Greetings from rainy California.

As I write a column for an organization steeped in international social justice concerns, I am bombarded (as we all are) with the daily human rights disasters: the cold-blooded murder of a journalist by a Saudi Prince, the starvation and suffering in Yemen, the separation of families at the southern border of the U.S. where children are held in cages. The U.S. has a hand in each of these atrocities, through supporting authoritarian regimes or by replacing due process with authoritarian actions in the U.S.

How should we respond as social justice activists and psychologists? I hope that as an organization we can grapple with this question over the next year and through the ICP 2019 Conference. The Conference can provide a forum for us to learn from each other and renew our commitments to human rights.

The 2019 ICP Conference is aptly named Human Rights, Dignity, and Social Justice: From Knowledge to Action. It will take place in Cádiz, Spain in June. The focus is on application—how do we prevent physical and sexual violence; how do we protect children from human rights abuses, how do we shore up families during these times of significant stress? We welcome papers, posters, and symposia on a wide range of related topics and look forward to broad international participation.

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Returning from a Fulbright Fellowship in Australia, her talk integrated what she learned about aboriginal issues in Australia and New Zealand with multicultural leadership and psychology in the US. Her model of leadership inspires us to assume leadership roles that strive for equality, authenticity, and giving voice to all.

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HOPE TO SEE YOU IN SPAIN June 11-14 2019

Dear members of the ICP, as you already know on the web, next summer we will celebrate our annual meeting - for the second time in our long history - in the south of Spain, specifically in the beautiful city of Cádiz, under the auspices of its University.

From the organizing committee, we are preparing everything with great enthusiasm so that, those who decide to accompany us, you feel great in this ancient city. Founded more than 1000 years before Christ and strategically located between the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea, just at the southern tip of Europe, it has been the place of passage and settlement of multiple civilizations. It is not strange, therefore, that its inhabitants have the reputation of being the most sympathetic and witty in Spain.

The different academic activities will revolve, as usual, around Dignity and Human Rights, something especially significant in an environment that "paters” continually arrive from neighboring Africa, full of people who on many occasions see their hopes succumb and even their own lives in the currents of the Strait of Gibraltar. We hope that many of our contributions give ideas and mobilize consciences, contributing to the passage from thought to action in minimizing this terrible global scourge.

To raise our morale, something that we know how to do well in these lands, we have scheduled the closing dinner in a restaurant in Jerez, in which we will "pair” food and drink. Also the next day, we plan to visit the famous winery Osborne, in Puerto de Santa Maria, where they will continue to initiate us in the tasting of their famous generous wines.

We are waiting for you with open arms!
In a world of growing social exclusion, violence, economic inequality, global migration, refugee crises, and persistent human rights violations, the ICP conference addresses psychologists' contributions to human well-being and resilience globally through our science, practice, and advocacy, and promotes strategies for moving from knowledge to action.

Proposals addressing these broad topics, including but not limited to social exclusion, violence against vulnerable peoples, especially women and children, disabilities, immigration, poverty and other challenges, and more, are welcome.

Presentation formats include plenaries, symposia, paper panels, posters, town hall discussion, short interactive sessions, workshops and more!! The language of the conference is English.

Local Arrangements And Registration

Deadlines: Early Bird - until 1 March 2019; Regular until 1 June 2019. Late Registration: after 1 June and onsite

Conference Registration fees include:
- Welcome Reception
- Conference Sessions
- Lunch on each Conference Day
- 2 Morning & Afternoon Coffee Breaks on each Conference Day
- Conference Program
- Conference Bag

Accompanying Persons FEE $150

Accompanying Person registration fees include: Welcome Reception, Conference Sessions. Please note: Conference Lunches, Program and Bag are not included. Conference Fees do not include hotel accommodations.
Conference Banquet   June 13, 2019

Dinner will be held at La Carboná, a restaurant specializing in cooking with sherry. The restaurant, restored from an old sherry bodega, offers great food and sherry-pairings. The dinner cost includes bus transportation to the restaurant, a 4-course dinner and accompanying drinks. $75 Regular; $60 students.

