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REFLECTIONS

SARI H. DWORKIN, DIVISION 44 PRESIDENT

My last column was written prior to September 11th as I am sure vou all surmised. There was time to change what I had written, but I wasn't ready. Now I feel that I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge that devastating event which has changed all of our lives. As a former New Yorker I realized that while you can take the girl out of New York, you can't take New York out of the girl. I left New York before the twin towers were completed and I didn't particularly like them after they were built. (All New Yorkers are critics!) Now it feels as though my personal home

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has been destroyed. During the winter holidays I bought a World Trade Center 2002 calendar that I look at everyday. Every photography book I see on the September 11th tragedy I consider buying. Like most of you I called many of my loved ones in New York, Washington D.C. and in other parts of the country to make a personal connection and express how important they are in my life. Email wasn't enough; I needed to hear voices. I began the midwinter EC meeting with a moment of silence to remember all who died in the events of that day. Sometimes it's still difficult for me to believe that September 11th really happened. Flying is no longer easy for me -- I find myself more anxious. One personal result of the events of September 11th is a deeper commitment to social justice, civil liberties, and global concerns. None of us can act in isolation from the rest of the world. The International LGB Conference and continuing follow-up from that conference are quite on target. I am glad that I organized a cluster symposium to deal with some of these issues. I hope that you will all check your APA program for the cluster symposium entitled: "Interlocking Issues of Culture, Poverty, and Violence: An International Perspective." More will follow in the convention issue of the

newsletter.

Thinking of the APA convention is a reminder that we must move on.

The work of Division 44 is important to the lives of LGB (and T) people and we must not forget our impact locally, nationally, and internationally. Saying that, I'd like to describe the midwinter

meeting. Along with the usual business, budget, membership, convention, council, committee and task force reports, we made some policy decisions. Minutes from the meeting will be on the web and detailed information can be found there. I'd like to highly recommend that everyone take some time to read the minutes. The EC is here for you and we need your feedback. The division is certainly in good hands as evidenced by the wisdom of everyone who took part in the meeting. Working with the people on the EC is truly a wonderful experience. As expected the social events were superb. We had a wonderful dinner at the Café Bizou in Pasadena on Friday night. Then on Saturday night we were treated to the hospitality of our past president, Terry, his partner David (who did the cooking) and Murphy (their new soft fur Wheaten Terrier puppy). David cooked a delightful and extremely tasty meal. He even baked brie for an appetizer. (I'm waiting for the recipe.) The EC midwinter meeting is both business and socializing. It's actually fun. I know that everyone reading this is now convinced that they must run for the EC! To top it off, miracle of miracles, we finished early, by 6 pm on Saturday.

One of the highlights of the midwinter meeting was training on Transgender Issues. Division 44 has a policy that every two years the EC will have as part of the midwinter meeting training on racial, ethnic, and cultural issues. We were lucky to have as our trainers James Green, continued on page 12

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EDITOR'S NOTE

BECKY J. LIDDLE

Someone recently suggested inviting members to submit brief reviews or comments on relevant books they've read that they think might be helpful to other members. Hal Kooden has submitted one for this issue. Please feel free to send in a short review any time you run across a good LGBT-related book. Also, as editor I periodically receive review copies of new books that publishers would like reviewed in the *Newsletter*. If you would be interested in reviewing such a book let me know. (There's no payment involved, but you get to keep the book.) Contact me at beckyliddle@mindspring.com.

CURRENT RESEARCH

I need your assistance in locating adolescent or adult children of same-sex parents to participate in a qualitative research study. Research has focused on the well-being of children raised by same-sex parents. However, no scientific inquiry has been made into the process by which these children come out about their unique families to friends, teachers, and others. Please contact Jon Etienne Mourot at j.mourot@umiami.edu.

MEMBER NEWS

Male to Male: Sexual Feeling Across the Boundaries of Identity by Edward J. Tejirian, Ph.D.

Edward J. Tejirian, Ph.D. announces his book, *Male to Male: Sexual Feeling Across the Boundaries of Identity* (2000, New York: Harrington Park Press). This is a book of qualitative research on male same-sex feeling. The first part examines what happens when the movement toward male-to-male sexual feeling comes up against the internalized cultural boundary between gay and straight. It presents material drawn from more than fifty men whose identities were not gay. Two intensive case studies make up the second and third parts of the book. The first is Clark, an African-American man who moved into sex with men in prison. The second is Zack, a gay police officer.

