division 48. It was proposed to target texts used in undergraduate and graduate courses that are sexist, homophobic, racists, etc., organizing boycotts, and offering to provide experts to replace the offending material. Publishers would be the primary target; the intent would be to create a multi-divisional task force to change the way psychology is taught.

If you wish to provide input vis a vis Division 44's future direction, fill out and return the postcard inserted in your Newsletter. Also, feel free to contact: *Armand Cerbone, Ph.D.; 9900 W. Fullerton; Suite 490A; Chicago, IL 60614.*

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 information and submissions contact: *Craig Cain, Ph.D.; Antioch University; 13274 Fiji Way; Marina del Rey, CA 90292*

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/affectual 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 1992 Membership Dues or Newsletter subscription of \$30.00/\$20.00 for students (US currency only, please) payable to SPSLGI, and return check along with this application form to:

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ALAN GOODMAN

A true friend of ALGP, and of me personally, passed away on January 26. Alan Goodman rarely raised his voice, but his work on behalf of gay men and lesbians resonates in the ears of all who knew him.

As an early Treasurer of ALGP, Alan brought fiscal responsibility to a fledgling organization. Alan's view of fiscal responsibility vividly illustrated his belief in putting your money where your mouth is. With his life partner, Chuck Wilcox, Alan hosted numerous elegant soirees at his home to raise money for ALGP and for the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center, where he was an active member of the Board of Directors as well. For more than 20 years, Alan also counseled gay individuals, couples, and groups in his private practice.

Alan taught me personally the key to successful fundraising--never be embarrassed to ask for money for something you believe in. A fund has been established at the Center to memorialize Alan with a counseling room named in his honor. The cost of this memorial is \$10,000. Donations can be sent directly to the Center, c/o Steve Donato; 1213 N. Highland, Hollywood 90038; or c/o Chuck Wilcox; 2514 Park Oak Dr.; Los Angeles 90068.

We have lost so many good men. Please join me in giving generously to the Center in Alan's memory--to ensure we never forget and so others will know of his life's work on our behalf.

Susan Gore

JOHN MARTIN

John L. Martin, Ph.D. died January 17, 1992 of complications from AIDS. Dr. Martin was a member of the Columbia University School of Public Health. In 1982 he designed and initiated a pioneering study on the impact of AIDS on the gay community of New York City. The study asked 800 men questions on topics such as age, race, income, sexual partners and practices, etc. The study has generated over 20 professional papers to date. The study and publication of subsequent data shall be continued.

Dr. Martin was a consultant to local, state, and national agencies, including the National Institute of Drug Abuse and the National Academy of Sciences. In 1990, he received Division 44's Award for Distinguished Scientific Contributions in Science. In 1991, he won a five-year research grant from the National Institute of Mental Health.

Respected by colleagues for his intelligence, professional acumen and devotion to impeccable research of vital public policy importance, Dr. Martin was also respected for the compassion and personal concern he demonstrated for participants in his principle study--a research project that has been of immeasurable help to all those struggling with the impact of the epidemic.

A memorial service was held at St. Paul's Chapel on the Columbia University campus on February 22. A memorial fund has been set up in his name.

Dr. Martin will be greatly missed by all who knew him. His passing is a loss to all those engaged in the fight against AIDS.

Dee Bridgewater

DIVISION 44 STATEMENTS OF CANDIDACY

PRESIDENT ELECT

Oliva M. Espin, Ph.D.

I am presently professor of Women's Studies at San Diego State University, after many years training counseling psychologists at McGill University in Montreal and Boston and Tufts Universities in Boston. I maintained a private practice in Boston for many years where I specialized in the concerns of Latina women and lesbians. I have been a pioneer in the development of literature on affirmative psychotherapy and identity development of Latina lesbians and have been instrumental in bringing the concerns of Latina women to the attention of psychology.