Winery Tour and Tasting   Post Conference Day June 14, 2019. Visit to the Osborne winery in Puerto de Santa María. Transportation by bus provided (.5 hour trip - 15 km). Fee: $35; Students $25

EVERY MEMBER CAN BE AN ICP,INC LIAISON
COORDINATOR OF LIAISONS MESSAGE

ICP, INC initiated liaison connections during its second decade (1950s) as part of their organizational strategy to engage every member as actively as possible every year, to expand name recognition among fledgling international associations and to reach out to potential members. Every member of the “Council” is also a member of other psychology and professional groups. Every member can send information to that other group about ICP’s conferences and distribute membership application information via newsletters, websites and conferences.

I urge you to become an active LIAISON this year. Send me the name of the group you will represent. Send information about that group for the newsletter or website as relevant. This would be a doable service that would not take a lot of ever-scarce time and would contribute to the aspirations I have used as my platform during this past year:

Building Bridges and Diverse Perspectives
Advancing our Practice
Using our Psychological Science
Engaging Our Members

SECOND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE ICP, INC 2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Send nominations for ICP, INC Spring Ballot - POSITIONS TO BE FILLED:

*PRESIDENT ELECT  SECRETARY.
*TREASURER  DIRECTOR AT LARGE (2)
*2018-19 NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

SEND SUGGESTIONS TO YOUR AREA CHAIR OR A MEMBER OF THE 2019 N&E COMMITTEE
It is my pleasure to accept appointment as Coordinator of Interest Groups from President Natalie Porter. I am in the process of developing new policy and guidelines for this function established in the early years of ICP council life. Professional and Research Interest Groups work to achieve ICP’s mission by being a way for members to organize international collaborations on psychological research topics, and to promote discussions on professional topics.

Members with common “interests” get acquainted at annual meetings and communicate during the interim months to organize symposia and paper sessions for annual scientific programs. They often sponsor in-depth thinking and policy making around global “hot topics” related to psychology and human well being.

The United Nations interest group, Florence Denmark, Main Representative, contributes presentations of ongoing and impressive work in NY, Vienna and Geneva at the annual conference each year. [Dr. Denmark introduces the NY ICP, INC. Interns in this issue]. Sandra Neil’s 20 plus years leading the Human Rights & Peace Interest Group is another active Interest Group and presents not only at ICP annual scientific programs but also at other national and international conferences. Neil’s dynamic “world summits” highlight human rights, in which she showcases papers from many countries. She not only offers presentations but publishes pamphlets and programs that provide visibility for the Council and result in new member applications.

Former President Ludwig Lowenstein and Dr. Betty Bishop chaired a Forensic Interest Group for several decades. Joan Christer, Joan DiGiovanni, Ana Guil organized annual sessions for the Women’s Issues Interest Group. They also presented sessions at other international conferences in the name of ICP.

Send me your ideas for new, or renewed Interest Groups. The membership ideally includes ICP members from at least three countries. Total number of members is unlimited. The website membership form includes a place for you to identify your area of professional and or research interests. We learn from each other and build stronger cross cultural bonds through ICP Interest Groups.

Looking forward to hearing from you at fmachiko@h2.dion.ne.jp

Calls for Award Nominations – International Council of Psychologists ICP

The mission of the ICP is to advance the science and practice of psychology and support the use of psychological knowledge to promote social health and justice, and to contribute to world peace, global wellness, and international professional development, networking and mentoring.

ICP welcomes nominations and self-nominations for prestigious international awards that honor international research and service!

Fukuhara Award
Advanced International Psychological Research & Service
Purpose: to recognize mid- senior or mid-level psychologists with distinguished contributions to international psychology in research and service.
Nominees do not need to be ICP members.
Deadline: January 15, 2019. Send nomination letters and documentation to annorark@bellsouth.net, Link: http://icpweb.org/awards/icp-award-information/fukuhara-award.html

Denmark-Gunvald Award
Feminist Research and Service
Purpose: to honor a psychologist who has a history of research and service that directly benefits the health, promotion and well-being of women in the world. Nominees do not need to be ICP members.
I’m happy to report that interest in ICP continues to grow. Although our membership drive has been successful in expanding our numbers, we still have a ways to go in achieving engagement across all international regions. We anticipate that our accomplishments over the past year have set the groundwork for this type of expansion. I’d like to specifically highlight the following:

We updated the membership page on our website, making it easier to join. Our member information page has also been revised, so we can better understand the professional commitments of those in ICP.

Our Area Chairs, representing different regions of the world, have re-committed to providing leadership around the world.

It was also during this past year that ICP comprised its first Webinar Committee. We are now preparing to offer a full line-up of presenters in 2019.

