

Psychology GIVING

APF Grants Over \$33,000 In Visionary Funding

Tightening the bond between mother and child in the wake of disaster. Increasing awareness of the dangers of child trafficking. Educating the public about mental illness among older adults. These are three of the goals APF's funding is making possible.

The **9/11 Mothers and Children Project** was awarded a two-year, \$10,000 grant to provide outreach, group counseling, referrals and videotaped mother-child bonding consultations for women who were pregnant and widowed on September 11, 2001 and their children.



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“Our psychoanalytically-informed bonding consultation uses therapeutic viewing of the videotape with the parent and several of our therapists,” says project director Beatrice Beebe, PhD. “The parent’s powerful experience of watching herself and her child interact, and our joint efforts to translate the action sequences into words, facil-

itates the mother’s ability to see herself and her child, and an improved ability to engage her child.”

Begun in April 2002, the project is housed in the Department of Communication Sciences at the New York State Psychiatric Institute at Columbia University. Currently, there are 30 participating families and the children range from 5-13 years old.

A \$6,700 grant was made to the **Population Media Center (PMC)** to support a radio program in Niger that will increase awareness of the violence and abuse inherent in child trafficking. PMC, an international NGO, uses social learning theory and Sabido methodology, a behavior change communication approach, to create and broadcast long-running dramatic programs in which realistic characters model positive behavior change for the audience.

With its APF grant, PMC created a 144-episode show called *Goba Da Haske* (Tomorrow the Light Will Dawn). The program was based on a highly successful model used in Mali, Burkina Faso, and the Ivory Coast.

APF also presented the **Older Women’s League (OWL)**, a non-profit organization committed to addressing issues women face as they age, with a three-year, \$15,000 grant to support Older Americans’ Mental Health Week. The celebration includes local and national public education activities, advocacy, and media outreach to raise awareness among policy-makers and the public about the prevalence and treatment of mental illness among older adults. The 2007 event was held May 20-26.

Visionary grants are awarded to individuals and groups that use psychology to find effective solutions to societal problems. These grants are made possible by the generosity and dedication of APF’s Visionary Circle. For more information about APF’s grant-making priorities or to apply for a grant, visit www.apa.org/apf.

Blasko Receives LGB Family Psychology Grant



KELLY BLASKO

Kelly Blasko, a fourth-year doctoral student in counseling psychology at Pennsylvania State University, was selected as the recipient of the 2007 APF Roy Scrivner Pre-Doctoral Research Grant. The \$1,000 grant supports exemplary research on lesbian, gay

and bisexual family psychology and therapy.

Blasko’s dissertation topic is “Prototypical Assessment by Therapists of Same-Sex and Opposite-Sex Intimate Partner Violence Using a Control-Based Typology.” She plans to investigate the stereotypic reactions of therapists towards lesbian, gay, and bisexual couples for relational issues. Blasko will begin her clinical internship at the Center for Counseling and Psychological Services at Pennsylvania

State University in August 2007.

The APF Scrivner grants are made possible by a generous bequest from Roy Scrivner, PhD, a counseling and clinical psychologist and former president of the Texas Psychological Association. For more information, visit www.apa.org/apf/hooker.html.

APF-Sponsored Events at the San Francisco APA Convention

APF will sponsor a variety of invited addresses, symposia, and special events at the American Psychological Association (APA) Convention in San Francisco:

Thursday, August 16

Elizabeth Munsterberg Koppitz Pre-Convention Workshop on Child Psychology; Camilla Benbow, EdD, chair; Stephen Hinshaw, PhD, featured speaker; 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., San Francisco Marriott Hotel, Sierra Conference Suite H. *

Saturday, August 18

Spielberger EMPathy Symposium on Emotion, Motivation, and Personality; Charles D. Spielberger, PhD, chair; Mark Richard Leary, PhD, *The social and psychological functions of self esteem*; James J. Gross, PhD, *Emotion regulation: Personality processes and individual differences*; Mahzarin Banaji, PhD, *Ingroups and outgroups: Lessons from brains, babies, and primates*; 10:00 a.m.–11:50 a.m., Moscone Center, Room 224.

William Bevan Lecture on Psychology and Public Policy; Patrick H. DeLeon, PhD, JD, chair; John Monahan, PhD, *Danger and disorder: Should treatment ever be mandated?*; 11:00 a.m.–11:50 a.m., Moscone Center, Room 220.

Arthur W. Staats Lecture on Unifying Psychology; Robert Sternberg, PhD, chair; Bruce McEwen, PhD, *Of molecules and mind: Integrating the psychology and biology of stress and adaptation*; 12:00 p.m.–12:50 p.m., Moscone Center, Room 236.

Charles L. Brewer Distinguished Teaching of Psychology Award Address; Steven E. James, PhD, chair; Baron Perlman, PhD, *Thoughts from a think house: Reflections on teaching*; 1:00 p.m.–1:50 p.m., Moscone Center, Room 226.

