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President's Message

Colleagues:

These past few months have been an eye-opening experience for me as the incoming President of Division 40—in a good way. I have seen firsthand how hard our Past-President, Celiane Rey-Casserly, has worked for the division. In addition to her leadership throughout this past year, she was the driving force behind our division's petition for continued recognition by APA of Clinical Neuropsychology as a Specialty in Professional Psychology. The approval of the petition by APA this past August is a crowning achievement for all of us. These are difficult shoes to fill.

I have also developed great respect for our other division officers, members-at-large, council representatives, and the chairs and members of our committees. Thanks to the talents and commitment of these individuals, our division runs well and is effective in promoting the interests of clinical neuropsychologists. Special recognition goes to Heather Belanger and her Program Committee for organizing such an excellent divisional program at the San Diego APA Convention. The program was not only informative but included some important innovations, including a mentoring session on obtaining research funding, a presentation on telehealth, and a session that provided graduate students with guidance in preparing for a career in clinical neuropsychology.

One way that the division supports our specialty is through our collaborations with APA. To this end, the Division 40 Executive Committee has worked hard to maintain our seats on APA's Council of Representatives and to ensure that our division has good representation on APA committees. The recent elections of Celiane Rey-Casserly to a new term on the Board of Educational Affairs, Kathleen Y. Haaland to the Board of Scientific Affairs, and Alice Cronin-Golomb to the Membership Board are examples of our division's engagement with APA. These persons will join several other Division 40 members who represent our interests in APA, including Paula Shear (Commission for the Recognition of Specialties and Proficiencies in Professional Psychology), Jennifer Manly (Committee on the Future of Psychological Science), Adam Brickman (Committee on Aging), Sid O'Bryant (Committee on Rural Health), Christopher Loftis (Policy and Planning

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From the Editor

Dear Division 40 members:

It is my pleasure to distribute another edition of the Division 40 Newsletter. This edition was designed to highlight the exciting activities and accomplishments the Division has been completing over the past year. Thank you to President Taylor and to all who submitted columns summarizing your accomplishments. My work as Newsletter Editor fills me with pride at reading about all the exciting accomplishments of our division. Our field can only progress to the degree that we all provide some degree of service to it through mechanisms such as Division 40, and I consider the Newsletter to be a forum to celebrate our accomplishments.

I would like to commend several people who have committed their valuable time to advance our field. Dr. Michael Cole has agreed to be the next Chair of the Division 40 Publications & Communications Committee, replacing Dr. William Barr. Dr. Robert Paul has agreed to be the next Chair of the Division 40 Science Advisory Committee, taking over for Dr. John Lucas. Dr. Steven Paul Woods has accepted the invitation to serve as the next Chair of the Division 40 Awards Committee, taking Dr. Laura Flashman’s place. Dr. Cole, Dr. Paul and Dr. Woods will start their roles after the Executive Committee meeting at APA in August.

Without further ado, please enjoy reading the newsletter. If you have suggestions to improve the newsletter or would like to contribute an article, please let me know.

Best regards,

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Board), and Dan Marson and Mieke Verfaillie (Committee on Human Research). Many other members of the division serve as monitors or liaisons on a wide range of APA committees.

Our division also collaborates with APA on a number of specific initiatives. To cite two examples, we recently worked with the APA Office of Regulatory Affairs on a letter responding to changes proposed by the Social Security Administration for evaluation of mental health disorders, and we partnered with the APA Committee on Aging to comment on a proposal by the American Medical Association to improve the care of patients with dementia.

To illustrate the benefits of these joint ventures, APA's Executive Director for Professional Practice, Katherine Nordal, has expressed a strong interest in working with clinical neuropsychologists on strategies for increasing insurers' willingness to cover our services. Dr. Nordal also recently submitted a letter to an insurance company advocating for coverage for technician time in conducting neuropsychological assessments. Having access to APA resources and political clout makes us unique among other neuropsychological organizations. Additional benefits for members of APA include the availability of cross-divisional resources, such as those provided by the Committee on Early Career Psychologists, American Psychological Association of Graduate Students, and Office of International Affairs. As a division of nearly 5,000 members that is invested in science and education as well as practice, we are also a highly respected contributor to APA.

