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What an incredible year for OPA! (It seems I say that every year but once again it is true.)

Just flashing on some of the highlights:

Our Planning and Development Committee under the leadership of Dr. Cathy McDaniels Wilson completed a nearly two-year process of strategic planning. We appreciate the excellent support provided by Past President Dr. Dave Hellkamp, who guided us through some of the more difficult aspects of planning for OPA’s future. We had tremendous input from many OPA members, allies and non-member psychologists who contributed data that we considered as we filled in our plan’s goals, objectives, timelines and outcome measures. This plan is really exciting with lots of attention to early career psychologists, using technology, strengthening our educational programming, improving member services and marketing psychology. Of course, advocacy is always a priority for us and that continues in this plan. OPA’s tradition of emphasizing diversity and multicultural issues continues with renewed emphasis.

Another huge project, the review and updating of OPA’s Operating Policies and Procedures was just completed at the recent June 2012 Board meeting. This project also ran a two-year life span, with significant work by OPA staff, committees and Board members. Dr. David Hayes, Chair of the Policy and Procedures Committee deserves a big “thank you” for his editing prowess and fabulous red pen that created consistent phrasing throughout. These policies cover every aspect of governance and association operations and were due for a complete review. In the last few years we have reviewed and updated two-thirds of our policies (Operating Policies and Financial Policies). Staff has already started the review of the final piece, our Personnel Policies and our goal is to finish these by next June.

Wait…one more huge project…OPA’s website. The mystery lady has been retired and when you log into www.ohpsych.org you now find a more vibrant, user friendly, current, searchable, website that will place higher when people do a Google search. All the materials, links and resources on the site have been updated and organized in new ways to be more accessible. Calendars will give you quick access to time sensitive program and meeting information. The Referral Program is much more accessible and easier to use. Our designers did a nice job of translating our ideas into this beautiful new site. Staff put in a tremendous amount of time on this and continues to work on fixing glitches and adding new content. All the staff worked hard on it but special thanks to Denise Brenner and Heather Gilbert for keeping the rest of us on track.

Insurance problems seem to have increased this year. OPA’s Insurance Committee, under the leadership of Dr. Priscilla Kingston and Dr. Howard Bonem, have worked hard to keep members informed and to develop strategies for addressing the issues that come to our attention. We continue to work on Anthem’s pre-authorization tactic, Humana/Life Synch contracting and payment issues, and Medicare problems, many of which relate to re-certification glitches and the transitions to several new Medicare carriers in a short span of time. The committee is increasing its communication to members to assure you all are aware of issues that have surfaced and what OPA is doing to address them.

Dr. Josh Shuman really stepped up to the challenge from the Board to help us connect with early career psychologists and has developed a strong early career psychologist committee. Their meetings are lively and they are currently focused on assessing what their cohort wants from OPA.

Our Foundation did well this year and we thank all of you who donated. We funded two Michael Sullivan Diversity Scholarships this year. State Science Day prizes were awarded for behavioral health posters by students in grades five through 12. Student scholarships for OPA workshops helped increase student involvement in important learning opportunities. The Foundation is now working on funding for our Ohio Psychologist
Oral History Project, capturing the memories of psychologists who contributed to what the profession has become in Ohio and nationally; funding our 2013 Multicultural Conference; funding career development for our staff; funding more scholarships for Ohio students and more. When you renew your membership, please add a donation to the Foundation for Psychology in Ohio and remember to include it in your estate plan.

Advocacy has worked on a number of bills this year. The coolest moment was during our Legislative Day when two of our priority bills were up for testimony: HB496-Update the Psychology Licensing Law and SB329-Authorizing the Director of the Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections to establish a demonstration project for up to six appropriately trained psychologists to help the department provide needed mental health services by prescribing psychotropic medications. You can see from the committee’s report many of the other things they are doing.

We had one of our best Leadership Forums ever. These programs look at aspects of leadership as they relate to our association from different perspectives. This year our forum featured Karen Bell (former Dean of the OSU College of Arts, who has extensive nonprofit board and leadership development experience) discussing leadership and board development. As a dancer/choreographer she engaged everyone in a conversation about leadership. Jeff Cook (Director of Field and State Operations, American Psychological Association Practice Organization Breakout) discussed leadership, federal advocacy and presented a case study on state advocacy efforts in New York that led to the passage of marriage equality legislation.

We didn’t quite make our goal of getting 1,000 people to sign up for health insurance through OPA. Undeterred we will try again in the next few months. This insurance will be for OPA members and their families and for employees/families of OPA members. Watch for the notices about this insurance and be sure to sign up!

All of our committees did a fantastic job. You will see from their reports that OPA has produced value for its members on many different fronts. We thank all of our Board members for their hard work and dedication to the association and profession. John Rudisill, our President, was a superb leader and forward looking leader. Kevin Arnold deserves special thanks for stepping up to fill the Finance Officer position when Jim Broyles was selected to be President-elect. Cathy McDaniels Wilson represents Ohio well on APA Council. Cathy Gaw, our Past President, has been a good mentor of our current and future presidents and kept us on track with a number of important projects.

I would be remiss if I didn’t thank our staff. Denise Brenner, Heather Gilbert, Beth Wherley and Bobbie Celeste take on tremendous levels of responsibility and work together to get the job done. OPA is fortunate to have such a strong, dedicated, hardworking team!

-Michael O. Ranney, MPA, OPA Executive Director, mrannney@ohpsych.org
This has been an amazing year for the association. The Board atmosphere and productivity has been impressive. The staff, led by Michael Ranney, has been remarkably productive. I’m excited that in this issue, you will have an opportunity to read about the volume of accomplishments from the various regions and committees of our association.

Recently, as part of the endless back and forth between Mitt Romney and Barack Obama, Mr. Romney said that President Obama taking credit for increased American energy production is like Romney claiming responsibility for the Red Sox’s World Series wins when he was Massachusetts governor. I must say I feel that this accusation correctly applies to me. This has been a wonderful year at OPA but I had little to do with it. Recent psychological/business research suggests that we often give the leader way too much credit (and reimbursement) and blame for the outcomes of an organization. The research suggests that rarely is over 30 percent of the variance in organizational outcomes due to even the best of leaders. With this in mind, let me talk about some of what has happened on my watch, but not because it has been my watch!

One principle that I have learned is that the time goes ever so quickly and before you know it they’re talking about the next person’s administration. I also became aware that most of the important OPA projects are multi-year projects and so you finish up some things started by others (e.g., the Strategic Plan), continue other projects (e.g., the Demonstration Project), and begin others (e.g., The President’s Challenge). Some projects we would have liked to have completed but they will be left for others to finish, such as the very important health insurance initiative.

