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President's Column

Armand Cerbone

As this newsletter goes to press we are celebrating Pride Week in Chicago. Seeing the annual parade inevitably reminds me how recently-won our freedoms are. In these days of dark threats from the radical right I am also reminded how fragile our hold on those rights remains. Marching in the parade reminds me of the importance of activism in all its forms for keeping them.

Division 44 was born out of such activism. A group of people came together in the belief that lesbian and gay psychologists needed and deserved a voice in organized psychology. They believed that gays and lesbians were entitled to the benefits of research, education and mental health services that were affirmative. They also believed that psychology had an important role to play in educating the public and in influencing public policy on issues affecting the lives of lesbians, gays and bisexuals. To realize their beliefs, they formed what became the Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists. A primary objective of that organization was to achieve divisional status within the American Psychological Association. For ten years now we have enjoyed the fruits of their success.

There are several circumstances facing us today that raise questions of philosophy, direction and strategy for the Division. Not the least of these are the increasing number of successful and nearly successful assaults on our freedoms by the bigoted and the misguided. These are taking place both within and without psychology. Within psychology there are those who still hold that homosexuality is pathological and others who offer conversion therapies to men and women anguishing over their sexual orientation because of homophobia. Outside psychology individuals use the courts, legislatures, physical violence and even the name of their god to marginalize and penalize lesbians, gays and bisexuals. Most of us are familiar with these offensives. Most of us still believe that psychology has an important role to play in countering these offensives. We have the research and the data documenting the damage to human life and the social good that such offensives create. These circumstances remind us all of the urgent need for continued activism as psychologists.

Another circumstance which affects the Division is the loss of ALGP. ALGP was the political arm of lesbian, gay and bisexual psychology. As a body independent of the APA, it enjoyed a

much wider latitude for action than that of a scholarly entity within the APA. If our Division is to enjoy the aegis of the APA, it must adhere to all the rules and regulations of membership. With the recent demise of ALGP, the Division remains the heir to ALGP's mission without the benefit of its independence. At times like this, when the situation cries out for public action, the Division must respond to the cry but in ways consistent with APA policy and procedures.

The Division has sustained one other major loss which must be mentioned. When Bill Bailey died of AIDS, we lost an invaluable resource. Bill's contributions as the APA's lobbyist on Capitol Hill for AIDS and gay and lesbian issues have been noted elsewhere. While Bill was not a member of the Public Policy Task Force his energy and advice were very sustaining forces and are sorely missed. We can be thankful, however, that we still have the very able counsel of Clinton Anderson, the APA's Officer for Lesbian and Gay Concerns.

All these developments leave the Division with some serious regrouping and rethinking to do. Much of that has already been accomplished. We have worked hard to enhance our infrastructure, introducing new budgetary measures that will secure the Division's fiscal future, reformulating committee and task force objectives to conform to broader Divisional goals, and, most importantly, articulating flexible long-range goals that will keep the Division resilient, relevant and responsive. Currently, we are engaged in the very critical task of redefining the mission and scope of activity for the Public Policy Task Force. We need to answer such questions as how activist should the Division be; what constitutes activism for a scholarly body of the APA; which fights do we pick; which do we go to the mat for; how is 44 different from other APA divisions; how do we mobilize the financial and human resources to be successful. Answering these questions now will ensure the effectiveness of the Division for years to come.

To combat and correct unprofessional homophobic practices in the delivery of mental health services, the Joint Task Force on Professional Practice Guidelines for Psychotherapy with Lesbians, Gays, and Bisexuals is preparing its first draft of guidelines for the Division. This process remains very arduous and complex. Each articulated guideline must meet very

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rigorous standards in both professional and scientific circles of the APA. Only then can we expect the APA to adopt them as guidelines for the profession as a whole.

In this last column I write as President of the Division I chose to address these issues for a couple of reasons. The first is that these two task forces are personally very important to me. I feel deeply indebted to the activists who created this Division and made it possible for me to enjoy the career I have. I am trying to find ways of keeping the torch they lit aflame and pass it to others. Having been in conversion therapy myself, before homosexuality was officially declassified, I want to see an end to that dark era of voodoo psychology. Finally, there is one other issue among the many that the Division faces: finding a meaningful way to give visibility and equality of membership to the bisexuals among us. There is no doubt in this mind that we will and it is long overdue.

I want to close by saying I have thoroughly enjoyed being President of the Division. A year ago I joked with Robin Buhrke that she would have to wrestle me for the gavel in August of '95. A year later I am pleased and to pass the gavel to her... if I remember to bring it to Convention. Robin is an able leader who will 'do you proud', as my father might have said. ▼

Editor's Note

Philip Levinson

The American Psychological Association 103rd National Meeting is upon us! Throughout this issue of the Division 44 Newsletter, is information regarding programs offered by Division 44 as well as invitations from other divisions which will be of interest to Division 44 members. Division 44-sponsored events are listed on page 14, and the Hospitality Suite (Waldorf Astoria) schedule of events can be found on page 15.

You will notice that there is no Feature Article in this issue. You can expect Feature Articles in all future issues, including the Pre-Convention issue of the Division 44 Newsletter. In this issue, please note a very interesting letter from Doug Kimmel, our Fulbright Scholar in Tokyo.

As always, please keep the Division 44 Newsletter in mind when thinking about how to convey information to other psychologists and psychology students. The deadline for the fall issue is Monday, October 2. Please feel free to call, write, e-mail or fax me.

Hope to see you in New York!

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Reminder to Renew Your Membership:

If you have not already done so, please remember to renew your membership in Division 44. Just fill out the membership application on the back page of this newsletter, and indicate "RENEWAL" above your name. Please make your checks payable to SPSLGI. Forms and dues can be sent to:

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Committee and Task Force Reports

Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns Update

Clinton Anderson, APA Staff Liaison

"No Promo Homo" Efforts Continue in US Congress

Rep. Robert Dornan (R-Ca) introduced in February a bill to prohibit the use of Federal funds to promote homosexuality. The bill stipulates that "no federal funds may be used directly or indirectly to promote, condone, accept, or celebrate homosexuality, lesbianism or bisexuality." Although it is probable that such a broad bill will have a limited chance of success, similar amendments to other bills, including appropriations bills, are being taken quite seriously by gay-supportive members of Congress.

Also, at Mr. Dornan's request, a hearing on AIDS education training for federal government employees was the subject of a Congressional hearing on June 22, sponsored by the Civil Service Subcommittee of the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee. Mr. Dornan believes that such training programs "are nothing more than a means to intimidate federal workers into accepting the homosexual lifestyle."