For the last three years I have been Division 44's Representative to the APA Council, and in that capacity was charged with the responsibility of presenting to Council the recently approved resolution to ban military advertisement in APA publications as a measure to pressure the military to rescind their discriminatory policy towards homosexuals. I have been a member of the Board of Social and Ethical Responsibility in Psychology and the Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest. I have been a member of the Board of Social and Ethical Responsibility in Psychology and the Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest. I have chaired and been a member of several committees of Division 35 and Division 45, and have been involved in other professional organizations, including being membership coordinator and member of the Implementation Collective of the Association for Women in Psychology. I have been a member of ALGP and other national and international organizations throughout my professional career and have been involved in the editorial advisory boards of several professional journals, including *Psychology of Women Quarterly*, *Women and Therapy*, and *Feminism and Psychology*.

I am a fellow of five Divisions of the APA (9, 17, 35, 44, and 45) and a recipient of the 1991 APA Award for Distinguished Professional Contribution to Public Service. I have been honored by Division 44 as one of the recipients of an Award for Distinguished Contribution to Ethnic Minority Concerns.

I feel honored to have been nominated as candidate

for President-Elect of Division 44. My goal as President will be to continue the leadership of previous Presidents by continuing to promote: quality research on lesbian and gay issues in psychology; education concerning issues of relevance to our Division among psychologists and other mental health professionals; mentorship of lesbian and gay students; and alliances with other Divisions of the APA and other professional organizations and advocacy groups. I hope to continue to demonstrate by my active presence that lesbians and gay men are a culturally and ethnically diverse group, and to demonstrate, once more, the active commitment of Division 44 to the inclusion of issues of concern to ethnic minority lesbians and gays in the APA. Above all, I will continue to work, like my predecessors, to empower lesbian and gay psychologists as well as foster the development of knowledge and standards of practice relevant to lesbians and gay men.

Barbara R. Slater, Ph.D.

In considering my qualifications for President of Division 44, two aspects emerge. Do I have APA governance experience that would make it possible for me to be a competent President and have I demonstrated interest in and knowledge about lesbian and gay concerns?

In terms of APA experience, I have been a Council Representative from the Division of School Psychology (16) for two full terms and I have served as President of Division 16. It was my pleasure to be one of the first members of the Committee on Children, Youth and Families and I now am a member of the Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns. Part of my role there is as a member of the Joint CLGC-CYF Working Group on Lesbian and Gay Youth and Families, whose current goal is to provide information and training for psychologists working with lesbian and gay youths in the schools. These experiences have given me an understanding of the structure and functioning of APA which can be extremely useful in coordinating the intra-divisional and division-APA interfaces.

I have devoted the majority of my professional and much of my personal efforts to lesbian and gay issues for the past decade. My primary research is on lesbian development; three of my last seven publications have been on gay and lesbian youths or

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on youths and AIDS; seven of my last eight professional conference presentations over a two year year time span have concerned either lesbian development or gay and lesbian youths. At Towson State University I am a member of the Vice-President's Committee on Gay and Lesbian Issues, am a member of the President's Task Force on AIDS on campus, and have developed and taught three graduate or undergraduate courses on alternartive life styles. The majority of my private practice clients are lesbians and I also have conducted a number of non-psychological seminars, workshops, and programs on gay and lesbian topics in university, state, or organizational programs.

My vision for Divison 44 combines internal growth and increased impact on APA and on society as a whole. I would like to see more joint efforts between Division 44, CLGC, APA, and NALGP, with concrete results such as joint authored articles, working papers, curricula, continuing education programs, resource papers, etc. Of particular interest to me is a major focus on diversity, including ethnicity, race, age, gender, handicapping conditions, religion-spirituality, and socio-economic status, as well as orientation. My interest in the Presidency is strong and I am prepared to make a major commitment of time and energy should I be honored by being elected to the position.

REPRESENTATIVE AT LARGE

Alex Carballo-Diequez, Ph.D.

