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AUGUST 14TH - 17TH, BOSTON, MA

Thursday, August 14th

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 211

Paper Session (S): Transformational Spiritual and Religious Experiences

PARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

Elizabeth A.R. Robinson, PhD, MSW, University of Michigan—Ann Arbor

Life-changing Spiritual and Religious Experiences in Alcoholics: Characteristics and Association With Drinking Behaviors Over Time

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Denominational Differences in Religious Comfort/Struggle and Adjustment after Loss

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Kirsten Shanley, University of Connecticut

Emily Titrud, BA, University of Connecticut

George Stavros, PhD, Boston University

Religious Experience as Therapeutic Experience: Psychotherapeutic Considerations

Brian H. McCorkle, PhD, Boston University

The Relationship Between Compassion and Wisdom: Experimental Observations and Reflections

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BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 257B

Paper Session (S): Spiritual Struggle, HIV, and Coping With TraumaPARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

Jeanette I. Harris, PhD, VA Medical Center, Minneapolis, MN

Spiritual Functioning and Coping With Trauma: A Longitudinal Study

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Hope, HIV, and Immunity

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Spiritual Struggle in Advanced Heart Failure Patients: Correlates and Consequences

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3:00 PM – 3:50 PM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 101

Paper Session (S): Miracles and Ways of Seeing GodPARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

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Ways of Seeing: Narratives of Spiritual Gaze

Paul F. Cunningham, PhD, Rivier College, Nashua, NH

Miracle at Medjugorje: A Transpersonal Interpretation

Steven R. Kubacki, PhD, Independent Practice, Seattle, WA

Accessing God Through the Psychology of Incompleteness and Uncertainty

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Friday, August 15th

8:00 AM – 8:50 AM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 255

Symposium (S): Appropriate Religious/Spiritual Treatment Goals: Converging Trends and Professional Roles

CHAIR

William L. Hathaway, PhD, Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA

PARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

David G. Lukoff, PhD, Institute of Transpersonal Psychology, Palo Alto, CA
DSM-V and the Religious/Spiritual Problem V-Code

William L. Hathaway, PhD, Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA
Clinically Significant Religious Impairment Revisited: Recent Theory and Research

Glendon L. Moriarty, PsyD, Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA
Depression and God Image

CO-AUTHOR:

Ward Davis, BA, Regent University, Virginia Beach, VA

Donald F. Walker, PhD, Psychological Studies Institute, Atlanta, GA

A Religiously-Accommodative Approach to Parent Training for Defiant Children

CO-AUTHOR:

Heather L. Quagliana, MA, Fuller Theological Seminary

9:00 AM – 9:50 AM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 257B

Symposium (S): Contexts of Spiritual Development Among Diverse Adolescents

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Jacqueline S. Mattis, PhD, New York University, New York, NY

The Social Ecology of Young African American Adolescent's Spiritual Development

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Religious Engagement, Social Support, and Thriving Among Urban Youth

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Religious Engagement and Positive Identity Development in Urban Youth
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Robert Roeser, PhD, Tufts University
Private Secondary Schools as Contexts for Spiritual Development in India

2:00 PM – 2:50 PM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 212

Symposium (S): God Image and Spiritually-Oriented Psychotherapy and AssessmentCHAIR

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Who is your God? Progress in the assessment of clients' representations of God

W. Brad Johnson, PhD, N/A, Washington, DC

"Should" The Rational Emotive Behavior Therapist Dispute God Image?

Carrie Doehring, PhD, Iliff School of Theology, Denver, CO

Encountering the symbol of God in the religious world of the client: A phenomenological approach

Louis Hoffman, PhD, University of the Rockies, Colorado Springs, CO

Existential Therapy and Religious Experience: Dark Nights and Questioning

DISCUSSANT

James W. Jones, PhD, Rutgers the State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ

3:00 PM – 3:50 PM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, EXHIBIT HALLS A AND B1

Poster Session (F): Religion and Spirituality: Personality and Social DevelopmentPARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

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Spiritual Transformation and Character Strength Development

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Psychometric Utility of the ASPIRES Scales in Non-Christian Samples