Additional ways in which the division supports our specialty include (among others):

- Opportunities for mentoring, involvement in committees, and research presentations;
- Awards recognizing early career achievements, such as the Early Career Award, Junior Investigator Pilot Grant program, and Benton-Meier scholarship;
- A web listing of training programs in clinical neuropsychology maintained by our Education Advisory Committee;
- A newly developed interactive website for trainees created by Erica Kalkut and her colleagues in the Association of Neuropsychology Students in Training (ANST);
- An ANST network of graduate students training in clinical neuropsychology programs;
- An ancillary meeting at INS organized by ANST to inform and advise students and fellows on training toward board certification;
- A web-based Science Directory established by our Science Advisory Committee to collect information on members' research interests and external funding for potential use in establishing expert panels or work groups and in providing research updates;
- Partnerships with other neuropsychological organizations, such as the Clinical Neuropsychology Synarchy, to promote the quality and uniformity of training programs and professional practice; and
- Activities by the Women in Neuropsychology, Ethnic Minority Affairs, and Ethics subcommittees of our Public Interest Advisory Committee to promote professional development, informational exchange, and diversity.

The division also responds to actions taken by outside agencies that have implications for clinical neuropsychologists. Our purpose in responding is to educate others about clinical neuropsychology or defend our practice standards and special competencies. Recent examples are the division's endorsement of arguments presented by New York neuropsychologists to repeal a statute prohibiting the use of technicians in

neuropsychological assessments; a commentary on what was viewed as an overly restrictive rule change governing use of neuropsychological assessment billing codes in Minnesota; and work by our Practice Advisory Committee on a survey of medical necessity criteria and other methods of controlling access to neuropsychological assessments.

However, we must become even more proactive in engaging our members, communicating with each other, and supporting our specialty. We need to be more nimble in taking issue with positions voiced by outside agencies that may have negative repercussions for our practices or, alternatively, in advocating for policies that help build and sustain our professional identities. We need to promote a broader recognition of the scientific basis of our field and the links between science, education, and practice. And we need to increase our efforts to educate the public and other professionals about what clinical neuropsychologists do, our research achievements and specialty competencies, and the unique value of our clinical services. In many ways, these challenges parallel those facing psychology more generally as described in the 2009 Annual Report of the Policy and Planning Board (*American Psychologist*, 2010, Vol. 65, No. 5, 476-482).

At the last meeting of the Division 40 Executive Committee at the APA Convention in San Diego, then President Celiane Rey-Casserly and members-at-large Monica Rivera Mindt, Deborah Attix, and Julie Bobholz proposed that we develop a Strategic Plan to meet these challenges. The rationale for this plan is to serve our members in ways that are unique among other neuropsychological organizations, further strengthen our effectiveness in working with APA, cultivate divisional leadership, promote evidence-based practice and its scientific foundations, insure awareness of recent innovations and future trends in research and practice, and increase our capacity to advocate for our profession. A special meeting to work on the Strategic Plan is scheduled to coincide with the semi-annual business meeting of the Division 40 Executive Committee at INS on February 2, 2011. Members who have thoughts or suggestions for us to consider at this meeting are encouraged to pass them along to me

via email at hgt2@case.edu.

All in all, I have enjoyed this “immersion” experience and hope that my comments give you a sense of division activities and aspirations. From my perspective, there are many advantages to being a member and I look forward to working with you to maintain our division’s relevance and vitality.