I think that a key responsibility of the president is setting a tone and contributing to an organizational climate. My primary contribution has been organizational.
and monitoring non-financial goals that serve as a type of scorecard measuring the effectiveness of our work together. This allows us to pay attention to outcomes such as membership and continuing education the same way we do financial outcomes. We try to operate as planned and have developed a strategic planning cycle. We’ve also changed the reporting procedures for committees to the Board encouraging them to look at their goals in relation to the Strategic Plan and to involve the entire Board in the assistance they need to complete their work. We are working on a document for committees (Jim Broyles will finish this one) that will provide continuity from one chair to the next, encourage recruitment of members and succession planning, areas in which we have needed improvement. This year, we have begun to invite committee chairs to the Executive Committee so that we can better understand and support their efforts. The OPA archives and Oral History Project is moving from University of Akron to Wright State University. This will open up enormous online possibilities for us that will not only impact the archives and Oral History Project, but also our entire communications and technology capability. At each Board meeting, we tried to engage the Board in valuable policy discussions, provide education that would make them better Board members both for OPA and other organizations, and value and respect the importance of each voice.

I issued the President’s Challenge, challenging each past and future president to donate $1,000 to establish a staff training fund that would send an important message to our incredible staff about their value and our commitment to retaining and developing them. I’m happy to report that due to the generosity of past and future presidents, this training endowment for our staff will happen.

Our finances are good at a time when many other nonprofits are having great difficulties. Never satisfied with resting on our laurels, we have responded to our success by challenging ourselves with an investment budget for next year that requires us to grow the association and to increase our services to our membership. A new staff member has been hired and this will enable our other staff to provide better and more complete services to members as well as to enact the many important initiatives in the Strategic Plan.

When I was considering whether I wanted to disrupt my retirement years with the three year OPA Presidential cycle, people told me that your presidency will be defined by a crisis. There were certainly challenging things that happened during the year but no major crisis came, no defining moment. It appears that I will land safe and sound at journey’s end. I want to thank each of you for allowing me to serve you this year and to be part of the finest state psychological association in the USA! I ask you provide Jim the same level of support and encouragement that you gave me!

Thanks,

John Rudisill, PhD, OPA President
In spite of continuing economic challenges facing our friends and colleagues, OPA is continuing to make progress toward our membership goals. Our primary initiatives this year have focused on the recruitment, reinstatement and retention of members, including newly licensed and early career psychologists. Note: All goal figures are current as of 8/15/12. Final figures will be available at the end of the 2011-2012 membership year (August 31, 2012).

Recruitment, Reinstatement and Retention Goals

Recruitment Goal #1: Recruit 150 new OPA members; Actual: 153 (50% of whom are full members)

A continuing part of our recruitment effort has been to involve members of the OPA Board in the recruitment of new members. Non-members (approximately 57 percent of licensed psychologists in Ohio) were identified and included as part of the “New Member Challenge.” OPA Board members were asked to contact non-member psychologists to discuss the benefits of OPA membership. While the results of the New Member Challenge are still being reported, to date 11 new members have joined OPA. In addition to increasing membership in general, our hope is to increase membership among underrepresented groups and geographic regions so that OPA can better serve the needs of.

Another aspect of our recruitment of OPA members focused on newly licensed psychologists. Newly licensed psychologists were contacted by their respective regional association and invited to attend the Convention dinner honoring them. In addition, each newly licensed psychologist was sent a letter of congratulations including information highlighting the benefits of OPA membership.

Although it is difficult to determine precisely how many psychologists joined OPA as a result of the New Member Challenge or our reaching out to newly licensed and early career psychologists, we are delighted to welcome 121 new members to OPA!

Recruitment Goal #2: Recruit 75 new student members; Actual: 72

An integral part of our recruitment and retention goal was to reach out to students early in their graduate career to educate them about the benefits of membership in their state association, and more specifically, in the Ohio Psychological Association of Graduate Students (OPAGS).

Reinstatement Goal: Reinstate 25 former OPA members; Actual: 36

The goal of reinstating former OPA members is to connect them back to the association, permanently. In the spring of 2010, the committee made an active push to contact former members to see what services might entice them back to OPA. The majority of individuals contacted agreed that services or benefits that would save them money would most likely bring them back. These data fall in line with a trend the association typically sees in even numbered years: a flurry of reinstatements from licensees attempting to obtain the member discount when registering with the OPA-MCE office.

Retention Goal: Retain 95% of members from 2010-2011; Actual: 89.2%

Each year, OPA Membership Committee members call psychologists who have not renewed their membership for the current year. The data collected over the past several years has been consistent. Most have experienced some degree of financial difficulty and are unable to pay OPA dues at this time. Some have requested consideration under OPA’s hardship policy while others who do not qualify for special consideration have indicated that they will rejoin as soon as their finances improve. Some have moved out of state or have retired, but do not qualify for Emeritus status. As a result, the committee agreed that psychologists who are not currently licensed and do not yet qualify for Emeritus status may be granted membership in the Affiliate member category. In addition, we are currently considering changes to the Emeritus status criteria to recognize membership in other state associations. We hope these opportunities will encourage long-time members who have retired to retain their membership in OPA.

Another significant retention goal involves Early Career Psychologists (ECPs) who receive discounted dues for the first seven years post-licensure. Critical retention points occur after year five and after year
seven when dues increase. We have contacted ECPs who are approaching these transition points to discuss the continued value of their OPA membership.

In addition to retaining members, another Membership Committee goal was to increase revenue from membership dues by 3% from the previous year. As of 8/15/12, we are at 98.5% of this goal (which is 101.5% of last year’s revenue).

**Other Committee Initiatives and New Features**

**New Benefits for OPA Members and their Families**

Whenever we have surveyed the OPA membership about services and benefits they would like OPA to offer, health insurance is always number one on the list. The OPA Board approved the recommendation to offer both disability and health insurance to OPA members and their families. Important announcements regarding the health insurance application process will be sent to the membership via email.

**Membership 4-1-1**

Membership 4-1-1 is a new initiative developed to respond to frequently asked questions of members. In each issue of the Ohio Psychologist, articles will feature topics of common interest, including how to navigate the OPA website and listservs, how to contact the Ethics Committee for a consultation, membership dues and benefits and the difference between OPA membership and OPA MCE tracking.

**Membership Milestone Recognition**

In an effort to recognize our longtime members, the committee began a new tradition in 2011. Members celebrating a milestone year of membership (5, 10, 15… up through 50 or more years) were invited to join us and be recognized at the newly licensed psychologist/longtime member dinner at the OPA Convention on Thursday, October 27. Certificates of appreciation were presented to all members celebrating a milestone year. For those not in attendance at the dinner, certificates were mailed with a note thanking them for their support of OPA. Names of all anniversary members were published in the November/December 2011 issue of the OP Review. Save the date and watch for more info on the 2012 milestone member recognition dinner being held Thursday, October 25, 2012 at the Crowne Plaza Columbus Downtown – you just may be one of our honorees!

**Future Committee Initiatives – Want to Join Us?**

In the coming membership year, the OPA Membership Committee will be undertaking additional initiatives, including: working with regional associations to increase the engagement of retired and semi-retired members; working with graduate students and faculty to encourage involvement in OPA/OPAGS; tracking lapsed members.

If any of these initiatives or goals described above appeal to you, we would love for you to join us as a member of the OPA Membership Committee. Don’t hesitate to contact me to express an interest or to address any questions you may have about the OPA Membership Committee.