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Validating the Spiritual Striving Questionnaire in a Young Life Population
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Development of a Sin Awareness Scale
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- Kisok R. Kim, PhD, Iona College, New Rochelle, NY
Is Religion Bad for the Environment?
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- Kaye V. Cook, PhD, Gordon College, Wenham, MA
Everyday virtue and morality in Cambodian-American and American Christians
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- Havah E. Oxman, Stern College for Women, New York, NY
Validity of MMPI-2 L scores in Orthodox Jewish Undergraduate Females
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The Effect of Counseling Psychologists' Religious Orientation on Case Conceptualizations
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Self-esteem in Women: The Role of Archetypal Role Theory, Religiosity and Spirituality
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Impact of Personality on Several Spiritual Aspects Among Orthodox Clergy
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Attitudes and Referral Patterns of Clergy Members in Rural and Urban Areas
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Christian Narratives of Forgiveness

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Conversion to Islam Among Women in the United States

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Effect of Psychology Trainees' Spiritual/Religious Identification on the Therapeutic Process

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Quest and Realistic Acceptance Moderated by Spiritual Transformation

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Mental Health and Religious Variables Among Catholic Clergy Under Stress

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Spirituality, Religion, and Work Values

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Experiences With Racism in the Black Christian Community

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Does Counseling which Addresses Spirituality Increase Forgiveness of Self?

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Effects of Religiosity on African American Preadolescent Aggression

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Religion and Attitudes toward Individualism and the Perversity Thesis

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The Quadripartite Framework of Spirituality

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Religious non-belief/belief explained by intellectual orientation and childhood socialization

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Effects of Spiritual and Secular Mentoring on Religious/Spiritual Development

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Converts to Buddhism: Worldview and Relational Shifts

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Social capital and altruism Among urban-residing African Americans

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Spirituality And Flourishing: 4 Structural Equation Models

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The Inclusive Christian Scale: Preliminary Results

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Hope Focused Couples Therapy Clinical Trial: Does religion matter?

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Further Validation of A Christian Humanist Implicit Association Test

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A Critical Analysis of Measures of Islamic Religiosity

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Christian Social Identity and Host Community Acculturation Profiles

Deborah A. Lowe, BA, Westmont College, Santa Barbara, CA

A Neuropsychological Model of Miracle Attribution

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Erica L. Swenson, MA, University of Connecticut

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Sociocultural, Psychological, and Spiritual Analysis of Religious Fundamentalism and Political Radicalism

James A. Beshai, Ph.D., PhD, VA Medical Center, Lebanon, Pa. 17042, PA

Martin Luther King, Jr. as a Christian Liberal

Michael Nielsen, PhD, Georgia Southern University

*Impact of Ethnicity and Christian Orthodoxy on Mental Health***4:00 PM – 4:50 PM**

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 259B

Symposium (S): Integrating Spirituality and Culture in Working With Culturally Diverse Youth

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Spirituality, Resilience and Mental Health Among Adolescents: An Introductory Overview

Hector Rivera Lopez, PhD, Contra Costa Mental Health Department, Concord, CA

Spirituality Among Mexican Immigrant High School Students

Candace M. Fleming, PhD, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Aurora, CO

*The Role of Spirituality in the Treatment of Indian/Native Youth*DISCUSSANT

Luis A. Vargas, PhD, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM

5:00 PM – 5:50 PM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 153C

Symposium (S): Women and Spirituality: Freeing, Affirmative Creativity and ActualizationCOCHAIR

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Lillian Comas-Diaz, PhD, Independent Practice, Washington, DC

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The Goddess Has Returned!