Sincerely,
H. Gerry Taylor, Ph.D., ABPP-CN
President, APA Division 40

APA Fellows Committee
Doug Johnson-Greene, PhD., MPH, ABPP - Chair

APA Fellow status is an honor that recognizes evidence of unusual and outstanding contribution to or performance in the field of psychology that has had impact beyond a local, state, or regional level. To become a Fellow of Division 40, these contributions must have been within the field of clinical neuropsychology. Currently the division has 151 psychologists who have been honored with the distinction of Fellow out of approximately 4,500 members. This year six Division 40 members became new Fellows:

Philip Fastenau	Diane Howieson
Glen Larrabee	Robb Mapou
Doug Ris	Alexander Troster

Dr. Doug Johnson-Greene became the new chair of the committee in August of 2010. Other members of the committee include Drs. Pamela Keenan and Rodney Vanderploeg. The committee has been active this year in making contact with members and encouraging them to apply for Fellowship. We have been particularly interested in receiving applications from women and ethnic minorities, and the committee has benefited from a working alliance with the D40 Women in Neuropsychology (WIN) and Ethnic Minority Affairs (EMA) Committees who have been active in nominating members from underrepresented groups to become Fellows.

Public Interest Advisory Committee
Dr. Shelley Heaton - Chair

The **Division 40 Public Interest Advisory Committee (PIAC)** is currently chaired by Dr. Shelley Heaton (sheaton@phhp.ufl.edu). PIAC's primary mission is to increase public awareness of Division 40 and the practice of clinical neuropsychology. Through the work of this committee, we hope that the public sector will become more informed about neuropsychology, and reciprocal communication will be enhanced. PIAC maintains close ties to APA Public Interest Directorate through various monitor and liaison positions that help us to keep a finger on the pulse of directorate activities as well as represent Division 40 interests to several key APA committees. PIAC liaisons currently attend and participate in the consolidated meetings held twice a year for the following APA Committees: Committee on Children, Youth and Families (CYF; PIAC liaison – Dr. Scott Hunter), Committee on Aging (CONA; PIAC liaison – Dr. Angela Jefferson), Committee on Women in Psychology (CWP; PIAC liaison – Dr. Chris Morrison), and the Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs (CEMA; PIAC liaison – Dr. Maria Schultheis). Over four additional APA boards and committees are monitored by appointed Division 40 PIAC monitors who are watchful for issues of interest and import to our division.

PIAC is perhaps most widely known by Division 40 members for development of copyrighted brochures for public use, one describing **Clinical Neuropsychology**, and the other describing **Pediatric Neuropsychology**. Created under the leadership of prior PIAC chair Dr. Douglas Johnson-Greene, these brochures are available in English, French and Spanish. The brochures are intended as information for the public regarding the nature of neuropsychological assessment. These brochures continue to be available for free and can be downloaded and printed for personal or institutional use from the Division 40 website (http://div40.org/Resources_Pages/neuropsychology_brochures.htm). Professionally printed brochures can also be purchased from APA. These brochures have been extensively utilized by members. One of the goals of current leadership is to update and expand the PIAC division webpages in order to facilitate communication and keep our membership better informed about upcoming PIAC-sponsored activities.

PIAC is also the umbrella committee overseeing activities of the Women in Neuropsychology (WIN), Ethnic Minority Affairs (EMA), and Ethics subcommittees. Below are highlights of some of the important work being done by these subcommittees.

Women in Neuropsychology (WIN) is currently chaired by Dr. Chris Morrison. WIN has continued to promote the professional development of women in the field at all stages of their careers through a variety of educational and mentoring activities. WIN continues to offer a listserv supported by APA. There are currently over 500 members on the listserv. The listserv provides a forum for discussion of professional issues, dissemination of information from CWP/APA, and notification regarding position and funding opportunities. At the February 2010 meeting of INS WIN hosted "Sitting on the Other Side of the Desk: Advice from Expert Women on How to Get Involved in the Review Process". The event included a panel of women very experienced in peer review and active on editorial boards. At the 2010 APA Convention in San Diego, WIN presented a discussion hour "Teaching Supervision and Supervising Supervision" with discussant Dr. Carol Falender. At the 2011 INS meeting, WIN will be hosting a discussion hour entitled "Dealing with toxic situations in the professional setting." The 75 minute session will be held over lunch on Friday (exact time and location to be announced) and will undoubtedly be a stimulating discussion. For more information about WIN, please contact Dr. Morrison (mailto:Chris.morrison@nyumc.org) or visit the Division 40 WIN website (http://div40.org/Committee_Activities_Pages/Advisory_Committee/win.htm).

