

# Psychology GIVING

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## APF HELPS WOMEN HELP THEMSELVES: MICROFINANCE

In a rural village, a poor woman gets \$50 to buy a sewing machine; makes clothes for her children, sells clothes to others, and works her way out of abject poverty. Her \$50 comes from microfinance—the practice of lending small amounts of money to help individuals work their way out of abject circumstances.

Microfinance is becoming an instrumental tool in philanthropy, and the corporate world is also becoming involved. In fact, the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize was jointly awarded to Muhammad Yunus and his Grameen Bank, for their pioneering work in the field of microfinance.

Now APF is giving its 2009 *Visionary Grant* to study the psychological impact of microfinance.



Alisha Ali, PhD, Robert Hawkins, PhD, and Randolph Mowry, PhD, of New York University, will use their APF \$20,000 *Visionary Grant* to study the psychological effects of a micro-lending program on domestic violence survivors.

Drs. Ali, Hawkins, and Mowry will develop and implement a peer-based, supportive lending program designed to meet the needs of women residing in a domestic violence shelter, and will empirically examine the impact that an economic empowerment program will have on the women's psychological well-being.

Dr. Dorothy Cantor, APF President, explains: "APF's *Visionary Grant* program supports innovative work in psychology that addresses areas of social concern. This year's grant is one of our best examples of how psychologists can break new ground as they apply psychology's problem-solving discipline to helping those who need it the most."

## ROM-RYMER SUPPORTS APF'S VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVES

Dr. Beth Rom-Rymer made a \$25,000 gift to support APF's *Visionary grant-making* priority of violence prevention and intervention. Dr. Rom-Rymer's gift will:

- Encourage the transfer of psychological science with regard to violence, its prevention, and intervention strategies to applications within the community; and
- Support the implementation of innovative community programs aimed at preventing violence.

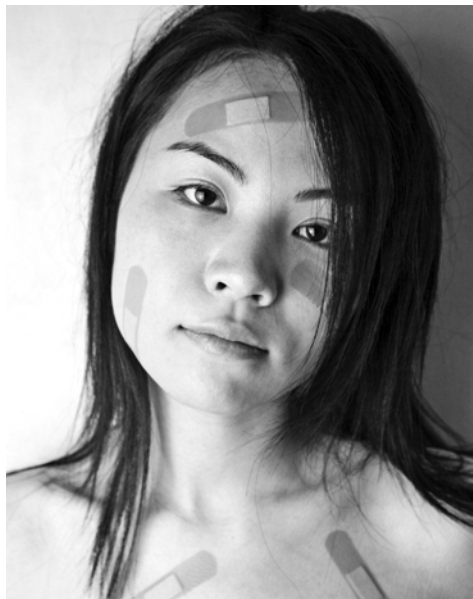
Dr. Rom-Rymer is a forensic and clinical psychologist and President of Rom-Rymer and Associates, a private consulting and clinical practice located in Chicago. In 2007, she received the National Award in Leadership from the American Society for the Advancement of Pharmacotherapy (APA Division 55).



BETH ROM-RYMER, PHD

# APF EMPOWERS VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE

Lauren Cattaneo, PhD, of George Mason University, will receive a *Raymond A. and Rosalee G. Weiss Innovative Research and Programs Grant* to develop a measure



of empowerment for victims of domestic violence seeking help from the court system. The project measures how interactions with the court system can allow victims of intimate partner violence to have a voice in the criminal justice process. By developing a way to evaluate the effectiveness of different court responses, the project will help inform future programs and policies in these cases.

## RANDY PHELPS MAKES VISIONARY GIFT

Randy Phelps, PhD, Deputy Executive Director of the American Psychological Association's Practice Directorate, recently made



a \$10,000 contribution to APF in memory of his wife, Betty. Dr. Phelps explained that a contribution to APF to support APF's scholarship program would be the best way to honor his wife's birthday. "This would be something she would have wanted me to do."