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Black Madonna: A Feminist Psychospiritual Approach

Mary Anne Siderits, PhD, Marquette University

Footsteps in a Sacred Space: Women, Agnosticism, and Spirituality

Renate Wewerka, PhD, New Mexico Behavioral Institute of Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NM

Women, Buddhism, and Spirituality

Aphrodite Clamar, PhD, Independent Practice of Psychology, New York, NY

*Spirituality and Aging Women: A Positive Force in Later Life*DISCUSSANT

Beverly Greene, PhD, St. Johns University, Brooklyn, NY

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Saturday, August 16th

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SHERATON BOSTON HOTEL, JEFFERSON ROOM

Executive Committee Meeting (N): Division 36 Executive Committee Meeting

9:00 AM – 9:50 AM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 156B

Paper Session (S): Spiritual and Religious Interventions in Psychology

PARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

Thomas G. Plante, PhD, Santa Clara University

Using Spiritual and Religious Tools in Psychological Treatment

James V. DeLeo, PhD, UNC-A College for Seniors and Independent Practice, Asheville, NC

The Analytical Psychology of C.G. Jung, Religion, and Spirituality

Ewa S. Stamper, PhD, Independent Practice, Kailua, HI

Love, Marriage, and Couples Therapy: East Meets West

Steven A. Rogers, PhD, Westmont College, Santa Barbara, CA

Object Relations and Spirituality: Revisiting A Clinical Dialogue

CO-AUTHOR:

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10:00 AM – 10:50 AM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 251

Presidential Address (N): Dr. Lisa Miller, Teachers College, Columbia University

11:00 AM – 11:50 AM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 251

Business Meeting (N): Division 36 Business Meeting

12:00 PM – 12:50 PM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 103

Symposium (S): The Design of Theory

COCHAIR

Kevin L. Ladd, PhD, Indiana University South Bend, South Bend, IN

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SATURDAY, Aug. 16**CONVENTION SCHEDULE**

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Distilling Approaches to Theory Building in the Psychology of Religion

Nicholas J.S. Gibson, PhD, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England, United Kingdom
God Concepts: A Case Study in Theory Development

Peter C. Hill, PhD, Rosemead School of Psychology, Biola, CA
A Mid-Theoretical Approach to the Psychology of Religion

DISCUSSANT

David M. Wulff, PhD, Wheaton College, Norton, MA

1:00 PM – 1:50 PM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 103

Invited Address (S): The Psychology of Religious Terrorism

PARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

James W. Jones, PhD, Rutgers the State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ

2:00 PM – 2:50 PM

WESTIN BOSTON WATERFRONT HOTEL, PAINE ROOM

Conversation Hour (N): Multicultural Counseling and Training: Religious and Spiritual Issues

CHAIR

Yu-Wei Wang, PhD, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, IL

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Multicultural Counseling and Training: Religious and Spiritual Issues

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DISCUSSANT

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3:00 PM – 3:50 PM

WESTIN BOSTON WATERFRONT HOTEL, PAINE ROOM

Discussion (N): Discussion Hour: Leadership and Division 36 Goals

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Discussion (N): Intellectual Direction From Division 36 for the Field

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THE DANIELSEN INSTITUTE AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Social Hour (N): Division 36 Social Hour — Colleagues and Friends Join in Conversation**Sunday, August 17th****9:00 AM – 9:50 AM**

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, MEETING ROOM 206A

Paper Session (S): Patterns of Spirituality and ReligiosityPARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

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APA Leaders' Perspectives on the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality

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The Integrated Spiritual Intelligence Scale (ISIS): Development and Preliminary Validation

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Janine M. Jones, PhD, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Patterns of religiosity in young adults: A latent class analysis

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10:00 AM – 10:50 AM

BOSTON CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER, EXHIBIT HALLS A AND B1

Poster Session (F): Religion and Spirituality: Psychological Well-Being and AdjustmentPARTICIPANT/1STAUTHOR

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Relationship of Adolescent Religious Coping and Spirituality to Adjustment/Distress

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Impact of faith on perception of mental health Among Korean Americans

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The Role of Spirituality and the Impact on Social Responsibility

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Religious Coping And Adjustment To College

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Religion/Spirituality in Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy for Children

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Exploring Mediators of the Relationship Between Forgiveness and Depression

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A Life Satisfaction Comparison Between Christians and Atheists

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Religious Belief and Perceptions of Psychological Health in LGBT Individuals

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The Influence of Religion on the Adjustment of Incarcerated Women