For information about the book and its underlying research, go to the Division 51 website at http://www.apa.org/divisions/div51. Click on the "Newsletter" button, then on "Spring 2001" and then on "Book Reviews" in the table of contents, to find a review of the book by James Harrison. Also in the same online Spring 2001 newsletter there is an article entitled "Same-sex feeling, Masculinity, and Pseudo-masculinity" which is based on research in the book. That article can be accessed by clicking on "Special Focus Section" in the table of contents.

Div. 44 Members Receive Feminist Awards

Division 44 members were well represented among the most recent recipients of the prestigious Distinguished Publication and Distinguished Career Awards from the Association for Women in Psychology. Dr. Oliva Espin, a longtime member of the Association and currently a professor of women's studies at San Diego State University, was honored with the 2001 Distinguished Career Award. Her pioneering work has integrated the experiences of immigrant women, lesbians, and women of color into feminist psychology. Accomplished as a teacher, clinician, activist, writer and mentor, she serves as role model for the passionate professional who can unite academic research with personal and political commitment.

Among the Distinguished Publication Award (OPA) winners were Dr. Beverly Greene of St. John's University and her co-editor Dr. Leslie Jackson of Georgia State University for their volume, *Psychotherapy with African American Women: Innovations in Psychodynamic Perspectives and Practice*. Dr. Linda Garnets and her co-editor Dr. Letitia Anne Peplau, both from UCLA, also received a DPA for the Summer 2000 issue of the *Journal of Social Issues*, "Women's Sexualities: New Perspectives on Sexual Orientation and Gender." A third DPA was awarded to Dr. Anne Fausto-Sterling of Brown University for *Sexing the Body: Gender Politics and the Construction of Sexuality*.

The committee is currently soliciting nominations for the 2002 Distinguished Publication Awards. Books and articles published in 2001 which have made a significant and distinctive contribution to the understanding of women, gender, and sex roles are welcomed. The deadline for nominations is April 15, 2002. For further information, please contact committee chair Dr. Mary Hayden, 16 S. Oakland Avenue, Suite 212, Pasadena, CA 91101 or via e-mail (mhayctom@aol.com).

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR DIVISION 44 2002 AWARDS

Nominations are now invited for the Annual Division 44 Awards to be presented at the year 2002 APA Convention in Chicago.. The award categories are as follows:

Distinguished Contribution to Education and Training
Distinguished Professional Contribution
Distinguished Scientific Contribution
Distinguished Contribution to Ethnic Minority Issues
Distinguished Contribution by a Student
Distinguished Service Contribution
Certificate of Appreciation
Best Book in Lesbian, Gay, and/or Bisexual Psychology
(must have a 2000, 2001, or 2002 publication date)

Nominees cannot be current members of the Division 44 Executive Committee. Self-nominations are encouraged. A statement that outlines the contributions of the nominee to justify the nomination must accompany all nominations.

Please send nominations by May 15, 2002 to:
APA Division 44 Awards Committee
c/o James S. Fitzgerald, Ph.D.
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We welcome the following new members to Division 44!

Markus P. Bidell, Katari K. Brown,
Karen Engebretsen-Larash, Arnold H. Grossman,
Ralph G. Horton, Deborah B. Jacobson,
Kathryn D. Kominars, Daniel E. Macias,
David R. Pionke, Mona M. Tiernan
We also have 28 new student members and one new
affiliate! Welcome everyone.

CONVENTION WORKSHOP ON CUSTODY EVALUATIONS

Dr. Marcus Tye and Dr. Suzanne Johnson will be presenting a workshop on "Custody Evaluations with Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Parents" at APA in August, workshop #075. This is a full-day workshop, an expanded version of the half-day we presented in San Francisco in 2001.

This intermediate workshop is for those who may work with the legal system and lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender parents. In the morning we survey research on children raised by LGBT parents, including differences in parenting styles between gay and lesbian couples. In the afternoon we review principles of adoption assessment and custody evaluation as applied to LGBT parents, outlining practices to reduce ethical complaints. We then explore how family law impacts non-heterosexual parents, and how forensic evaluators can respond.

SUCCESS AT THE POLLS!

We did it! Thanks to your strong support, we kept our third seat on the APA Council of Representatives in the last Apportionment election. This annual election gives each APA member the opportunity to cast ten votes for any Division or State/Provincial Association. The result of this vote determines the number of seats allocated to each unit. Accordingly, Division 44 will be able to maintain its visibility and strength in the Association's legislative body. In a year fraught with challenges in the mails, and confusion about what the new Apportionment system would mean to our Division, you came through for us impressively.

