PRESIDENT’S COLUMN

December 2013. Los Angeles, California

Warm Greetings to ICP, Inc. members and wishes for joyous commemorations at year’s ending and for new beginnings. It is with a full heart that I celebrate the diversity and the dedication of ICP colleagues who maintain close relationships across the vast expanse of the globe. We have much for which to be thankful and many opportunities and challenges ahead.

Reaching out to launch into those opportunities and challenges, an international cross-cultural research program was initiated in September as part of this year’s Presidential Initiative. With the 20-member task force which included pre and postdoctoral psychology interns and some licensed professionals looking at the world’s five continents, the task force identified many universities and institutions with research requirements. These research groups were invited to participate with ICP in an international cross-cultural research project. So far, positive responses have been received from several universities/psychology clinical training programs around the world expressing enthusiastic interest.

The focus for this international cross-cultural study will be on depression, which has been declared a global crisis by the United Nations. An estimated 350 million people of all ages, incomes and nationalities suffer from depression, diminishing their ability to cope with the daily challenges of life. In the most extreme cases, people kill themselves. Approximately one million people commit suicide every year, the majority due to unidentified or untreated depression.

Given the seriousness and universality of depression, and given the long standing commitment of the International Council of Psychology to wellbeing and value for professional responsibility, ICP’s attention to this epidemic has potential to generate meaningful data and increase awareness of the extent of the problem in the global community. A first objective will be to describe “depression,” to determine the way depression is framed in each region. This can lead to an understanding of the effects, the depth, and the scope of depression by regions and universally. Through international and cross-cultural
collaboration with the research institutions, the task force can explore the cultural variations, implications, and considerations in how depression is regarded and treated.

At this point, I would invite those who share the view of international perspective and have the research interest aligned with the critical subject of depression or any other similar concern, to join us. I look forward to hearing from those who share the same values and are interested in collaborating in any form you may suggest in an opportunity to contribute to the wellness of our global community.

**PAST PRESIDENT REPORT**

Ludwig F. Lowenstein, Ph.D.
U.K.

LOOKING OPTIMISTICALLY AND ACTIVELY INTO THE FUTURE

Dear Friends, Colleagues, Members of our ICP Inc. family,

As Past President and thereby Nominations and Elections Chair, I have observed the fact that one of the greatest problems has been appointing a suitable and willing candidate for the post of Treasurer. Ann Marie O’Roark, as usual, has shouldered the responsibility when others were not available to do so and she should be congratulated about her willingness to step into a difficult situation to help matters go smoothly with the appointment of the right person.

It is difficult at the moment to say how many new members have joined ICP since the meeting in Hawaii and Jakarta. The only way of assessing this is whether membership fees are paid and how many of these are received. As Past President I look forward to our next conference in Paris, although at present we are somewhat uncertain as to where many of the delegates will stay. This I am sure will be ironed out in due course and it is likely that delegates will stay in various places in Paris and meet at the conference site.

As always I remain optimistic about the future and the growth of ICP to be once again a meaningful and larger organisation consisting of individuals willing to give their time and talents to ICP.

Dr. Pir, our President, has done as much as possible to involve herself in the organisation over this period of uncertainty. She will, I am sure, continue to work hard to increase our membership, collaborate with other organisations, as well as to plan for future conferences, both in Paris and elsewhere.
As we draw close to the season of PEACE AND GOOD WILL I am reminded of the the following:

**International Council of Psychologists 2000-2001 Millennium World Peace Statement**

WE THE PEOPLE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF PSYCHOLOGISTS, LOOK BACK AT THE 20TH CENTURY WITH AWE AND ALSO HORROR.

WE LOOK WITH AWE AT WOMEN’S AND MEN’S SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ACHIEVEMENTS THAT HAVE PUT MEN ON THE MOON, THAT ARE LENGTHENING HUMAN LIFE EXPECTANCY EVERYWHERE, THAT CAN BRING US VISIONS WITHIN MINUTES OF EVENTS THAT TAKE PLACE THOUSANDS OF MILES AWAY, THAT ENABLE SOME OF US TO COMMUNICATE AT LIGHTNING SPEED WITH OTHERS AROUND THE WORLD, AND TO INFORM AND BE INFORMED.

WE LOOK WITH HORROR AT OUR INHUMANITY TOWARD OTHERS, AT WAR AND MASSACRES, AT HATE AND HONOUR KILLINGS, AT ABJECT POVERTY IN A SEA OF PLENTY, AT TECHNOLOGICAL MISADVENTURE, AT CONFLICTS IN WHICH ENTIRE POPULATIONS ARE CHASED FROM THEIR ANCIENT LANDS, AT THE RUTHLESS DESTRUCTION OF OUR LIFE-GIVING ENVIRONMENT, AT WHAT COULD HAVE BEEN AND WAS NOT.

WE RECOGNISE THE NEGLECT OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT.

WE ARE DETERMINED TO MAKE THIS NEW MILLENNIUM; ONE IN WHICH OUR ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE 20TH CENTURY WILL BE USED FOR ALL PEOPLE TO LIVE BETTER AND TO LIVE IN PEACE, FREE OF WANT AND OF WAR.

TO THESE ENDS WE WILL WORK FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PROMOTION OF PEACE EDUCATION, FOR ENGERED PEOPLE AND CHILDREN, FOR TRANSFORMING SELF AND SOCIETY, FOR CREATING COMMUNITY DIALOGUE, FOR ‘RE-MEMBERING’ PEOPLE EVERYWHERE [abbreviated here.]

The initial ICP Millennium Statement was made at the International Council of Psychologists Conference in 2001. During the first decade of the new millennium, people around the world remain involved with war, terrorism, cruelties and poverty. WHAT HAS CHANGED?!

It is essential that we continue to strive for WORLD PEACE and also peace among the peoples of the world, none more so than today. When we turn on our televisions or hear any news we hear of strife, killings, suffering and poverty. Let us as an organisation all think of how we can help to change this in whatever small way possible.