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The Connection of Religion and Culture to Jewish Family Dynamics

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Spiritual Well Being and Sexual Activity in Two Undergraduate Populations

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Relationship between Religious Commitment and life satisfaction Among college students

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12:00 PM – 12:50 PM

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Workshop (S): Supervisor Competency: Integration of spirituality in clinical supervisionCOCHAIR

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HOSPITALITY SUITE**DIVISION 36 HOSPITALITY SUITE SCHEDULE****WESTIN BOSTON WATERFRONT HOTEL****Friday, August 15th**

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| 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM | Discussion Hour with the Editor, Official APA Division 36 Journal, Journal of Psychology, Religion and Spirituality: Ralph Piedmont, Ph.D. |
| 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM | Meet the Division 36 Presidents— Present, Elect and Past (Lisa Miller, Ph.D., Bill Hathaway, Ph.D. and Ralph Piedmont, Ph.D.) |
| 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM | APAGS Student Affiliates/Early Career Professional Development, Mentoring and Networking Event (Innocent Okozisma) |
| 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM | Discussion Hour: Health, Wellness, and Spirituality. (Sally Hage, Ph.D.) |

Saturday, August 16th

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| 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM | Executive Committee Meeting |
| 10:00 AM – 10:50 AM | Closed for Presidential Address |
| 11:00 AM – 11:50 AM | Closed for Division 36 Business Meeting |
| 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM | Womens Soul: Carole Rayburn, Ph.D. discusses ideas on women and spirituality from her exciting new book |
| 3:00 PM – 4:50 PM | Intellectual Direction of the Field of Psychology & Division Leadership: (Lisa Miller, Ph.D, Host) |
| 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM | Cocktail Party at the Danielson Institute |

SOCIAL HOUR

DIVISION 36 SOCIAL HOUR AT THE DANIELSEN INSTITUTE

This August at the APA convention, the Division 36 social hour will be held at the Danielsen Institute at Boston University. (This is a change from the printed program, which says it is at one of the conference hotels). We have been working together with the Division leadership to make this event as attractive as possible, in the hopes that more people will attend than usual, and that we can start a tradition of getting to know each others' institutions better. Details follow:

EVENT: Division 36 Reception. Free food and soft drinks! Cash bar.

TIME: Saturday, 8/16/08, 6-8pm (as listed in the convention program)

LOCATION: The Danielsen Institute at Boston University, 185 Bay State Rd., Boston (different location than in the program)

TRANSPORTATION: Shuttle buses will begin leaving the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center at 5:30pm, stopping by the conference headquarters hotels in Copley Square en route to the Danielsen Institute. We estimate that they will leave about every 20 minutes. The last bus will leave the Danielsen Institute at 9pm. If the weather is nice and your feet don't hurt, the Institute is a pleasant but longish 1.5 mile walk from the Copley Square hotels (but too long to walk from the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center).

ABOUT THE INSTITUTE: The first two floors of the Institute will be open during the reception. The Institute has 3 major branches. A licensed outpatient mental health clinic specializes in the interface of religious and spiritual issues with psychotherapy and mental health, and has professional clinicians and graduate trainees in psychology (including an APA-accredited internship), social work, and psychiatry. Second is a PhD program in Counseling Psychology and Religion. Third is the Center for the Study of Religion and Psychology, which houses a variety of empirical and humanistic research initiatives.

AFTERWARDS: For those that wish more food, we are assembling a list of area restaurants. Baseball fans can walk several blocks to a 7pm Red Sox game against the Toronto Blue Jays at Fenway Park. The game is already sold out, but tickets are (legally) available through the official ticket reseller (StubHub.com) at this URL:

<http://www.stubhub.com/boston-red-sox-tickets/red-sox-vs-blue-jays-8-16-2008-517786/>

It is rumored that one might be able to purchase tickets through other sources of differing legality, but of course I would know nothing about that. There are also a number of bars and pubs close to the park that feature rabid uniform-clad fans and enormous televisions.

Hoping to see you in August!

Brian H. McCorkle, Ph.D.