We cannot become complacent, however. As predicted, under the new system that guarantees each voting unit within the Association one seat on Council, several of the larger states lost seats. This means that we need to step up our efforts to remind our members not to discard their Apportionment ballots, and that they should be returned with all ten votes designated for Division 44. As usual, we will be sending out a letter and email reminders in October. This year, we are adding a phone tree system to remind our members about the Apportionment ballot.

Volunteers Needed!

We seek volunteers who are willing to make ten local calls to Division 44 members in their area reminding them about the ballot, and emphasizing its importance. In particular, we need members in large urban areas (especially New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, San Francisco and Los Angeles) who are willing to take a few minutes and make these calls in October. If you are willing to help out, please email me at: Doughaldeman@aol.com

Thanks again for your support - it's what keeps our voice strong in the Association.

BOOK REVIEW

The Soul Beneath the Skin

by David Nimmons

St. Martins Press, 2002

Review by Hal Kooden

Dear Friends, I was fortunate enough to read a prepublication manuscript of a new book, *The Soul Beneath the Skin*, by David Nimmons, (St. Martins Press, May, 2002). It is a truly landmark book on gay men and a possible transformative experience. Though he is not psychologist, Nimmons offers a powerful understanding of the patterns in gay men's lives. The book contains fascinating data and a chapter-by-chapter analysis on gay men's caretaking and altruism, non-violence and sexuality, intimacy patterns and gender relations. One of the reasons I find

this book to be so important is that it reveals an unseen ethical basis at work in gay men's lives with profound implications, not just for how gay men live, but for the broader society. I would heartily recommend it to both clinicians and clients for a totally new level of interpretation of gay men's experiences and how to be transformed by this new understanding.

In addition, fellow clinicians will discover a refreshingly new set of tools (that some might consider radical) to help gay men with larger issues of self-celebration, actualization, spirituality and meaning in their lives. Reseachers will also find provocative insights about rarely-documented patterns in gay men's lives. Regardless of their background or orientation all who are interested in gay men will find here a fresh interpretation of our lives that is at once radiantly optimistic, keenly observed, deeply thoughtful, and well-written. I have tried succinctly to say that this is one of those "must" books for both the professional and layman that has the potential for creating another paradigm shift in our community.

HIV/AIDS TRAINING FOR HOPE

The American Psychological Association's (APA) HIV Office for Psychology Education (HOPE) Program is currently recruiting psychologists from across the country to become Regional HIV/AIDS Continuing Education Trainers. Doctoral and masters level Psychologists with HIV-related clinical work, research, and training experience are encouraged to join an established faculty of trainers sponsored by the APA.

Established in 1991 by a three-year contract from the Center for Mental Health Services of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the APA's HOPE Program is gearing up for another round of training. Very soon, the HOPE Program will receive an additional three years of funding which will support an update of the HOPE Training Resource Materials, recruitment of additional psychologist trainers, a national Trainthe-Trainer Conference, and the development of a web-based, online continuing professional education program.

Applicants chosen to become HOPE Regional Trainers will receive state-of-the-science training materials developed in collaboration with national experts on HIV/AIDS and the mental health needs of diverse populations living with HIV/AIDS at the HOPE National Training-of-Trainers Conference in the Spring of 2003, dates to be announced. Additionally, those chosen can expect HOPE Program staff to offer timely technical assistance, information updates and help developing and setting up area trainings.

Because HOPE is nation-wide, Regional Trainers will be part of a collaborative network, and because HOPE is at the APA, trainers can offer CE credits to their program participants. All HOPE asks of its trainers is that they commit themselves to training at least 30 of their colleagues within three years after attending the train-the-trainer conference and completing the new 4-part, 4 hour, HIV online CE training! The APA Office of Continuing Professional Education awards continuing education credits for completion of both the conference and the online training.

Application to become a HOPE Regional Trainer involves the submission of a curriculum vitae, a completed application form, and a letter describing the applicant's HIV-related clinical work, training or lecture presentations, and research.

The HOPE Program has adopted an affirmative action approach to Regional Trainer recruitment. Qualified, doctoral level applicants who reflect the diversity of the AIDS epidemic in terms of gender, ethnicity, geographic location, and diverse populations served will receive priority consideration. Registration deadline is August 30, 2002.

To request an application or additional information, please contact Christopher Rowe, HOPE Program Training Director at the APA address, by phone at (202) 216-7603, or at CRowe@apa.org.

FATHERING EXPERIENCES OF THE "NEW" GAY FATHERS: A QUALITATIVE RESEARCH STUDY

By Stephanie Schacher (Editor's note: This research was supported by a Malyon Smith Scholarship Award.)