In this coming season let us give a thought to what is happening around us and how we can become part of making humanity into the caring, nurturing society that it can be to the betterment of all citizens of the world.

All best wishes to you all,

Ludwig Lowenstein

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**PRESIDENT ELECT REPORT**

*Janet Sigal, Ph.D
USA*

As President-Elect, I attended the ICP Board Meeting and Program in Hawaii in August, 2013. Tara Pir presented her ideas and vision of ICP in the future and discussed this vision with members of the Board attending the meeting. We all agreed that her plans for ICP were consistent with a new approach to make ICP more viable in the future and pledged to work with her to implement these plans if the full Board approved.

I also facilitated an ICP at the UN suite program at APA in Hawaii in which ICP members discussed their UN activities. Florence Denmark is the Main Representative to the UN from ICP. All team members worked on the Psychology Day at the UN Planning Committee and I worked with ICP members on the Committee. We had a very successful 2013 Psychology Day: Psychology and Violence in the Global Context: Antecedents, Consequences and Prevention. I am working closely with the ICP UN team now on the next Psychology Day at the UN, 2014: Psychology’s Contributions to Sustainable Development: The Three Pillars: Environment, Economic and Social.

I am also working with ICP members of the NGO Committee on Ageing to support including Ageing on the UN 2015 Post-Conflict Agenda. We were all involved with the recent International Day of Older Persons on October 9, 2013: The Future We Want: What Older People are Saying which attracted over 300 people to the event at the UN.

I want to wish all ICP members a wonderful holiday season and a Happy Healthy New Year. I hope that 2014 will be a new beginning for our vision of ICP and that we will attract many new members this year.

Best regards!

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December 2013. St. Augustine, Florida

Happy Holidays, Dear IP Readers and Colleagues.

This message invites you to read the IP53.4 cover-to-cover and catch up with interesting changes and activities underway in our interdisciplinary professional family. Let us especially welcome Dr. Ani Kalayjian as the Treasurer and express appreciation that she was willing to take on this important role on the Executive Committee in the wake of the surprise abdication by the person who was on the ballot with her a year ago. The vote at that time was close, no more than 2 votes. With the death of former Treasurer Gerald Gamache who was acting Treasurer the first five months of 2013, it became clear that a contract for banking and records administrative assistance was essential to the operations of the association.

In December, President Tara Pir, in consultation with the Executive Committee, contracted Ms. Nancy Quatrano to manage ICP, Inc. banking and records. We welcome Nancy Quatrano, Principal of QSS: Quality Support Services and know from her excellent work with the newsletter publishing and confidential ballot recordings that she will be a great asset. One of the first Gordian knots to untangle is the PayPal service so the rest of the registration funds from 2013 conferences can be freed up to be used in setting up the 2014 conference.

The 2014 board meeting and scientific conference is being coordinated by President Elect Janet Sigal and in conjunction with the International Association of Applied Psychology quadrennial congress, ICAP2014. The ICAP congress is in Paris, July 8-13. The ICP, Inc. annual meeting is currently planned to be in Paris July 13, 14, and 15. The traditional ICP, Inc. invited symposium at ICAP is expected to be scheduled the last day of ICAP and lead into the ICP, Inc. programs. Rooms can be booked when registering for ICAP2014 on the congress website and extra days added for attending ICP sessions. At this juncture, the scientific program and board will be.

Those who can, please email a registration form to Dr. Sigal and Ms. Quatrano. Expectations are that the registration fees will remain the same as the previous two years.

The 2014 dues will also remain unchanged and are to be mailed to Ms. Quatrano or paid by PayPal at the website: ICPweb.Org

Scientific articles are welcomed for the next issue of INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING. We hope this can be prepared along with the next issue of the newsletter: IP54.1.

Slán te and “Be Well,”

Ann Marie O’Roark

It is my pleasure to inform members of ICP that votes of acceptance have been received from the ICP board of directors in November 2013, indicating the approval of the ICP operating budget of the coming year. Our sincere thanks go to those ICP executive committee members and board of directors who have provided their valuable input and timely approval decision to the operating budget, thus keeping our business running smoothly in 2014.

I regret to inform ICP members that our Treasurer Professor John Tivendell has decided to resign from his present role as ICP treasurer and executive board member due to the emergence of certain unforeseen issues at work recently. In the meantime, Dr. Ani Kalayjian—a world renowned expert on trauma among disaster victims and the other candidate on the special ballot in Fall 2012—has been appointed to the vacant post.

On a last note, I would like to announce that our President Elect Dr. Janet Sigal is the Scientific Program Chair for 2014. Her committee includes Dr. Tara Pir, current ICP President; Dr. Grant Rich, Alaska; Dr. Florence Denmark, New York; Dr. Harold Takooshian, Fulbright scholar in Russia; Dr. Diana Boer, Frankfurt, Germany, and Dr. Ann O’Roark, St. Augustine, Florida.

Stay well and have a happy, productive winter!

Cecilia Cheng, PhD
As a new board member, first I would like to take the opportunity to thank the ICP community for electing me into the ICP board of directors. Although I am fairly new to ICP, I feel warmly welcomed and embraced by the ICP family.

This year has been full of changes for me as I started a new position in the Department of Social Psychology at Goethe University in Frankfurt (Mid-West Germany) located about 500km away from my partner and life in Bremen (Northern Germany). Another new responsibility of mine is being the Managing Editor for the Journal of Personnel Psychology with Prof. Rolf van Dick as Editor-in-Chief.

Since October I am in receipt of the two-year Fast Track Stipend awarded by the Robert-Bosch Foundation. This competitive program aims at supporting female researchers’ career advancement by providing tailored training, mentoring and financial support for personal development (http://www.bosch-stiftung.de/content/language2/html/11732.asp).