I wish everyone a wonderful year ahead. As we enter 2019, I encourage all members to spread the word of ICP and its mission so we may create a network that reaches all corners of the globe.

As Main ICP, INC Representative for the COUNCIL’s United Nations NGO, it is my pleasure to introduce to you five current ICP interns.

In the photo above, from left to right you will see standing with me, interns Whitney Smith, Natalie Nagpal, Florence Denmark, Rudy Richa, Angela Shen, Andrea Stephaich, and Ehimamiegho Idahosa-Erese.

To introduce the COUNCIL’s current interns more fully, I share with you a short bio and hope that when you visit New York you can arrange time to meet them at the UN.

Whitney Rimes Smith grew up in northeastern U.S. before studying Business as an undergraduate at McGill University in Montreal. After 6 years working in music business in New York City, she began graduate studies in Psychology at Pace University, where she is the student representative of the program. Finding Psychology, a rewarding field and perfect mix of creative and technical skills, she hopes to continue studies in a clinical doctoral program.

Natalie Nagpal is a second-year Masters student at NYU in the General Psychology program. She received her Bachelors in Science degree from the University of Michigan with a major in Biopsychology, Cognition, and Neuroscience. Natalie has worked on multiple research projects within the psychology department at the University of Michigan ranging from child and developmental psychology, to evolutionary psychology. She was the assistant research coordinator for Dr. Joshua Ackerman’s evolutionary psychology lab, which studied the role of disease threats on intergroup attitudes. Before attending NYU for graduate school, Natalie was a research assistant at NYU Langone and in NYU’s social psychology department. She hopes to pursue a PhD in clinical psychology.

Rudy Richa is a currently enrolled New York University Graduate student, where he is president of the NYU Graduate Student Organization, pursuing his Masters in General Psychology with a Social Psychology specialization. He graduated with a double major in Biology and Psychology from the Lebanese American University (Lebanon) in 2016. His previous work experience includes working with UN-HCR on the Syrian Refugee crisis in Lebanon and being a Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Advocate in Mount Sinai - New York.
Angela Shen is a graduate student in Psychology at NYU. She graduated from McGill University in Montreal 2017 with a double major in Psychology and International Development Studies. Her studies and her involvement with the ICP reflect her interests in both psychological research and application.

Andrea Stephach grew up in Pittsburgh and is currently pursuing her Master’s degree in Social and Consumer Psychology at NYU. She went to Goucher College for her undergraduate degree, where she studied International Relations and Spanish. Growing up, she was lucky enough to travel extensively around the globe. Additionally, her parents grew up with diverse backgrounds: her mother is Brazilian, and her father is American with European influences. This combination led to a passion for global affairs and a drive to learn about different cultures, making a U.N.-related internship a dream come true. Andrea will be graduating in May and hopes to work for a market research agency.

Cagla Cobek came to the U.S. from Turkey, having earned her bachelor's degree in English Language Teaching where she specialized in educational psychology and teaching. She is currently pursuing a Psychology masters' degree at Pace University. Her future goal is working as an Industrial and Organizational Psychologist.

It gives me immense pleasure to congratulate the distinguished skillful ICP elected members for their new roles and responsibilities. The core theme of ICP’s 2019 conference is Human Rights, Justice and Dignity which has its own significance and recognition as distinct field but the literature demonstrates that Human Rights, Justice and Dignity are also knitted together in the regional, and national and international cultures. Culture is a key factor that contributes towards the perception and experiences of individuals.

Because the foundations of Psychology began in Europe and North America, researches long investigated whether or not observations made within these continents could be applied to countries outside these continents. Hence, cross cultural enquiry and indigenizing psychology is building momentum in contemporary empirical research.

Cultural psychology functions as a mirror that compels psychologists to reflect on their work and critically evaluate their theories and findings, to go beyond the surface and convenience to question what truly matters, and to embrace the complexity of human experiences with an open mind and heart.

The social sciences advocate that increases in the complexity of studies and incorporation of interdisciplinary research will lead to greater understanding of mutual effects of culture and social behaviour. Yet, simply acknowledging the importance of culture and cultural psychology is not enough.

In our increasing multicultural world, it is pressing, obligatory and pragmatic for all of us to actively incorporate cultural psychology into our research. The ICP Platform will help us to recognize, reduce and eliminate biases, uncover new mechanisms and develop new theories and understand human cognition and behaviour as a constructive process that take place in interaction between Western and Eastern world.