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OPA Insurance Committee’s Strategic Response

This year the Board has been involved in creating a Strategic Plan for all the OPA committees. We are being challenged to look at our work differently, to communicate more transparently with our members, and to work across committees if need be to tackle challenges faced by the field of psychology in these uncertain times of changing healthcare policies and plans. The Insurance Committee has begun to increase its efforts to communicate with OPA members through the e-newsletter (Bobbie Celeste’s Advocacy Alert), listserv (Bobbie Celeste and Priscilla Kingston) and posting a new informative email to the list called “Insurance Corner.”

The Project FAIR staff, composed of Michael Ranney and Bobbie Celeste, has been instrumental in helping members get paid by private insurers like Humana. They wrote a letter of complaint to the Department of Insurance about the many Life Synch contract problems which may be a parity violation. They represented OPA at the Behavioral Health Leaders group of the Department of Mental Health. They also wrote a letter of complaint to Anthem about their prior authorization practices which can be seen as a parity violation.

We are monitoring parity situations with Humana and Anthem which are concurrently being investigated by APA’s legal personnel. Many OPA members will recall the inappropriate and unprofessional way in which Humana dealt with new contracts for their in-network providers; this is one of the situations that is being looked at from a parity perspective as it limits access to mental health providers.

The Insurance Committee is working on creating an action subcommittee to handle member problems with Medicare to discuss problems since they have been taken over by CGS and will present an overview of the types of problems our members are having.

Insurance Committee members have shared information that is of concern for their practices. One involves an audit that requested much more detailed information than previous audits, asking for information that is beyond the scope of what HIPAA allows: diagnosis, symptoms, interventions, treatment plan. Another was an audit with a possibility of taking back money for documentation the insurer believed was not sufficient. This situation is being handled with legal support. In both these situations, the take-home message seems to be that insurers are playing hardball as a consequence of parity, and one way they will strike back is through contesting the medical necessity of a treatment. Members are advised to keep this in mind in the documentation of every consultation session.

Convention Workshop
Howard Bonem was the featured speaker, with help from Insurance Committee members Tami Rynearson, Bobbie Celeste and Priscilla Kingston, at the 2011 Convention insurance workshop. Howard provided his entertaining and informative insights about the insurance industry and how best to “play the game.” Project FAIR staff was instrumental in getting Alan Nessman of APA’s Legal Affairs to talk about antitrust issues, and how to advocate for yourself in insurance.

Goals for Next Year
• Another Howard Bonem workshop at Convention
• Continue to discuss ways to communicate with OPA members
• Look for opportunities to collaborate with advocacy committee on sensitive topics (e.g., reimbursement)

Insurance Committee active members:
Priscilla Kingston, PhD (chair 2011-2012, new chair to be appointed by Executive Committee)
Mia Biran, PhD, Howard Bonem, PhD (co-chair), Bobbie Celeste, PhD, Michael Ranney, Tami Rynearson, MBA, Roxanne Miller, PhD, Jeff Rosenbaum, PhD, Teri Role-Warren, PsyD & Amnon Shai, PhD

Priscilla Kingston, PhD, Chair
The Future of OPA: Early Career Psychologists

The Early Career Psychologist Committee (ECPC) was formed by OPA in fall 2011 to address concerns about the aging membership and relative dearth of early career members in leadership positions. I was asked by Dr. Rudisill to chair this new committee and we have accomplished much in that short time.

We were initially given broad goals by the OPA Board: increase ECP membership and increase OPA ECP members’ participation within the association. In March, I was appointed to attend the 2012 State Leadership Conference. I was surrounded by early career leaders from other states who shared their wisdom, as well as advice, about what works and does not work to help serve our cohort. Out of that conference came more than 30 ideas to recruit, serve and retain ECPs. In April, the committee had its first ever meeting and it was attended by five committee members. We have since had two monthly conference call meetings that have been attended by up to 11 members.

At the first meeting, we were able brainstorm 16 initial goals for this committee. From those goals, we then voted on the “Top Five” most impactful and important ideas. Those ideas include: a needs assessment of all of Ohio’s ECPs; asking OPA staff to help tabulate ECP membership trends and demographic data; researching OPA’s and regional mentorship programs and suggesting proposals for modifying them to better address ECPs’ mentoring needs; detailing what links and other resources would be most beneficial to ECPs on OPA’s website; and researching what other state psychological associations are doing to initially reach out to their early career psychologists and compiling the best ideas that this committee can implement. In addition, many Board members have underscored the importance of having an early career member on every committee, task force and workgroup.

An exciting additional development has been the chairs of other committees presenting at each ECPC meeting to explain what their committee does for OPA members and how an interested early career member could gain join to help provide the feedback that those committees are so eagerly requesting.

The ECPC has thus far been powered by energetic, hard-working members from different work settings. In addition, we have three members who are in their postdoctoral year, a variable that allows for broader representation. Our members include: Josh Shuman (Chair), Kathryn Bell, Melissa Buelow, Justin Bunn, Kim Burkhart, Jessica Emick, Kathleen Hutchinson, David Kotarsky, Bridget Peteet, Rahema Rodgers, Amy Rouse and Aaron Vaughn.

We look forward to an exciting full first year of serving OPA! As always, we welcome any and all ECPs that are interested in volunteering for this committee. We have many projects that an enterprising new psychologist could lead or co-lead that would help this committee continue to thrive!

-Josh Shuman, PsyD, Chair

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The OPA Diversity Committee has had a busy year engaging psychologists throughout the state and continuing our efforts to educate psychologists and Ohio Legislatures about a wide range of diversity issues that impact our clients, students and psychologists in academia and clinical practice. The committee is dedicated to increasing lifelong learning in cultural competence and sensitivity to the ethnic, racial, religious, gender, disability and sexual orientation perspective of others we encounter in our daily lives.

During the OPA Fall Convention, Christine Agaibi MA, a member of the Diversity Committee was one of four presenters in a panel discussion on spirituality with Dr. Cathy McDaniels-Wilson serving as moderator. The panel discussed religious influences from around the world including Coptic Christianity, Buddhism and African American faith traditions. One goal of the workshop was to increase awareness and cultural sensitivity on the role of religion and spirituality in the lives of many individuals. The workshop generated a good, insightful discussion.

A major objective of the Diversity Committee is to encourage students from psychology graduate programs to engage in research focused on a wide range of diversity issues including cultural, ethnic and racial. Through the Foundation for Psychology in Ohio, the committee was able to proudly award two Michael Sullivan Diversity Scholarship prizes for 2012. This was the fifth year of the scholarship and each winner received $500 toward their project. The winners were selected from 23 research proposals submitted by graduate students from across the U.S. This year’s winners were Marisa Franco and Anahi Collado-Rodriguez. Both are students at the University of Maryland College Park. Marissa’s research is centered on health outcomes for people of mixed race heritage. Anahi’s research focuses on evaluating a new depression treatment method that has not been validated with Latinos.