Hearings on the inclusion of information about homosexuality in schools are also reported to be possible. The potential sponsor is the *Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee of the House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee*.

Mr. Dornan has recently been successful in attaching a provision to the House-adopted Department of Defense authorization bill which makes HIV infection grounds for discharge from the military. Opposition to such a provision will now focus on the Senate.

1996 Public Interest Directorate Mini Convention on Lesbian and Gay Concerns

The Public Interest Directorate Mini convention at the 1996 APA Annual Convention will have Lesbian and Gay Concerns as its focus. Division 44 members are strongly encouraged to submit proposals to the divisions of which they are members, and to offer to assist division program chairs in identifying appropriate, invited programs. For further information on the 1996 Mini convention or to make recommendations, please contact Clinton Anderson at APA.

One area of recommendations is films or videos that might be shown during the convention next year. Royce Scrivner, of Division 43 (Family Psychology), is seeking recommendations for a joint film program between Divisions 43 and 44 focusing on lesbian and gay family issues. Recommendations should be submitted to:

Dr. Royce Scrivner
VA Medical Center (116-B)
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Dallas TX 75216-7167, or 214-372-7036.

Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns (CLGC) Open Forum

All Division 44 members are invited to attend the CLGC Open Forum during the 1995 Annual Convention in New York. The CLGC Open Forum, *Defining APA's Response to Sexual Orientation Conversion Therapy and CLGC Awards Presentation*, takes place August 13, 12:00-12:50 PM, in the Louis XVI Suite Center at the Waldorf Astoria.

APA Policy on Sexual Orientation Conversion Therapy is Proposed

A policy on sexual orientation conversion therapy has been proposed for consideration by the APA Council of Representatives at its August 1995 meeting. The proposed policy states that "APA discourages psychologists and other mental health professionals from providing treatments designed to change sexual orientation, or from referring to practitioners or programs which claim to do so."

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Secretary-Treasurer's Column

Steven James

The Division 44 Listserver is about to take off! The APA is about to finish our customized e-mail listservers. A listserv is a computer program that keeps a list of everyone who wants to be on the server, and sends out a copy of every message to each person on the list. The hope for this new service is that members will be able to communicate on relevant issues more easily, that committees and task forces will be able to disseminate information to members more quickly, and that the Executive Committee can stay better connected to the membership. The limitations are that many division members are not "on-line" and/or may not want to improve their communication in this way. Since this is a quick and cost-effective way to communicate for those who choose to participate, my hope is that some of the issues that have been hanging over us for months may begin to be discussed more actively. The debate over greater inclusion of bisexuals in Division 44 comes to mind.

The use of the listserv is free to all members of Division 44. To be listed, please send me your e-mail address, along with a clear statement of your desire to be listed on the Division 44 Listserv.

As always, please call me if you have any questions.

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Committee and Task Force Reports *continued*

CLGC Fall Meeting Scheduled for September 29–October 1

The next CLGC meeting takes place September 29–October 1 in Washington, DC. Recommendations for the committee's agenda and items that members of Division 44 want the committee to review should be sent to CLGC at the APA address (below) by August 21.

CLGC Seeks Nominations for Terms Beginning in 1996

The Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns (CLGC) seeks nominations for two terms beginning in early 1996. Expertise in public policy and advocacy, professional status as a scientist/researcher, and women who will contribute to the ethnic/racial diversity of the Committee are especially sought. CLGC consists of six members, three women and three men, appointed by the Board for the Advancement in Psychology in the Public Interest for staggered terms of three years. The Committee welcomes nominations of ethnic minority psychologists and other psychologists who are members of under-represented groups. A description of the nominee and her or his qualifications should accompany the nomination, preferably with a current curriculum vitae. Self nominations are also encouraged.

Nomination materials are to be sent by August 28, 1995 to:

CLGC Nominations, Public Interest Directorate
American Psychological Association
750 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002-4242.

The candidates selected to serve on the Committee will serve for three years and will be required to attend two Committee meetings per year in Washington, DC, with expenses reimbursed by APA. The Committee will meet on March 15–17 and September 27–29, 1996; March 14–16 and September 26–28, 1997; and March 20–22 and October 2–4, 1998.

The Committee's mission is to study and evaluate on an on-going basis how to best deal with problems confronting lesbian and gay psychologists; encourage objective, unbiased research in areas relevant to lesbians and gay men, lesbian and gay youth, as well as the social impact of such research; examine the consequences of inaccurate information stereotypes about lesbians and gay men, and lesbian and gay youth in clinical practice; develop educational materials for distribution to psychologists and others; and make recommendations regarding the integration of these issues into the APA's activities to further the cause of the civil and legal rights of lesbian and gay psychologists within the profession.

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Science Task Force

Llan H. Meyer

The Science Task Force of Division 44 is developing a directory listing of researchers who study lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues in psychology. The directory will be published in 1996, and will include information about the researcher, institutional affiliation, area of research and selected bibliographic references. This directory will serve as a resource to researchers, students and organizations interested in the scientific study of lesbian and gay psychology. To be listed in the directory, interested researchers must complete a survey questionnaire. Questionnaires will be available at the 1995 Annual Convention in New York City or may be obtained by contacting:

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Task Force on Bisexual Issues in Psychology

Ron Fox and Sari Dworkin, co-chairs

During the last year, the Task Force has continued to work closely with the Division 44 Executive Committee, supporting the leadership that the Division has shown on sexual orientation issues and its interest in greater inclusion of bisexual issues in the Division. We have been successful in developing programming for the APA Convention, as well as providing reports on the work of the Task Force in the Division 44 Newsletter and creating a resource list for members on bisexuality and bisexual counseling issues.

We appreciate the feedback regarding your views on how bisexual issues relate to the work and purpose of the Division. The reports of other Task Forces and Committees, and the content of several Convention Symposia reflect a greater acknowledgment of bisexual issues in the Division. This is a direction that has been taken in several state and regional psychological associations, as well as in two APA affiliated groups: the APA Graduate Student Organization (APAGS) Committee on Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Concerns and the APA Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns (CLGC).

This year's APA convention will include one symposium devoted to current theory and research on bisexu-

APA New Division 51

The Society for the Psychological Study of Men and Masculinity

Roy Scrivner, Ph.D.