During scientific programs of ICP conferences, we can discuss how theories developed in the West are being adapted and used in Pakistani contexts, and how gaps in culturally embedded literature create room for research in Non-Western societies.

I am optimistic, as a newly elected Director at Large from Pakistan, that ICP will open new vistas and provide platform for positive interaction among distinguished international professionals with Pakistani researchers and psychologists, providing opportunity for raising intricate issues and challenges in psychology. Then, together we can plan future modus operandi to resolve issues raised in conference discussions.

Finally, I thank everyone who voted for me and wish you all a very happy new year.

Amina Muazzam
I wanted to share with you information about a recent Fordham University conference in New York that highlighted International psychology and student participation. Harold Takooshian and I were involved in organizing the 30th Annual Psychology Research conference at Fordham on November 18th.

Harold was the founder and director of this annual conference which strives to encourage students to present and submit essays for one of the eight psychology awards. The five Guests of Honor included Fordham faculty and administrators, leaders from UN NGO groups, and psychology organizations. The conference this year included 49 presentations of psychology students and faculty from 13 institutions in the NYC. About 1/4 of the presenters were students participating for the first time.

The end of the year is a busy time for the ICP secretariat – completing year-end tasks and reports, and anticipating new initiatives for the coming year. Membership renewals for 2019 are ongoing – now completely online. Close to half the current ICP members have renewed, and several have joined since the summer. The online membership and renewal forms provide information to promote new interest groups for the 2019 conference, and an updated ICP member directory, services available to all members. Those members who have not renewed are encouraged to look at the ICP website – www.icpweb.org to complete their membership renewal and provide directory information.

Much of the Secretariat effort has been directed to the 2019 conference to be held in Cadiz, Spain. The conference will be June 12-13, 2019. The ICP Board will meet on the day before the conference (June 11) and the day after (June 14). In addition to exciting conference events, there will be a social tour on the 14th in the morning for Board members and conference attendees – a visit to a winery, with transportation by catamaran. Please see the conference webpages: www.icpweb.org/icp2019-home.html. We are very excited about a new conference management system we are using for ICP 2019. It will coordinate participant information, submissions, and conference registration, and support all “backend” functions of reviewing and scheduling.

In addition, for the first time ICP2019 participants will be able to make their own schedule and participate virtually with other conference participants through a conference “app”. We encourage everyone to register on the conference site to receive regular updates, submit proposals, and complete participant registration. Check it out – www.conf-tool.org/icp2019.

If you have not already thought of colleagues whose work deserves recognition, do so now! The ICP awards deadlines are extended until January 15, 2019. This is a great opportunity to nominate a colleague or someone whose work you have always admired. Please see https://www.icpweb.org/awards/108-call-for-nominations-2019-awards.html.

From The Secretary-General
This fall, I attended a conference of special relevance to ICP -- the annual conference of the Global Alliance for Behavioral Health and Social Justice, an organization whose goals are very compatible with those of ICP. The mission of the Global Alliance, newly constituted out of the American Orthopsychiatric Society, is informing “policy, practice and research regarding issues of behavioral health, social justice and well-being”. The multidisciplinary, annual conference, attended by psychologists, nurses, social workers, and other mental health providers and researchers, addressed many of the issues important to ICP – especially translating our science to action in support of dignity and justice. In the coming year, look for some coordinated activities across the organizations – sharing information, announcements and more!
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVISM - OBSERVES A LINE IN THE SAND BETWEEN SOCIAL JUSTICE/AND SOCIAL JUSTICE-ACTIVISM

December 2018

Common Era. Atlantic Beach.

My first fall living at Fleet Landing, a continuous care retirement community advocating “Inspired Living” for the final laps in human body-mind development, has been a time of education and re-education, focus and re-focus, insight and humility.

Insight and Humility. While I have treasured and been proud of my professional work and associations, I now gain insights into how age-peers treasure their life accomplishments and are proud to tell of their work as test pilots for the astronaut program; as highly honored by academic colleagues for significant research, teaching, and advances in audiology, art, physics, athletics, Ballet Russo and Modern Dance star performers, and philanthropical contributors. Surprisingly, I’ve met people who attended three of the universities I did, at or about the same time. Plus, well-known psychologists, humanistic and psychoanalytic therapists and a woman who lived in Bavaria near my secondary boarding center. Incredibly dedicated lives and so much achieved by so many.