The Diversity Committee held an informal breakfast meeting with members of the Ohio Legislative Black Caucus on OPA Legislative Day May 23. Drs. Cathy McDaniels-Wilson and Wanda McEntyre from the Diversity Committee were joined by fellow psychologists Drs. Larry James, LaPearl Winfrey and Chikako Inoue Cox in a relaxed discussion with several members of the Ohio Legislative Black Caucus. The second annual meeting focused on discussion of pending legislative proposal for a pilot project to allow six psychologists employed by the Department of Corrections to become trained and licensed to prescribe psychotropic medications to inmates. The breakfast meeting also included discussion of the importance of a consistent definition of multicultural and ethnic diversity for all state agencies and professional organizations and sensitivity to how various bills and legislative proposals impact on various cultural and ethnic groups. In attendance from the Ohio Legislative Black Caucus were Senator Charleta Tavares of Columbus, Senator Edna Brown of Toledo, Representative Roland Winburn of Dayton and administrative aides to Representative Vernon Sykes of Akron. As a result of the discussion at the breakfast meeting, Senator Edna Brown became a co-sponsor of the pilot project for prescription privileges for prison psychologists. The Diversity Committee hopes this breakfast meeting encourages continued discussion of psychology issues and advocacy for our clients with the Ohio Legislative Black Caucus for years to come.

In other efforts to promote awareness of diversity issues and to engage psychologists of ethnic or racial minority background to become involved in OPA, the Diversity Committee has been conducting outreach brunches throughout the state. This past October, Dr. Dan Sanders held a brunch at his home in the Akron area. The brunch provided a great opportunity for psychologists from ethnic or racial minority backgrounds in the Akron area to talk about their professional concerns and issues and to hear about OPA initiatives. A brunch in the Dayton
area is scheduled for this summer and a brunch will be scheduled for the Cleveland area in the fall. Watch for information about the brunches by regular mail or by email.

For April 2013, the Diversity Committee in collaboration with the LGBT subcommittee has invited by Dr. Beverly Greene to be the speaker for the Multicultural Conference. Dr. Greene is a professor in the Department of Psychology at St. John's University in NY City. Her research has focused on sexual identity development in the African American community. Her talk should be very interesting and an enlightening exploration into issues of sexual identity within various racial groups.

-Wanda McEntyre, PhD, ABPP, Chair
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The Education Committee had an excellent year in 2011-2012 due to the overwhelming talent represented on the committee: David Aronson, PhD, James Brush, PhD, Anne Croskey, PhD, Dan Davis, PhD, Mike Dwyer, PhD, Jerome Gabis, PsyD, Cathy Gaw, PsyD, Sarah Greenwell, PsyD, Phyllis Kuehn-Walters, PhD, Terry Kukor, PhD, ABPP, Kimberly Metz, PhD, Lynne Rustad, PhD, David Schwartz, PhD, Jon Thomas, PhD, Jerilyn Wolman, PhD, Michael Ranney and Heather Gilbert.

We just finished planning the 2012 Fall Convention, October 24-26, and I think you will all be very happy with the workshops to be presented. There is something for everyone, including the request from our early career psychologists for more pediatric offerings. We hope to see many early career people in attendance and, in your honor, Thursday will be dedicated to you. We are looking for fresh faces so please plan to attend! This year’s theme is Relationships in the Electronic Era and our lineup of presentations will certainly address this important topic. We are also planning some social events that will represent good opportunity for relationship building. Thinking ahead, next year’s conference will be October 30-November 1, 2013. The theme will be Psychologist’s Role in Integrated Health Care.

This past year gave us an interesting assortment of standalone CE offerings that were very well attended. In the coming year we are looking to build our inventory of webinars so please send us your ideas. The OPA staff will be happy to help you develop a webinar and it really is not that difficult. Webinars are a great way for OPA to get revenue and to reach out to many psychologists who want to learn but cannot always attend in person.

I have been the Chairperson for the Education Committee for two years now and it has been a pleasure. I will be passing the torch to a new person for the upcoming year. While I plan to remain a member of the committee I also want to encourage members of OPA to join our committee. The commitment is a monthly hour conference call and annual convention planning meeting at the OPA office. EASY and ENJOYABLE! We need diversity of voices to keep our ideas flowing. So please call in with us and generate another year of can’t miss CE seminars. If you are interested, please contact Heather Gilbert, hgilbert@ohpsych.org

Enjoy your summer and then come to the fall Convention.

Namaste,

Robin Arthur, PsyD, Chair
The Mandatory Continuing Education Committee (MCE) is on the cutting edge of what our psychologists are publishing and learning! Where else can you read research and articles pre-publication? And where else can you view a wide range of advanced level psychological presentations and training opportunities offered nationwide? MCE is the committee that reviews single courses, publications and continuing education programs for approval towards psychology licensure. Committee members represent a diversity of geographical locations within the state as well as a range of areas of expertise. Although some Ohio psychologists know us as a tough group to pass courses through, we work diligently to help Ohio psychologists attain appropriate, high quality psychological CE. An additional plus is psychologists’ easy access to their current MCE records via the OPA website. During this biennium, the committee has reviewed 545 courses and expects to review the many more that seem to pour in closer to the end of the biennium.

The MCE committee, in coordination with the Education Committee, has begun to research how distance learning is handled in other states and on the national level in order to better provide and evaluate quality online continuing education for psychologists. We are interested in involving additional members, especially if you are interested in issues of: diversity and multiculturalism, distance learning, addictions, integrated health and public sector. Please contact our Director, Beth Wherley (mce@ohiopsych.org), or me (gawc@ccf.org) with your interest.

Respectfully submitted,
-Cathy Gaw, PsyD, MCE Committee Chair

Members:
Drs. Henry Leland, John Laux, Mark Krautheim, Richard Sexton, Amnon Shai, Mr. Terry Imar
Director of OPA MCE – Ms. Beth Wherley
Chair – Dr. Cathy Gaw

Activities of the OPA Task Force on Workers’ Compensation Reform

The task force began meeting in 2007 following a call by OPA for psychologists interested in Bureau of Workers’ Compensation (BWC) issues. There were significant concerns as to stress and depression due to industrial injuries and the multiple barriers to obtaining timely treatment within the BWC system. Several meetings led to the formation of the task force. Task force members have met with BWC representatives, employer representatives, and healthcare organizations to emphasize the importance of psychological intervention and accessibility to services. Dr. Schwartz now serves on the BWC Healthcare Quality Assurance Advisory Committee (HCQAC) which determines standards of care for the BWC, and has met with the BWC management, medical director and administrative director. The BWC has acknowledged the importance of early intervention to prevent long-term disability in Workers’ Compensation and is working with us to improve access for psychologically involved injured workers and reduce barriers to treatment. The long-term goal, with which the bureau agrees, is to allow psychological services as part of the primary medical diagnosis (biopsychosocial model) versus the current model which requires an additional psychological allowance. We will be doing a Town Hall meeting at the OPA Convention to update our members on our activities, in which the new BWC Medical Director has agreed to participate.

