EDITOR’S COLUMN

This summer has been crushing hot!

Reminiscing…

Dog days came in steaming heat and swooshing rains and the locusts shed their skins and the moon was red, and there was a ring around it. The bull alligators bellowed every night and the catfish swam far up the bayous and the crawfish dug deep. (James Street, Good-Bye My Lady, p. 162, Lippincott, NY, 1941 & 1954.)

Growing reports of mental illness in our troops are not surprising, but worrisome, particularly when there are indications that to seek mental health care may still be viewed negatively. Symptoms are surfacing late, possibly long after attempted interventions. This war is novel and creative solutions are a must for all of us.

Please note several timely articles: In addition to our President’s, News from: Winter Meeting in Tempe, AZ; Membership Chair; Trustees; APA Assembly Report; OPIFER; APA President-elect; the Annotated Bibliography Project; the APA Lifetime Speakers Banquet and next annual meeting of the Consortium for Psychoanalytic Research. Each article is contributed by well-known members, who go outside of our organization to take the message of psychoanalysis and psychodynamics to other groups. They generously report back to us.

This is the last Newsletter with the capable assistance of Lorraine Browne, who has moved on to another position. I am very grateful to her for her meticulous help in the past, and wish her well in her next post.

Thank you all for your contributions to member news. Please highlight recent personal events if you are sending a CV, and for book announcements, please include ISBN.

With warm regards,

Sharon A. West, MD

PRESIDENT’S COLUMN

Dear Academy Members,

Our meeting in San Diego was a wonderful experience, and you will have the chance to read about it in the Forum and Newsletter. Congratulations to Jim Edwards, MD and Carlo Filiaci, MD, meeting co-chairs, as well as the tireless Gerry Perman, MD, Chair of Scientific Programs, for a job well done.

I want to remind you about our Winter Meeting, which will be held this year on December 8, 2007 in cooperation with the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Arizona, Tempe. Entitled, “Psychodynamic Psychotherapy and Spirituality,” it is being chaired by Mariam Cohen, MD, PsyD, Chair of our Psychoanalytic Education Committee and the Website and Electronic Communications Committee. Dr. Cohen is also Chair of the Religious Studies Department at the University of Arizona.

Council will meet the day prior to this one-day meeting, and the meeting day will include our regular Business Meeting. Deadline for abstract submissions is the end of this month. The form is available on our website. We are hoping to see you there!

Enclosed is a Call for Papers for our May 2008 Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. Program Chairs are David Lopez, MD and Joseph Silvio, MD, who have chosen the theme of “Nature and Nurture in the XXI Century.” Excellent keynote and opening night speakers have already been recruited. Be sure to save the dates—earlier in May than usual.

Our meeting in San Diego was the opportunity for me to unveil two new initiatives for the Academy: The Victor J. Teichner Master Teacher Award, and the Annotated Bibliography Project. I hope to enlist every member of the Academy to participate in at least one of these projects in the coming months.

Information on future Academy meetings is available at www.aapdp.org
Victor J. Teichner was President of the Academy for only a week before his untimely death 24 years ago. A grateful patient has given our Academy a grant to set up a teaching fellowship in his name, to be given to a [Scholar] member of AAPDP. The money will be used to support the Scholar to travel to a residency training program underserved in the area of psychodynamic education. We have long dreamt of a "Speaker's Bureau"; of sending our members to teach throughout the country, but we never had the means to pay for it. This grant will allow us to use the interest to pay for one Scholar each year, thus ensuring the award for future generations. We are partnering with the AADPRT (American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training) in the administration of the Award. The Selection Committee (consisting of 3 members of the Academy and 3 AADPRT members) will choose the training program each year from those who apply to host a Scholar. The selected training program will choose the Scholar from our list.

We have decided to ask the programs and the Scholar applicants to submit their materials in electronic form, thus making it possible to keep our overhead costs to a minimum from the start, and ensuring easy communication. The materials for members to apply as Scholars are on our website. Please add your name, your areas of interest, and your CV to our database. If you have further questions about this project, feel free to contact me or the Academy Office.

A second initiative, the Annotated Bibliography Project, was conceived as another way to make our members' knowledge of the psychoanalytic and psychodynamic literature available to trainees. Although they have libraries of materials available, and may, in fact, find "reading lists" or curricula online, there is no guidance to the articles. Those of us familiar with the literature usually know what to expect from particular authors. For example, we might be familiar with the author's theoretical bias, or developmental point-of-view, which will help in decoding the contents of the article or book. All of us are familiar with bringing particular "favorite" articles to the attention of our trainees. I have asked Nancy Joachim, MD and Eve Leeman, MD, to be the Editors for the project. Our job will be to start with 100 "basic" articles in the psychodynamic/psychoanalytic canon for annotation. The bibliography will be available through our website, and will be linked with the APA and AADPRT websites, giving trainees easy access to the materials. In order to get this project "off the ground" over the next few months, I am asking each of our members to annotate one article from the "basic 100." As soon as these are completed, we will open the project to new submissions. At a later date, we plan to add a bibliography of annotated books, with Cesar Alfonso, MD, as book editor. If you have a favorite article [and/or book], annotate it, and we will post it! All annotations will be signed (wiki-style), and we will certainly entertain conflicting annotations, in the spirit of academic freedom. So watch for the announcements of the Grand Opening—the posting of the Annotated Bibliography Project on our website.