Abstract: Twenty-one gay fathers from major metropolitan areas were interviewed in focus groups. All had children within the context of their gay identities, outside of traditional, heterosexual unions (hence "new" gay fathers), through adoption, surrogacy, or by coparenting with lesbian mothers. Data analysis suggests that gay fathers are making contributions in three areas: (1) Degendering parenting roles, (2) Reconceptualizing family, and (3) Reworking traditional masculine gender ideology.

1. Degendered Parenting Roles

Dominant American culture depicts a superficially involved and emotionally distant father whose primary role is breadwinner and disciplinarian. But new norms for male parental behavior have begun to emerge, clashing with the still-existing and influential traditional norms. This clash has been termed "gender role strain" (Pleck 1981; 1995).

All of the men in this sample stated that they had experienced significant areas of role strain. The major source arose from stereotypes of men in general, and gay men in particular. They experienced their identity as gay men and their identity as fathers to be mutually exclusive. This, in part, was due to internalized homophobia based on societal stereotypes of gay men as somehow unsuited to raising and nurturing children, and of the idea of gay fathers as being incongruent with the notions of "home" and "family." But these men also felt role strain simply by being men, and, in most cases, parenting children without women. Therefore gay men also feel that they are battling against society's bias to see women in caretaking roles. In order to become fathers, they needed to reject these internalized barriers, and actively challenge these stereotypes through a process of self-exploration and education.

So how did role strain contribute to changes in gender roles that led to degendered parenting as practiced by these men? These men expressed the idea that they were "trailblazing," doing what had never been done before. Therefore, in forging their own paths, they were able to write their own rules in terms of parental roles and responsibilities rather than having to adhere to traditional roles, and accepting the status quo. The result is degendered parenting where parental responsibilities and personal sacrifices tend to be determined through a democratic, mutual decision-making process rather than being fixed on gendered roles. Most men divided up childcare and housekeeping responsibilities evenly based on who likes what or who's best at what. This redivision of labor enabled the men to blend the traditional roles of mother and father, and play roles of generalists rather than specialists, with responsibilities that are widely overlapping.

2. Reconceptualizing Family

Gay fathers have also made changes to the concept of family in which family is defined as a group of individuals who love and are committed to one another. Family does not necessitate a biological tie between members, or legal ties between all members, or being headed by two parents, or different sexed parents, or having members living together in one household. Family is much more broadly defined, goes well beyond the traditional conception of nuclear family. encompasses non-biological individuals, and may even extend to people such as the "birth mother" and members of the "birth family." The bond between child and parent emphasizes the primacy of a psychological connection and emotional attachment to a child. All of the men who adopted, and those men who parented with the biological parent of a child, stated without reservation that their bond of love with and commitment to their child transcended biology.

Perhaps the most prominent example of these men's redefinition of family is evidenced by the many who transcended cultural and racial barriers in order to adopt children of different ethnic and racial backgrounds. The men felt themselves to be much more willing to adopt children of different backgrounds than non-gay parents are. Of the 16 men in this study who adopted, 12 adopted children of a different ethnic or racial background, and, notably, all 16 had been willing to do so.

3. Reworking traditional masculine gender ideology

Through the changes gay fathers have made to the conventional fathering role, they are helping pave the way for changes in traditional masculine gender ideology. Just as gay men felt a sense of strain between their sexual identity and their identity as fathers, so did many of them speak of a sense of strain between their father-as-provider and father-as-caretaker roles. Some expressed feeling conflicted in giving up their primary role of breadwinner, and spoke of the strong ethic ingrained in men to be providers. Having played both

roles, they felt that caretaking is seen as a less valued role in society, and as they transitioned from sole providers to part-time or full-time caregivers, they felt they experienced a corresponding decline in social status. And though they themselves valued the nurturer role, they perceived a personal loss in status after taking this role, which created a sense of internal strain and conflict. Many felt that as men, they should be out earning a living, making a name for themselves, climbing the corporate ladder, and they have found that it's difficult to modify, and in some cases sacrifice, this vision for the priorities of parenthood. These men had to resolve this feeling of loss by actively redefining their own sense of personal value and their own definition of masculinity, and by rejecting society's appraisals and definitions.

However, modifying traditional masculine ideology did not mean only sacrificing male prerogatives. Many of the men spoke at length of the benefits of placing emphasis on the nurturing role, such as a greater sense of emotional attachment and connection to partners and children, and intrinsic rewards. In this new paradigm, the traditional male parental figure is not relegated to that of breadwinner, but becomes an important emotional source in family life.