Specific Activities in the past year:
- Presentations: Tri-State Occupational Medicine Association, Ohio Osteopathic Association, Ohio Self-Insured Employers Association and Cleveland Clinic
- Training Workshops for psychologists in Columbus and Cincinnati
- Participation in the HCQAC, including efforts to improve access to psych services
- Ongoing support for OPA psychologists with issues with the BWC

- David P. Schwartz, PhD, Chair
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The goal of the OPA Ethics Committee is to advance the knowledge and competency of OPA members regarding the ethical standards for psychologists. The Ethics Committee has five functions:

1. To advance the knowledge and competency of OPA members regarding ethical standards for psychologists.
2. To educate psychologists regarding ethical principles and conduct.
3. To provide guidance to psychologists who have questions regarding their own professional ethics or conduct.
4. To advise the Board of Directors concerning procedures or actions which the Board can or should take to promote the ethical standards of practice of its members.
5. To interface with the Education Committee to plan continuing education opportunities on topics relevant to the ethical practice of psychology.

A valuable resource available to all OPA members is free consultation with the Ethics Committee. Any OPA member can initiate contact with an Ethics Committee member by telephoning the committee member. When an Ethics Committee member receives a telephone consultation or question, the caller's name and telephone number are requested. Collection of this information permits the Ethics Committee member to contact the caller to provide pertinent follow-up information. The Ethics Committee member documents the nature of the inquiry and disseminates the consultation to other members of the Ethics Committee after redacting the caller's identifying information. In turn, members of the Committee provide their perspective to the committee member that received the inquiry. The nature of the consultation also is reviewed at the monthly meeting of the Ethics Committee. If indicated, the Ethics Committee member will contact the caller to offer additional information. Only the committee member with whom a caller speaks knows the identity of the caller.

In the first nine months of OPA's 2012 fiscal year (i.e., from September 2011 through May 2012), the Ethics Committee responded to 28 calls for ethics consults. In addition to responding to consult requests, the OPA Ethics Committee provided a three hour workshop at the 2011 OPA Convention will present another three hour workshop for the 2012 OPA Convention. Moreover, the OPA Colleague Assistance Program (OPA-CAP), a subcommittee of the OPA Ethics Committee, is preparing to launch its program in the near future. Finally, the OPA Ethics Committee is exploring the production of a webinar and is also consulting with others on the possibility of maintaining an online blog.

When you encounter an ethical dilemma in your practice, don’t go it alone. Use your OPA lifeline and phone-a-friend!

OPA Ethics Committee:
Bob Stinson, PsyD, JD, ABPP, Chair
Richard Ashbrook, PhD
Marianne Bowden, PhD
Terry Imar, MA
Kay Levine, PhD
Kathleen Mack, PsyD
Josh Shumaker, PsyD (Early Career Member; Not available for consults)
Elizabeth Swenson, PhD, JD

Brief bios are available on each of the members at www.ohpsych.org/about/governance/committees-task-force-and-affiliates/ethics/

Full contact information for members of the Ethics Committee is available at www.ohpsych.org/psychologists/my-opa/ethics-consultations/

- Bob Stinson, PsyD, JD, ABPP, OPA Ethics Committee Chair

Get the Word Out: Psychology Works!
Ohio psychologists use the APA Public Education Campaign to share the value of psychology with the public

Psychologists from around the state are helping your practice every day by educating the public through many different means how psychologists help people with a variety of issues. Public education can take the form of doing an interview on TV, giving a public talk, or spreading accurate information on psychology through a blog or social media. Sharing our expertise, training and skills with the public helps them to better understand us and destigmatize seeing a psychologist. People are more likely to seek services from a psychologist when they meet one in person at a talk or understand how a psychologist might be able to help them with their problem.

APA’s Public Education Campaign provides a variety of well-tested tools to help psychologists spread the word about the value of psychology. Their current focus has been on “Mind-Body Health.” They provide free materials include brochures, giveaways, fact sheets, and power point presentations that make talking to the public easy. Visit their website for resources and ideas: www.apa.org/practice/programs/campaign/index.aspx
Here are just a few of the events that psychologists participated in this last year:

• April 14: Cleveland Healthy Kids Day YMCA: Wendy Kellon (student member from OPA) attended the event with 100 participants.

• April 26: Minority Men’s Health Fair, Cleveland Clinic: Dr. Kathleen Ashton & Wendy Kellon attended. The Cleveland Clinic 10th Annual Minority Men’s Health Fair links approximately 2,000 men and their families with health resources including psychological resources on stress management and the value of psychology in treating stress, anxiety and depression.

• April 28: Toledo YMCA Healthy Kids Day: Dr. Mark Babula and Dr. Janis Wordsworth represented OPA at the event. Over 1,600 total participants in the fair!

• April 28: Cleveland Mount Olivet Church: Dr. Jennifer Franklin and Dr. Cherie Bagley represented OPA. They spoke to members of Mt. Olivet Church in Cleveland about a book by John Townsend on becoming a loving person. They led an informal discussion on therapeutic strategies for healing. Their pastor, Reverend Lewis, is encouraging people to use professional resources.

• May 14: Columbus VA Mental Health Fair: Drs. Nate Tomcik, Jen Finnerty, Laurie Greco, Eric Sullivan, Lindsay Demuth and Gregg Nigl shared talks on topics such as insomnia, pain management, depression and motivating health behaviors. A group of veterans debuted a play, Stigmatized that highlighted the consequences of stigma about mental health. Kathleen Ashton, PhD represented OPA and the Committee on Social Responsibility and provided materials about stress management and coping with chronic illness. Over 50 veterans participated in this inspirational event!

• May 23: Legislative Day Health Fair: Volunteers provided PEC materials to Legislators and Statehouse staff. Six tables were hosted including those on health psychology, childhood obesity, severe mental illness, healthcare disparities, Veterans’ issues and stress management. Twelve volunteers, including several students participated.

• Several OPA psychologists use Twitter, Facebook, and blog to communicate about psychology. Check out: @stress_doc, @ohpsychassn, @ccbtcolumbus, @marylewisphd and @DrFinnerty

• May 16: Participated in Mental Health Blog Party

After serving as the Public Education Coordinator for four years, I am pleased to announce that we will be transitioning the PEC role to Dr. Todd Finnerty, PsyD in fall. Dr. Finnerty is active in social media and will be a great asset in the PEC network. Be on the look out for public education information at the fall Convention!

Public education is a grassroots effort that needs energized and motivated psychologists to be effective. Consider joining the PEC Committee by contacting ashtonk@ccf.org.

-Kathleen Ashton, PhD,
Public Education Coordinator
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Welcome to the following new and reinstated OPA members!