APF/APA Awards Ceremony; Sharon S. Brehm, PhD, and Dorothy W. Cantor, PsyD, co-chairs; 4:00 p.m.–5:50 p.m., San Francisco Marriott Hotel, Yerba Buena Salon 7.

APF Friends of the Foundation Reception; Dorothy Cantor, PsyD, chair; 6:00 p.m.–7:50 p.m., San Francisco Marriott Hotel, Nob Hill Rooms A & B. *

Sunday, August 19

CE Workshop: Psychological Implications of and Treatment for Diabetes; Richard Rubin, PhD, Suzanne Bennett-Johnson, PhD, instructors; 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m., Hilton San Francisco Hotel (registration required; CE credit awarded; contact www.apa.org/ce or call 1-800-374-2721, ext. 5991). *

Lynn Stuart Weiss Lecture on the Psychological Study of Social Issues; Norman Abeles, PhD, chair; Michael G. Wessells, PhD, *Child soldiers, terrorism, & torture: Beyond rhetoric on human rights*; 2:00 p.m.–2:50 p.m., Moscone Center, Room 226.

Rosalee Weiss Lecture for Outstanding Leaders in Psychology; Anthony Jackson, PhD, chair; Derald Wing Sue, PhD, *Racial microaggressions in everyday life: Impact on mental health and clinical practice*; 3:00 p.m.–3:50 p.m., Moscone Center, Room 200.

Esther Katz Rosen Lecture on Gifted Children and Adolescents; Camilla Benbow, EdD, chair; James Gallagher, PhD, *Contributions of gifted students to general education*; 4:00 p.m.–4:50 p.m., Moscone Center, Room 224.

E.J. McGuigan Lecture on Understanding the Human Mind; Norman Abeles, PhD, chair; Donald T. Stuss, PhD, *Demystifying the human mind: Studies of the frontal lobes*; 4:00 p.m.–4:50 p.m., Moscone Center, Room 226.

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APF Spotlight: Frances Degen Horowitz, PhD

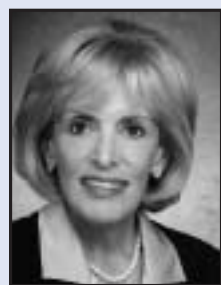
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—Dr. Horowitz is currently university professor and president emerita at the City University of New York Graduate School and University Center. She spent 30 years at the University of Kansas where she was founding chair of the department of human development, vice chancellor for research, graduate studies and public service and initiated the Kansas Infant Research Laboratory, before returning to New York in 1991. Dr. Horowitz has served as president of APA Division 7 and president of the Society for Research in Child Development. She is a former APF trustee and current member of APF’s Legacy Club.



DR. HOROWITZ

Rickel Makes \$10K Gift for Public Policy Research



ANNETTE U. RICKEL, PhD

In March, **Annette U. Rickel, PhD**, a clinical practitioner and professor of psychology at Cornell University Medical College, made a \$10,000 gift to APF to establish the APF Annette Urso Rickel Foundation Dissertation Award for Public Policy. The \$1,000 award, which will be given annually for five years, will support dissertation research on public policy that has the potential to improve services for children and families.

Topics include issues with at-risk populations, prevention of child abuse, services for youth in the criminal justice system, effectiveness of school programs for children with psychological issues, and promoting healthy parenting. The first award will be given in 2008.

Dr. Rickel received her doctorate from the University of Michigan and most recently was a professor of psychiatry at Georgetown University Medical Center. She is a fellow and past president of the APA Society for Community Research and Action, and was a fellow of the American Council on Education. She served on President Clinton’s Task Force for National Health Care Reform and has received several research awards from institutions such as the National Institutes of Health and the MacArthur and Kellogg Foundations. Dr. Rickel has authored or coauthored seven books, numerous research articles, and chapters that deal with early intervention programs for individuals at high risk for psychopathology.

Fredman Honored for Anxiety Disorder Research



STEFFANY J. FREDMAN

Steffany J. Fredman, a doctoral candidate in clinical psychology at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, was selected as the recipient of the 2006 APF Todd E. Husted Memorial Dissertation Award. The \$1,000 award recognizes outstanding dissertation research that demonstrates a strong potential to improve mental health services for those with severe mental illnesses.

Fredman’s research centers on mood and anxiety disorders within a couple/family context. She focuses particularly on understanding how families respond to one member’s being in distress and ways that partner/family involvement in treatment optimizes outcomes for those with mental illness.

The award is made possible through a gift from June Husted, PhD, whose son, Todd, died as a result of severe mental illness. For more information about the APF Husted Award, visit www.apa.org/apf/husted.html.