Ethnic Minority Affairs (EMA) is currently chaired by Dr. Maria Schultheis. EMA has continued to be active in promoting and facilitating the needs of ethnic-minority neuropsychologists and trainees/students in the areas of mentoring, networking and professional development/support. The EMA listserv remains active with over 215 subscribers. The listserv provides a mechanism for the announcements of training opportunities, grant announcements, and requests for assistance with professional development. The EMA individualized mentoring program is small but active with 11 mentor-mentee matches. We have also provided guidance for several mentees who have inquired about specific situations. EMA hosted a mentoring event at INS 2010. This year the event was offered with support from members of the Hispanic Neuropsychological Society. The event included 9 ethnic minority mentors who were available to cover various topics of interests to graduate and undergraduate students and junior neuropsychologists. At the 2010 APA Convention in San Diego, EMA hosted another student discussion panel entitled “The Road to a Career in Neuropsychology”. EMA plans to host a round table discussion at the 2011 INS meeting entitled “A mentoring hour for ethnic minority neuropsychologists”. The session will likely take place on Thursday evening or Friday mid-day of the conference, so keep an eye out for an announcement regarding the final meeting time and location. The purpose of this round table discussion session is to allow students and junior neuropsychologists to meet and discuss topics of interest related to careers. This includes open discussion regarding: 1) applying to internship, 2) applying to post-doc, 3) grant writing/research, 4) early career, and 5) mentoring. This session is also a good opportunity for students or junior faculty to speak with EMA leadership about being paired with a more senior minority mentor to provide ongoing guidance on these and other topics. For more information about EMA, please contact Dr. Schultheis (schultheis@drexel.edu) or visit the Division 40 EMA website (http://div40.org/Committee_Activities_Pages/Advisory_Committee/ethnic_min_affair_com.htm).

The Ethics Subcommittee (ES) is currently chaired by Dr. Kathleen Kortte. The Ethics Subcommittee continues to engage in activities that educate the membership and promote ethical practice in neuropsychology. At the 2010 APA Convention in San Diego, the ES presented a session as part of the Division 40 program that was focused on the ethical considerations in non-standardized neuropsychological assessment for accommodating those with disabilities. More recently, the ES worked to draft comments on the revision of the Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing that opened for comment starting January 1. The ES is also underway brainstorming about possible publication projects which could discuss a topic relevant to ethics in neuropsychology. For more information about the Ethics Subcommittee, please contact Dr. Kortte (kbechto1@jhmi.edu).

Program Committee
Adam M. Brickman, - Chair

The APA Annual Convention is August 4-7, 2011 in Washington DC. The Division 40 Program Committee has been working hard towards putting together a diverse and provocative program that we hope will inspire many of you to attend the convention. There were over 100 submissions, comprising posters, papers, symposia, and conversation hours, which came from all over the country and abroad. Although the program is in the process of being finalized, we do have confirmation from many of our invited speakers. There are some notable highlights: New York Times writer, celebrated author, and Associated Press Sports Editors Award winner **Alan Schwarz** will discuss sports-related head injury with Boston University's co-Director of the Center for the Study of Traumatic Encephalopathy, **Dr. Robert Stern**, in a special session moderated by incoming Division 40 President and NYU Professor **Dr. William Barr**. **Dr. Denise Park**, University Distinguished Chair, Regents Research Scholar, and Director of the University of Texas Dallas' Center for Vital Longevity, will discuss cognitive aging from a cognitive neuroscience perspective, while **Dr. Marilyn Albert**, Director of the Alzheimer's Disease Research Center at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, will give an update on modern approaches for early detection of Alzheimer's disease. **Dr. Jennifer Manly**, Associate Professor of Neuropsychology at Columbia University, is scheduled to present compelling developments in cross-cultural neuropsychology. Traumatic brain injury expert **Dr. Risa Nakase-Richardson** from the James A. Haley Veterans Hospital is preparing an engaging lecture about early neurobehavioral recovery from impaired consciousness. National Institutes of Health program officers (and neuropsychologists) **Dr. Jovier Evans** and **Dr. Laurie Ryan** will be giving their perspectives on current and anticipated trends of funding for research involving neuropsychology. On the pediatric front, **Dr. Maureen Dennis**, Senior Scientist at the Hospital for Sick Kids and Professor of Surgery and Psychology at University of Toronto, will be updating us on how she thinks about cognitive development and **Dr. Mark Mahone**, Director of Neuropsychology at the Kennedy Krieger Institute and Associate Professor of Psychiatry at Johns Hopkins University, will be sharing the latest perspectives on ADHD. And, private practitioner **Dr. Michael Chafetz** will be telling us everything we need to know about conducting Social Security disability evaluations. Stay tuned for updates as more of our field's leaders confirm their participation in the convention.