I am serving as a liaison to Division 44 from Division 51, the Society for the Psychological Study of Men and Masculinity (SPSMM). The petition to establish Division 51 was approved at the February 1995 APA Council Meeting. Following are excerpts from the petition:

We...request the establishment of an APA division to be called the Society for the Psychological Study of Men and Masculinity (SPSMM)...because we wish to further the development of a new psychology of men...The new psychology of men...examines masculinity not as a normative referent, but rather as a problematic construct...it provides a framework for a psychological approach to men and masculinity that questions the traditional norms of the male role, such as the emphasis on aggression, competition, status and emotional stoicism, and views some male problems (such as homophobia, devaluation of women, detached fathering, violence and neglect of health needs) as unfortunate by-products of the male gender role socialization process...

Objectives For The Division

Science: The proposed division would promote empirical research in the new psychology of men...

Practice: research has demonstrated that men and women differ in terms of problem-definition, attribution of responsibility, coping style, help-seeking behavior, participation in psychotherapy...men are increasingly in need of...gender-aware ap-

proaches for men.

Education and Training: graduate and internship training programs are paying more attention to issues of cultural diversity-ethnicity, social class, sexual orientation, age and gender...SPSMM would promote the development of men's studies...and serve as a resource to...departments seeking expertise in the new psychology of men...

Public Interest: the Division would work collaboratively with other organizations committed to social justice, elimination of rape and relationship violence, sexual harassment, discrimination against homosexuals, and sexual exploitation in psychotherapy

Enhancing Men's Professional Relationships and Inter-Gender Dialogue:

Many men have begun to complain that their relationships with other men are too competitive, emotionally distant, and intellectual...want greater possibilities for interpersonal closeness...With...a division, many men would find a place for professional interactions less restricted by traditional male role pressures...

In addition to other officers, the Division has four Members-At-Large with separate slots designated for a gay male, an ethnic male and a female.

You are encouraged to come and express your gay and lesbian voices at the following programs that will be at the New York Sheraton, Sunday of the APA Annual Convention:

2-3:50 (Empire 1) Open meeting of Division 51 Board of Directors.

4-4:50 (Riverside Suite) Division 51 membership meeting.

5-5:50 (Empire 1) Division 51 Social Hour.

I would also like to invite you to attend an SPSMM-originated program, **Gay and Heterosexual Men: Common Issues and Barriers Between**, 9-11, Monday in the Division of Family Psychology (43) Hospitality Suite in the New York Hilton. Two gay men, Armand Cerbone and I, and two heterosexual men, Gary Brooks (1996 President of Division 43) and Jim O'Neil, will engage in discussion, and will then invite the audience to participate. Please join us!

Please send your comments and suggestions as to how Division 51 can support issues of gay and bisexual men to:

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Task Force on Bisexual Issues in Psychology *continued*

ality as well as two events in the Division 44 hospitality suite, a general discussion hour for lesbian and bisexual women on bisexual women and the lesbian community. We invite you to continue to let us know about relevant academic or clinical research, and community projects in which you may be involved, as well as your thoughts about the relationships among lesbian, gay and bisexual issues.

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News and Notes from Japan

Tokyo—June, 1995

Doug Kimmel

My year as a Fulbright Lecture Professor in Tokyo is drawing to a close. This report to Division 44 members was prompted by a letter from Barbara Sang, who sent me a wonderful book¹ and, in response to my letter of thanks, suggested that I send a version of that letter to the Division 44 Newsletter. My motivation to write this was enhanced recently by a television program of the all-woman theatrical company, Takarazuka, performing a 19th century European play in Japanese with women playing the male roles. Of course, Kabuki theater is all male so men play the female roles. Many Takarazuka and Kabuki performers have become famous for their portrayal of the other gender. Then I realized that Division 44 members might want to know more about Japan and my experience here.

A few days ago, at a meeting with the Association for the Lesbian and Gay Movement (OCCUR), I received the great news that the Japanese Society of Psychiatry and Neurology has now accepted the ICD-10 classification scheme, and that homosexuality, per se, is no longer a mental illness in Japan! At the request of some Division 44 members, APA sent that organization and the Japanese Psychological Association a letter signed by CEO, Ray Fowler, a few months ago urging them to do this. OCCUR feels this is a very important step, because previously the Japanese Society had not taken a position as to whether homosexuality was a mental illness or not. OCCUR is fighting an anti-discrimination court case against the City of Tokyo regarding the city's refusal to allow them to use public facilities. In this case it is important that the mental illness argument cannot be used. This is a big step for them.

One of the leaders of OCCUR, Masaki Inaba, and I co-authored an article to appear in the Japanese journal, *Psychiatric Diagnostics*, regarding the historical changes in the diagnosis of homosexuality, and noted that both the ICD-10 and DSM-4 do not regard it as an illness. This article is expected to be published this month, so perhaps it had some effect. The rationale provided by the Society, however, was that the ICD-10 was adopted by some official Japanese group that governs medical practice. The court case, by the way, was won by OCCUR at the first level, and now is being heard by the District Court, since the city of Tokyo appealed the lower court ruling.

This week I will give lectures on sexual orientation in my regular undergraduate classes at Tokyo Woman's Christian University and at the University of Tokyo (Komaba Campus). I have also given a more advanced lecture on the same topic to the Japanese Society of Developmental Psychology and in the 1995 American Studies Lecture Series at Tohoku University in

Sendai. Last semester, I taught at Tsuda College (a fine liberal arts school for women), and lectured for one week on sexual orientation there also.

I am now teaching in the American Studies program at Komaba campus, where one day a week and two days a week, I teach a graduate and an undergraduate course in the Department of Sociology at Tokyo Woman's Christian University. Basically, my classes are on my other specialties: adolescence, adulthood and aging. My book² has been translated into Japanese, and a student edition with six chapters was prepared by the publisher under the title, *To Be Adult, To Be Old*. It was published in time for the second semester.

Last semester, at The University of Tokyo Komaba campus, the Gender Studies Program had an entire course on sexual orientation, which I attended once with an interpreter. It was a large class and that lecture was a pretty good review of psychological knowledge about homosexuality, but from a relatively essentialist point of view and without much of a gay-affirmative perspective. This semester I have been invited to deliver a lecture on sexual orientation in this semester's gender studies course, so I will try to do better. While Komaba campus gives liberal arts courses primarily to first and second year students at the University, a few specialized programs and graduate programs are also located there.