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COUNCIL REPORT**APA COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES REPORT****WILLIAM HATHAWAY AND ELIZABETH LEWIS HALL**

The APA Council of Representatives met in Washington, DC, on February 22–24, 2008. William Hathaway, President-Elect of the division, substituted as Division 36 representative for Mary Reuder who was unable to attend. Dr. Kazdin introduced his presidential initiatives that included a focus on interpersonal violence, psychological science's contributions to the great challenges of society, and posttraumatic stress disorder and trauma in children and adolescents. A major emphasis of Dr. Kazdin's approach during his tenure will be to facilitate "next steps" that help reports, resolutions, recommendations or other actions taken by APA have a broader and more lasting impact on culture beyond APA.

In terms of budget issues, the association ended in small deficits in both 2006 and 2007. CEO Norman Anderson attributed this in part to both budgets being passed with too small of a planned surplus to allow for the unplanned contingencies that typically arise during the year. While a somewhat larger budget surplus was planned for the current budget, this was achieved by making some budget cuts and not funding some requested items. Dr. Anderson indicated this is the first time such a strategy has had to be used during his tenure. However, APA's overall financial health continues to be strong due to its investment strategies and real estate revenues. Council reaffirmed the principle that APA needs to "live within its means". Practically, this means that APA can no longer fund all of its budget requests and must make choices between multiple desirable items.

At the direction of Council, APA is embarking on a strategic planning process, which will be developed in conjunction with McKinley Marketing, a consulting firm specializing in large nonprofit organizations. The strategic planning process was kicked off by an activity with members of Council to help focus APA's goals and mission statement. The continuing process will involve communicating with various stakeholder groups, including Division 36.

Several staffing changes are occurring in the central office of APA. As part of the diversity implementation plan, APA has created a position for a Chief Diversity Officer. The staff position will provide intellectual and organizational leadership for various diversity initiatives, programs and facets of APA. Recruitment for the position will likely occur in the fall of 2008. Katherine Nordal is the new executive director of the practice directorate, assuming the role from the interim director, Dr. Randy Phelps. Mr. Charles (Jack) McKay also has completed his nearly 40 years of service to APA as our chief financial officer. He retires from this role having made many contributions to the organization that position us well for the future. Mr. McKay will be succeeded by Mr. Archie Turner. Mr. Turner has been CFO of the National Academies for the last 14 years. The Academies, including the National Academy of Science and Institute of Medicine, collectively have operating budgets over twice that of APA's. Mr. Turner is a highly respected CFO that comes to APA with Mr. McKay's endorsement.

Council considered a motion to establish a new division of Qualitative Inquiry within APA. While a number of voices of support for qualitative methods of inquiry were voiced during Council's consideration of the motion, concerns about the particular proposed division's commitment to the scientific identity of psychology and antagonism toward current quantitatively-oriented divisions were also expressed. A majority of the Council voted for the new vision but the vote fell short of the two thirds vote needed to establish a candidate division. On a related note, Council voted to make the candidate division, Trauma Psychology, a permanent division.

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The most publicly controversial resolution passed in recent years by Council was likely last August's Reaffirmation of the APA Position Against Torture. Given public confusion regarding perceived "loopholes" in the resolution, Council decided to replace the offending paragraph with a new one that more clearly articulates APA's position. The new paragraph was adopted as an amendment to the 2007 resolution and clearly states an absolute prohibition, without qualification, against the use of "all techniques considered torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment."

This past year, a proposed bylaws amendment was sent to the membership to provide voting seats on Council for the four ethnic minority psychological associations currently associated with APA. A majority of the voting members voted in favor, but the vote did not reach the two thirds necessary to amend the bylaws. Given the high priority APA places on diversity, and the unexpected failure of the amendment to pass, Council voted without dissension to send back to the membership the proposed amendment. Before doing so, an educational campaign will be implemented to answer questions members may have regarding this change. Look for further information on this topic in the newsletter and other venues! Currently, these associations have observer status on Council but are not voting members. They include: the Society for Indian Psychologists, the National Latino/a Psychological Association, the Asian American Psychological Association, and the Association of Black Psychologists. The proposed added seats on Council will be in addition to the normal allocation process and will not increase the existing competition for seats.