"SHE WAS THE LOVE OF MY LIFE."



## OKURA FOUNDATION HELPS ASIAN AMERICANS

The Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation recently made a three-year grant to the American Psychological Foundation to support the *AAPA-APF Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation Fellowship*. This fellowship will provide grants to support psychology's efforts to benefit the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community through research, training, and service/practice. The \$20,000 grant will rotate each year among these three areas. The first grant, in 2010, will go to a researcher whose work is on issues specific to the AAPI community.

### Note from the President

Your continued support this past year has allowed APF to maintain our granting programs and has allowed students, practitioners, and researchers the opportunity to expand the field and help people in times when they need it most. Thank you for your support and for sharing in the spirit of philanthropy.



DOROTHY W. CANTOR, PSY.D.  
President

Because of your generosity, we have been able to increase our impact and establish new partnerships, create new grants, and increase our applicant pool. As this year winds down, know that during this time when the need for psychology has been most urgent, we have risen to the challenge and we look to the future with the hope for continued success.

*Dorothy W. Cantor, Psy.D.*

Dorothy W. Cantor, PsyD  
APF President

## PEARSON COMMITS TO SOLVING SOCIAL PROBLEMS



Longtime APF donor and the world's leading educational company, Pearson, has committed \$45,000 to provide annual grants to encourage the search for solutions to pressing societal problems. The APF *Pearson Early Career Grant* will support the work of early career clinicians who work on critical societal needs including, but not limited to: incarcerated or homeless individuals, children with serious emotional disturbance, and adults with serious mental illness.

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE, MAKE A BEQUEST

### Q: Why do people make charitable bequests?

There are various reasons why people give. A donor may have a personal connection to an organization or might, quite simply, believe in its mission. Many people make charitable bequests to APF because they want to give back to psychology and see their name and legacy live on.

### Q: What are the benefits if I were to make a charitable bequest?

There are some tax benefits. For example, heirs will not be taxed on a bequest. Many donors feel unsure about making a gift of current assets because those monies may be needed. A bequest ensures that the organization will receive a gift and that the

donor's assets remain intact for as long as he or she needs them. A bequest allows a donor to provide for heirs *first* and the charitable organization *second*.

### Q: In general, how would I go about making a bequest?

You would simply ask your attorney to include language in your will. When making a bequest, you have the ability to stipulate that a charitable organization receive a percentage of the estate, a fixed amount of money, or the residuary, which is what is left of an estate after all other debts, taxes, expenses, and bequests have been fulfilled. Your attorney or tax advisor would be able to instruct you on which bequest would best serve you and your heirs.

### Q: Why would I want to consider APF as a beneficiary in my will?

APF provides benefits for those who include the Foundation in their estate plans. These individuals become members of APF's Legacy Club, and they receive preferred seating at APA's Opening Session at the APA Convention and invitations to special Foundation events. Their names are listed in the *American Psychologist*, the APF newsletter, and in APF's annual report.

**Individuals interested in making a bequest or another planned gift can contact Elisabeth Straus at [estraus@apa.org](mailto:estraus@apa.org) or (202) 336-5843.**

## APF STUDENT GRANTS PROMOTE LGBT UNDERSTANDING

**T**he *Wayne F. Placek Grants* encourage research to increase the general public's understanding of homosexuality and sexual orientation to alleviate the stress that lesbian women, gay men, bisexual women, bisexual men, and transgendered people experience in this and future civilizations. APF recently, for the first time, awarded the two Placek grants to students.

T. Andrew Caswell graduated from Bethany College in 2000 with a BS in psychology and received an MA in psychology from Marshall University in 2003. A graduate student at the University of South Florida, Caswell's work seeks to shed light on how people form moral judgments of same-sex behavior and same-sex marriage, and examine the role of moral emotions in forming these moral judgments.