The other relevant part of my work here has been creating a questionnaire with a gay Japanese colleague, translating it into Japanese (back-translating it), and distributing it widely. My first sample was at the 4th International Tokyo Lesbian and Gay Film and Video Festival May 26–28. Out of 250 questionnaires given out, 52 have been returned to date (21 from women). OCCUR and two social groups have agreed to send it out to their members, so I hope to have a "community" sample, an "activist" sample, and a "social" sample. I also hope to put the questionnaire on the gay computer net here and to have responses sent via e-mail.

Also, during the period between the two semesters, I was able to visit Beijing and Korea where I met with a professor who is gay-affirmative and apparently a leader in Korean sexuality education. He asked for the questionnaire to translate and possibly distribute. His name is Gahyun Youn, Ph.D. and he will be presenting a poster at Division 44 in NYC in August. If you will be there, please keep an eye open for him and say "Hello"!

My apartment, where I first stayed in 1987, is as nice as ever, with a new rug in the room I use as my work area, and a new floor in the tatami room where I sleep. The floor is made of straw mats and is quite comfortable for sleeping with a futon. The landlord, Mr. Mori, agreed to put a satellite dish on the house so I can get English language TV, and to buy a new TV that is bilingual. This means that I can select whether the sound

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is in Japanese or English for selected programs. Of course, I am paying for these, but my grant includes a "settling in allowance" of about \$1,200 for this kind of expense. I get two NHK (Japanese Public Television) stations with several broadcasts in English such as the ABC Evening News and the nightly NHK news of Japan. There are also movies and a few programs that are broadcast in both Japanese and English; one simply presses a button on the TV to choose the language you want (or both, if you wish). Mr. Mori also arranged for a telephone line and when my baggage arrived by sea mail, I hooked up a telephone/fax machine/telephone answering machine in one. The college provided me with e-mail, and a gay colleague at Hunter College has kept me up to date on all the news.

In short, I strongly recommend a Fulbright Lecture Professorship to anyone who may be interested in cross-cultural understanding. The deadline is August 1 each year. The program is gay-friendly, but not overtly so (a "spouse" must be legally married, etc.); and there are opportunities in many countries, although Japan may be less competitive than others for some reason (the salary is paid in yen, of course). One does not need to speak the language, a wide variety of specialties are accepted, and a faculty position is not required to be accepted. ▼

1. Davidson, Cathy N. *36 Views of Mount Fuji: On Finding Myself in Japan*. New York: Penguin, 1993.
2. Kimmel, Douglas C. *Adulthood and Aging: An Interdisciplinary Developmental View*. New York: Wiley, 1974, 1980, 1990.

Book Review

Getting Simon: Two Gay Doctors' Journey to Fatherhood

by Ken Morgen, Ph.D.

Bramble Books, Softcover, 216 pp., \$14.95

Reviewed by Armand Cerbone

One of the principle sadnesses in my life is that I have never had children. I hold this homophobic culture responsible in a primary way for that enduring misfortune. For if this were a different culture, there would be many socially supported ways in which lesbians, gays and bisexuals could have and raise children.

I have listened to many men and women like myself toll their sorrows and disappointments in this regard. I have listened to other men and women list the impediments to adoption or the denial of access to their own children because of their homosexuality. It is as though the culture were saying to us that one love, the love of someone of the same sex, invalidates and precludes another, namely the love of children. No one said prejudice observed the rules of logic. I have encountered, more than once or twice, the commiserations of heterosexuals who say I would make a wonderful father. If I weren't gay, they mean. I will sometimes tell them that I am beyond childbearing years and my boyfriends hips are too narrow, but we keep trying anyway.

Yet, despite the obstacles and obstructions we face, many of us are electing to have families and raise children. There are millions of gay parents today, and most of us know one or more of them. The avenues they take to parenthood can be quite unusual and brave. I have one friend who is fathering two children, one by each partner of a lesbian couple. With all of them, the desire and will to have children is a constant.

So it was that I read *Getting Simon: Two Gay Doctors' Journey to Fatherhood* with curiosity and excitement. For this is

the story of Ken Morgen and Sam Westrick's successful search for a mother to bear the child they would claim as their son, Simon. What they give us is a testament to their tenacity and inventiveness in circumventing society's blockade to gay parenthood. Their determination is an inspiration in these days darkening with assaults from the radical right. The love within which they ultimately received Simon is the same love one may find in the most traditional of families.

Ken Morgen's telling of their story is at once engrossing and tedious. It is never tedious in the sense of boring. Rather, it is heavy with the psychological and legal detail, as well as the repetition of hope and disappointment that the pursuit of this dream entailed. Ultimately, the detail and repetitiveness engender in the reader the frustration and desperation that beset Ken and Sam. One learns quickly how much self-knowledge and fortitude of spirit such a quest demands, and how what seemed almost certain this morning is vapor by evening. The twists and turns read like a thriller, the promise and despair like a manic soap opera.

There are fascinating elements throughout this very personal account that hold and pique the reader's attention. As stirring and involved as the search for a suitable and willing surrogate mother is, their solution to the question of which man would father the child was more so. So that each man would feel the child to be equally his, Ken and Sam mixed their sperm into a single pool with which the surrogate mother would be artificially inseminated. The largest surprise of the book comes when days before insemination, their surrogate mother turns out to be pregnant. The couple and their intended surrogate are at their most resilient when they decide to adopt the mother's child.

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One of the most remarkable features of this book is the number of letters to his unborn child that Ken shares. Clearly, these letters sustain and inspire him. I must confess that they made me uncomfortable until I accepted the candor of them. They are very intimate and convey the deepest wishes of the man.

Ken's recounting becomes more than his and Sam's story. It becomes a guidebook for any couple seeking to adopt or give birth via surrogacy. Indeed, Ken even provides several appendices of practical and legal advice for any others seeking to adopt or searching for surrogates. There is much to glean from reading this text. Nor does one need to be a parent, or desire to be one, to see one's interests in this book. First, Ken Morgen is a psychologist, and any of us will identify with the way he thinks, evaluates and processes. Secondly, and surely more significantly, this is a story of human love and bonding which all of us can understand and reverence. Finally, we can admire the tenacity and inventiveness of these two men who wish for and become a family. In these times we need such success stories, and we need more families like theirs. ▼

Positions Available

West Virginia University seeking Clinical/Counseling Psychologist at Carruth Center for Counseling and Psychological Services/Disability Services. Doctorate and APA approved program and internship preferred. Position is available July 1, 1995, and is a twelve month appointment, half-time in Counseling and Psychological Services and half-time in Disability Services. Provide individual/group counseling/psychotherapy; experience with psychodiagnostic evaluation for LD/ADD/ADHD documentation; counseling and accommodation provisions for a wide variety of students with disabilities. College/University Counseling experience is highly desired. Opportunity to supervise in APA approved internship program. Must be eligible for licensure in WV. Review of applications will immediately begin and will be accepted until the position is filled. Please send CV and cover letter to:

Philip E. Comer, Director
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Student Column

Attention Students

Craig Waldo

In addition to all of the exciting Division 44 programming at this year's Convention, two programs are being planned specifically for students...