My current teaching and research focuses on disseminating knowledge on culture-sensitive and cross-cultural psychological theories closely in line with ICP missions to advance internationalizing psychology and cross-cultural perspectives. Most exciting is my recent publication in Psychological Bulletin (I presented a shorter version of this paper in 2012 in receipt of the Sukemune/Bain Early Career Award). I am proud of this publication not because of the journal’s impact, but because it indicates that culture-sensitive theories and cross-cultural methods gain in recognition and impact in psychological science and theory development. I believe in ICP’s contribution to this line of theory development and advancement in culture-sensitive mental health services and I hope to contribute to this mission.

One of my aspired contributions to ICP is the support of junior researchers. The new generation of junior scholars faces other challenges than previous generations particularly due to the increasing competition on the job markets. Their career success (even at entry level positions in academia but also in professional services) will largely depend on whether or not they have published many and/or high quality research papers and whether or not they were able to attract third party funding. Both require skills that are hardly ever taught at universities.

Among those skills are persuasive academic writing, successful publication strategies, emphasizing contribution and impact of one’s research. Those are particularly challenging requirements for international researchers whose first language is not English. Aiming at strengthening these skills in young international researchers and students (while senior members and native English-speakers are warmly welcome as well) I would like to propose an academic writing workshop at the next ICP annual meeting in Paris.

I currently hold similar writing seminars regularly at the Kurt Lewin Institute, an inter-university graduate teaching and training program for Ph.D. students in the Netherlands, which is arguably the most competitive academic environments in Europe. This workshop will entail strategies and techniques how to write and structure a paper cohesively and persuasively, how to highlight its contribution, and how to improve one’s writing efficiency.

To attract new members and participants for the next annual meeting I will distribute the call for papers in various German and international academic and practitioner networks, including the German Psychological Association (DGP; over 3000 members), its sub-sections such as clinical psychology and social psychology, IACCP general network (over 800 members), IACCP Next Generation (400 members), and a network of psycho-analysts and clinical practitioners.

Publications 2013/in press


Editor’s Note: The InAbsentia Poster Awards resulted in some thank-you notes and photos from the very excited and appreciative winners. This is the importance of our annual ICP gatherings!

Dear Dr. O’Roark,

I am Alexander Hochdorn, one of the in absentia poster contributors at the past ICP convention in Hawaii. Yesterday Dr. Anna Laura Comunian consigned me the award for the poster presented in Honolulu. I even do not find the words to express the enormous satisfaction for this prestigious acknowledgment. I really feel honored and proud of this international award.

I would like to thank you and the ICP board also in the names of my poster’s co-authors and especially Dr. Paolo Cottone of the University of Padua and Dr. Brigido Camargo of the Federal University of Santa Catarina (Brazil).

It would be a great opportunity for us to expose the final results of the research, presented in our poster, during the next ICP convention in Paris. In a former e-mail last month you sent me the address of President Elect Janet Sigal, to whom I would like to propose a symposium on topics related to gender inequalities or minority stress.

Best wishes and regards,
Alexander

P.S. Via attachment I send You a “winzip” folder, containing photos of the awards’ consignment at the Department of General Psychology of the University of Padua.

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Presentations and lectures 2013


Boer, D. (2013, June). Wellbeing and prosocial effects of music across cultures. Invited lecture at the Centre for Psychology of Religion, Department of Psychology, Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium.


Boer, D. (2013, February). Writing an academic paper: The 4 W’s approach. Invited seminar at the Kurt Lewin Institute, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands.
THANKS FROM ITALY—

Dear Dr. O’ Roark,

I am Claudia Zago, one of the in absentia poster presenters. Last week Dr. Comunian gave me the wonderful news that my poster has been evaluated to gain the 2nd award.

I really feel glad and proud for this acknowledgment and for the opportunity I had to present the research I realized in Portugal for my master dissertation at the ICP convention this August in Honolulu.

I really want to thank you and the ICP committee, also in the name of my co-author Paolo Cottone, for this great result. Dr. Comunian also told me about the ICP convention in Paris next year. It would be a great occasion for me to present the development of my international study about gender violence, maybe within a topic-specific symposium.

Best regards,
Claudia

2014 CONFERENCE PLANS

Hyatt Regency Hotel, Paris, France
Early Registration Discounts will be offered - details in the next IP!
See pages 8-10 for proposal submission and award nominating information
More details will be provided via email and the next IP!
CALL FOR PAPERS

The Seisoh Sukemune/Bruce Bain Encouragement of Early Career Research Award 2013-2014
Submission Deadline: May 1, 2014

Purpose
The Award for Research in International Psychology recognizes outstanding early career contributions to scholarly endeavors addressing psychological issues of a universal or multinational significance. It is designed to encourage research that systematically addresses the psychological dimensions affecting the quality of human life, and to enhance and reinforce the mission and goals of ICP (http://www.icpweb.org/). For the purpose of this award, “research” is broadly defined to include all paradigms of scholarly endeavor, such as laboratory experiments, field experiments, field studies, correlation and evaluation studies, historical studies and case histories. The recipient is expected to present an address at the ICP annual convention that relates to his/her research.

Criteria for eligibility
The recipient must be a psychologist (including a student).

Paper selection criteria
The paper’s logic, its purpose, its methodology, its universal or multinational significance, contribution to the development of international psychology, and contribution to the development of human well-being. The recipient must be the first or sole author of the paper; her/his contribution must be greater than 50%.

Submission procedure & requirements
Candidates from all over the world are invited to submit a paper and a cover letter by e-mail (to ceci-cheng@hku.hk) to Prof. Cecilia Cheng, Chair of the ICP Research Awards Committee, not later than May 1, 2014 (date of email or postal delivery).

NOTICE OF SELECTION: JUNE 1, 2014

Prof. Cecilia Cheng

Chair of the ICP Research Awards Committee
Department of Psychology
The University of Hong Kong
Pokfulam Road
Hong Kong

Paper and application must meet the following requirements:

1. The research must be based primarily on the candidate’s own work, and must be considered distinguished. The candidate must be the first or sole author of the paper. Her/his contribution to the paper must be greater than 50%.

2. The paper must not have been published elsewhere, but may be based on the applicant’s unpublished bachelor, master, diploma or dissertation research.