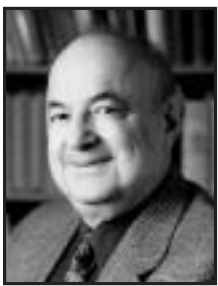
APF Honors Life Achievement in Psychology

The American Psychological Foundation is pleased to announce the winners of the 2007 Gold Medals for Life Achievement. The Gold Medals will be presented at the APA/APF Awards Ceremony at the APA Convention on August 18, 2007, at 4:00 p.m.



PATRICIA M. BRICKLIN, PhD

Patricia M. Bricklin, PhD, of Widener University, will receive the *Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Practice of Psychology*. Dr. Bricklin's contributions stand as a model for all psychologists for a lifetime dedicated to promoting access to psychological services by advocating for ethical practice through local, state and national psychological organizations. Her efforts to develop a "house for practice" within APA strengthened and transformed the practice of psychology. Dr. Bricklin's accomplishments as a pioneer in media psychology, a clinician, an educator, supervisor, mentor, friend and supporter, as well as a tireless advocate for the profession, are countless and unsurpassed.



IRVING I. GOTTESMAN, PhD

Irving I. Gottesman, PhD, of the University of Minnesota Medical School, will receive the *Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Science of Psychology*, in recognition of his extraordinary impact on the field both through conceptual innovations and empirical work. Dr. Gottesman made substantial contributions to the studies of schizophrenia, criminal behavior and personality, and his vision and action in bringing psychology, psychiatry and genetics together in innovative ways has been unsurpassed. An inquisitive scientist, a man of ideas, a creative researcher, an inspiring mentor and a constantly-engaged scholar, Dr. Gottesman influenced multiple scientific fields and helped to bring them together in a mutually enriching fashion, actively molding the landscape of modern science. His work has also promoted the rights of mentally ill people and has helped the public appreciate the course and the etiology of mental disorders.



RHODA K. UNGER, PhD

Rhoda K. Unger, PhD, of Brandeis University, will receive the *Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in Psychology in the Public Interest*. She is most noted as an author of influential books and theoretical articles on the psychology of women and gender, in leadership roles in APA's social justice divisions, as founding editor of the electronic journal "Analyses of Social Issues and Public Policy," and as mentor to legions of students and junior colleagues who later made their own contributions in the public interest. Her incisive analyses of social problems have transformed social psychology and laid the foundations for the emerging field of feminist psychology.



McCAY VERNON, PhD

McCay Vernon, PhD, emeritus professor at McDaniel College, will receive the *Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Application of Psychology*. Dr. Vernon's exploration of the psychosocial aspects of deafness, his challenges to poor educational practices, his encouragement of deaf people and his continued fight to ensure legal rights for those who are deaf has changed the way deafness and people who are deaf are perceived. Because of his commitment to these issues, today's generation of deaf people have far greater opportunities than their parents ever hoped for.

Perlman is 2007 APF Distinguished Teacher



BARON PERLMAN, PhD

APF will present **Baron Perlman, PhD**, with the 2007 *Charles L. Brewer Distinguished Teaching of Psychology Award* at the APA/APF awards ceremony on August 18 at the 2007 APA Convention in

San Francisco.

Dr. Perlman earned his doctorate in clinical psychology from Michigan State University in 1974 and spent a year working in its psychology department, which crystallized his professional identity as an academic psychologist who is also a clinician. In 1975, Dr. Perlman joined the psychology department at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh.

He has been blessed with role models and colleagues who have made teaching and curriculum a fascinating area for research and study. Charles Brewer's collegiality and interests convinced Dr. Perlman of the necessity of attending to the discipline's curriculum in all its facets. Dr. Perlman also credits his success to his students, who have been the beneficiaries—"and sometimes the victims"—of his teaching. Often without realizing it, they have helped refine his classroom effectiveness and raised questions about teaching that deserve contemplation and study.

Dr. Perlman will deliver "Thoughts From a Think House: Reflections on Teaching" at the APA Convention on Sunday, August 19, at 2:00 pm.

Overmier Establishes APF International Fund



J. BRUCE OVERMIER, PhD

In 2004, **J. Bruce Overmier, PhD**, current president of the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS), made a \$10,000 pledge to APF with the goal of creating a Fund to support international capacity building programs that advance the science and practice of psychology for the understanding of behavior and the benefit of human welfare in the international context.

The goal is to raise \$50,000 by January 2010. For more information or to contribute to this effort, call (202) 336-5622 or donate online at www.apa.org/apf and indicate "IUPsyS Fund."

Dr. Overmier is professor of psychology, neuroscience, and cognitive science at the University of Minnesota and a professor of biological and medical psychology at the University of Bergen (Norway). He has been president of the Midwestern Psychological Association (1988-89), APA Division of Physiological and Comparative Psychology (1990-91), APA Division of Experimental Psychology (1992-93), the Pavlovian Society (1996-97), and the Society for General Psychology (2003). Author of some 200

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