Meet other lesbian, gay and bisexual students in psychology:

Do you want to hang out with interesting people from other places who are doing diverse things as students? Are you on the LGBPSYCH e-mail listserver and want to finally see the faces of many of the people who post there? Do you want to find out how to join the listserver? Is this your first Convention and you don't know anyone? If you have any of these questions (or even if you don't) please come to the **Student Social Hour** that is being co-sponsored by **Division 44** and the **APAGS LGBPSYCH e-mail listserver on Friday evening from 6-7PM**. Refreshments will be provided for this casual get-together for students, in the Division 44 Suite in the Waldorf Astoria. Please come to meet new people or to see old friends!

So, you're queer and you want to have a career in psychology: What are your options? Can you be out as a professional psychologist? Is it okay to base your career on lesbian, gay and bisexual research in academia? What if you don't do lesbian, gay and bisexual-specific research, but you still want to be involved with Division 44 in some way?

Come to the **Division 44 Suite in the Waldorf Astoria from 2-3 PM on Saturday** for a casual discussion of career issues facing lesbian, gay and bisexual graduate students in psychology. Professional "grown-ups" and advanced graduate students are scheduled to be there to discuss the career choices that they have made and why they have made them. Even if you think that you have all of the answers for yourself, please come to share your experiences and perspectives with others who have questions.

Craig Waldo
E-mail: cwaldo@s.psych.uiuc.edu
Phone: (217) 355-4741 ▼

Division To Division

Invitation from Women, Gender and Psychoanalysis: A Section of Division 39

The members of Women, Gender and Psychoanalysis, a Section of Division 39, the Division of Psychoanalysis, would like to invite members of Division 44 to our Symposium at the August Meetings in New York City. The exact time and location of the Symposium is yet to be arranged. This symposium is part of our larger effort to increase communication and collaboration between Women, Gender and Psychoanalysis of Division 39, and Divisions 44 and 35.

Symposium:

She Came in a Flash: Perspectives on Lesbian Sexuality

August, 1995, New York (see program schedule for exact time and location)

Chairperson: Margaret Buttenheim, Ph.D.

Papers:

1. Assaults and Harassments: The Violent Act of Theorizing Lesbian Sexuality

Maggie Magee, MSW

Diana Miller, M.D.

Discussant: Laura Brown, Ph.D.

2. Homophobias: Woman to Woman

Elizabeth Young-Bruehl, Ph.D.

Invitation from the Committee on Lesbian and Gay Family Issues: A Section of Division 43

The Committee on Lesbian and Gay Family Issues (CLGFI) of the Division of Family Psychology invites members of Division 44 to the following programs at the 1995 APA Annual Convention (check convention and hospitality suite programs to verify times and places):

Friday, August 11: 2–2:50:

Lesbian and Gay Families of Origin and of Procreation

Main presenter: Sandra Gillis, Executive Director, Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays

Monday, August 14: 11–11:50:

**Poster Session: The Effect of Parental Androgyny on Single Parent Families:
The Same Sex Argument Re-examined**

Not yet scheduled:

Meeting of Committee on Lesbian and Gay Family Issues

All interested persons invited. Location will be in Division of Family Psychology Hospitality Suite.

Proposal pending:

Program on Gay and Heterosexual Men: Common Issues and Barriers Between

Armand Cerbone, Ph.D., Roy Scrivner, Ph.D., Jim O'Neil, Ph.D., and Gary Brooks, Ph.D.

(1995 Division 43 President-Elect). If accepted, location will be Division 43 Hospitality Suite.

For additional information, please contact:

Dr. Natalie S. Eldridge at (617) 353-5891, or Dr. Roy Scrivner at (214) 372-7036

Papers and Presentations

Child Abuse & Neglect, Vol. 19, No. 5, pp. 595–605, 1995

Association Between History of Childhood Sexual Abuse and Adult HIV-Risk Sexual Behavior in Puerto Rican Men who Have Sex with Men

Alex Carballo-Diequez and Curtis Dolezal

Abstract:

This study explored whether homosexually active men who were sexually abused in childhood were more likely to engage in HIV-risk sexual behavior than men who were not sexually abused. Participants were 182 adult men of Puerto Rican ancestry living in New York City who had sex with other men or with men and women. Quantitative and qualitative methods of exploration were used. Three groups were determined: a) Abuse group (AB), formed by men who before the age of 13, had sex with a partner at least 4 years their senior and who felt hurt by the experience and/or were unwilling to participate in it; b) Willing/not hurt group (W), consisting of men who had an older sexual partner before the age of 13 but did not feel hurt by the experience and were willing to participate; and c) No-older-partner group (NOP). The results showed that the

men in the AB group were significantly more likely than men in the NOP group to engage in receptive anal sex and to do so without protection. Men in the W group were ranked between the other two groups in terms of their unsafe behavior. Age and education were cofactors both for receptive anal sex and for unprotected receptive anal sex. It is concluded that given the need to improve HIV prevention among Puerto Rican men who have sex with men, sexual abuse in childhood may constitute a marker to identify men at increased risk.

Requests for reprints should be addressed to:

Dr. Alex Carballo-Diequez
New York State Psychiatric Institute, Unit 10
722 West 168th Street, New York, NY 10032
E-mail: ac72@columbia.edu. ▼

Work, Stress, And Health '95:

Creating Healthier Workplaces, September 14–16, 1995

(Continuing Education Workshops: September 13, 1995)

The American Psychological Association, in collaboration with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, the US Office of Personnel Management, and the US Department of Labor, will convene the third interdisciplinary conference on occupational stress and health. The conference, *Work, Stress, And Health '95: Creating Healthier Workplaces*, will be held at the Hyatt Regency Washington Hotel in Washington DC. on September 14–16, 1995, with Continuing Education Workshops held September 13, 1995.