In addition to the stellar panel of invited speakers, our initial review of the submissions promises an inspiring set of paper presentations, poster sessions, and symposia. These events will be complemented by special sessions geared towards neuropsychologists at all stages of development. For example, the Division 40 **Science Advisory Committee (SAC)**, under the leadership of **Dr. John Lucas** and incoming chair, **Dr. Robert Paul**, will be collaborating this year with the **APA Committee on Aging** and **Committee on Early Career Psychologists** to sponsor an interactive mentorship session focused on research career paths. This event follows an enormously successful Division 40 SAC mentorship session at last year's convention, which featured a panel of senior neuropsychologist mentors and great food!

The Division 40 program at the 2011 APA Convention will surely be a rewarding experience for all who attend. It is not too early to begin planning your trip to Washington, DC.

Division 40 Program Committee:

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Lynn A. Schaefer
Anita Sim
Nikki Stricker
Pegah Touradji
Ruth Yoash-Gantz
Molly E. Zimmerman

Women in Neuropsychology

Women in Neuropsychology (WIN) would like to honor Dr. Yana Suchy in this issue's "WINner's Box." As a refugee from the former Czechoslovakia, Dr. Suchy entered college in the U.S. as a nontraditional student. She completed her graduate training at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee before completing her post-doctoral fellowship in neuropsychology at Evanston Hospital in Illinois. As a mother of two, she successfully balanced school, clinical training, and time with her children during the day, while devoting her evenings to research and writing. She is currently an Associate Professor of Clinical Neuropsychology at the University of Utah, where she has developed and maintained a strong clinical neuropsychology training program.

Throughout her career, Dr. Suchy has upheld a productive program of research. Her curriculum vitae includes over 50 publications in peer-reviewed journals and professional texts. She has also authored a book titled *The Neuropsychology of Emotion* (Guilford, 2011), which has generated enthusiasm and received rave reviews from neuropsychology colleagues. She maintains a broad research agenda with grant support on such diverse topics as self-regulation and insomnia, risk factors of cognitive decline, functional connectivity in frontal-subcortical circuitry in aging, and cognition in criminal offenders. She has served on the editorial board for *The Clinical Neuropsychologist* and *Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society* and is an ad hoc reviewer for a number of other journals.

Dr. Suchy demonstrates a passionate dedication to the enrichment of graduate students' academic and professional development. She strives to place students in a broad range of community training sites including neurorehabilitation, pediatric neuropsychology, and dementia. She encourages regular student presentations at academic conferences such as INS, NAN, and AACN and provides ample opportunity and support for student authorship of peer-reviewed manuscripts. She communicates with students to ensure that their academic and professional needs are met so that they will be highly competitive for internships and post-doctoral fellowships. Dr. Suchy has created an intellectually dynamic and interpersonally welcoming environment for students at *all* levels of training. Her warm, casual demeanor invites open communication about research ideas and training concerns, and she always makes time to discuss career and training goals with graduate and undergraduate students alike.