I was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in 1951. In 1975 I completed a Masters in Industrial Psychology at the Catholic University of Buenos Aires. In 1982, tired of the police harassment I was subject to as a gay person, I migrated to the U.S.A. I enrolled in the graduate program of New School for Social Research, in NYC, graduating with a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology in 1986. I have been working in AIDS related activities since 1984 when I became a volunteer group leader for Gay Men's Health Crisis. Subsequently I was the Unit Chief of the Special Treatment Unit (AIDS) at Interfaith Medical Center, the Coordinator of the Mental Health Program of the Special Care Unit at Lutheran Medical Center, and the Director of the HIV/AIDS Mental Health Clinic at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center. Currently I work in behavioral research at the HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies of Columbia University and New

York State Institute. My area of interest is Latino men who have sex with men, having received a research grant from NIMH.

If I am elected to Division 44 I will bring forth my expertise and concern about HIV and minorities' issues. I will work towards the establishment of good channels of communication with other divisions, and I will emphasize the need to bring clinicians and researchers together for collaborative work.

Fernando Gutierrez, Ed.D.

My work with gays and lesbians began as a doctoral student in counseling/community psychology at Boston University. In 1979, I co-facilitated the first support group for gay men offered there.

At Santa Clara University I founded the first counseling service for lesbian/gay students, leading to the inclusion of sexual orientation in their non-discrimination clause. Today Santa Clara is the only Jesuit and the second Catholic university in the U.S. that officially recognizes lesbian/gay organizations on campus. ERIC published my paper on this work.

I founded the Committee on Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Issues in Counseling for the American Association for Counseling and Development and, with Sari Dworkin, Ph.D., co-edited a special issue of the Journal of Counseling and Development on Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Issues. We also co-edited a book titled: *Counseling Gay Men and Lesbians: Journey to the End of the Rainbow*.

I was a consulting editor to the book: *No Longer Immune: A Counselor's Guide to AIDS*, edited by Craig Kain. I founded the first AIDS emotional support group for Latinas/os in San Jose, CA and coordinated the first statewide conference for lesbian/gay/bisexual Lationos/as last August.

Presently, I am obtaining a law degree to effect public policy recognizing gays/lesbians as a protected class. Division 44 should head in this direction, applying the scientist-practitioner model to document similarities to other protected groups.

Despite being *Outstanding Commander* twice and runner up for Outstanding Cadet in the Air Force R.O.T.C. program at Michigan State, I was released from the Air Force after coming out. Military policy portrays gays/lesbians as poor leaders. I will use my leadership skills to advance Division 44 as a strong force within APA. I serve as Continuing Education Coordinator for 1991-1992 and want to continue serving the Division as Rep. at Large.

APA PUBLICATION POSSIBILITY

The following article was submitted by Esther D. Rothblum, Ph.D.

I have been dismayed at the lack of coverage on lesbian and gay issues in the Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, so I wrote the editor, Larry E. Beutler, Ph.D., expressing my interest in editing a special series on this topic. To my surprise and delight, he agreed. The purpose of this notice is to see whether you or anyone you know is engaged in research on lesbian and/or gay men that is related to the purposes of JCCP (i.e. assessment, diagnosis, or treatment).

You may know of researchers who are currently collecting data or planning to write up the results, or who have a manuscript that is not currently submitted to another journal. If so, would you phone me immediately and leave a message on my phonemail at:

(802) 656-4156

or fax me a note at:

(802) 656-8783

I appreciate your efforts and hope that this issue will indeed take place.

CE WORKSHOP OFFERED

Division 44 will be sponsoring a pre-Convention continuing education workshop facilitated by Betty Berzon, entitled *Permanent Partners: Building Gay & Lesbian Relationships that Last* in Washington, D.C., Thursday, August, 13, 1992 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The workshop will address critical issues in dealing with the problems of same-sex couple relationships. The presentation will include guidelines and discussion of case material. The workshop's case conference portion will focus on issues of specific concern to the participants. The workshop's objectives are to: identify issues unique to same-sex partnerships; provide guidelines for working with gay and lesbian couple relationships; increased ability to diagnose the real problems in relationships; and provide participants with an opportunity to share their own concerns about same-sex partnerships.