Conclusion

What then are the implications of degendered parenting, of reconceptualizing family, and of reworking traditional male gender ideology? We see a trend of conscious parenting, and of thorough planning for parenthood. We also see homes with egalitarian philosophies that emphasize generalist roles, and a resultant expressed satisfaction with division of labor. We see a focus on family where emphasis is placed on the similarities between humans and the bonds capable of being forged between them, rather than emphasizing our differences based on color, race, religion, and sexual orientation. And in the steps toward modifying traditional masculine gender ideology that favors competition over collaboration, emotional suppression over expression, and paternal provision over paternal nurturance, we see an opportunity for men to have a deeper emotional involvement with their children and families, and to become disentangled from rigid male role proscriptions.

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Committee on Lesbian, Gay, & Bisexual Concerns

Targeted Nominations Statement for Terms Beginning in 2003

The Committee on Lesbian, Gay, & Bisexual Concerns (CLGBC) seeks nominations for two positions beginning January 1, 2003. Nominees are sought who have

- Expertise in children, youth, and families;
- Experience as an academic research scientist;
- Involvement in issues related to ethnic minorities and cultural diversity; and
- Experience in state psychological associations.

The Committee welcomes nominations of ethnic minority psychologists and other psychologists who are members of under-represented groups.

The Committee's mission is to

- study and evaluate on an ongoing basis how the issues and concerns of lesbian, gay male, and bisexual psychologists can best be dealt with;
- encourage objective and unbiased research in areas relevant to lesbian, gay male, and bisexual adults and youths, and the social impact of such research;
- examine the consequences of inaccurate information and stereotypes about lesbian, gay male, and bisexual adults and youths 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 civil and legal rights of lesbian, gay male, and bisexual psychologists within the profession.

The Committee consists of six members, three women and three men, appointed for staggered terms of three years. It reports to the Council of Representatives through the Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest. Committee members are required to attend two Committee meetings a year in Washington, DC, with expenses reimbursed by APA. Service on the Committee also involves a substantial time commitment beyond the meetings themselves.

A statement of the nominee's interest in and qualifications for the Committee and a current curriculum vitae should accompany the nomination. Self nominations are accepted. Nomination materials are to be received by August 1, 2002, to CLGBC Nominations, Public Interest Directorate, American Psychological Association, 750 First St., NE, Washington, DC 20002-4242.

2002 DIVISION 44 ELECTIONS AND CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

The following statements were submitted by this year's nominees for Division-elected offices.

Ballots will be sent to voting members of Division 44 by APA.

PRESIDENT-ELECT

Judith M. Glassgold

It is a great honor to be nominated for the Presidency of Division 44. As a student, I became active in APA the year that Division 44 was created. My contact with more senior psychologists and fellow students provided both inspiration and support.

Some of the Division's recent accomplishments, such as the Guidelines, were achieved because of the many ways that our members contribute to psychology. The members of this Division have always combined activism and commitment with scientific and professional accomplishments. As the Division seeks new goals that reflect the ever-changing needs of psychology, we must mobilize the resources within our membership. I will try to bridge the differences and generations within our professional community to increase the sense of inclusion for all.

My experience within APA governance as a member of CLGBC (1/99-12/02, Chair 2001) has given me a clear view of how APA functions. I am active with my state psychological association (NJPA), currently serving on the Ethics Committee and am a past member of the Executive Board, Legislative Affairs Committee and founder and past-Chair of the LGB Concerns Committee. I am a Fellow of Division 44 and have served as liaison from the Division.

Susan Kashubeck-West

I received my Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from The Ohio State University in 1989. Since that time I have been involved in academia, first at Drake University (1989-1993), then at Texas Tech University (1993-2001), and currently, at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

My involvement with Division 44 has been primarily through service on the Malyon-Smith Scholarship Award Committee. I served as a reviewer for this award in 1995 and 1996, and in 1996 I began chairing the Committee. I will continue to serve as chair until August, 2002. I have enjoyed learning about all the LGB research that graduate students are doing (lots of good work is being done!) and have been especially pleased to see students receive both recognition and a monetary reward for their efforts. Given that there are many public policy decisions currently being made that affect GLBT lives, we need to ensure the research done by students and other division members reaches those individuals making these decisions.

I am deeply honored to be nominated for President of Division 44.

MEMBER AT LARGE

Jorge Partida

No candidate statement was available at press time.

PLANNING ON ATTENDING THE 2002 CONVENTION IN CHICAGO?