Dr. Suchy's accomplishments and character are admirable and make her a strong role model for her students and junior colleagues. She is admired by many for her quick wit, brilliant insights, and ability to enjoy herself and improve the lives of those around her.

Written by Dr. Yana Suchy's proud and appreciative graduate students,

Emilie Franchow, Jennifer Larson, Sommer Thorgusen, Holly Rau, and Lindsay Vaux

Science Advisory Committee

John A. Lucas, PhD, Chair

The Science Advisory Committee (SAC) facilitates the scientific mission of Division 40 (Div40) by communicating and promoting the integration of scientific goals within the Division, within APA, and across professions. Specific goals of the SAC include promoting the study and application of knowledge regarding brain-behavior relationships, advocating for the recognition of Div40 as a science division of APA, and recognizing/supporting student research in neuropsychology.

Student/Early Career Scientist Mentoring. The SAC sponsored a research mentoring session during the 2010 APA Convention entitled: *Building your research career in neuropsychology: technologies, transdisciplines, and funding*. This informal, “brown bag” session provided students and junior investigators an opportunity to discuss neuropsychological research and funding issues with a group of expert “mentors” in one-on-one and small group discussions. The session was centered on three themes, including emerging technologies, neuropsychology's role in transdisciplinary projects, and funding opportunities. Mentors included Mark Aloia, Leslie Baxter, Erin Bigler (co-chair), Munro Cullum, Cheryl Luis (co-chair), Jennifer Manly, Virginia Wadley, Molly Wagster from the National Institute on Aging (NIA), Steven Paul Woods, and Keith Yeates. Given the success of this program, the Div 40 SAC is working together with APA Council on Aging and APA Committee on Early Career Psychologists to plan another research mentoring session for the 2011 APA Convention in Washington, DC.

Awards

Congratulations to the recipients of the following awards, as determined by the Awards Subcommittee (Laura Flashman, Chair) of the Science Advisory Committee:

2009 Junior Investigator Pilot Grant

Pegah Touradjji, Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

2009 Student Travel Grant (for travel to 2010 APA Convention):

Michele A. Cuvas, MA, Alliant International University

2010 SAC Awards (presented at 2010 APA Convention).

SAC Award for excellence in applied neuropsychological research: Jordan Cattie, B.S., HIV Neurobehavioral Research Center, University of California, San Diego: “Construct Validity of the Item-Specific Deficit Approach in HIV”

SAC Award for excellence in cognitive neuroscience research: Alissa M Butts, BA, Marquette University: “Semantic Memory Activation Change Over 18 Months in Cognitive Decline”

Pearson/SAC Student Award: Tanya Antonini, BA, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center: “Medication Effects on Reaction Time Variability in Children with ADHD”

Pearson/SAC Student Award: Melissa S. Choi, MA, California School of Professional Psychology, San Diego: “Utility of Oral Reading in Assessment of Premorbid Functioning in Hispanics”

2010 Benton-Meier Scholarships

Amanda Rabinowitz, Pennsylvania State University

Laura Zahodne, University of Florida

Early Career Psychologist Committee

Lauren K. Ayr, Ph.D. - Chair

ECP Committee

Division 40 currently has the highest number of Early Career Psychologists (ECPs) in APA, which defines ECPs as being within seven years of the receipt of their doctorate degree. We are still recruiting new members for this committee! Please contact me at laurenkayr@gmail.com if you are interested in becoming a committee member, finding out more about how you can be involved in Division 40, or sharing your thoughts and ideas for ECPs.

CECP News: Call for Nominations!