3. The paper must be prepared in the style and format specified for journal articles by APA (Publication Manual).

4. The length of the paper is limited to 25 typed, double-spaced pages (maximum), including abstract, references, figures and tables.

5. One attached file accompanied by a cover letter which provides the following information: (1) Title of the paper, author’s name, institutional affiliation, mailing address, telephone and fax numbers, and email address. (b) Applicant’s curriculum vitae (CV). (2) Two letters of support which stipulate why the applicant is deserving of the award. (3) A statement signed (electronically or by hand) by the candidate applying for the award certifying that (a) the material presented is original and is primarily the candidate’s own work, and the material has not been previously published; (b) the contribution of the candidate to the paper is greater than 50% (in case of multiple authorship and he/she is the first of two or more authors); (c) additionally, if the paper is judged to be the winner of the competition, the candidate agrees to present it at the next annual convention of ICP.

Main selection procedure
1. The Research Awards Committee evaluates papers according to a standard point system.

2. The Chair assures that results are reported to the ICP-Board.

Prize
The prize for winning the research award will consist of
- a certificate
- US$ 200.00
- an invitation to present the research at the upcoming ICP convention
- there will be no registration charge at the upcoming ICP convention (registration waived)

Note: the 72nd Annual ICP Conference will be announced in the International Psychologist with details throughout
the year. (also check: http://icpweb.org/)

**Distinguished Contribution Award: Frances Mullen Award**

**Submission Deadline: May 20, 2014**

This award is presented to honour a member of the ICP who has a long and distinguished history of research or applied contributions to one or more of international areas. Previous recipients include Dr. Frances Mullen, first ICP Secretary General; Dr. Elisa Margoaona, Mexico; and Dr. Frances Culbertson, USA, former president of ICP.

Nominees must be (a) either 20 years past the granting of their doctoral degree or at least 50 years old at the time of nomination, and (b) a Member of ICP. The award recipient will be asked to serve on a committee to select subsequent award winners.

Anyone, including a candidate him or herself, may nominate an ICP member for the award.

**Nomination material** includes: (a) nominee's curriculum vitae and (b) name, address, phone, fax, and email of nominator and nominee. Please send your letter of nomination and address any queries to:

Dr. Anna Laura Comunian, 2013-14 Chair.
E-Mail: annalaura.comunian@unipd.it

**The Fukuhara Advanced International Psychology Research and Service Award**

**Submission Deadline: May 20, 2014**

This award is given to a midcareer or senior level psychologist with distinguished contributions to international psychology in research and service and is funded through an ICP, Inc. Award Fund established by Dr. Machiko Fukuhara, past Treasurer of ICP, Inc., Organizer of the 1990 ICP conference in Tokyo, research collaborator with past president Charles D. Spielberger on State-Trait Measures of Anxiety, Anger, Curiosity, and Depression. Dr. Fukuhara served two terms on the Board of the International Association of Applied Psychology and is Director of the Japanese Association of Microcounseling, Director of Psychoeducation Institute, and Honorary Professor of Tokiwa University. Dr. Fukuhara epitomizes the standards of excellence that ICP, Inc. and this Advanced Interna-

The award is accompanied by a check, a certificate, conference registration for participation and presentation at the annual conference, and the next year’s dues for ICP membership.

Please send your letter of nomination and address any queries to: Dr. Ann O’Roark, 2013-14 Chair.
Email: annoroark@bellsouth.net

**The Denmark-Grunwald Award for Feminist Research and Service**

**Submission Deadline: June 1, 2014**

The Denmark-Grunwald Award for Feminist Research and Service is presented to honor a member of ICP who has the history of research and service that directly benefits the health, promotion and well-being of women in the world.

Anyone, including a candidate him or herself, may nominate an ICP member for the award.

**Nomination material** includes: (a) nominee's curriculum vitae and (b) name, address, phone, fax, and email of nominator and nominee. Please send to Dr. Donna Goetz, at donnagoetz@elmhurst.edu

UN OPEN GROUP-INPUT REQUEST

In anticipation of the Eighth Session of the UN Open Working Group (3-7 February 2014), AINA is hosting this consultation from 16 December, 2013 – 10 January 2014 focused on the ‘Promoting Equality, including Social Equity’ issue brief of the Open Working Group’s Technical Support Team. This brief will be at the centre of the upcoming deliberations and debates.

Your comments will be synthesized and fed into inequality-related debates during the Eighth session of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals.

To participate, please read the short ‘Promoting Equality, including Social Equity’ issues brief (click here to access the document) and then click directly on the question(s) of your choice to enter the debate:

**After reading the issues brief, what do you think needs to be added? What do you think needs to be removed? How would you improve the document?**

If you had one or two things that you wanted to tell the Open Working Group concerning inequality and the post-2015 development agenda, what would you say?
CALL FOR PROPOSALS

72ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

72ND Annual ICP Conference 2014
PARIS, FRANCE JULY 13-15, 2014

Submit Proposals To
ICP Scientific Program Chair
President-Elect Janet Sigal
Janet2822@aol.com

TITLE: 10 WORDS
ORGANIZER NAME
AND CITY, COUNTRY
ABSTRACT OF 300 WORDS
AUDIO VISUAL
NEEDS

Include With Each Submission
Complete contact information
• Work and home address, email, telephone number, fax, street mail address
• ICP Membership status
• contact information and ICP status of all PARTICIPANTS in proposal session
• Commitment to attend the Conference
• Photo and brief bio or cv if possible
• Languages spoken

EARLY SUBMISSION DEADLINE: January 31, 2014
LATE SUBMISSION DEADLINE: March 31, 2014
Guest Speakers and Social Itinerary to be Announced

INTERDISCIPLINARY PROPOSALS ARE ENCOURAGED IN ABSENCE POSTERS FROM GRADUATE STUDENTS ARE INVITED CALLS FOR AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED ARE INCLUDED IN THE INTERNATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST NEWSLETTER (IP)

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AREA CHAIR REPORT

REPORT BY Dr Sandra Neil, World Area Chair Coordinator, 2011-2014

Vienna and Graz, Austria November 2013


Dr Silverberg and I were invited to run this workshop on 8th & 9th of November 2013.