Approved by the OPA Board of Directors on April 21, 2012:
Neelum Amin
Carol Ford Arkin, PhD (reinstatement)
Donna C. Bailey, PhD
Larry S. Berger, PhD
Marisa C. Borgerst, PsyD
Abraham Braunstein, MA
Jennifer A. Christman
James J. Esmail, PsyD
Todd E. Finnerty, PsyD (reinstatement)
Richard Gilman, PhD
Andrea L. Hennel, BS
Kate C. Hibbard, MA
Carolyn A. Kowatsch, PhD
Michael A. Lind, PhD
Andrea M. Loucaides, PhD
Caroline E. Murphy, PhD (reinstatement)
Patricia W. Smart, PsyD, RN (reinstatement)
Grant W. Turner
Brian L. Ward, MA
Sarah Whitton, PhD

Approved by the OPA Board of Directors on June 9, 2012:
Brian L. Barkett, PsyD (reinstatement)
Amy M. Boland, PhD
Jason J. Brouwer, PhD

Kathleen M. M. Chard, PhD
Hether R. Cook, BA
Adrienne Fricker-Elhai, PhD
Anna R. Hawley
Krystal M. Hernandez, PhD
Nancy E. Johnson, PhD (reinstatement)
Mary E. Kapler, PhD
David L. Lauffenburger, MA (reinstatement)
Brady A. Mertens
Rebekah L. Pershing, PsyD
Amir M. Poreh, PhD
Nicole M. Raantila, PsyD
Amy P. Rouse, PsyD (reinstatement)
Susan M. Shipley, PhD
Julie A. Suhr, PhD
Christine Swartz, PhD
Angelique R. Teeters, MA (reinstatement)
Diana Tieger
Robert Weis, PhD (reinstatement)

Congratulations to the following new Emeritus members of the Ohio Psychological Association, accepted for Emeritus status on June 9, 2012:
William C. House, PhD (OPA member since 1981)
Kay I. Levine, PhD (OPA member since 1986)
Ever wonder what are the most frequently asked membership-related questions of the central office staff? According to Denise Brenner, Director of Operations and Member Services, the most common questions are:

- Where can I find ___ (fill-in-the-blank) on the OPA website? (see March/April 2012 OP Review)
- How can I contact someone on the OPA Ethics Committee for a consultation? (see May/June 2012 OP Update)
- Where do my dues dollars go?
- What do I get for my dues? What benefits are included with my membership?
- How do I access, navigate and manage OPA listservs? How do I update my listserv e-mail address, post to the listserv or access listserv archives?
- What is the difference between OPA membership and OPA-MCE tracking? Why does OPA have the “authority” on the MCE approval process?

The monthly "Membership 4-1-1" column addresses these and other questions throughout the membership year. Update: The new OPA website (addressed in our first Membership 4-1-1 article) has been launched! Check it out!

This month’s 4-1-1 will focus on membership dues. In these challenging economic times, most of us are assessing the relative value of the goods and services we purchase. Often, we are forced to make tough decisions when financial resources are limited. OPA is very aware of these difficulties because most of us are juggling these same issues. The central office staff and Board of Directors are diligent in our efforts to provide top notch, value added professional services at a reasonable and nationally competitive cost.

Did you know?

- The online membership renewal period begins on May 1, while paper renewal forms are typically mailed in September. Members have until December 31 to renew without being removed from the mailing list, publication subscription list and e-mail listservs.
- Membership dues can be paid in either 2 or 4 installments for a small service charge (which cover banking fees and administrative costs).
- Student memberships are $25 (annually) and include a publication subscription valued at $50.
- Early Career Psychologists receive a 50% discount for the first 5 years post-licensure and a 25% discount for years 6 and 7. This is the lowest national rate in a comparison of similar state psychological association dues structures.
- Additional discounts are available for:
  - members in active military duty;
  - those who are not practicing or teaching in Ohio;
  - those who are working less than 20 hours a week in the field of psychology;
  - those who are experiencing financial hardship;
  - those who qualify for Emeritus status (age 65 and 20+ years of membership).

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State and federal legislative initiatives; Advocacy in the legislative and executive sectors that create goodwill and raise the visibility of psychology; relationship building with Medicare insurers, Medicaid and private insurers.

Continuing Education: 18%
Convention, workshop, homestudy and webinar programming.

Member Services: 17%
Find-a-Psychologist Referral Program; E-mail listservs; Personalized member materials.
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The Committee on Social Responsibility (CoSR) is charged with advancing social justice and advocating for the fair treatment of Ohio residents through education, training and public policy. Our primary way of accomplishing this objective is to encourage psychologists to become more involved in their communities and using their training and talents to promote health for the citizens of Ohio. CoSR is one of the most rewarding committees to be involved with because we actively work towards improving the image of psychologists by increasing contact between psychologists and the public outside of the walls of their consulting rooms.

This year we participated in the annual Out of the Darkness Walk to raise awareness for those who are affected by suicide. It is usually held on a brilliant day in October and this year was no exception. We hope to increase our involvement next October and get even more psychologists to join us.

For National Eating Disorders Awareness Week, CoSR coordinated a viewing of Someday Melissa, a documentary of a young woman who lost her life to her struggle with an eating disorder. The audience was comprised mostly of Columbus State students who were led in a discussion period by a panel of psychologists and eating disorder survivors.

Another task of CoSR which occurs all year long is to highlight the work of psychologists who are volunteering their time for humanitarian reasons. Our feature article is entitled For the Greater Good, and is printed in OPA Review. This year we highlighted the work of Dr. Patrick Nelson who volunteers his time for an organization called A Home Within. This organization matches well trained therapists volunteering their time to work with children of foster care, providing them with the quality treatment so often lacking for this underserved population.

CoSR is also involved in participating or coordinating health fairs in Ohio to promote the public’s awareness of the role of psychology in promoting mental health and well-being. We provided the public with information at the Ohio Department of Transportation Health Fair and also coordinated a health fair at the Columbus VA Ambulatory Care Center. Veterans were provided with information about mental health, evidence based psychotherapies and seven psychologists gave educational presentations on topics ranging from promoting healthy behaviors, managing chronic pain and improving your concentration and memory.

CoSR is one of the most rewarding and active OPA committees. We are currently looking for new members as Dr. Ashton and I transition in to our new roles on the OPA Board. Dr. Mary Miller Lewis will be taking over as chair. Please contact me directly if you’d like to consider joining, I would welcome your call or email, ntomcik@gmail.com or (614) 301-3289.

Nathan D. Tomcik, PhD, Committee on Social Responsibility Chair

Committee Members:
Nathan Tomcik, PhD, Amy Untied, MA, Nicole Bosse, MA, Kathy Ashton, PhD, Mary Lewis, PhD, Christine Agaibi, MA, Jim Broyles, PhD, Kathleen Hutchinson, PhD, Lori Ashbaugh, Mary Mills, MA, Katie Hibbard, MA and Craig Travis, PhD

The OPA Finance Committee provided ongoing oversight of the use of the dues paid by our members, and the additional revenue generated by other activities such as Mandatory Continue Education services, Convention and stand-alone workshops. Below are the highlights of the committee’s work in the past year.

- Completion of an annual audit by an outside accounting firm producing a clean audit, sometimes referred to as an “unqualified letter”
- Completion of the required IRS form 990
- Creation of a policy to move funds from investments to operative accounts that maximized the earnings on the investments through dollar-value averaging
- Monthly review of financial reports in order to analyze progress in meeting or bettering OPA’s funds based on the budget approved by the Board.
- Analysis of the income and costs associated with the 2011 Convention, leading to improved cost-control strategies to improve the net income from convention.
- Analysis (and reporting) of income trends by specific OPA activities to identify services valued by OPA members.
- Creation of a budget for 2012-13 to invest current cash-on-hand into additional human capital and technology in-line with the Strategic Plan.
OPA continues to manage the finances of the association in such a way as to control costs whenever possible, while generating valuable services and products. In the future, the Finance Committee recommended to the Board that technology be improved, so that distance education can be utilized by members through technologic devices (e.g., iPads, etc.), and to facilitate communication in an even more member-friendly way. In addition, the investment in human capital in the next year should produce improved educational offerings, better cost-controls for activities such as convention and improved access to member services. To monitor the investment in OPA, the Finance Committee will monitor specific outcomes every quarter and report to the Board on the return on the investment in OPA’s human and technology infrastructure.