If you plan to attend the 2002 American Psychological Association Convention in Chicago this August, please list Division 44 as your primary Division when you register. Each Division is allotted a number of program hours that is dependent on the number of Division members attending the previous year's convention. So, if you attend the Chicago convention and list Division 44 as primary, we may be allotted more hours for the 2003 Toronto convention.

Frank Wong

I am seeking your support for my candidacy as a Memberat-Large of Division 44. I will bring to the Division my national and international experience and knowledge in LGBT issues. From 1986-1989, I served as a Steering Committee member of the Association of Lesbian and Gay Psychologists. I was the first Co-Chair of Division 44's Science Task Force. which is now a Committee. On the national level, I serve as a member of the CSAT's LGBT Workgroup; I was also a member of its predecessor responsible for the publication entitled "A Provider's Introduction to Substance Abuse Treatment for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Individuals." I served on the editorial committee of the "Healthy People 2010: The LGBT Companion" -- a project initiated by HRSA. My research and work (including those funded by NIH and other US DHHS agencies) focuses on the intersection of cultures and sexualities and their effects on risky behaviors (HIV and substance abuse), especially among immigrants and refugees in the US and vulnerable as well as other populations (e.g., South Africans, commercial male sex workers who have sex with men in Hong Kong).

COMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

The APA's Council of Representatives met in Washington, DC on February 15th - 17th. Thanks to the steadfast commitment of Division 44 members, the Division now has three seats on this year's Council. As you might imagine, the agenda was huge. However, I would like to provide a brief description of some of the items and issues that we (Doug Haldeman, Armand Cerbone, and I) thought might be of interest to the Division's membership.

APA CEO Search

As many of you may know by now, this is Ray Fowler's final year as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of APA. A company (DNG) has been enlisted to help the Association find a suitable replacement. DNG solicited feedback about the CEO qualities and qualifications Council members thought essential. A demonstrated and continuing commitment to issues and concerns of LGBT people, practitioners, researchers, and educators was, of course, cited in this Division's responses.

Ethics Code Revision

Council was briefed on the revision of the APA Ethics Code, which is nearing completion. The proposed changes are on the APA website and we urge you to take a look at them and to provide feedback to the Ethics Committee at http://www.apa.org/ethics/.

There is currently a movement to develop a new APA Division on Trauma Psychology. If you are interested in supporting this effort, contact

Judie Alpert, PhD
New York University, Dept. of Applied Psychology
239 Greene Street,5th floor
New York, NY 10003

Council Contingency Funding

Council voted to fund a number of projects, which included meetings of a work group on children's mental health as well as a book on women of color. Council also voted to fund the upcoming meeting to revise the Cross-cultural Education and Training Guidelines (aka the Multicultural Guidelines). This meeting is fashioned after the meeting LGB Guidelines developers had with representatives of COPPS, BPA, and the APA Board of Directors. The LGB Guidelines document continues to serve as a model for practice guidelines development in the Association.

Footnote 4

The Council of Representatives agenda contained an information item on Footnote 4 of the Accreditation criteria. This item contained copies of letters from the US Department of Education and the US Department of Justice supporting the retention of Footnote 4. For the time being, Footnote 4 will remain where it is. What was heartening to see, however, was some continuing concern about Footnote 4 on the floor of Council (not prompted by Division 44) by representatives of Division 9 (Social Issues) and Division 39 (Psychoanalysis).

On a less formal note, Armand and I wanted to thank Doug Haldeman for his mentorship before and during this meeting. The Council of Representatives has its own unique policies and procedures and it can all be a bit daunting initially. Having Doug there to tutor us was a gift. In addition, Division 44 Past-president Terry Gock was also there in his role as chair of CSFC (Committee on the Structure and Function of Council) with several informative orientations throughout the meeting for all new Council members. With Doug's attentiveness and these orientations, we could not have felt more welcome and supported. Because Division 44 members saw to it that we have three Council seats, we were able to attend almost every caucus and will be able to represent the Division in a number of forums.

- Kris Hancock

COMMITTEE ON BISEXUAL ISSUES

Division 44 will be sponsoring a discussion hour on bisexual issues at this year's APA Convention in Chicago. The Bisexual Issues Discussion Hour will take place Saturday, August 24 from 9 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the Division 44 Hospitality Suite.

We are also developing a resource list of members with expertise in bisexual issues to make available to the membership of the Division. We invite you to contact us to let us know about your interest in and expertise in bisexual issues and to keep us informed about academic, clinical, research, or community projects in which you may be involved that relate to bisexual issues and the interface of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender issues.