Major Themes Include:

- *Stress, Health, and the Changing Nature of Work and Organizations* with special emphasis on organizational restructuring, realignment, downsizing and the impact on individuals, families, and the work force.
- *Social and Environmental Equity in the Workplace* with special emphasis on the contingent work force, child labor, issues of diversity and the changing work force, and lifestyle and privacy issues.
- *Workplace Violence* including job stress work factors; prevalence; effects on workers, families, and organizations; prevention practices, and policies.

- *Health Effects, Policy, Prevention, and Intervention* including job stress intervention strategies; health care costs of stress; international policies, legislation and standards; and evaluation methods.

Requests for registration and information to:

Lynn A. Letourneau, Occupational Health Conference, American Psychological Association, 750 First Street, NE., Washington, DC. 20002-4242. Tel: 202-336-6124. Fax: 202-336-6117. Advance Registration \$250; Late/On-Site Registration \$295; Student Registration \$100. ▼

Volunteers needed for CE Workshop

Two volunteers are needed to help with registration for the Division 44 CE workshop on Thursday August 10th. All that is required is ½ hour of your time (12:30–1:00) before the workshop begins. If you can help out, please contact:

Jane Levin, CE Chair
(612) 626-7374 E-mail: levin@mister.ucs.umn.edu. ▼

Lesbian and Gay Family Issues Workshop

Roy Scrivner

A workshop on lesbian and gay family issues will be presented on Thursday, August 10 preceding the 1995 APA Annual Convention from 2-5 PM. Staff from the Gay and Lesbian Family Studies Project of the Ackerman Institute for Family Therapy will present the program at the Institute in New York City. A presentation will be made about the Project's research on lesbian and gay families of origin and lesbian and gay family of choice networks. Staff will also discuss various systems approaches in working with lesbians and gays. Staff members include: Edward Dunne, Ph.D., Suzanne Iasenza, Ph.D., Michael Keren, Psy.D., and Thomas Johnson, Ed.D. The program is being co-sponsored by the Division 43 Committee on Lesbian and Gay Family Issues and the Division 44 Youth and Family Task Force.

There is no fee for the program. However, registration will be limited to 15 people and preferences will be given to psychologists and psychology students with backgrounds in systems thinking. To apply, send a letter with a statement of no more than 200 words about one's family therapy experience to:

Roy Scrivner, Ph.D.
Psychology Service (116B)
Dallas VA Medical Center
4500 South Lancaster Road, Dallas, TX 75216
Fax: (214) 376-5451 extension 5289 ▼

Psychologists for Social Responsibility

is organizing a project to help parents, teachers and young women to adjust to changing gender roles. We believe that at this point in history, psychologists working in local communities can have great influence on the attitudes and behavior of people who are ready to, but have not yet, gone beyond traditional notions of gender roles, but only if we share our knowledge, skills, contacts and resources. Plans include the development of a speaker's bureau, resources for giving lectures and running workshops, ongoing demonstration projects in several communities, as well as joint publications and grants.

If you would like to become involved, please send a brief description of your interests and background to:

Brett Silverstein
Department of Psychology
City College of New York
New York, NY 10031
(212) 650-5700 ▼

Announcement

The Maylon-Smith Scholarship Award

Christine M. Browning

The Maylon-Smith Scholarship Award Committee is pleased to announce that a \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a student during the Division 44 business meeting at the APA Convention (Waldorf Astoria Hotel, Cole Porter Suite A, Friday, August 11, 8:00-9:50). Another student will receive Honorable Mention for their entry. Please join us in honoring the research activities of the next generation of psychologists who are contributing to our psychological understanding of the lives of gay men, lesbians and bisexuals.

The Maylon-Smith Scholarship Fund Needs You...

to make a donation today. This scholarship fund is named after Alan Maylon, Ph.D. and Adrienne Smith, Ph.D., who were former Presidents of Division 44. Both Alan and Adrienne were founding parents in the Lesbian and Gay Psychology movement. Honor their memories today by giving to this scholarship fund, which will help support graduate students conducting research on lesbian, gay and bisexual related issues. As we all know, funding for LGB issues is meager at best. Help to insure the future of Lesbian and Gay Psychology by investing a few dollars. If each member contributed only \$25, we would reach our goal, and will have established a Fund which will support Lesbian and Gay Psychology in perpetuity. If you have given in the past, THANK YOU and we encourage you to consider making an annual gift. Please send a check today in the name of "Maylon-Smith Scholarship Award" (donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law) to:

Christine Browning, Ph.D.
University of California
Counseling Center
SS1, Room 202
Irvine, CA 92717

Please call or e-mail with questions:

(714) 824-6457 (campus)
(714) 857-5182 (voice mail)
E-mail: cmbrowni@uci.edu ▼

Who Will Educate The Public?

A Media Training Workshop on Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Mental Health Issues

APA Division 44 Pre-Convention Workshop

Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City August 10, 1995 12:30–5:00 PM

**Workshop
Description:**

The goals of this workshop are to increase the ability, comfort and effectiveness in media relations for those with expertise in lesbian, gay & bisexual mental health. The focus will be on practical training in working with print, news, radio and TV media. Participants will have the opportunity to practice on-camera skills with media experts.

Trainers:

Rhea K. Farberman, APR, APA Associate Executive Director for Public Communications

Michael Klepper, Professional Media Trainer, Author of "Getting Your Message Out: How to Get, Use & Survive Radio & Television Air Time."

Clinton Anderson, M.A., Officer, Lesbian and Gay Concerns, American Psychological Association

CE Hours: Four.

Price: \$75 (\$50 for full-time students) Make checks out to Division 44/SPSGLI.

Cancellation

Policy:

A handling fee of \$25 is deducted for cancellation.
Refund requests *must* be received by mail by August 1, 1995.