Kevin Arnold, PhD, Finance Officer Chair

Committee Members:
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The Toledo Area Association of Professional Psychologists (TAAPP) continued to maintain an active schedule during the past 12 months. Our membership has remained fairly consistent with approximately 70 members. We have continued to offer four continuing educational programs during the year. Our first CE program was on professional ethics, presented by Dr. Ronald Ross of the Ohio Licensing Board. We attempt to bring Dr. Ross to our area on a biannual basis. His programs are always well attended and appreciated. In January, we enjoyed a program by Dr. Annette Mahoney from Bowling Green State University on religion and spirituality as part of the problem and solution in couples and family therapy. In March, Dr. John Elhai, from the University of Toledo presented a program on psychological trauma and posttraumatic stress disorder. He reviewed the assessment, psychopathology and treatment issues in PTSD and a discussion was held about the upcoming changes in the DSM revision with respect to PTSD. In May, Dr. Andrew Martin presented a program on the diagnosis and treatment of sexual addictions. The schedule so far for the coming year includes programs on deconstructing rigid professional roles, a program on domestic violence and abuse and a program by a neuropsychologist on handedness.

TAAPP continued to connect with area universities and offers very attractive student rates for membership. This low membership fee also includes attendance at all continuing education programs. Programs have continued to be presented at a centralized location at the Toledo Hospital which offers convenient access along with a professional setting.

Board members are on a two year cycle and officers remain the same for 2013. Dr. Marc Dielman will begin his second year as President, Dr. Joelle Floriana will continue as President-elect, Dr. Audrey Ellenwood continues as secretary, Dr. Andrew Martin continues as treasurer, Dr. David Connell continues as MCE chair, Dr. Marcia Guinan continues as member at large and Dr. Dennis Kogut will continue as the OPA representative.

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I have been honored to serve as the OPA representative from CPA for 2011-2012. As such, I get to share with OPA the wonderful things that are going on in the psychological community in Cleveland, and help communicate back to Cleveland important happenings in OPA. CPA was represented in a number of OPA functions this year including hosting a table at the fall Convention where people could learn more about CPA, greeting newly licensed Cleveland area psychologists at the Swearing In Ceremony, donating for prizes and providing judges for the State Science Fair and representing our region at the OPA Legislative Day in May.

We are very proud of our strong regional psychological association which continues to hold excellent cost-effective CE, provide a referral service for finding psychologists in the Cleveland area and help psychologists in Cleveland network in the community. Some highlights from this year include our first day long “mini-conference” which included a three hour ethics program with Drs. Ron Ross and Eric Berko, an update on DSM-5 with Dr. Todd Finnerty and a student poster session with nine area undergraduates and graduate students presenting psychological research. CPA also honored Dr. Donald Freedheim, PhD with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the Annual Meeting on December 5. Don is a Past President of CPA, OPA and of the Division of Psychotherapy of APA (29). Dr. Ron Levant presented the award.

CPA continues to work toward “going green” and sustainability. We are currently in our first year of primarily online membership renewal in which we have been able to get over 50 percent of our membership to renew online. We also deliver our newsletters and program information in an online format and members can register for programs online.

Other notable successes this year were connecting with the community. Drs. Deborah Ross and Kurt Jensen, among many other volunteers in conjunction with the Red Cross, provided disaster response counseling for the Chardon schools. CPA was also represented at several local health fairs including the Cleveland Clinic Minority Men’s Health Fair, Cleveland YMCA Healthy Kids Day and a program with Mt. Olivet Church. We also hosted a successful food drive, raising $126 and donating 114 pounds of food to the Cleveland Foodbank!

If you are interested in becoming a member of CPA, joining is easy! Take a look at our website www.clevelandpsychology.org and browse our blog and newsletter. We would love to have you join our community and become an active member of CPA!

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The Changing Face of CAPP

The Cincinnati Academy of Professional Psychologists (CAPP) was historically developed for private practitioners to have an organization in Cincinnati that supported its members through continuing education, peer consultation, by providing a strong organizational base through which members may address matters of mutual interest, as well as contribute to the Cincinnati community through a Speaker’s Bureau, Media Guide and outreach. While CAPP continues this mission today, recently the Board has recognized that CAPP could be doing even more. In keeping with the new strategic goals that OPA has developed, CAPP has also begun to ask questions regarding what the organization’s long term goals are, and how will these goals be met? Two areas have been targeted for growth, the first is the long standing CAPP Speaker’s Bureau and the other is the nature of our membership.

While many members of CAPP continually provide continuing education throughout the community, CAPP’s ability to track this service and who is providing these services has not been a focus for many years. Hilary Wishnick, PhD, our marketing representative recently searched our archives to find the origin of the Speaker’s Bureau. CAPP intends to develop its Speaker’s Bureau more formally over the next year in hopes of getting back to our roots and providing a rich service to the organization and the community. The second area of growth CAPP would like to see is in its membership. Traditionally CAPP has required that its members have a PhD or equivalent and be a licensed psychologist to become a member. However, to broaden our scope and to make a greater contribution to the indoctrination of future psychologists, the CAPP board has agreed to change its membership to include graduate students. We anticipate discussing what their role in CAPP will be in the fall and board members beginning to meet with graduate psychology departments locally once we are ready to offer memberships at the student level.

In reviewing this past year, CAPP was happy to continue its mission in providing quality continuing education and peer consultation to its members. CAPP has hosted several dinner meetings for CE credit throughout the year. In September, we had the privilege of hearing from two presenters about positive psychology. Dr. Richard Reckman and Dr. Ryan Niemiec delivered the presentation entitled “Positive Psychology and the VIA Character Survey.” Then in December, Dr. Cory Yaeger presented “Sexting: Legal, Ethical and Therapeutic Issues,” and in February, “Recognizing Sleep Disorders: a Wolf in Sheep’s Clothing” was presented by Dr. Stephen Billman. Our spring workshop focused on the hot topic of telepsychology titled “Success Strategies for Legally and Ethically Expanding Your Practice Online using 21st Century Tools” and was presented by Marlene Maheu, PhD. We closed the year with a final dinner meeting where Renee Zuchero, PhD presented on anxiety disorders in older adults. Next year, we are looking forward to continuing to provide continuing education at our dinner meetings starting off with Couples Counseling by Dr. Rick Butts in September of 2012. Other topics next year will include men’s psychological health and business management issues in private practice.

CAPP continues to be committed to professional and community outreach. In doing so, we were happy to make a contribution to OPA’s annual Science Day and sponsoring a booth at Mental Health Day on the Square in Cincinnati. We also launched a new website, overseen by our webmaster and past president Dr. Richard Sears, with the capabilities of having all of our members have a page with their name, picture, area of expertise and address. In doing so, consumers of psychological services can easily access a psychologist in the Cincinnati area. This service is in addition to our paper directory sent to local physicians, community mental health agencies and hospitals. CAPP is also now offering webinars from our dinner meetings and spring workshops on the website for distance learning opportunities. We hope to expand our outreach in the coming year.