Last year in 2012 we attended the UN Committee on the Family in Vienna at the invitation of Prof Dr Roswith Roth. This exciting training comprised of therapists, psychologists and lawyers from all over Europe.

The success of this training session led to the invitation to present another training workshop in Graz, Austria.

We would like to thank Prof Dr Roswith Roth for her kind invitation and dedication to the success of this training workshop.

This Family Chessboard was devised to adapt Satir’s notion of “sculpting” as a vehicle for change, to clinical settings where physical movement of the family members is limited, impractical, or undesirable.

Clinical use of Satir’s methods of sculpting in family therapy is sometimes restricted: involvement of family members requires a larger room and sufficient numbers of people to represent important family members.

This adapted technique allows one or all members of the family to be symbolically represented in a complex three dimensional “chessboard and pieces” interaction, which uses language and the chessboard to make explicit the perceptions and rules of the family, and to understand family pain, triumphs, sibling bonds, and triangulations. Boundaries, roles, rivalries, friendships, loves, gender issues, and occupational issues can be projected, identified and transformed using this brief, intensive, and process-oriented method.

Each person participating in the experiential workshop will need a chessboard and chess pieces, and their own creative senses. No prior knowledge of chess is necessary; in fact, the game of chess itself is irrelevant to the experiential teaching of the Chessboard process.

The workshop in Graz was treated as an experiential laboratory for change and individual development. Participants can expect to experience strong feelings in response to exercises and experiential work. The organizers of the workshop will require that all participants have given informed consent to, and are prepared to feel strong emotions during the workshop.

The goal of the workshop is to emphasise Satir’s therapeutic model for change and its application to individuals, families, and groups. Through a better understanding of their own families of origin, participants will gain new perspectives on past experiences in order to change patterns that are no longer useful. Freedom to make choices in the present is increased in that process, they will connect with unmet childhood longings in order to accept, and then let go of the pain which has blocked feeling and self-acceptance.

This transformation creates room to discover and accept one's self and other significant people in the family. New learnings will emerge through the use of didactic teaching and active experiential participation in demonstrations.

Virginia Satir’s methods are known for their innovative and basic applications to work with all kinds of families. Her model for nurturing growth and development will be demonstrated in this workshop. This add a new dimension in the small consulting room as well as in family groups.

Participants of this experiential workshop learnt healthy and life affirming techniques that enhance change and healing. The workshop offered useful methodology for professionals who are involved with treating family groups.

The Multicultural Family Chessboard technique was devised by Dr Sandra Neil and Dr Robert Silverberg to adapt Dr Virginia Satir’s notion of “sculpting” as a vehicle for change, to clinical settings where physical movement of the family members is limited, impractical, or undesirable.

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This workshop will also present concepts inspired by Dr Russ Harris’ "ACT Mindfully" (2007) as adapted from Tobias Lundgren's "Bullseye" to examine Value Systems.

The group in Gratz were clinically impressive many with over 25 year’s clinical practice. The Institute has 3 training centres in Styria. The Chessboard was used to do three generational family mapping, couple dynamics and for individuals in the therapy.

As a request of this November 2013, Dr Silverberg and we have been invited back to do a 5 day workshop next year in Graz. That was the maximum time we could leave our thriving practice in psychological medicine and family psychology, although the offer was for much longer training.

The participants were experienced and insightful and we had a wonderful interpreter Evelin Woitsch.

Excerpted. NQ, Production Editor

Dr Julia Rose, A Personal Memorial
She, Julia, was our friend and part of our fun ‘triad’ in Chicago, USA & Winchester, UK.

We shared jokes, family triumphs, the wedding of her son to an Australian girl, finding members for ICP; and we shared the same ethical concerns about gender and psychological issues. Julia worked tirelessly with self-harming women and loved her work and the travelling in England and Wales to fulfil this challenging role.

We had constant contact in the last two years, and we visited her in Birmingham in 2012.

She loved life, her family, and our ICP family. Julia gave so much of herself to ICP and its activities. We will miss her and her reverence for life through her faith, her beauty, an English Rose, her laughter, and friendship.

Vale, Julia

Announcing Prof Dr Roswith Roth – Area Chair for Austria
Professor Dr. Roswith Roth received a prestigious National Award considering her research in gender issues. The work was associated with Käthe Leichter. An Austrian feminist, she did a lot of research in working conditions of women and tried to change it to the better. She died in a concentration camp.

Prof Dr Roth will join the Committee on the Status on Women at the UN in Vienna.

LIAISON REPORT

Joy K. Rice, Ph.D.
ICP International Liaison to WFMH

The 2015 World Federation of Mental Health World Congress

Preparations are under way for the next biennial WFMH World Mental Health Congress, which will be held in Cairo, Egypt, on 16-19 October 2015. The Behman Hospital in Cairo, the Egyptian Society for the Rights of People with Mental Illness and the Middle East Division of the Royal College of Psychiatrists are the hosts of the Congress and are collaborating to provide an exciting program. Egypt has a number of large convention centers that are well equipped for such an event. It is hoped that the conference will attract professionals from various mental health disciplines in the Middle East and globally, as well as consumers and caregivers.

The proposed list of keynote speakers is impressive, and a social program is also being planned, including an evening by the Pyramids of Giza and a performance at the opera. The weather in Egypt is ideal in October, and the Organizing Committee is arranging post-conference Nile cruises to the temples in Upper Egypt, diving trips to the Red Sea, and other tourist excursions. They hope that their planning will result in a productive and enjoyable conference for all participants.

Forthcoming WFMH Conferences

2014 – WFMH and the Argentine Association for Mental Health will have a Latin American regional conference in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in August 2014.