Bethany Everett graduated with a BA in psychology from the University of California at Davis in 2004 and entered the PhD program in the Department of Sociology at the University of Colorado at Boulder in 2006. Her dissertation research will employ a biobehavioral framework to examine LGBTQ health disparities during the transition from adolescence to adulthood, she is particularly interested in the links between discrimination, mental health, and both cardiovascular and immune functioning.

## APF LEGACY CLUB

Members of *APF's Legacy Club* have generously remembered APF in their estate plans as a way to give back to the discipline that gave them so much.

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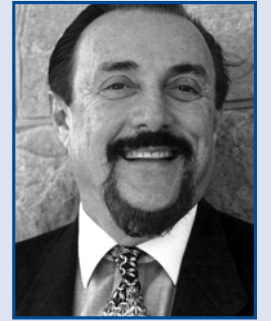
## APF NEWS:

### Phil Zimbardo and Florence Denmark become Honorary Trustees

APF welcomes the addition of Dr. Philip G. Zimbardo and Dr. Florence L. Denmark as Honorary Trustee members.

Dr. Zimbardo is an internationally recognized scholar, educator, researcher, and media personality.

Dr. Denmark, best known for her work with the psychology of women, is a long-time supporter of APF.



PHILIP G. ZIMBARDO, PhD



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### Kim Palmer Rowsome Joins APF Staff

Kim Palmer Rowsome joined the APF staff in July 2009 and is responsible for managing APF's scholarship, fellowship, grant, and award programs. Prior to joining APF, Ms. Rowsome was a research assistant for the Department of Public and International Affairs at George Mason University while attending graduate school full-time. Previously, Ms. Rowsome worked at Beacon House, a community-based organization, as the Education Director, where she developed and implemented educational programming for at-risk youth. Ms. Rowsome received a bachelor's degree in family studies from the University of Maryland, College Park, and a MPA with a concentration in non-profit management from George Mason University.

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### APF Sends High School Sophomores to Yale

Kristina Olson, PhD, Assistant Professor of Psychology at Yale University, will receive the 2009 *Pre-College Grant* for her work with the Yale Science Collaborative for Hands-On Learning and Research (SCHOLAR) program. Sophomore SCHOLARs will take a college-level psychology course, and high school juniors and seniors will be able to work in the social cognitive development lab at Yale University as interns.

The grant epitomizes the goal of APF's Pre-College Psychology Grant Program, which aims to reinforce the discipline of psychology as a science in secondary school curricula, expand the profile of psychology as a science, attract talented high school students to pursue the discipline, convey to high school students that psychological science is a tool to improve society, and teach students about career options that apply psychology outside of an academic setting.

### Promoting Study in Family Dynamics

Two graduate students each received a *Randy Gerson Memorial Grant*.

- Robin Barry, of the University of Iowa, will research marital distress and decline, examining the effect that romantic disengagement has on marriage. Barry hopes that her work can be used to improve upon existing programs aimed at preventing marital distress, or can lead to the development of such programs.
- Jennifer Willett, of the University of Tennessee, will examine the effects of parental marital strife on an offspring's own romantic relationship functioning, taking social cognitions of the offspring into account. Willett hopes to identify potential sources of resilience and adaptation that offspring may possess.

### APF Supports Early Career Psychologists

- *Rebecca Saxe, PhD*, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has discovered a region of the human brain that is specifically engaged when people think about each other's thoughts. Her groundbreaking work won her *Robert L. Fantz Award*, which recognizes promising young investigators in psychology.
- To recognize her promising achievements related to psychotherapy practice, research, and training, *Katherine Muller, PhD*, received the 2009 *Division 29 Early Career Award*. Dr. Muller has worked as a therapist in the Rutgers University eating disorders clinic, provided outpatient care to patients at Montefiore, and worked as a volunteer therapist for Project Liberty, the New York 9-11 Treatment Invention Program.
- Peter Norton, PhD, received the *Theodore H. Blau Early Career Award for Outstanding Contribution to Professional Clinical Psychology*. Dr. Norton is Director of the Anxiety Disorders Clinic at the University of Houston's Psychology Department, the only low-cost specialty anxiety treatment center in Houston.