Focus and Re-Focus. I have written in various ICP, INC. histories, editorials and presented at the Council’s annual gatherings and other international and national conferences, the legacy extended to members of the COUNCIL is richly inclusive, collaborative and value oriented regarding wellness and human rights.

A model named to honor the “signature” greeting from former President Henry David, BE WELL illustrates how former COUNCIL leaders thought about its activist role and responsibilities. Recently, a more sociological, social services approach to activism by the psychological community seems in vogue. Hot topics are not signals for ICP, INC. to abandon a unique mission within psychology. Any re-focusing for ICP, INC. targets groups needing to be offered platforms, given a place to voice their views.....not for members to bandstand for their personal “cause” or “concern.” This is a critical fine-line-in-the-sand between professional activism and social justice activism that is political and vigilante.

Education and Re-Education. As an educational 501c3 US incorporation, ICP, INC. is restricted from political activities and promotions. The objective is to educate and re-educate, globally and in all environmental and ecological circumstances: Presenting scientific psychology and discipline related knowledge from the regions where ANNUAL MEETINGS ARE ORGANIZED AND CONDUCTED.

Covering idiosyncratic advocacy with an ersatz scientific cloak of objectivity becomes transparent when viewed by eyes trained in a different culture. No more concealing individual or group biases than the emperor’s new clothes. It would be more open and mission-related to take time to somehow call attention to COUNCIL members who are suffering from groups of scientists and governments who actively persecute colleague psychologists. Two former ICP presidents come to mind and heart: Dr. Natividad Dayan, president 2004-05, and her husband Roger Dayan [government]; and Dr. Bob Perloff, president 1976-77 [scientists].

A new year’s toast of appreciation to President Porter for reporting concerns about cold blooded murders; starvations and separated families; and to President Elect Ana Guil-Bozal for calling out sympathy for the “pateras” who are continually arriving from neighboring Africa, full of people who often see their hopes succumb and even their families’ lives in the currents of the Strait of Gibraltar.

Sending a BE WELL wish for your 2019,

Ann Marie O’Roark

ps. The Henry James Garrett quote below Captures a lot of the ICP, INC’s mission concept.

Henry James Garrett, cartoonist/author

EMPATHY = MORALITY / KINDNESS

“Empathy itself is not enough. It becomes an accurate guide for moral action only when combined with knowledge of people of all different backgrounds -- knowledge that can be attained only if you are willing to actively listen to people whose voices have been silenced.”
December 7 2018


Future Plans: In the coming year I will continue promote ICP activities, membership and ICP annual convention within the EFPA organization.

At present EFPA and its Member Associations are concerned with educational programs aimed at promoting psychological competencies in the field of migration phenomena and design of policies concerning them. The current migration dynamics are different from even those of the recent past: as a consequence of the structural conditions fostering the flows. Current forms shows some limitations in territories where they have been carried out in convincing and systematic ways. Psychologists are considered competent professionals to implement models and methods. According to this perspective, EFPA considers a strategy where psychological knowledge can be useful to understand and intervene on migration dynamics and be made available and used appropriately. In that context, an irreplaceable role is that of academic training.

News from the Liaison Organization: EFPA calls for action: support structures academic psychology. Considering this, EFPA asks the Association Members to make efforts to encourage and support the structures of academic psychology (e.g. at Departmental, Faculty, School and postgraduate levels) in their Country.
A comprehensive and effective mental health system is an urgent priority for the Australian community and the APS, and we will continue to raise our voice on this important issue.

This week the Australian Government released the terms of reference for the Productivity Commission inquiry into mental health, which will examine the effectiveness of current mental health programs and whether the investment in mental health is delivering value for money and the best outcomes for individuals, their families, society and the economy. In Victoria, a Mental Health Royal Commission is likely following this week’s election. We will ensure that psychologists are well represented in these discussions.

Mental health is, of course, just one of the topics on which we will be campaigning on, especially in the lead up to the Budget in April and the Federal Election, likely to be held in May. We are working on the APS election manifesto, in which we will prioritise the issues of most importance across our membership. Many thanks to the members who have reached out to provide input on this.

Last week, I spent three days in Perth, where I attended the 2nd National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention and World Indigenous Suicide Prevention Conference. It was gratifying to meet with peers and learn about the great work being done and the commitment to resolving the many challenges we face in this regard.