-Ron Fox, Co-Chair, ronfox@accesscom.com -Emily Page, Co-Chair, em-page@rcn.com, or em@emilypage.com

PUBLIC POLICY

The Public Policy Committee is seeking candidates for co-chairing its activities. Interested persons should contact Randy Georgemiller at georgemill@aol.com or call 847.696.1100.

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MEMBERSHIP

The membership committee has been busy with several projects. Co-chair Deborah Brown has been working with Keith Cooke in APA Division Services to complete the membership directory. The directory is enclosed with this newsletter. All members are included in the directory automatically unless we have been notified that a member wishes not to be included. The information on members is taken from APA records, and each directory will include an information sheet to update any outdated data. Affiliates are not automatically listed since we keep our affiliate list confidential.

We are completing a new Division 44 brochure. The membership committee made initial changes and, after input from the Executive Committee, revised the brochure to keep up with changes in the division such as new task forces.

We only have seven posters left from the batch that was printed last year. If you would like to receive one to post at your institution, please notify Christopher Martell (CRMARTELLPHD@compuserve.com). By convention it should be clearer whether the posters have succeeded in bringing us new members. Certainly having 28 new student members since December 2001 is an encouraging sign.

Those members who have not yet renewed their membership will receive reminder postcards.

-Christopher R. Martell, Membership Co-chair

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

It's never too early to start thinking about Convention! This year's Convention will be held in the happenin` city of Chicago, and we would like to urge students to consider attending. As in previous years, students who volunteer a few hours of time to help run the Division Suite can receive reduced rates on hotel rooms. This is a great opportunity to meet LGB people, stay in a centrally located hotel, and get involved with the Division. More details will be announced in the next newsletter and on the Division listsery. Students who are interested can e-mail Kimberly now at kimfern@aol.com.

Good news! This year's mentoring workshop for LGBT students will be listed in the main Convention program. Last year's mentoring workshop was well-attended, and we are looking forward to building on last year's success to create a forum that is useful for students' career development. If you have any feedback on last year's workshop, or ideas for speakers or topics you'd like to see this year, please contact Kimberly at kimfern@aol.com.

As student co-chairs, we are particularly interested in recruiting new students to our division. We invite you to spread the word about Division 44 student

membership to any friends or colleagues that are interested in LGB issues. We have created a student recruitment poster that we would like to see posted in as many psychology departments around the country as possible. If you would like a poster to distribute on your campus, contact Cisco at cisco-sanchez@uiowa.edu.

Kimberly Balsam and Cisco Sánchez

TREASURER'S REPORT

The consolidated financial report for Division 44 dated November 2001 consolidates data from 3 different accounts, a State Street Research Mutual Fund (initiated March 1998), an account which holds the balance of the Malyon-Smith quasi-endowment, and a checking account.

As of November 2001, the Division's assets totaled \$69,260.12 and our income as of November 2001 was \$47,649.80. For purposes of comparison, as of June 2001, the Divisions assets totaled \$75, 996.74.

The Malyon-Smith fund is held in two accounts. The bulk is held in a State Street Research Funds portfolio. With reinvestment of dividends, as of 12/31/2001 it was valued at \$22,483.12. As of 12/31/2000 it was valued at \$27,661.72 which represents a loss in value of \$5178.60. The remainder of the fund is held in cash. As of June 2001, it was valued at \$14,411.60. By November 2001 it was valued at \$15,897.68. As a result, our current quasi-endowment total is \$38,380.80. (A disbursement of \$1000 for the 2001 Malyon-Smith Award is not reflected in these figures).

Year-to-date dues income (as of November) was \$29,632.00. In FY00 dues income was \$32,039. Dues income has decreased gradually since at least 1999. We have received \$18,017.80 in additional resources. Year-end figure for FY00 was \$14,495.72. We have experienced significant reductions in interest income. However, the Division managed a \$2500 interdivisional (pass through) grant so this figure may not be an accurate predictor of potential future revenue.

Our Operating Budget for FY01 was \$44,025.00. As of November 2001, expenditures totaled \$58,202.32. The discrepancies in these figures are due to the delay in reconciling the expenses for the 1999 membership benefit (\$9,447.82) and the Division's management of interdivisional grants in both 1999 and 2000. Our total expenditures for FY00 were \$32,517.70.

According to November 2001 figures, the 2001 convention fund raising dinner netted \$2876.25 in donations. For comparison purposes, the 2000 figure was \$3644.50 and the 1999 figure was \$1650.00.

Respectfully submitted, Michael R. Stevenson, Ph.D.