2014 - WFMH will hold an international congress jointly with the Hellenic Psychiatric Association in Athens, Greece, on 9-11 October 2014 at the Aegli Zappeiou Conference Center. This congress will have the theme selected by WFMH’s Board of Directors for World Mental
Health Day, “Living with Schizophrenia,” and will include an observance of the Day on 10 October October

- 2015 – WFMH will hold another international conference with the French Psychiatric Society in Lille, France, on 28-30 April 2015. The theme is “Mental Health for All: Connecting People and Sharing Experience.” The focus of the program is on integrating mental health into primary care, and it will also reflect on the implementation of the WHO Mental Health Action Plan (the theme for World Mental Health Day in 2015).

- 2015 – In addition to the biennial World Congress in Cairo (see above), WFMH will have a regional conference in Singapore around October 2015 on youth mental health.

Reminder: the website for APA International Division is www.div52.org. Several psychology conferences are being offered in 2014:

EPA, Boston, MA, USA—March 13-16 www.easternpsychological.org

SCCR, Charleston, SC—February 12-15 www.sccr.org


APA, Washington DC, USA—August 7—10 www.apa.org/convention


[Editor’s note: original abstract submission deadlines have passed on all but the ICP conference for July. Check the links provided in case deadlines have changed. NQ]

- ICP Treasurer and ATOP founder, Dr. Ani Kalayjian, returned to Haiti with her Meaningfulworld organization again this past summer in their commitment to support the people of Haiti in restoration of spirit, health and community. There are still many needs in Haiti that have not been addressed since the earthquake of 2010. They also had missions in the Middle East: Palestine, Jordan and Lebanon, and in Africa as an NGO with the United Nations peace keeping projects there.

International Federation of University Women calls on governments to act for safe access to education for girls and women

Geneva, Switzerland, 13 November 2013 – On the occasion of International Students Day on November 17, the International Federation of University Women (IFUW), based in Geneva, Switzerland, calls on students and governments to act for the equal right to education by improving security for girls and women who are at risk of violence when seeking an education in countries where educational access is low, unsafe or at risk. Violence against schoolgirls happens in school toilets, along roads, in public buses, dormitories and refugee tents. The perpetrators of such violence can be teachers, parents, authority figures and fellow students. The consequences of violence against schoolgirls include pregnancies, poor academic performance, high drop out rates and absenteeism and low self-esteem for girls.

ICP member Dr. Harold Takooshian, Ph.D is in Russia this year on a Fulbright Scholarship. He sends this information to us and all of his international colleagues:

On September 26, Dr. Alex Voronov hosted a historic symposium at the Russian Academy of Sciences, with 10 speakers on “Social Psychology of City Life.” On October 7, he planned a public forum with UN Habitat to mark “World Habitat Day.” [www.spssi.org/moscow]

He promised more information shortly.

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IFUW calls on governments to ratify the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) without reservation and to act and enforce legislation to protect the safety of girls in school and outside school. The number of students worldwide enrolled in higher education is forecast to more than double to 262 million by 2025.\textsuperscript{[2]} Enrollment in higher education globally has grown by 78 percent in a decade\textsuperscript{[3]} – with the number of women enrolled in tertiary institutions growing almost twice as fast as that of men over the last four decades.\textsuperscript{[4]}

There has also been a general upward trend in secondary level gross enrollment ratios in all regions of the world for females. Between 1970 and 2009 the global average gross enrollment ratio for females increased from 39 to 67 percent. However, global and regional trends can mask local and regional realities. For example, the proportion of females of lower secondary age who are not enrolled in school in Pakistan is at least 15 percent and 58 percent in Burkina Faso.\textsuperscript{[5]}

“IFUW is encouraged by positive global trends in female education, but emphasises that there are still millions of girls and women in the world who want an education but cannot access one due to a risk of violence,” said IFUW President Catherine Bell. “International Students Day represents the struggle of students to enjoy the human right to education, particularly secondary and tertiary education for girls and women.”

The International Federation of University Women (IFUW) is based in Geneva, Switzerland, and has an international membership. Founded in 1919, IFUW is the leading girls’ and women’s global organization run by and for women, advocating for women’s rights, equality and empowerment through access to quality education and training up to the highest levels. IFUW has consultative status with ECOSOC. Learn about our fellowships & grants and our advocacy work. Follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter (@IFUWwomen) - ends -
For more information please contact: Nina Joyce, T: +41 22 731 23 80; Email: nj@ifuw.org

\textsuperscript{[1]} NGO Committee at United Nations, Working Group on Girls
\textsuperscript{[3]} UNESCO Institute for Statistics, Global Flow of Tertiary-Level Students
\textsuperscript{[5]} ibid

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GEANCO FOUNDATION LOOKING FOR HELP

Greetings All,
The Center for Global Initiatives is working to help the GEANCO Foundation (www.geanco.org) develop the business plans needed in order to help them secure funding for development of a hospital in Nigeria. They have 20 acres of land secured and support of the powers that be.

They’re not looking for a donation (but of course they would appreciate that as well). Instead, I’m looking for anyone who can help them to create a necessary “business” plan for the development and operations of the hospital. That is what’s needed at this juncture.

If you have this skill-set or know someone who does, please be in touch with me or via the leadership of the GEANCO Foundation, Godwin Onyema MD, CEO, and Afam Onyema, JD, COO, via 213-621-3930 or aonyema@geanco.org

Please take a moment to better understand the needs in Nigeria depicted in this video: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4EWi8rzxAJA

Thank you for what you do.
Cheers,
Dr. Chris E. Stout
Managing Director
http://CenterForGlobalInitiatives.org

Humanitarian Tools: http://www.linkedin.com/influencer/3055695
ICP CALLS FOR SERVICE

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE AS SECRETARY GENERAL/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

The International Council of Psychologists, Inc. Board of Directors authorized the re-opening of a call for applicants for the role of Secretary General for the association. Applications for this administrative role are not restricted by citizenship, race, gender, age or sexual orientation. Special consideration will be given to persons with experience in office management, background in a professional discipline associated with health and wellness, as well as experience in professional associations. The position is not full time, compensation will be discussed related to expected operating expenses and some travel allotment.