During the first year of my Presidency I have sought to raise the "profile" of the Academy; to have our name associated with the training of psychodynamically-oriented clinicians, researchers, and scholars. In order to accomplish this, we must make the most of our links with other organizations in mainstream psychiatry. With these two projects we build on our link to the APA and forge a new link with AADPRT. Our name and our members will be featured at each of their Annual Meetings with the presentation of the Award to the Residency Program and Scholar. But remember: the success of these projects depends upon the participation of each of our members. I look forward to working with you during the coming year!

Sherry P. Katz-Beamot, MD

FROM THE CO-CHAIR
2007 WINTER MEETING

The Winter Meeting of the AAPDP is being planned for Saturday, December 8, 2007, on the campus of Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona. Our meeting is being hosted by the Department of Religious Studies at the University, and the topic is Psychotherapy and Spirituality. Cynthia Geppert, MD, will be the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Geppert is on the faculty of both the University of New Mexico Medical School and the Department of Religious Studies at UNM. She will be speaking on the role of religion and ethics in psychotherapy. Other speakers and panels are still being planned but promise to be very interesting.

The University of Arizona is located in Tempe, which is between Phoenix and Scottsdale and is only a few minutes from the Phoenix airport. We will be meeting in the University’s Memorial Union on the campus. There are a number of hotels, with a wide range of prices, close to the campus. For those who want to make a longer holiday before or after the AAPDP meeting, the Phoenix and Scottsdale area offer a number of museums and shopping, and day trips to Sedona or the Grand Canyon can be arranged.

Mariam C. Cohen, MD, PsyD

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NEWS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR
JOSEPH R. SILVIO, MD

The Membership Committee is pleased to welcome new members to the Academy and to announce those whose membership category has changed.

Psychoanalytic Fellowship

Grant Hilary Brenner, MD, New York, NY

Dr. Grant Brenner is a psychiatrist in New York City, and a Clinical Instructor in the Department of Psychiatry at Mount Sinai. He has been involved with Trauma Response and Disaster Psychiatry Outreach on local, national and international levels. Dr. Brenner has made extensive contributions to the William Alanson White Institute on several committees. He has “chaired or co-chaired four major conferences related to interdisciplinary disaster response.” Dr. Brenner received a certificate in Psychoanalysis from the William Alanson White Institute in 2006.

Roberto Cutajar, MD, Florence, Italy

Dr. Roberto Cutajar is an Italian psychiatrist and psychoanalyst who has been involved with the joint meetings of the Academy and OPIFER (Organization of Italian Psychoanalysts). He trained at the Interpersonal Psychoanalysis Society and Institute of Florence, where he has been a teaching and supervising analyst. In addition to maintaining a private practice, he is also the General Manager of the Stella Maris Scientific Institute for Child Neuropsychiatry in Pisa. Dr. Cutajar is a graduate of the Psychoanalytic Training Program of Interpersonal Psychoanalytic Institute of Florence (1998).

Maurice Green, MD, New York, NY

Dr. Maurice Green, formerly a Psychoanalytic Fellow of the Academy, has re-applied after his retirement from a distinguished career in psychoanalytic teaching and research. He received his analytic training under the supervision of Erich Fromm, Janet Rioch and Frieda Fromm-Reichman, and as a training analysand of Clara Thompson. He graduated from Northwestern University, BS, 1942, and MD, 1945; Bronx VA Psychiatry Residency 1951, and Psychoanalytic Certificate from the William Alanson White Institute in 1954.

Psychiatric Membership

Juan Raul Condemarin, MD, Boston, MA

Dr. Raul Condemarin became a Psychiatric Associate of the Academy in 2002, while a Fellow in AIDS Psychiatry at Mt. Sinai Medical Center. After completing this program he became a staff psychiatrist at the Massachusetts Mental Health Center. Dr. Condemarin originally trained in and practiced medicine in his country of origin, Peru. He trained in Psychiatry at New York Medical College, Metropolitan Hospital (1997-2001), and Psychoanalysis at the Psychoanalytic Institute of New York Medical College (1998-2001).

Shelly Galler, MD, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Dr. Shelly Galler has been a Psychiatric Associate since 1994. She chaired the panel on Psychosomatic Medicine presented by Canadian psychologists at the 50th annual meeting in Toronto. Dr. Galler is a graduate of McGill University (BA 1974, MD 1979), and University of Toronto Teaching Hospitals Residency in Psychiatry (1983).

Jeffrey W. Katzman, MD, Albuquerque, NM

Dr. Jeffrey Katzman is Director of Behavioral Health Care at the New Mexico VA Health Center and Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque. He teaches medical students and residents in psychodynamic psychotherapy and has supervised psychodynamic therapy cases of psychiatric residents and fellows. Dr. Katzman completed the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Foundations Training Program at the Institute of Contemporary Psychoanalysis (1994-95). He is Board Certified in Psychiatry.