THE ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN PSYCHOLOGY ANNOUNCES THE ANNUAL

LESBIAN PSYCHOLOGIES UNPUBLISHED MANUSCRIPT AWARD

PURPOSE: The Association for Women in Psychology encourages theoretical and empirical scholarship that addresses the psychology of lesbians.

TOPICS: Unpublished manuscripts focusing on any topic relevant to the psychology of lesbians are invited. ELIGIBILITY: An unpublished manuscript (e.g., conference paper, thesis, dissertation) that has not been submitted for publication. Both sole and jointly authored papers are eligible. Manuscripts must be no more than 50 pages.

SUBMISSION: The following material must accompany your submission: four copies of the manuscript, a cover sheet (including the author's name, address, phone number, and title of the paper) and two self-addressed stamped legal size envelopes. The author's name should not appear anywhere on the paper itself. Please send the above information to:

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734-677-1471 or jkonik@umich.edu

REVIEW: A panel of AWP members will conduct a blind review of the manuscripts. Submissions will be evaluated on the basis of sound methodology, clarity of writing, and relevance to the advancement of the psychology of lesbians. AWARD: The winner will be announced at the American Psychological Association convention in August 2002. The award recipient will be invited to present the manuscript at the AWP conference in 2003, and will receive up to \$250 in transportation expenses.

DEADLINE: Entries must be postmarked by May 31, 2002.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS 2002 Committee on Psychology and AIDS (COPA) Leadership Awards

The American Psychological Association (APA) Ad Hoc Committee on Psychology and AIDS (COPA) invites nominations for its first annual Psychology and AIDS Leadership Award. This award serves to actively demonstrate COPA's commitment to ensure issues pertaining to HIV/AIDS are kept at the forefront of psychological research, education, training, and practice.

Nominees will be identified as "emerging" or "distinguished" leaders in one or more areas of influence: service provision, research, teaching/mentoring, and policy/advocacy. Emerging leaders are psychologists who have received their doctorate within the past 10 years, have made substantial contributions to the field of HIV/AIDS, and show promise of an extensive, influential career. Distinguished leaders are psychologists who have worked for 10 years or more after receiving their doctorate. They should have a longstanding influence on HIV/AIDS issues and should be recognized leaders in the field. Two awards will be granted each year, one in the category of Emerging Leader and one in the category of Distinguished Leader.

Successful candidates will have made significant contributions in one or more of the following areas: service provision, research, teaching/mentoring, or policy/advocacy. More information is available by contacting

John R. Anderson, Director, Office on AIDS American Psychological Association 750 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20002-4242 202-336-6051 or janderson@apa.org.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS HYDE GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH GRANTS

Proposals are being sought for the Hyde Graduate Student Research Grants. These grants, each up to \$500, are awarded to doctoral psychology students to support feminist research. The grants are made possible through the generosity of Janet Hyde, Ph.D., who donates the royalties from her book, "Half the Human Experience." to this fund. Past recipients of Hyde awards are not eligible to apply.

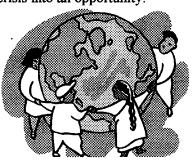
For more information, contact: Silvia Sara Canetto, Ph.D., Chair, Hyde Research Award, Department of Psychology, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO 80523-1876 Phone: (970) 491-5415, FAX: (970) 491-1032; e-mail: scanetto@lamar.colostate.edu

Submission deadlines: January 15 and June 15.

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M.F.A. "Writer, Educator, Advocate" and Female to Male Transsexual and Katherine Rachlin, Ph.D., "Psychologist and Activist with the Trans community." Aside from basic information about these issues, the presenters also focused on many reasons why Division 44 should be the home for these concerns. More about this will appear in newsletters and in programming at convention time.

As always, life goes on. The division continues its important work as we heal from the events of September 11th. I hope that all of you are healing and turning the crisis into an opportunity.



GET A FRIEND OR COLLEAGUE TO JOIN DIVISION 44!

All social scientists interested in applying psychological knowledge to the study of lesbian, gay, and bisexual issues are warmly welcomed as members, irrespective of personal sexual/affectional orientation. Members or associate members of the American Psychological Association may join as members or associate members of the SPSLGBI, respectively. Affiliate membership is open to professionals in related fields, or to individual members of the APA who prefer that their affiliation with the SPSLGBI be held in confidence. Undergraduate and graduate students may become student affiliates in the same way. The list of affiliate members is the property of the SPSLGBI 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 SPSLGBI, please feel free to contact our membership chair, Deborah Brown at dlbrown@csupomona.edu or (909) 869-3220.

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