Registration Form

Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Send registration and payment to: Dr. Jane Levin

UCCS, 200 Eddy Hall
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, MN 55455

For more information call (612) 626-7374
Email address: Levin@mister.ucs.umn.edu

Workshop

Mentoring Women & People Of Color For Leadership In Organized Psychology

*Sponsored by Divisions 1, 6, 12, 17, 29 31, 35, 38 40, 42 45 & 46,
the APA Education, Practice, Public Interest, and Science Directorates,
the Committee on Women in Psychology, the Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs,
the Women's Program Office, and the Women's Caucus of the Council of Representatives*

Friday, August 11 (Four hours)

1:00–2:50 Identifying Barriers I
3:00–3:50 Identifying Barriers II
4:00–4:50 Social Hour—Sponsored by APA Division 17

Saturday, August 12 (Four hours)

1:00–2:50 Solutions and Strategies I
3:00–4:50 Solutions and Strategies II

Participants for the Friday & Saturday Workshops:

Carole Rayburn (Chair), Harriot Aronson, Asuncion Miteria Austria, Tony Bernay, Patricia Bricklin, Laura Brown, Mathilda Canter, Dorothy Cantor, Armand Cerbone, Alice Chang, Joan Chrisler, Lillian Comas-Diaz, Irene Deitch, Florence Denmark, Ronald Fox, Cyril Franks, Violet Franks, Jennifer Friday, Matti Gershenfeld, Bertha Holiday, Ralph Hood, Jr., Gwendolyn Puryear Keita, Esteban Olmedo, Mary Reuder, Nancy Felipe Russo, Bonnie Strickland, Richard Suinn, Faith Tanney, Dalmas Taylor, and Diane Willis.

Sunday, August 14 (Four hours)

1:00–2:50 Building Leadership Skills I
3:00–4:50 Building Leadership Skills II

Participants: Dorothy Cantor and Tony Bernay

A New Think Tank Formed to Promote the Truth About Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual People

Lee Badgett

Year after year, well-funded right wing think tanks such as the Family Research Council and the Heritage Foundation, publish and promote lies and distortions about lesbian, gay and bisexual people:

“...Homosexuality raises serious questions about morality and the employer and other employees should be able to choose their associates on that basis.”

Their “experts,” people like the notorious Paul Cameron, legitimize the bigotry that holds back social progress for lesbian, gay and bisexual people.

The lesbian, gay and bisexual academic community is now fighting back. For the past year, a group of academics has been working with activists to organize the *Institute for Gay and Lesbian Strategic Studies* (I-GLSS), a new national, independent think-tank. The Institute’s mission is to fund desperately needed research, and to disseminate that information in ways that will have an impact throughout American society.

The Institute has been working on several initial projects:

- Board member Walter Williams, an anthropologist, has developed an exciting new center at the University of Southern California that will provide a home for I-GLSS funded researchers.
- Board member Lee Badgett, an economist, has written an I-GLSS pamphlet summarizing her work on income differences by sexual orientation.
- The Institute is collaborating with Walter Williams and Columbia University Press in the publication of the book, *Combating Heterosexism*.
- I-GLSS is surveying activists, policy-makers, and academics from around the country to identify the most pressing research needs of our community.

For more information, and to get on the Institute’s mailing list, please send your name and address to:

Lee Badgett

Institute for Gay and Lesbian Strategic Studies

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E-mail: lbadgett@puafmail.umd.edu ▼

Division 44-Sponsored Programs

Waldorf Astoria Hotel (unless otherwise specified)

Friday, August 11

- 8:00-9:50 Cole Porter Suite A
Executive Committee Meeting:
Outgoing
(Armand Cerbone)
- 9:00-9:50 Herbert Hoover Suite Salon
Perspectives on Bisexual Issues
in Psychology
(Fox)
- 10:00-11:50 Louis XVI Suite Center
Advances in Research on
Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Youth
(D'Augelli)
- 1:00-2:50 Communities of Color
(co-sponsored with Division
45) *Please see convention
program for location*
- 2:00-2:50 Conrad Suite Salon HIV/AIDS:
Couples Therapy with Gay
Males (Tunnel)
- 3:00-3:50 Basildon Room
Invited Address:
(Slater and Rabin)
Obtaining Diversity in Field
Research on Lesbian
Development

Saturday, August 12

- 10:00-11:50 Conrad Suite Salon
The Sacramento Hate Crimes
Study: Psychological Impact
of Anti-Lesbian/Gay
Victimization (Herek)
- 11:00-11:50 Gramercy Suite A, Hilton
HIV in the Context of
Interpersonal/Therapeutic
Relationships: Challenging
Assumptions
(Mellins, Wicks and Carballo-
Dieguez) Co-sponsored with
Division 29
- 12:00-12:50 Sutton Parlor Center, Hilton
Serving Lesbian, Gay and
Bisexual Youth in Schools
(Sponsored by Division 16)
(Henning-Stout)

- 1:00-1:50 Park Avenue Suite
Perspectives, Activism,
and the History of Gay
and Lesbian Health
(Kooden and James)
- 3:00-3:50 Louis XVI Suite Center
Workshop: Practitioner's
Workshop on
Psychotherapy with Gay/
Lesbian/Bisexual Clients
(Haldeman and Hancock)
- 4:00-4:50 Herbert Hoover
Suite Salon
Conversation Hour:
Establishing Healthy,
Gay Male Relationships:
Finding Mr. Right
(Harmon and Cerbone)
- 5:00-5:50 Park Avenue Suite
Conversation Hour:
Forging Alliances
(Buhrke, Travis, Pine)

Sunday, August 13

- 10:00-11:50 Park Avenue Suite
Center/North
Sexuality, Intimacy
and Community in
the Time of AIDS
(Dean and Ouellette)
- 1:00-1:50 Park Avenue Suite
Center/North
Conversation Hour:
Invisible Minorities:
Lesbians, Gay Men and
Bisexuals Dealing with
Disabilities (Buhrke and
Balter) Co-sponsored with
the Mini-Convention on
Disability of the Public
Interest Directorate
- 1:00-1:50 Invited Address (Katz):
Creating Homosexuality
- 1:00-2:50 Murray Hill Suite A, Hilton
Symposium: "She Came in
a Flash:" Perspectives on
Lesbian Sexuality
(Buttenheim)

- 3:00-3:50 Louis XVI Suite Center
Division Presidential Address
Speaker: Armand Cerbone
- 4:00-4:50 Louis XVI Suite Center
Division Business Meeting
(Cerbone and Buhrke)

Monday, August 14

- 8:00-9:50 Cole Porter Suite A
Executive Committee
Meeting: Incoming
(Buhrke)
- 9:00-9:50 Sheraton Exhibition Center
Poster Session: New
Developments in Lesbian,
Gay and Bisexual Psychology
(Hollander)
- 10:00-10:50 Basildon Room
Lesbians and Psychoanalysis:
New Directions in Theory
and Practice (Glassgold and
Iasenza)
- 11:00-11:50 Louis XVI Suite Center
Biological Influences on
Development of Sexual
Orientation (Hershberger
and Baily)
- 1:00-1:50 Conrad Suite Salon
Effects of Anti-Gay Initiatives:
Quantitative and Qualitative
Analyses (Russell)
- 3:00-3:50 Park Avenue Suite South
Conversation Hour: Gay Men
and Lesbians in the 21st
Century (Wong and Meyer)