Elizabeth A. Steinhauer, MD, Chicago, IL

Dr. Elizabeth Steinhauer is a Clinical Associate in Psychiatry at the Student Counseling and Resource Services of the University of Chicago. She has a wide range of interests including eating disorders and body image, adolescent and young adult development, women suffering from depression, brief psychotherapy, combined psychotherapy with psychopharmacology, and psychiatric illness expressed through literature. Dr. Steinhauer completed the Residency in Psychiatry at McLean Hospital (1987-1990) and the Clinical Fellowship in Psychopharmacology at Yale New Haven Hospital and University Health Service (1990-91). She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and serves as an Examiner for the Board.

Psychiatric Associate Membership

Taliba Malika Foster, MD, New York, NY

Dr. Taliba Foster is an early career psychiatrist, completing her Psychiatric Residency at Saint Vincent’s Catholic Medical Center in June 2007. She began a 2-year Fellowship in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the University of
Pennsylvania in July 2007. Dr. Foster is outstanding for her work in clinical pharmaceutical trials and her volunteer work in human rights, women’s issues and minority representation. She has been an awardee, Minority Education Program (1992), President, Student National Medical Association (2001), and presenter to the American Psychiatric Association, New York Legislative Branch, Committee on Women (2005-present).

**Alvaro A. Giraldo, MD, Hummelstown, PA**

Dr. Alvaro Giraldo retired after 20 years as an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Immunology, Microbiology, and Pathology at Wayne State University School of Medicine. He then became a Candidate in training at the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts at the C. G. Jung Institute Analyst Training Program in Pittsburgh, PA (September 2000 to present). He completes Jungian analytic training next year. Dr. Giraldo completed a Residency in Psychiatry at Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center this June, 2007. He began his medical training in Colombia, graduating from Javeriana University School of Medicine in Bogota in 1966 (MD). Dr. Giraldo’s interest in the Academy was sparked by attending the Visiting Scholar Workshop in Toronto at the 50th annual meeting.

**Nisba Husain, MD, New York, NY**

Dr. Nisba Husain completed her Psychiatry Residency at Saint Vincent’s Hospital. Her sponsor remarks that she is “an exceptionally gifted clinician. She has managed to succeed with extremely difficult patients where others have failed. I have encouraged Dr. Husain to become a psychoanalyst.” Dr. Husain has received many awards, has produced a 30 minute documentary film regarding the stigma of mental illness in the South Asian Community, graduated Cum Laude at Georgetown University and was tapped into Alpha Kappa Omega, Theology Honor Society, Georgetown University. She began a Child and Adolescent Fellowship at Columbia University’s Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in July, 2007.

**Farah A. Khan, MD, Edison, NJ**

Dr. Farah Khan is an early career psychiatrist, entering the third year of Residency in Psychiatry at New York Medical College. Prior to her entering post-graduate medical training, she worked for 10 years as a primary care physician in her native country of Pakistan. She graduated from the Sind Medical College University of Karchi, Pakistan (MBBS/MD-1985-91)

**Kristin Louise Leight, MD, New York, NY**

Dr. Kristin Leight just completed her third year of Residency in Psychiatry at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center and New York State Psychiatric Institute and is now Chief Resident at NYPI, since July 2007. Dr. Leight’s brilliant academic career includes, as British Marshall scholar, “highest honors” in English Literature and Creative Writing at Oxford University (1997), and MD from Harvard Medical School in 2004. She has published creatively, turning to psychiatric interests as her medical career developed. Her publication topics include studies of bipolar disorder and the effect of antidepressant medication on nursing mothers and their infants.

**Joseph Lux, MD, New York, NY**

Dr. Joseph Lux is an Attending Psychiatrist for HIV and Consultation-Liaison Services at Bellevue Hospital. He is doubly trained, having completed residencies in internal medicine, psychiatry, and a Fellowship in infectious diseases. He completed the two year program in Psychodynamic Psychotherapy from New York Medical College, receiving a certificate. He has also completed one year at the NYU Psychoanalytic Fellowship. His Psychiatry Residency was at Saint Vincent’s Hospital (2002-2005). He is Board Certified in Adult Psychiatry and in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases.

**Marina Sisakian, MD, New York, NY**

Dr. Marina Sisakian is an Attending Psychiatrist as Metropolitan Hospital Center in the Assertive Community Treatment Program. She completed her Residency in Psychiatry at Metropolitan Hospital Center, New York Medical College (2001-2005). A native of Armenia, Dr. Sisakian graduated from Yerevan State Medical Institute, Armenia, in 1987 (MD).

**Dianne Thomas, MD, Hackensack, NY**

Dr. Dianne Thomas is an early career psychiatrist, completing the Residency in Psychiatry at Harlem Hospital Center (2000), an affiliate of Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. She has just completed the Fellowship and Chief Residency in their Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (2005-2007). Dr. Thomas received her medical training as a graduate of the Faculty of Medicine, Mona, Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies (MD-1988). Dr. Thomas is dedicated to the conceptual application of psychodynamic psychiatry.
Syed K. Zaidi, MD, Levittown, PA

Dr. Syed Zaidi completed his psychiatric Residency at metropolitan Hospital Center, New York Medical College. He then served as Chief Resident at NYMC, and entered Fellowship training in Addiction Psychiatry at North Shore University Hospital, Long Island Jewish-Hillside Medical Center. Dr. Zaidi is a graduate of Punjab Medical College, Faisalabad, Pakistan (MBBS/MD—1985). He was a Family Practitioner at Kamil Medical Center, Lahore, Pakistan, for 11 years. While at the Kamil Medical Center, he was a victim of a religious bombing attack on his clinic in which several of his colleagues were killed. He has a special interest in the psychodynamic process as applied to victims of trauma.