Work to support Indigenous psychologists and culturally competent psychology training as part of our commitment to the social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians continues at the APS. Members can expect us to be much more vocal on the issue of suicide, which is of such great concern across many communities in Australia, in the months and years ahead, as part of our commitment to shaping the public agenda for psychologists.

This year, we’ve enjoyed much positive feedback on our campaign to address loneliness. Governments, researchers and health professionals are increasingly concerned about the impact of social isolation as more Australians of all ages report experiencing loneliness, raising questions about the causes and implications of this issue. It has also rightly captured the attention of the nation’s media.

Psychologists are particularly well placed to explain and solve this social issue. We partnered with Swinburne University to conduct the most comprehensive research into loneliness in Australia. It revealed that one in four Australians report loneliness and confirmed that loneliness is impacting on physical as well as mental health. Our Psychology Week resources include evidence-based tips to help Australians to improve social connections.

Professor Lyn Littlefield OAM FAPS
I recently attended the 29th International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP), which was held from 26-30 June 2018, in Montreal, Canada. The Congress theme was "Psychology: Connecting Science to Solutions". Approximately 3000 delegates took the opportunity to learn about some of the cutting-edge developments in applied psychology and network with international colleagues. Several of the presentations were delivered by APS members.

There were many presentations which focused on how psychology can help with societal issues. A keynote address from Telmo Mourinho Baptista (European Federation of Psychologists Association) focused on solving the world’s problems with the help of psychology. James Ogloff (APS member) presented a keynote address on using psychological science to contribute to public safety in the case of terrorists and lone-actor violence perpetrators. One of the State of the Art lectures even focused on understanding toxic leadership, with an analysis of Donald Trump’s leadership style.

There were also a number of presentations addressing the role of psychology in primary health care. Robyn Vines (APS member) led a symposium on the role of psychology in integrated mental health care from an international perspective. Of particular interest was hearing about the...
Norwegian experience from Tor Levin Hoffgaard (President, Norwegian Psychological Association), where they have managed to persuade the government to fund psychologists to conduct the initial assessments for people accessing primary mental health services.

Psychology education and training from an international perspective was also covered, including keynote addresses and symposia on international competencies in psychology and internationalisation and training of psychologists from a global perspective.

I gave a keynote address titled ‘Building the capacity of professional psychology and the services they deliver’, where I spoke about the history of Better Outcomes (ATAPS) and Better Access (Medicare), the current mental health reforms and APS involvement in national projects (including KidsMatter and headspace) which have contributed to the increased presence of psychology in government-funded services.

I also took part in a panel session with the CEOs from the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) and the American Psychological Association (APA), where we discussed ‘Driving psychology’s business opportunities and challenges working on behalf of organized psychology.

The Congress coincided with a number of international psychology meetings, which I also attended on behalf of the APS. These included the General Assembly of the International Union of Psychological Science, which discussed their strategic plan, a number of Board and Board Executive meetings for the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP), and the AGM of the CPA. I also met with the President and new CEO of the British Psychological Society, a number of APA officers and staff, and the Executive of the International Council of Psychology.

The next ICAP to celebrate 100 years of the IAAP, the body responsible for ICAP, will be held in Cancún, Mexico, and promises to be a terrific celebration of the achievements of applied psychology. I strongly encourage you to start planning your trip!

Respectfully submitted,

Dr Sandra E.S.

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Photo
Three former Presidents
Left: Jean Lau Chin, USA
liaison Coordinator
Middle: Sandra E.S. Neil,
Australia: World Area Chairs
Coordinator
Right: Machiko Fukuhara,
Japan: Interest Groups Coordinator

Alliant Educational Foundation (AEF) announced Dr. Porter as a member of their board of directors executive committee during the summer of 2017. AEF is a nonprofit organization that partners with Alliant International University and other institutions of higher education to provide funding and resources to support student scholarships and faculty research.

Board Secretary Porter has been heavily involved with Alliant for 22 years and is currently a professor in the Clinical Psychology Ph.D. Program at Alliant’s California School of Professional Psychology in San Francisco. Porter has also held academic appointments at the University of New Mexico and the University of Nebraska. She has diverse administrative experience with the university, including as interim vice president for academic affairs and school-wide dean for the California School of Professional Psychology.