Tuesday, August 15

- 9:00-9:50 Basildon Room
Ethical Issues in Lesbian and
Gay Family Therapy
(Scrivner)
- 10:00-11:50 Conrad Suite Salon
Suicide in Lesbian and Gay
Populations (Meyer)

Division 44 Hospitality Suite

Waldorf Astoria Hotel — Schedule

Friday, August 11

- 8:00–11:00 Open
- 11:00–1:00 Annual Meeting for the Division 44 Task Force on Youth and Families: Committee Reports and Annual Planning Meeting (Steve James)
- 1:00–2:00 Programming Meeting for the Youth and Family Task Force in preparation for 1996 (Gary Hollander)
- 2:00–3:00 Open
- 3:00–4:00 Gay male couples with HIV: Conversation Hour
- 4:00–6:00 Division 44 CLGC Joint Task Force on Professional Practice Guidelines Meeting
- 6:00–7:00 Social Hour for Students Co-sponsored by Division 44 and APAGS
- 7:00–... Division 44 Kick-Off Party

Saturday, August 12

- 8:00–10:00 Open
- 10:00–11:00 Bisexuality and Psychology Discussion Hour: Psychological, Social and Political Aspects of Bisexuality and the Role of Bisexual Issues in Psychology and Division 44 (Ron Fox and Sari Dworkin)
- 11:00–12:00 Bisexual Women in the Lesbian Community: A Discussion (Sari Dworkin)
- 12:00–1:00 Open

- 1:00–2:00 Conversion and Reparative Therapies: Documenting the Damage and Taking the Offensive (Ariel Shidlo and Craig Waldo)
- 2:00–3:00 Division 44 Student Meeting on Professional/Career Development: A Discussion with other Students and Professional Psychologists
- 3:00–7:00 Open
- 7:00–... Division 44 Women's Party

Sunday, August 13

- 8:00–12:00 Open
- 12:00–1:00 Lesbian and Gay Parents and their Children: Discussion Hour
Roy Scrivner, Chair
Tim Fisher, Executive Director of Lesbian and Gay Parents Coalition International
- 1:00–2:00 Ethnic Minorities Committee on Minority Affairs Meeting (Alex Carballo and Beverly Greene)
- 2:00–3:00 Funding Research on Lesbian and Gat Issues: The Placek Fund

- 3:00–4:00 Qualitative Research with Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals (Sue Morrow and Brian Campbell)
- 4:00–7:00 Open
- 7:00–... Division 44 Men's Party

Monday, August 14

- 8:00–11:00 Open
- 11:00–12:00 Lesbians and Psychoanalysis: Conversation Hour (continued from convention program) (Glassgold and Iasenza)
- 12:00–1:00 Biological Influences on Development of Sexual Orientation: Conversation Hour (continued from convention program) (Hershberger and Bailey)
- 1:00–2:00 Getting Simon: A Roadmap to Parenthood Discussion Group by Kenneth B. Morgen, author of *Getting Simon: Two Gay Doctors' Journey to Fatherhood*
- 2:00–3:00 Anti-Gay Initiatives: Conversation Hour (continued from convention program) (Russell)
- 3:00–... Open

Housing in New York

Jim Fitzgerald, Membership Chair

Every accommodation in New York City that caters to the gay, lesbian and bisexual audience was contacted to see whether they would be willing to offer special discounts to Division 44. Of the nine establishments contacted, only two responded, and neither was willing to discount their rates. However, James Hance (212-387-9117, Village Bed and Breakfast) was most helpful, and listed his rate at \$95 per night. He also offered to assist in finding other accommodations in the city for our members. As an aside, he mentioned a cab service from the airport that was gay owned and operated, and which offers a rate of \$20 (one to four people). I understand this to be an unusually low rate for New York City. James is willing to put you in touch with the cab company so you can make arrangements for transportation. Accommodations in New York City include:

Midtown:

Village Bed and Breakfast
131 E 15th Street, #2N

Uptown:

East Village B&B
(212) 473-0022

Greenwich Village/Chelsea:

Chelsea Mews Guest House
344 West 15th Street
(212) 255-9174

Chelsea Pines Inn
317 West 14th Street
(212) 929-1023

Colonial House
318 West 22nd Street
(212) 243-9669

I would also like to make a disclaimer concerning the quality of these establishments. I have neither stayed in, nor had any other contact with them or the owners. I suppose this is a "stay at your own risk" warning.

Hope to see you in New York!

James S. Fitzgerald, Ph.D.
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The Division 44 Newsletter

The Division 44 Newsletter is published three times a year by the Society for the Psychological Study of Lesbian and Gay issues (SPSLGI) in Autumn, Spring and Summer.

The publication of any advertisement in the Newsletter is not an endorsement of the advertiser of the products or services as advertised. Division 44 reserves the right to reject, omit or cancel advertising for any reason.

Submissions to the Division 44 Newsletter are welcome. The deadline for the summer, 1995 newsletter is June 20, 1995.

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Become a Member

All social scientists interested in applying psychological knowledge to the study of lesbian and gay issues are warmly welcomed as members, irrespective of personal sexual/affectional orientation. Members of the American Psychological Association may join as members or associate members of the SPSLGI. Affiliate membership is open to professionals in related fields, or to individual members of the APA who would prefer that their affiliation with the SPSLGI be held in confidence.

Undergraduate or graduate students may become student affiliates in the same way.

The list of affiliate members is the property of the SPSLGI and these memberships are confidential.

If you have further questions about membership in Division 44, or would like to know how to become active in the SPSLGI, please feel free to contact our membership chair, Jim Fitzgerald, Ph.D.

Membership application — SPSLGI — APA Division 44

Name _____ Date _____

Mailing address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Business phone _____ Home phone _____

Highest degree _____ Major field of study _____

Degree date _____ Institution _____

Professional position _____ Gender _____ Ethnicity _____

I am applying for Division 44 membership as a: Member Associate Affiliate Student Affiliate

Dues for student affiliates are \$10. Retired persons, and those with low incomes may be eligible for reduced dues of \$10 (US funds). Please send this form and dues for the current year (\$30 US funds) to the SPSLGI Membership chair: Jim Fitzgerald, Ph.D., 4015 South Cobb Drive, Suite 275, Smyrna, GA 30080. Please make your check out to SPSLGI.