Honorary Membership

The Constitution and By-Laws, Article III, Section 8, state as follows: “Honorary Members: A person may be elected to Honorary Membership based upon signal and outstanding contributions to psychoanalysis or psychodynamic psychiatry. Any Fellow or Psychiatric Member may propose a person for Honorary Membership by citing the person’s qualifications and forwarding the proposal to the Membership Committee, which will report its recommendations to the next meeting of the membership for final action. Honorary Members will not vote or hold elective office, but may be named to serve as advisors or consultants to a Committee.”

Arnold Cooper, MD, New York, NY

Dr. Arnold Cooper is cited for Honorary Membership by Dr. Joan Tolchin, in the following Memo to the Chair of the Membership Committee:

“I would like to recommend Dr. Arnold M. Cooper for Honorary Membership in the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry. Dr. Cooper, a distinguished and internationally respected psychiatrist and psychoanalyst, will be presenting the Keynote Address at the Academy's 51st Annual Meeting in May, 2007. Dr. Cooper, a Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association, is Professor Emeritus in Consultation Psychiatry at Weill Cornell Medical College and a Training and Supervising Analyst at the Columbia University Center for Psychoanalytic Training and Research. Dr. Cooper is a past President of the American Psychoanalytic Association, was a Fellow on its Board on Professional Standards and is a past Vice President of the International Psychoanalytic Association. At Cornell, he was Associate Chairman for Education and Director of Training for fourteen years. Dr. Cooper is the recipient of numerous awards and honors including the George S. Goldman Award for Achievement in Clinical Psychoanalysis and/or Psychoanalytic Education, Columbia Center for Psychoanalytic Training and Research. In addition, Dr. Cooper is a prolific and respected author, as well as an Editorial Board Member of important journals including the Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association and the Revue Internationale de Psychopathologies. Dr. Cooper's writings and work reflect his humanistic and rigorously intellectual approach to psychiatry and psychoanalysis which would make him an important member of our Academy.”

Leo Rangell, MD, Los Angeles, CA

In his review of Dr. Rangell’s latest book My Life in Theory (2004) for the Journal of the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry, Dr. Harold Bronheim said the following: “Dr. Leo Rangell, perhaps the pre-eminent living psychoanalyst in the world, has written and presented over 450 articles and 7 books. He has been President of the American Psychoanalytic Association twice, President of the International Psychoanalytic Association, and is currently Honorary President of the IPA since 1997 – a post held previously only by Ernest Jones, Heinz Hartman, and Anna Freud. In his latest book (and we hope not his last) he has produced a tour de force which may perhaps be considered the most important psychoanalytic book since Fenichel’s two volume set on the Psychoanalytic Theory of Neurosis in 1945. Dr. Rangell has practiced, lectured, and led for six decades. He has witnessed the evolution of psychoanalysis through the second half of its 100 year history. He has personally known and collaborated with all the great personalities who have crafted the field over the past 50 years.”

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REPORT FROM THE TRUSTEES: SECOND ANNUAL EMPOWERMENT AND ORIENTATION DINNER

The Trustees Empowerment and Orientation Dinner is a tradition for welcoming and honoring new Trustees to the Academy’s Council. This year, 2007, the Trustee’s dinner was held in a private room at Grant Grill, just before the opening night of our Annual meeting in San Diego. Jerry Perman, MD entertained the trustees with his super-fine folk and blues finger-picking guitar. Jerry's music punctuated
the topics on which each Trustee spoke. Special thanks to Charmaine Rapaport, MD and Mark Novick, MD, who organized the dinner.

New Trustees honored included Gail Berry, MD, Shelly Galler, MD and David Lopez, MD. Trustees in attendance included Paul Fine, MD, Nancy Joachim, MD, and Charmaine Rapaport, MD (2007). Hae Kim, MD, Jay Lefer, MD, and Jerry Perman, MD (2008), and Jim Edwards, MD, Mark Novick, MD, and Astrid Rusquellas, MD (2009).

Topics discussed included: Introduction to the Constitution and Bylaws, Policy and Procedures Manual, and a description of Committees and how to be assigned to a committee.

Becoming a Trustee is an opportunity, not only to serve the Academy but to become an activist and advocate for Dynamic Psychiatry through our influential committees which reach out to the larger community of Psychiatry. Trustees were reminded of how important their votes are. Whereas highly knowledgeable and experienced past presidents attend council meetings, the outspoken past presidents do not actually have a vote. The great potential for influence of a Trustee at a council meeting was emphasized.