### Student Travel Grants to the APA Convention

- The *Paul Henkin Travel Grant* provides monetary support to defer the costs of registration, lodging, and travel for student members of APA Division 16 (School Psychology) to attend the APA annual Convention. Katie Eklund, of the University of California, Santa Barbara, received the 2009 Henkin Grant.
- APF's *Ungerleider/Zimbardo Travel Scholarships* help psychology graduate students travel to the annual APA Convention to present their research. The 2009 recipients are:
  - Sabrica Barnett, Graduate Center, City University of New York
  - Lauren Gibbs, The College of William and Mary
  - Benjamin Liberman, Teachers College, Columbia University
  - Wakako Sogo, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
  - Katherine Tsai, University of California, San Diego/San Diego State University Joint Doctoral Program
  - Ian K. Villalta, Arizona State University
  - Natalie Wieland, University of California, Los Angeles

### Understanding Emotions and Depression

Lauren M. Bylsma, a clinical psychology doctoral candidate at the University of South Florida, won the annual \$2,000 *E.J. McGuigan Dissertation Scholarship* to research emotional functioning in major depression. Ms. Bylsma aims to clarify the nature of emotional reactivity and regulation deficits in persons with major depression.

### Combating Bias

Lindsey Monteith, a clinical psychology graduate student, won the *Violet and Cyril Franks Scholarship* to study whether a negative bias exists against depression relative to physical illness in an ethnically diverse undergraduate sample. Ms. Monteith seeks to improve the understanding of stigma against depression, and to investigate effective and efficient strategies of addressing this stigma.

### APF Supports Reproductive Health

APF awarded two *Henry David Grants*, one for research and one for travel, that support work in behavioral aspects of human reproductive behavior or in an area related to population concerns.

- Amy Conroy, of the University of Colorado Denver, received the David Research Grant for her project *Take the Test, Take Control? HIV Testing and Sexual Relationship Power in Malawi*. Conroy will examine the role of gender and sexual power dynamics in HIV testing in Malawi, a country with high HIV/AIDS prevalence.
- Doug VanderLaan, a graduate student at the University of Lethbridge in Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, received the David Travel Grant. VanderLaan's research focuses on testing a number of long-standing evolutionary theories that attempt to account for the existence of male homosexuality.

### APF Awards Outstanding Achievement

- APF recently awarded the 2009 *Joseph P. Gittler Award* for the most philosophical foundation of psychological knowledge to *Dr. Daniel Kahneman*, Senior Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University. In 2002, Dr. Kahneman received both the Grawemeyer Prize and the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences.
- *Mark A. Blais, PsyD*, of Psychology Assessment Center (Massachusetts General Hospital) received the *Theodore Millon Award in Personality Psychology*, which is given annually to an outstanding mid-career psychologist engaged in advancing the science of personality psychology.
- *Norbert Schwarz, PhD*, of the University of Michigan, is the recipient of the 2009 *Wilhelm Wundt-William James Award for Exceptional Contributions to Trans-Atlantic Psychology*.

### Understanding Gifted Children

APF's *Esther Katz Rosen Fellowships* support graduate students whose work seeks to improve the psychological understanding of gifted and talented children and adolescents. The following students each received a \$25,000 fellowship:

- Joni Lakin, of the University of Iowa, will explore how test directions can most effectively explain unfamiliar test items to young English-language learner (ELL) students. She expects to show that test instructions that provide verbal explanations and visual demonstrations will better explain unfamiliar tasks to young ELL students.
- Kristen Foster Peairs, of Duke University, will investigate the social world of gifted adolescents, examining various peer relationships to better understand the socioemotional development of gifted youth. Peairs will explore how gifted youth with peer problems compare to gifted youth without peer problems and to non-gifted peers.