The cost of the workshop is \$125 (\$100 for students). Six (6) hours of CE credit will be awarded to participants.

For further information and registration, contact:

Fernando Gutierrez, Ph.D.

160 Saratoga Avenue

Suite 50; Santa Clara, CA 95051

POSITION AVAILABLE

COORDINATOR OF GAY, LESBIAN & BISEXUAL SERVICES AND SEXUALITY PROGRAMMING

New ten-month, full time position for a doctoral counseling/clinical psychologist or a clinical social worker (masters or doctoral) with Counseling and Psychological Services at Duke University.

Responsibilities: Direct clinical services (evaluation, crisis intervention and brief psychotherapy), group counseling, outreach programming and consultation primarily addressing gay, lesbian and bisexual student issues; programming on personal-emotional aspects of sexuality; training with staff and training/supervision with interns in psychology and social work and psychiatric residents.

Qualifications: Doctorate in counseling or clinical psychology or an MSW or doctorate in clinical social work and eligibility for licensure/ certification in North Carolina; a high degree of credibility with gay, lesbian, and bisexual populations; women and minority applicants encouraged.

Salary competitive and negotiable; benefits, excellent.

TO APPLY: Send letter outlining relevant background and interest, a curriculum vitae and the names, addresses, and phone numbers of three references by May 29, 1992 to John Barrow, Ed.D., Chair, Search Committee; Counseling and Psychological Services; 214 Page;

AIDS TRAINING PROJECT

The AIDS Training Project is designed to train practitioners in psychology about effective interventions for addressing the psychosocial needs of people infected and affected by AIDS and other stages of HIV disease. The AIDS Office is recruiting regional psychologist trainers who will subsequently function as specialized HIV trainers for other psychologists in their area. If members of your division are interested in being considered for a regional psychologist trainer, please have them send a copy of their vita along with a brief letter describing their HIV-related experience in the areas of practice, research, or training to: *Dr. John Anderson; APA; Director, AIDS Training Project; 750 First Street, NE; Washington, D.C. 2002; (202) 336-6057.*

AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Division 44 gives a number of awards, including: the Distinguished Educational Contribution; Distinguished Professional Contribution; Distinguished Scientific Contribution; Distinguished Service Award; Distinguished Contributions to Ethnic Minority Issues; and Distinguished Student Contributions. *Self-nominations are encouraged.*

The nomination should include a statement justifying the nomination; a narrative description of contributions; and a curriculum vitae.

Please call well before the deadline of June 1 if you have questions. Send materials by June 1 to: *John C. Gonsiorek, Ph.D.; 400 Groveland Ave.; #1707; Minneapolis, MN 55403; (612) 874-9645.*

NEW EDITORSHIP

The Division 44 Newsletter will be under a new editor starting with the July, 1992 issue. The new editor is Craig Cain, Ph.D.

Thus, all queries, submissions, advertisements, etc. vis a vis the Newsletter should be sent to: *Craig Cain, Ph.D.; Antioch University; 13274 Fiji Way; Marina del Rey, CA 90292.*

FELLOWS NOMINATIONS

June 1 is the deadline for all Fellows materials to be received by APA Central office for proposed Division 44 Fellows. If you are interested in nominating someone (including yourself) as a Fellow, please contact John C. Gonsiorek, Ph.D. at the address listed below no later than May 1, 1992. Old Fellows are already APA Fellow who can be considered for Fellow status in Division 44. New Fellows are currently not APA Fellows. The process for the latter requires considerable prep time. Contact Dr. Gonsiorek as soon as possible if you wish to be considered for New Fellow status at: *John Gonsiorek, Ph.D.; 400 Groveland Ave.; #1701; Minneapolis, MN 55403; (612) 874-9645.*

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING GUIDELINES

Division 44's Executive Committee has established the following advertising policy and advertising rates for the divisional Newsletter.

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.

Classified ads (positions offered/wanted; re-location of offices; publications, 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:

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