Interested members should contact President-Elect Tara Pir at tarapirimces@msn.com.

SECOND CALL FOR 2014 DUES

ICP, Inc., is a member organization. While its members come from all around the world and hold memberships in a variety of organizations, ICP supports itself. It receives no funds from governments, educational bodies, or other organizations.

The timely payment of your dues will make it possible for the organization to plan responsibly for the needs of the membership in 2014. Please pay your 2014 dues just as soon as you possibly can, but most definitely before membership expires on December 31, 2013.

The membership form is in this section of the IP, where it resides all year around. It is also available on the website at www.icpweb.org. Your dues can be paid at the website through our secure PayPal account, with bank funds or credit cards. And you can also put a check in the mail to Nancy Quatrano, the Banking and Records Assistant.

Thank you for supporting our organization!

Any questions, please contact:

Dr. Ani Kalayjian
Email: drkalayjian@meaningfulworld.com.
- or -
Nancy Quatrano
Email: nancy@ontargetwords.com
4625 Cedar Ford Blvd., Hastings, FL USA 32145

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

BOARD OF DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS
DIRECTORS AT LARGE [2]
A THREE YEAR TERM WITH OPTION FOR A SECOND TERM NOMINATION

MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING FOR MORE THAN ONE YEAR MAY BE NOMINATED. Submit assurance that the nominee has agreed to stand for election should the Nominations Committee select that person as a nominee. Send your cover message nominating the individual giving complete contact information, along with a curriculum vita, a photo, and a brief statement of the person’s history with ICP, Inc. to the Nominations Chair: Dr. Ludwig Lowenstein at:

Ludwig.lowenstein@btinternet.com

Submit no later than February 28, 2014

ICP-MAKING A DIFFERENCE

ICP’s unique power lies in what its members can do for each other and their part of the world, not in what ICP can do for them. Support, encouragement, and a mutual commitment to improve the well being of all human beings are core initiatives of the ICP and always have been. Nurture future generations in this work. If you haven’t renewed—please do so today. And share the opportunities with others. Nancy Q.
The International Council of Psychology, Inc holds an annual scientific program and Board meeting each year. The conference host (local arrangements committee, coalition or proposal agents) must be a member of ICP, Inc. To establish the feasibility of submitting an application, a potential applicant might begin with an overview of some logistical issues for proposing a Congress venue:

Is there a conference venue to host at least 100 participants?

Are there sufficient hotel rooms close to the conference venue?

Is there a scientific community to develop or sponsor the program?

How are Countries Selected?

If you believe your country/city/university would be appropriate for hosting an International Council of Psychology annual meeting, you may wish to submit an application. It is the ICP, Inc. Board of Directors that votes for the selection. Although it is hard to predict just what features of a proposal define the voting outcome, the Board typically takes the following items into account (the order of the items which are listed here is not necessarily in the order of importance):

Geographical Rotation: among continents and countries attempts to guarantee broad geographical coverage, proximity to other major professional conferences, or in regions where psychologists may not have presented a scientific program previously.

The scientific community in the conference country is especially invited to participate in the scientific program.

Communication: There is a requirement for intensive and frequent communication between the Board President, Scientific Program Chair, Local Arrangements Chair, Workshops Chair, InAbsentia Student Posters Chair, and Awards Chairs.

Costs: for participating in the Congress are another factor. The Board will expect that the registration fee will be reasonable, that there is a range of good hotel rates (particularly including inexpensive ones), and that travel costs can be kept as low as possible.

Despite efforts to keep costs low, travel is expensive for young psychologists, and for psychologists from the developing world and transition countries. It is therefore important to provide a plan that will guarantee special fees, housing, and support for those colleagues. This plan should be clearly outlined in the budget, including special provisions for ARTS programmes (by agreement, at least 30 ARTS participants are provided registration waivers).

A balanced budget needs to be provided in outline. It is important to show realistically how the income (registration fees and other) will cover your costs. It may be helpful to consult the preceding organisers of Conferences in drafting the budget. The budget is reviewed by the President and the Treasurer, who can offer advice.

The International Congresses of Psychology adhere strictly to the ICSU principles of free circulation of scientists. Provide evidence that any scientist, from whatever country, will be allowed to enter your country without special requirements (except for the regular passport and visa). Based on former bids, it is a good idea to include an official letter from your country's government, stating explicitly that your country adheres to the ICSU principles of free circulation of scientists.

Submit a letter of intent to the Long Range Conference Planning Chair.

The finalized application file should be forwarded to LRCP Chair, ICP, Inc., President and Treasurer several months ahead of the Conference meeting date.

I look forward to seeing your proposals for our future gatherings. Please send your information, in as complete a form as possible, to:

JANET SIGAL
Email: janet2822@aol.com

Thank you.
INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

Membership Application

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PLEASE WRITE “YES” IN FRONT OF THE CLASS OF MEMBERSHIP

FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING

MEMBERSHIP STATUS IS REVIEWED BY THE ICP MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE AND BOARD CONFIRMED

_____ A MEMBER is a psychologist or professional in an allied discipline field who (a) holds or is eligible to hold membership in a national psychological association affiliated with the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS), or (b) meets comparable requirements in their discipline or in a particular country, as determined by the application review agent, and (c) has been actively engaged for a period of not less than two years prior to application for membership in professional work or study that is primarily focused on quality of life, wellness, and is psychological in nature.

_____ A STUDENT AFFILIATE is a graduate student or full-time undergraduate student actively working toward a degree or certificate in psychology or in an area of study involving major emphasis on psychological aspects of a related field of study.