Nancy Joachim, MD

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FROM THE APA ASSEMBLY ALLIED ORGANIZATIONAL LIAISON GROUP

I have enjoyed continuing to serve as the Academy’s representative to the APA Assembly through the group of Assembly Allied Organization Liaisons [AAOL] and as a member, with Jack Drescher, of the Academy’s APA Relations Committee. In May the Assembly met for 3 days in San Diego, where I attended the Assembly plenaries and meetings of APA Area I (New England and Eastern Canada), served as a member of the AAOL group and Assembly Procedures Committee, and chaired one of the 5 Assembly Reference Committees that reviews and makes recommendations about support of action papers that come before the full Assembly for a vote. I was part of a minority of Assembly members voting to support maintaining a dialogue with psychologists about psychologist prescribing, and was disappointed that the larger Assembly voted not to recommend that APA staff and leadership continue such efforts to talk about the issues.

The AAOL group of organizations within the Assembly was established as an experiment some years ago. In May, I participated in AAOL discussions with a representative of the Assembly Executive Committee about the value of continuing AAOL representation in the Assembly, speaking strongly in favor of continuing the relationship. Among other issues, there were discussions about whether the Assembly would begin to fund some of the travel of AAOL representatives. Currently AAOL representatives or their organizations fund the cost of travel, unlike the case with geographically elected Assembly members. The Academy does not support the travel costs of its AAOL representative.

An issue within the APA that will be of importance over the next several months is the second edition of the Practice Guideline for Panic Disorder that is currently in draft form. Most of us probably know about the randomized controlled trial carried out by Barbara Milrod and colleagues and recently published in JAPA. This important study found panic-focused psychodynamic psychotherapy to be superior to a form of behavioral treatment for panic disorder, and replicated results from a previous open trial of treatment. However, the most recent draft of the soon to be published Panic Disorder Practice Guideline does not include psychodynamic therapy as a first-line treatment for the disorder, citing only CBT and medication as first-line treatments. I and others are pressing the Practice Guideline Committee to reconsider psychodynamic therapy as a first-line treatment. Eventually the Guideline will come before the full Assembly for a vote. I hope to avoid a floor fight about this issue by dealing with it before the final draft is offered.

I also serve in the APA Components as chair of the Committee on Psychotherapy by Psychiatrists [COPP], which also met in San Diego. This group is involved in several projects. Perhaps the most exciting is our effort to develop a model curriculum for teaching schools of psychotherapy from a unified and integrated perspective. The approach, called the Y-Model, is based on the comparative psychotherapy process research literature. It teaches core features across all schools of psychotherapy (e.g., negotiating an alliance, empathic listening) as part of the stem of the Y, and then compares and contrasts the research-derived core features of psychodynamic therapy and CBT as the forks of the Y. The Y-Model has been well-received by trainees, residency training directors, and by members of the APA Council on Quality Care, which I attend as chair of COPP.

While in San Diego I also was part of the scientific program of the APA annual meeting. APA presentations this year included chairing and presenting at a COPP workshop on our Y-Model curriculum, chairing 2 other workshops on clinical issues concerning suicide, and once again this year directing and teaching a full-day course entitled “A
psychodynamic approach to treatment refractory mood disorders” with colleagues from Austen Riggs.

The work of the APA is central to us as medical psychoanalysts and dynamic psychiatrists. I urge you to renew your APA membership this year (or rejoin if you have let your membership lapse). Having Academy members [who are also] APA members is required to maintain our role as an Allied Organization. It is also the best way to ensure that we may continue to serve the field and our patients as a voice for dynamic psychiatry within the APA.

Eric M. Plakun, MD

ORGANIZZAZIONE di PSICOANALISTI ITALIANI-FEDERAZIONE e REGISTRO (OPIFER)

The ninth joint meeting of the Academy with the Organizzazione di Psicoanalisti Italiani Federazione e Registro (OPIFER) will be held October 6-7, 2007 in Sestri Levante on the Italian Riviera. The topic of the conference, "Strategies in Psychodynamic Psychotherapy," promises a rich and stimulating program.

Dr. Eric Plakun, a Fellow of the Academy, the Director of Admissions and Professional Relations at Austin Riggs, and Chair of the APA Committee on Psychotherapy by Psychiatrists will give the Keynote Address on "Psychodynamic Strategy with the Suicidal Patient." Dr. Richard Brockman, also a Fellow of the Academy, Professor of Psychiatry at Columbia, and a prolific writer and playwright, will speak on "Attachment," a topic of both clinical and theoretic interest. In addition, there will be presentations by our Italian colleagues on treating the elderly and working with psychotic patients.

The meeting will take place at the four star Grand Hotel Villa Balbi in Sestri. It will run from Saturday morning through Sunday at noon. There will be a Gala Dinner for all attendees on Saturday night.

In June, 2000, the Academy and OPIFER previously held a very successful meeting in Sestri, a former Roman town, just south of Portofino and near the Cinque Terre. The guidebooks describe Sestri Levante as "stunningly beautiful," "perfect for a romantic weekend adventure any time of the year." Early October is an ideal time to be on the Ligurian coast since most tourists will be gone and the weather will still be warm.

For more information about the meeting or a registration form, please contact the Academy office.