Nationally, Porter is a leader in the American Psychological Association, serving as president of the Society for the Psychology of Women and on the executive committees of other divisions. She is a frequent author and presenter, primarily focused on mental health service delivery, gender issues, psychotherapy ethics and supervision. She was awarded the APA Committee on Women’s Distinguished Leadership Award. Porter resides in Alameda, California.
INGRAM made a preliminary bid for the retail wholesaling operation of BAKER AND TAYLOR about a month ago. They’re looking to grow their library business which is more profitable than retail store sales according to the Publisher’s Weekly source.

CHILDREN’S BOOKS strong sellers this year. “The Meltdown was our bestselling title across the [entire] chain in November,” said Kathy Doyle Thomas, executive v-p and chief strategy officer for Half Price Books, which has 126 stores across 17 states. “Since Thanksgiving was early this year, there are more shopping days before Christmas. The timing of Christmas is great, too. It’s on a Tuesday, so people will have one more weekend to get their shopping in before the big day. Weather has already hit us hard in some of our markets, but if it holds out, we think this will be a great holiday season for us.” All of the stores that Publishers Weekly follows for sales indications are showing strong children’s book sales. YEAH!

AMAZON out of stock with no shipping date on your book? Send your customers to BarnesandNole.com where books will ship in a matter of days, not months. Amazon says Ingram isn’t shipping their orders and Ingram says Amazon isn’t placing them. Don’t get caught in the middle - just get your readers to buy elsewhere. In January, life - and inventories - will return to normal. BooksaMillion.com does not seem to have delays either.

BOOK STAGRAMING a new term for you? It was for me! Created out of the powerful relationship of “influencers” with Instagram, the latest breakfast meeting by PW (PubTechConnect) in November examined the power of publicity done through those who have targeted followers on platforms such as Instagram or Pinterest. “Influencer marketing traces its roots to industries such as fashion, beauty, and luxury travel, where it is now a prime marketing tool. But books, the panelists suggested, are also a good fit for the approach—especially since people who read tend to
be very passionate about books." The article emphasized, however, that you need to research the influencers carefully. After all, getting the word out to readers is the point - not just getting it out there.

Okay, my Christmas cards are NOT done yet, but as the song says, there are "12 Days of Christmas" so I will have them in the mail long before the 11 lords are leaping.(Ihope!) Enjoy your special days and times. May your stocking be filled with either books or gift cards for books. May your guests all be pleasant. May you have time to read, to laugh, to rest. And may your 2019 bring you all that you dream. Keep reading and writing! See you next month.

Nancy Q.

UN General Assembly is convening a four-day Global Summit of organizations, Economists and individuals from all public and Private Sector from 28 - 31, January 2019 in London (UK) to assess the worst global economic down turn since the Great Depression.

The aim is to identify emergency and long-term responses to mitigate the impact of the crisis, especially on vulnerable populations, and initiate a needed dialogue on the transformation of the international financial architecture, taking into account the needs and concerns of all countries of the world.

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Registration to this Summit is absolutely "free" and strictly for invited individuals and organizations from Asia, Europe, Middle East, Africa and America's.

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The United Nations General Assembly will sponsor free travel costs and all-round flight tickets for all participant. Invited participants will only be responsible for their hotel accommodation and feeding cost at the Comfort Inn Hotel. The International Convention & Exhibition Centre (ICC) London, United Kingdom is the venue of this summit, while the Comfort Inn Hotel London has been officially designated to accommodate all participant for this unique and prestigious global financial and economic crisis summit. If you require an entry visa to London (UK) to attend this meeting, United Nations General Assembly will help you to obtain a visa so easily once you confirm your registration.

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You are invited to take part in the 2019 International Conference on Global Financial and Economic Crisis.

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World Area Chair Coordinator Report by Dr. Sandra E. S. Neil PhD, ICP World Area Chair Coordinator 2014-2019

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Area Chairs accept responsibility for assisting in the development of ICP activities and policies in a specific country, a group of countries, or regions within a country, with the overall objective of advancing psychology and the application of its scientific findings around the world.

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- Recommending to the Convention Scientific Program Chair specific participants, topics, and/or new research material from their region.
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- Suggesting and proposing regional meetings as possible that are near to convention sites
- Submitting pictures and articles about psychologists from their region for use in the IP or on the web.
- Publicizing ICP activities and conventions in professional and academic newsletters, websites, or other media.
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Dr. Neil Extends an Invitation to Area Chairs and Those Interested in Becoming Chairs.

I look forward to receiving your reports by email: office@satiraustralia.com

Wishing you all and your families a very happy and safe festive season.

Respectfully submitted by Dr Sandra E. S. Neil
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