The Committee on Early Career Psychologists (CECP) is seeking nominations for two representatives to serve a three-year term (2011-2013). The first position is an **Education and Training Representative**, who will represent ECP interests to the Board of Educational Affairs and the Education Directorate within APA. This representative also develops and supports projects within APA to promote the needs of ECPs in psychological education and training. In addition to mandatory committee meetings, this representative is required to attend and actively participate in the annual Education Leadership Conference. Applicants for the education and training slate should have current work experience as an educator, experience working with and the ability to represent the interests of ECPs to the education community in the field, experience working with committees and other groups in promoting education and training of students, and experience in initiating and implement projects. The second position is a **State, Provincial, and Territorial Psychological Associations (SPTA) Representative**, who will promote ECP interests and leadership experiences in State, Provincial, and Territorial Associations (SPTAs), and represents the interests of SPTAs related to ECPs within APA. This position co-directs a network of ECP representatives from SPTA and APA Divisions, and facilitates activities, projects and programs that foster joint membership and participation between the ECP memberships of

APA and SPTAs. In addition, this individual will be required to attend the State Leadership Conference in March. Applicants for the SPTA Slate will be evaluated on leadership experiences within SPTA governance and program activities, as well as a general history of leadership and governance work. For more information, or to nominate yourself or a fellow ECP, go to: <http://www.apa.org/careers/early-career/committee/call-for-nominations.aspx>.

List Serve

You can join the CECP Early Career Listserv, a forum dedicated to the needs of early career psychologists that includes ECPs from across APA Divisions and the State and Provincial Psychological Associations. To subscribe to the list, send an email to listserv@lists.apa.org with the following text in the body of the message: **SUBSCRIBE EARLYCAREER** (example: SUBSCRIBE EARLYCAREER Robert Smith).

Publications & Communications (P&C) Committee

William B. Barr, Ph.D., ABPP – Chair

Division 40's P&C Committee is responsible for providing information to the membership and public through 1) Newsletter 40, 2) the Division 40 website, and 3) the Division 40 archives. News for 2011 is that there will be changes in the committee leadership in addition to exciting developments in our division's utilization of newer technologies, including social networking modalities (e.g., Facebook & Twitter), in line with suggestions made by the division's Strategic Planning Committee.

Michael Cole, who has served many years as Division 40's webmaster will move into the role as chair of the P&C Committee once **William Barr** assumes the role of Division 40 President in August 2011. We congratulate Michael on his appointment to the chair of the committee and urge division members with skills and interests in programming and communications to contact him (michaelallancole@gmail.com) and get involved in the committee's activities.

Newsletter News: The highlight of 2010 is that **Brian Yochim** became the new editor of Newsletter 40. Brian is continuing our division's efforts to streamline communications and utilize electronic formats and new technologies. This is the second year of distributing Newsletter 40 to members electronically through email and placement on the website. Please contact Brian (Brian.Yochim@va.gov) for suggestions on newsworthy topics to be covered in future additions.

Website News: Under Michael Cole's stewardship, Division 40 continues to maintain an active website presence (<http://www.div40.org/>). There has been a 14% increase in traffic to the website over the last year. Visitors are also spending 26% more time on the website as compared to past statistics. The top content is, overwhelmingly, related to training programs. Training programs with information posted on those pages are encouraged to provide continued updates to keep

the information current. We encourage members to visit the website and give us feedback and information for updates.

Archives News: The committee is continuing with its long-term plans to transfer its archives from its previous home at the Louisiana State University Library to its new home at APA. William Barr will continue his activities with the P&C Committee as the division's archivist. Those with interests in helping to maintain the division's archives are encouraged to contact Dr. Barr at William.barr@nyumc.org.

Association of Neuropsychology Students in Training (ANST) update

Erica Kalkut, PhD - Chair

ANST serves as the student organization for Division 40, under the Education Advisory Committee. The purpose of ANST is to provide a voice for students in training in clinical neuropsychology, provide a platform where students in training can come together to discuss training issues, and provide many important resources and services for aspiring clinical neuropsychologists. In addition, through its affiliation with Division 40, students involved with ANST have the opportunity to learn about issues that affect our professional and scientific interests.

All Division 40 student members are automatically members of ANST. In addition to accessing resources on the ANST website, students at all levels of training are encouraged to join and participate on the ANST listserv, become an ANST Chapter Representative for their training program, and attend our educational seminars and social events at conferences including APA and INS.