Joan G. Tolchin, MD

VIEW FROM THE PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE APA

Every group of psychiatrists worries about APA attention to the issues it holds dear. It is my sense, after years in the Assembly and on the Board, that there is commitment to psychodynamic psychotherapy in both bodies and on the staff. The recent increase in empirical research will do much to bolster that commitment, and to insure that psychotherapy is included in APA practice guidelines as they are developed and updated. While clinical experience will continue to be respected, pressure for empirically validated approaches is only going to grow. Official quality measures, for example, tend to include the initiation and continuation of antidepressant medication, with psychotherapy accepted only if medication is documented as inappropriate. The APA staff are working actively to change this requirement.

‘Pay for performance,’ and APA participation in the development of standards, will continue to be controversial, with some members asserting that any collaboration is a betrayal of medical ideals, and others convinced that the imposition of performance measures is inevitable, and that it is best to work to make them as fair and relevant as possible. I take the latter view, and whatever slings and arrows come with it. We have to understand that people and institutions that pay for treatments have some right to demand evidence that their money is well spent—along with the obligation to provide what they promise and to justify their own decisions.

We have spent too much time complaining after the fact. We need to understand the risks and benefits of different health system arrangements, and to think about what kind of health care system we want, rather than what is wrong with each possible system. Psychoanalytic principles can help us understand and address the barriers to that crucial discussion. We must participate in shaping the system we want, and we need to be prepared to provide compassionate and thoughtful care, and to have gratifying work lives, in the system we get. It is my hope to provide the background and incentives for us to engage in this major struggle and to insure that psychodynamic psychotherapy and psychoanalysis survive and prosper in its outcomes.

Nada L. Stotland, MD, MPH

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ANOTATED PSYCHODYNAMIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

Co-Chairs: Nancy Joachim, MD and Eve Leeman, MD
Senior Consultant: Sherry P. Katz Bearnot, MD
Book Editor: César A. Alfonso, MD

We are delighted to share our exciting new project with you! The Annotated Psychodynamic Bibliography Project was conceived during a brainstorming session of the Education Committee. It is our way of reaching out to residents who do not have access to psychodynamic training in their programs.

If you have not yet heard about this project you will see what it is about when you view the list of approximately 100 articles! We are now recruiting annotators from the AAPDP Community. A subsequent annotated book list is planned.

How to Write the Annotation:
Write 250-300 engaging words. Please describe what is in the article and tell us why the article has meaning to you (or, if you are the author, why you wrote the article).

Your annotation is important! It will be a LURE for young residents who do not yet know how dynamic psychiatry can enrich their practice. Residents are deprived of psychodynamic training in many areas of the country. These articles were specifically chosen because we felt they were not stuffy and because they were meaningful to us or to the others in the AAPDP community who recommended them. You can make it personal, perhaps using a short vignette or story which relates to the content of the paper, and please use your imagination. On the other hand, if you have your own idea for an annotation, better than ours, please use that.

Make it funny and lively if possible. We want to reach out to residents around the country to let them know dynamic psychiatry is alive. Members of our community have volunteered to bring this bibliography with your annotations to the AADPRT (American Association for Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training). It will also be posted on our website!

Each annotation will be signed (Wikipedia - Style). We welcome annotations which might disagree with the article or open up commentary!

A sample annotation will be sent out shortly, with the list of articles. Please email one or both of us and tell us which article you would like to annotate. We will try to accommodate your preferences. Our emails are listed below!

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LIFETIME SPEAKERS: APA EVENT, SAN DIEGO, CA

Much to my chagrin and with due apologies to Drs. Arnold Cooper, Sherry Katz-Bearnot, I had to skip the Keynote Address in San Diego in order to attend the Annual Dinner of the Past Speakers of the Assembly of the APA. This traditional gathering was started more years ago than I wish or can remember as the Knights of the Round Table of the Association of Past Speakers of the Assembly of the American Psychiatric Association whose initials were grafted on the replica of a sword (try and pronounce it), itself immortalized on a plaque (courtesy of Smith Kline and French if I'm not mistaken) which may still hang on the walls of some of us.

The annual gathering consisted of fine food and considerable libations held at some restaurant at the venue of the APA Annual Meeting. During the proceedings the immediate outgoing Past Speaker was to be "roasted" leaving no stone unturned regarding perceived or actual foibles and recorded gaffes during his or her tenure. The incoming Speaker was considered to be a lowly Page awaiting to be inducted the following year, impatiently and fearfully. The hot stuff has been reduced in intensity in recent years, perhaps coinciding with the ascension to Speaker-ship by two women, Dr. Nada Stotland, currently President-Elect of the APA, and Dr. Donna Morris currently Secretary-Treasurer, both of whom were in attendance at this year's dinner. So was Dr. Robert Pasnau (also Past President of the APA) who was a participant at the Academy's meeting and our fellow Fellow Dr. Michael Spevak. The new inductee was another member of the Academy, Dr. Michael Blumenfield, who was properly toasted in the presence of his family. As the oldest Past Speaker in Attendance, I had the honor to dub him Sir Michael using a fork instead of a sword! We are a dwindling group of not so benign knights but continue to welcome newer generations and hope to continue to greet among us more members of the Academy at "multosannos," as they used to say.

Milt L. Zaphiropoulos, MD
The Consortium for Psychoanalytic Research: The Psychoanalytic Research Annual Symposium will be held on Sunday, February 3, 2008 at Sibley Memorial Hospital. The featured speaker will be Henri Parens, MD, from Philadelphia. The tentative title is, “Good and Bad Aggression in Children.”