This report emphasized the highlights of the meeting; if you are interested in viewing a more detailed draft of the minutes, please e-mail me (liz.hall@biola.edu). Thank you for the opportunity of serving you as Council representatives. ☺

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE
A VOTING SEAT ON COUNCIL FOR MINORITY
PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATIONS**

**By Elizabeth Lewis Hall, Ph.D.,
Division 36 Council Representative**

In early November, you will be receiving a ballot in the mail, asking for your vote on an amendment to the APA Bylaws that would allocate one seat each on Council to the four national ethnic minority psychological associations. The four groups are the Society for Indian Psychologists, the National Latino/a Psychological Association, the Asian American Psychological Association, and the Association of Black Psychologists. These groups have been affiliated for over 15 years with APA. **Please support the amendment by casting your vote!**

The APA Council of Representatives is nearly unanimous in its support of this amendment. It furthers APA's priority of increasing diversity in membership and in governance—a goal which is also consistent with the interests of our own division. These seats would be added to the 162 seats currently on Council, and thus would not affect our division's representation on Council through the current apportionment system.

Following are answers to some potential questions about the proposed amendment:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT
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Why do we give the four ethnic minority associations Council seats when we have to “fight” for one for our division through the apportionment ballot?

Each of the 54 Divisions, 50 US states, 6 Canadian provinces, and 4 US territories gets a seat on Council every year (total of 114). The 10 apportionment votes that all APA full members are allowed to distribute are for the additional 48 seats left of the 162 seats on Council. The four ethnic minority groups would add 4 seats (a total of 166) and would not be part of the apportionment system. The current allocation of seats would not be affected.

Who are these ethnic minority groups, and why did we decide to provide seats to them?

The groups consist of the Society for Indian Psychologists, National Latino/a Psychological Association, Asian American Psychological Association, and Association of Black Psychologists. These four groups, with APA Division 45, Society for the Psychological Study of Ethnic Minority Issues, form the Council of National Psychological Associations for the Advancement of Ethnic Minority Interests. The representatives of those associations have met twice a year for over 15 years with APA, so they have been affiliated for quite a while.

A basic assumption in the historical design of representation on the Council of Representatives is that the APA is strongest when a diverse and wide range of perspectives is included. Ethnic minority diversity has long been lacking on Council, and this strategy is one step toward inclusion.

Would the Council Representatives from these groups be required to be APA members?

Yes, just as Division, State, Provincial and Territorial representatives are required to be APA members. Many view this strategy as an important bridge to the ethnic minority associations from APA.

**[THIS AMENDMENT] FURTHERS
APA'S PRIORITY OF INCREASING
DIVERSITY IN MEMBERSHIP
AND IN GOVERNANCE**

Aren't these just political actions that do not do much to promote the mission of the association?

Members of the four ethnic minority associations are scientists, educators, and practitioners, many of whom have much to offer APA in regard to *all* areas of psychology, including the growing field of ethnic minority psychology. The missions of the four associations include the advancement of science, practice, and education in psychology. Increase of ethnic minority diversity in APA membership and governance has been identified by Council and other governance groups as an APA priority.

Will other ethnic group societies be encouraged to join Council in the future? Where would this inclusivity stop?

Ethnic minority psychologists remain a very small percentage of US psychologists. The Society for Indian Psychologists, National Latino/a Psychological Association, Asian American Psychological Association, and Association of Black Psychologists are the only extant national associations of ethnic minority psychologists in the United States. These four groups, in existence for 20–40 years, have been meeting twice a year for over 15 years via the Council of National Psychological Associations for the Advancement of Ethnic Minority Interests, which includes APA Division 45. It is a unique coalition of Ethnic Minority Psychological Associations. ☸

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- promotes the application of psychological research methods and interpretive frameworks to diverse forms of religion and spirituality;
- encourages the incorporation of the results of such work into clinical and other applied settings;
- and fosters constructive dialogue and interchange between psychological study and practice, on the one hand, and religious perspectives and institutions on the other.

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