2010 was a busy year for ANST and we are excited about new changes within the organization! In summer 2010, ANST welcomed new officers: Erica Kalkut (Chair), Dalin Pulsipher (Programming Officer), Cady Block (Communications Officer),

Rachel Fazio (Liaison Officer), Lauren Killeen and Kelly Crotty (Membership Officers). Since taking over their respective roles, the new officers have been working hard to meet the growing need of students in neuropsychology. An online needs assessment questionnaire was sent out during September and October via the ANST listserv and was used in part to develop a new ANST webpage. New additions to the website include a member spotlight, officer bios, Chair's welcome, updated scholarship and conference opportunities for students funding, internship/post doc information, and helpful links. The new website is scheduled to be available in early 2011, and will be accessed through the Division 40 website.

ANST always appreciates additional member feedback or ideas about anything to improve ANST. Our goal is always to serve our members and make ANST a better organization. On an ongoing basis ANST takes applications for our Chapter Representative Program, an initiative to coordinate communication between graduate programs and APA. The Chapter Representative Program is open to graduate students involved in neuropsychology training. Currently, there are over 20 programs involved in the Chapter Representative Program. For more information or for an application, please contact us at d40anst@yahoo.com.

ANNOUNCEMENT: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

American Psychological Foundation (APF) Mission and Funding

The APF provides financial support for innovative research and programs that enhance the power of psychology to elevate the human condition and advance human potential both now and in generations to come. It executes this mission through a broad range of scholarships and grants. For all of these, it encourages applications from individuals who represent diversity in race, ethnicity, gender, age, disability, and sexual orientation.

BENTON-MEIER NEUROPSYCHOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS

The Benton-Meier program funds graduate scholarships in the area of neuropsychology. Its description, application requirements, and procedures appear below.

Description

This program funds scholarships for promising graduate students enrolled in neuropsychology programs.

Program Goals: Encourage and enhance the development of talented students in neuropsychology

Funding Specifics: Up to two \$2,500 awards per year

Eligibility Requirements

- Completed doctoral candidacy
- Demonstrated research competence and area commitment
- IRB approval must be received from host institution before funding can be awarded if human participants are involved

Evaluation Criteria

- Conformance with stated program goals
- Applicant's demonstrated scholarship and research competence

Proposal Requirements

- Statement outlining how the scholarship money will be used
- Letter, co-signed by faculty mentor or training director, documenting applicant's scholarly and/or research accomplishments
- Full budget and justification
 - Include list of other funding sources
- Current CV
- Letter of recommendation from faculty advisor

F. J. McGUIGAN DISSERTATION AWARD

The F. J. McGuigan award supports dissertation research on the materialistic understanding of the mind. Its description, application requirements, and procedures appear below.

Description

This program provides support for dissertation research oriented toward advancing a unified conception of brain and behavior, primarily—but not exclusively—in the psychophysiological area.

Program Goals

- Advance the unified brain-behavior conceptualization of the human mind through empirical and/or theoretical research
- Encourage promising young researchers to pursue careers in related fields

Funding Specifics: One award per year in the amount of \$2,000

Eligibility Requirements

- Completed doctoral candidacy, including dissertation approval by doctoral committee, at a regionally accredited institution located in the U.S. or Canada
- Demonstrated commitment to stated program goals (*dualistic approaches characteristic of much contemporary cognitive research are specifically ineligible*)
- IRB approval must be received from host institution before funding can be awarded if human participants are involved

Evaluation Criteria

- Conformance with stated program goals
- Quality of proposed work
- Applicant's demonstrated scholarship and research competence

Proposal Requirements

- Description of proposed project to include goal, relevant background, target population, methods, anticipated outcomes
 - Format: not to exceed 7 pages (1 inch margins, no smaller than 11 point font)
- Nomination letter from current advisor
- Timeline for execution
- Current CV
- Full budget and justification (indirect costs not permitted)

Submission Process and Deadline

Submit a completed application online at <http://forms.apa.org/apf/grants/> by **June 1, 2011**.

Questions about these programs should be directed to Kim Palmer Rowsome, Program Officer, at krowsome@apa.org.