Sheila Hafter Gray, MD

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ACADEMY’S 51ST ANNUAL MEETING, SAN DIEGO, CA

President-Elect
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NEWS FROM MEMBERS

Special Interests:

Anne E. Bernstein, MD, Mamaroneck, NY  Women’s issues, Pregnancy, Delivery, Pre-menstrual syndrome, and Menopause.

Michael Blumenfield, Westchester County, NY  Psychosomatic Medicine, Disaster, Terrorism, and Post-Traumatic stress.

Nina Cerfolio, MD New York, NY  Women’s issues, Psychotherapy, Benefits of exercise: marathons, triathlons, ironman.

Mary Ann Cohen, MD, New York, NY  Psychosomatic Medicine, Bioethics and End of Life issues, HIV related psychiatric illness, Dementia and bereavement, PTSD.

Brian Crowley, MD, Washington, DC  Forensic Psychiatry and Clinical Psychodynamic Practice.

Louise B. Fierman, MD, Woodbridge, CT  Psychodynamic aspects of literature.

Paul M. Fine, MD, Omaha, NE  Quality of life, and Social welfare.

David V. Forrest, MD, New York, NY  Applied psychoanalysis and psychodynamics in neuropsychiatry; Study of facial affect dynamics with neural networks; Psychoanalytic anthropology; Literary and linguistic studies.

Jose L. Gonzalez de Rivera, MD, FRCP(C), Spain  Stress related disorders, Trauma, Adult bullying.

Reimer Hinrichs, MD, Berlin, Germany  Psychoanalytic victimology.

Nancy Joachim, MD, New York, NY  Art, Anthropology, Writing, Folk music and Culture.

James Jordan, MD, St. Paul, MN  Mental health care delivery policy; Multidisciplinary, graduate and post graduate training in community mental health.

Eugene L. Lowenkopf, MD, New York, NY  Forensics.

Garry Prouty, DSc, Tinley Park, IL  Psychosis, Retardation, Dementia.

Mona Schneider, MD, Hillsdale, NJ  Culture, ADHD and Writing for children.

Albert Schrut, MD, PhD, Los Angeles, CA  Neuroscience, Literature, Writing a novel and short stories.

Jorge Silva-Garcia, MD, Mexico City, Mexico  Art, Culture, Community, National and international politics, Problems of over-population, Depersonalization, and Global warming.

Sharon A. West, MD, Hattiesburg, MS  Disaster psychiatry, Art as psychodynamic media.

Professional Appointments:

Anne E. Bernstein, MD, Mamaroneck, NY  Attending Psychiatrist, Westchester Division, New York Presbyterian Hospital; Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons.

Victor Bloom, MD, Grosse Pointe, MI  Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Retired.

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Michael Blumenfield, Westchester County, NY  Speaker of Assembly of American Psychiatric Association.

Emmanuel G. Cassimatis, MD, Bethesda, MD  Vice President for Affiliations and International Affairs, Uniformed Services, University of the Health Science (USU); Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs and Professor of Psychiatry School of Medicine, USU.

Nina Cerfolio, MD, New York, NY  Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, NYU Medical Center, 2002; Clinical Assistant Professor in OB/GYN, NYU Downtown Hospital, 1998.

Marilyn Charles, PhD, Stockbridge, MA  Fellow, Section on Psychoanalysis, The Canadian Psychological Association.

Mary Ann Cohen, MD, New York, NY  Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Mount Sinai School of Medicine; Chair, Bioethics Subcommittee, Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine; Chair, HIV Research Subcommittee, Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine; Editor, “Issues in Ethics,” Psychosomatics.

Paul M. Fine, MD, Omaha, NE  Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry at Creighton University.

David V. Forrest, MD, New York, NY  Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Consultation Liaison Psychiatrist in Neurology (movement disorders) and Faculty, Psychoanalytic Center, Columbia University.

Shelly Galler, MD, Toronto, Ontario, Canada  2007 Fellow, American Psychiatric Association

Myron L. Glucksman, MD, West Redding, CT  Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, New York Medical College.

Jose L. Gonzalez de Rivera, MD, FRCP(C), Spain  Professor of Psychiatry at Universidad Antonome, Madrid.

Reimer Hinrichs, MD, Berlin, Germany  Training analyst at the German Academy of Psychoanalysis, Berlin and Munich.


Eugene L. Lowenkopf, MD, New York, NY  Lecturer, Department of Psychiatry, Weill Medical College.

Peter A. Olsson, MD, Keene, NH  Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Dartmouth; Adjunct Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Baylor College of Medicine.

Garry Prouty, DSc, Tinley Park, IL  President, Chicago Chapter of the International Society for the Psychological Study of Schizophrenia (ISPS-Chicago).

David H. Rosen, MD, College Station, TX  Distinguished Life Fellow, American Psychiatric Association.

Jorge Silva-Garcia, MD, Mexico City, Mexico  Balint Group Seminar, Geriatrics Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Medicas y Nutricion de Salvador Zupipan.

Allan Tasman, MD, Louisville KY  October 2006, President of the Pacific Rim College of Psychiatrists, two year term.  Fellow of the UK Royal College of Psychiatrists, 2007.