PREFERRED TITLE:    Dr ___ Prof ___ Mr ___ Mrs ___ Ms ___ Other ____________

Languages spoken_______________________________________________________________

FULL NAME (Print)_____________________________________________________________

PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS (Print)

City _________________________State ________________Zip/Mail Code ________

Country__________________________________________________________________

TELE Home_____________________________ TELE Work__________________________

CELL PHONE______________ FAX___________________

E-MAIL________________________________________ (all ICP communication is done via email. Please provide an address)

HIGHEST APPROPRIATE DEGREE OR CERTIFICATE (Degree, Date, Major Subject, Institution, Location)

________________________________________________________________________________

OTHER DEGREES

Student Affiliate applicant—you must provide (1) the name and address of your university, (2) name and address of your major professor, (3) your anticipated degree or certificate, and (4) your anticipated date of graduation.

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ENDORSERS: all applicants (one or two—see instructions below): Names, addresses, and EMAIL addresses

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If you are a member of a national psychological association affiliated with the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS), and are endorsed by at least one current ICP Board Member and/or Area Chair, you do not need to provide any other endorsement than the typed full name of that endorser or endorsers on the application. 2. Other applicants: Please ask two professional persons to sign as endorsers on the other side of this application, or have them send a letter of endorsement directly to the ICP Secretariat (address at the top of this page). These endorsers should be familiar with your training and/or experience in psychology, and should either be members of ICP or be recognized professional persons who can be identified by the Membership Application Processing Committee.

If endorsers are not available, please submit a complete curriculum vitae or resume with your application.

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PAYMENT: The ICP Membership year is January 1 – December 31.

Country of residence determines dues category. Please write “yes” in front of one category.

____ CATEGORY “A” COUNTRIES OR AREAS: $100 (U.S. DOLLARS)

(Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Brunei, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, United Arab Emirates, USA)

____ CATEGORY “B” COUNTRIES: $60 (U.S. DOLLARS)

(Antigua & Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Brazil, China, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Iran, Korea, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Oman, Poland, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Suriname, Turkey, Venezuela, Yemen)

____ CATEGORY “C” COUNTRIES: $25 (U.S. DOLLARS) (All other countries)


APPLICATION AMOUNT DUE $______________________________

PAYABLE TO: INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

See HTTP://WWW.ICPWEB.ORG for Credit Card & PayPal plus Background Form

Send Application and Payment or Confirmation of Payment To:

Ms. Nancy Quatrano Via Street Or Email Address Given At Top Of Application

Send COPY of application to:

Dr. Tara Pir, 2552 Corralitas Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90039

Credit Card payments accepted at http://www.ICPWEB.ORG

Use PAYPAL options for dues payments.

Complete background information form.

For New Members Only: If you volunteer for a committee assignment (recommended) fill out the Committee Assignment Worksheet (below) and submit with application form.

See next page for committee volunteer opportunities
Application, Page 3

Applicant Committee Assignment Worksheet

_____ I volunteer for the Committee assignment shown.

_____ Please send more information on the Committee assignment shown.

___ Archives Committee:
Committee Chair is liaison to and communicates with the Archives of the History of American Psychology at the University of Akron, Ohio. Information about AHAP is provided in the newsletter several times a year along with instructions for how members are to ship ICP records, older than three years to the Archives.

___ Area Chair:
Area Chairs represent ICP, Inc. in a specified geographic region. Country or State Area Chairs are coordinated by the World Area Chairs Coordinator and submit reports twice a year to the WACC for publication in the newsletter and for an annual report to the President and Board. Disseminating information about ICP, Inc. conferences, recruiting members, and organizing regional meetings are typical activities of Area Chairs.

___ Awards:
Committee members issue calls for nominations in relevant newsletters and websites, solicit several candidates, review documents submitted, arrange certificates and stipends if provided, arrange for appropriate time allocations in the annual conference scientific program, prepare newsletter and regional announcements of recipients, in order of establishment by ICP, Inc.

- Distinguished Contributions and Outstanding Service to International Psychology. Frances Mulen Award [1986]
- Gender Research and Service: Denmark-Grunwald Award
- Early Career Research: Bain-Sukemune Award [1996]
- InAbsentia Student Poster Exhibit and Awards: Dayan-O’Roark-Barreda Hansen-Comunian [2005]
- Latin Student Research Paper presentation at Annual conference: Ernesto Gonzalez Rosales Alvarez / McCarthy Award [2009]
- Advanced International Research and Service: Fukuhara Award [2011]

___ Membership Committee:
Committee Chair provides recruitment literature, records application information, updates contact data and membership details for newsletter publication, and welcomes new members, contacts non-continuing members and provides statistics on membership constituencies to the President and Board. Committee members assist the Chair with recruiting and maintenance activities in their regions.

___ Continuing Education:
Committee members meet via telephone and email to develop call for proposals for workshops for the annual scientific conferences. CE administers the necessary documentations for awarding continuing education credits. In addition to developing the ICP, Inc. World CE program, the American Psychological Association CE sponsor authorization is maintained or arranged with allied organizations.

___ Finance Committee:
Committee members review the annual budget and assist the Treasurer as requested. FC oversees and makes recommendations for ICP, Inc.’s financial investments and award programs. The FC audits the tasks of the Treasurer annually.

___ Interest Groups:
Interest Groups are formed to enable collaborations on topics of professional concern or research. Groups plan joint research and/or program events for the annual scientific conference. Papers are presented in the International Understanding section of the newsletter. Currently active groups are:

- Creativity & Education [Milgram]
- Forensic [Lowenstein]
- Health [Pir]
- Peace and Human Rights [Neil]
- Religion & Spirituality [Rayburn]
- Women’s Issues [Muhlbauer]

___ Liaison Representatives
Individuals who are members of professional associations other than ICP, Inc. submit articles to the Liaison Coordinator for presentation of information about that organization in the newsletter and submit ICP, Inc. information to the association in which they hold membership/represent.

___ Long Range Conference Planning:
Committee members solicit and review proposals for ICP, Inc. annual conferences 3 to 5 years in advance. Timing and sites are coordinated with major professional congresses. LRCP presents completed proposals from the proposal submitters. Once a Local Arrangement Committee (LAC) is established, LRCP provides information and assistance. The LAC makes arrangements for meeting site, hotel information, tours, banquet, and promotional materials.

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