Medical/Psychodynamic/Psychoanalytic Presentations:

Nina Cerfolio, MD New York, NY  “The Struggle to Develop Object Constancy in the Context of Separation Anxiety,” Clinical Symposium at New York University Postdoctoral Program.

Marilyn Charles, PhD, Stockbridge, MA  “Epipany: The poet’s art, the analyst’s instrument.” Annual Meeting of APA Division 39, Toronto, April 20, 2007.


Myron L. Glucksman, MD, West Redding, CT  Grand Rounds Presentations on “Dreaming: An Opportunity for Change” at New York Medical College, November 2006; Metropolitan Hospital, New York City. March 2007; Saint Vincent’s Hospital, New York City, April 2007.

Reimer Hinrichs, MD, Berlin, Germany  “What is Mental Health?” DAP (German Academy of Psychoanalysis).


Eugene L. Lowenkopf, MD, New York, NY  Multiple presentations at the APA meetings on Malpractice Issues.


Ann R. Turkel, MD, New York, NY  Department of Psychiatry, Grands Rounds Richmond University Medical Center, March 9, 2007 on “Gender and Self-Esteem.” Annual meeting, New York County District, Branch of APA, April 12, 2007 on “Bullying.”


Medical/Psychoanalytic Publications:


**Community/Popular Appearances/Publications:**

Victor Bloom, MD, Grosse Pointe, MI  Talk to Witenagemonte Men’s Club on “The Amazing Brain.”


Marilyn Charles, PhD, Stockbridge, MA  April 2007: Case Consultations, Swarthmore, Widener Institute and Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia. May 2007: Speaker, Washington Center for Psychoanalysis, New Directions Program, Washington, DC.

Between Intersubjectivity, Attachment and Other Motivational Systems," in publication, Attachment and Human Development Journal.

Paul M. Fine, MD, Omaha, NE Psychiatry in Community Settings, Creighton and University of Nebraska combined Psychiatric Grand Rounds, November 2006.

David V. Forrest, MD, New York, NY Countdown with Keith Olbermann, MSNBC ("Alien Abduction").

Myron L. Glucksman, MD, West Redding, CT Presentation on “Dreaming” at Mark Twain Library, Redding CT. Visiting Professor, Cedars Sinai Hospital, January/February 2007 and May 3, 2007.

James Jordan, MD, St. Paul, MN President’s Message (quarterly) “Metrodoctors” Publication of Ramsey and Hennepin County Medical Societies.

Eugene L. Lowenkopf, MD, New York, NY Articles in New York Woman.

Silvia W. Olarte, MD, Manhattan, NY Awarded the APA’s 2007 Alexandra Symonds Award. This award is given annually to a woman psychiatrist to acknowledge “her outstanding contributions and leadership in promoting women’s health and the advancement of women.”

Peter A. Olsson, MD, Keene, NH The History Channel presents; “Cults: Dangerous Devotion.”

David H. Rosen, MD, College Station, TX “Healing through Humor and Hope,” Coping with Cancer, Volume 20, Issue 5.

Jorge Silva-Garcia, MD, Mexico City, Mexico “Los Encubredores (The Concealers – The Coverups),” Student Review of the Universidad Intercontinental Mexico City; “The Long Pilgrimage to becoming Humane.”


Personal Events:


Anne E. Bernstein, MD, Mamaroneck, NY December 23, 2006, 50th Wedding Anniversary with husband Richard K. Bernstein, MD, FACS.

Victor Bloom, MD, Grosse Pointe, MI Family reunion for 75th birthday celebration attended by 5 offspring, their spouses and their 13 offspring, my grandchildren, ages 2-15, at the Detroit Athletic Club.

Emmanuel G. Cassimatis, MD Last fall rotated off the Board of Directors of the ACGME after serving seven years, the last two as chair. Next June will complete fifteen years on the AMA House of Delegates and eight on the AMA Council on Medical Education. Enjoyed everything, but looking forward to having more free time at nights and on weekends!


Mary Ann Cohen, MD, New York, NY Expanding private practice of individual psychodynamic psychotherapy, and family therapy with focus on persons with PTSD and persons with medical illness.

Paul M. Fine, MD, Omaha, NE A great grandchild.

David V. Forrest, MD, New York, NY My daughter Susannah and her husband, Matthias Karajannis, MD, had our first grandchild Thalia on October 29, 2006. Matthias is now Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at New York University. I have returned to life drawing, at the Society of Illustrators after a gap of 40 years. Vice President, The Medical Strollers, 2007.
Peter A. Olsson, MD, Keene, NH  New Psychoanalytic Therapy Practice in Keene, NH.

Garry Prouty, DSc, Tinley Park, IL  Lifetime Achievement Award for Pre-therapy from The Chicago Psychological Association.

Sharon A. West, MD, Hattiesburg, MS  Travel between Mississippi and Bethesda, Maryland, to spend time with granddaughter Kyra Maal-King and parents Nusa and Kevin. Daughter Nusa travels, with family, to management meetings world-wide, creating dynamic artistic depictions of the spoken words, and skillfully promoting group cooperation. She also works as a life-coach to business executives.

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