Please feel free to contact any of our board members for more information about CAPP. Check out our website at www.cappnet.org

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Science and Service the DAPA Way

The Dayton Area Psychological Association (DAPA) is on the road again, encouraging scientific pursuits in young people, while serving the Dayton community at large. While these activities are of great service, they also provide a focus and opportunity for camaraderie among DAPA members.

This year marks the third time that DAPA awarded the High School Science Award at the Ohio Science Day held at The Ohio State University. This award acknowledges and encourages high school students to continue their interests in psychology as a science. This year’s winner, Saraha Kahn, certainly met and exceeded the standards set forth by the DAPA Executive Council, including, a commitment to behavioral scientific research; a command of the scientific process in both the verbal and written presentation; and she demonstrated a basic understanding and application of statistical processes. Last year’s winner Annemarie Krug, researched “Visual Perception of People with Autistic Characteristics.” She was highly inspired by the award and chose to continue her research in this area. Both of these young people, 11th graders, were highly motivated to continue their line of research, as their quality of work reflected a level that any college professor of behavioral sciences would admire.

At the other end of the educational excellence
spectrum, the DAPA Future Psychologist Award targets acknowledgement of quality and excellence in graduate students. It is also aimed at promoting cultural and ethnic diversity. Current students of professional psychology are evaluated on factors above and beyond academics including the following criteria:

1) Demonstrate a commitment to both multidisciplinary and applied science perspectives.
2) Within the student community, must have demonstrated the promoting of the profession’s identity and the applicant’s own identity within the profession.
3) Demonstrate a commitment to becoming an integrated health care provider, and to expanding the areas of psychological practice to broader areas of health care.
4) Have an interest in integrating telepsychology expertise with mental health practice.
5) Must have a demonstrated ability/potential for expanding his/her expertise in cultural and ethnic diversity.

This year’s recipient is Brigitte Beale a third year PsyD graduate student at the Wright State University, School of Professional Psychology. The DAPA Board selected Ms. Beale for her clear fulfillment of the above criteria, including (but not limited only to) her involvement in such activities as being a psychology volunteer with the Diabetes and Obesity Wellness Opportunity Program at the Victor J. Cassano Health Center, her membership on the Society of Pediatric Psychology student advisory board, involvement on the board of African American Women in Professional Psychology and her current focus on serving with evident enthusiasm and commitment as the Student Representative on the DAPA Board. While this award is aimed at encouraging excellence in the science of psychology, it is also intended to encourage future professionals to remain local and join DAPA, where they will receive the needed professional support while they launch their careers.

In keeping with the goal of making psychology more visible and available to the citizens of Ohio, service remains a high priority for DAPA. Our past president, Marcy Gunn and Greg VanArsdall, spearheaded the Community Service Committee. Last year they initiated the project with the Habitat for Humanity building project. This year, TEAM DAPA literally took to the road, and braved the wet, cool weather to participate in the Dayton Autism Society’s 5K run/walk. The committee has voted to keep the Food Pantry project moving as we have adopted this project as an annual event. DAPA members donate non-perishable items annually at identified workshops, these products are then delivered to local food banks. Feedback from DAPA members on ideas for future active community projects include donations to Toys for Tots, serving meals at a soup kitchen, helping in some manner at The Castle and “adopting” a family or two to help at Christmas time (presents and meals) possibly selected via NAMI.

DAPAs aim this year is to keep our feet on the ground, remaining visible and relevant to both the local professional community and the general population at large.

Rose Mary Shaw, PsyD, DAPA Representative

Catching Up With COPA

COPA has had another exciting and productive year, especially in the areas of continuing education, networking and outreach. COPA has continued its commitment to offer relevant and cost-effective CE Programs. In September 2011, COPA cosponsored a workshop on New Developments in Diversity Awareness. The presenter was James Dobbins, PhD. The 2012 Workshop Series will began in August 2012 with a presentation by Greg Brigham, PhD on “Ethical Decision Making: Doing the Right Thing and Minimizing the Risk of HIV Related Situations and Other Critical Challenges.” In November 2012, Terry Kukor, PhD will present on “Suicide Risk Assessment.”

At the fall Convention, COPA partnered with the OPA Foundation to host a wine tasting and professional networking fundraising event. The event was well attended and provided a great opportunity to meet new colleagues and reconnect with old friends. We plan to make this an annual event.

An integral aspect of COPA’s identity is our commitment to professional and community outreach. COPA sponsored two graduate students in central Ohio to attend OPA's Legislative Day. In addition to obtaining invaluable advocacy experience, each student also received a free membership to COPA. So that more graduate students are able to attend CE programs sponsored by COPA, students who assist with program registration will be entitled to have the registration fee for that program waived. COPA participated in the judging of the Regional Science Day (March 2012) and State Science Day (May 2012). COPA sponsored two awards for outstanding behavioral health projects. COPA will participate in two fundraisers: NAMI Walks (June 2012) and the Out of Darkness Walk (October 2012). COPA is also proud to make annual financial contributions in support of Science Day and Project FAIR.

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COPA's membership has remained relatively stable, especially in comparison to other regional associations in Ohio. It is with deep gratitude that we thank central Ohio for your support of COPA. If you are interested in becoming more involved, please be our guest for lunch at our monthly Board meetings. We meet on the third Monday of each month from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. at Florentine's Italian Restaurant, 907 W. Broad Street. This is a great way to learn more about COPA and become an integral part of addressing the needs of psychologists in central Ohio.

We are actively seeking individuals to chair the following committees: membership, CE, diversity and publications/website. In addition, our fall elections are coming up! If you are interested or would like to nominate someone for president, please contact any of our current board members:

President: Aracelis Rivera, PsyD (arc1217@aol.com) Past-President: Bob Stinson, PsyD, JD, ABPP (Bob.Stinson@mh.ohio.gov), Secretary: Lisa Gordish, PsyD (Lisa.Gordish@mh.ohio.gov) or OPA Representative: Peg Richards Mosher, PhD (mmrpsych@aol.com). We look forward to hearing from you! For more information about COPA, check out our website: copaonline.org.

Respectfully submitted,

-Peg Richards Mosher, PhD
COPA representative to OPA

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Heather Gilbert, OPA Director of Communications and Education

The Akron Area Professional Psychologists (AAPP) had a number of well-known and accomplished speakers for our most recent membership year. Akron’s own Dr. Ronald Levant started the membership year off right with a riveting talk entitled, “Effective Treatment for Men” on September 16. Attendees were treated to Dr. Levant educating us about the special challenges and rewards available in working with men and their specific needs.

Paula Hartman-Stein, PhD, was our next presenter on November 11. Her talk was entitled, “Enhancing Cognitive Wellness: What Every Psychologist Concerned About Aging Should Know.” Dr. Hartman-Stein shared some of the highlights of her recent book (Enhancing Cognitive Fitness in Adults, edited by Paula Hartman Stein and Asenath LaRue). Based on the talk, I think all attendees would say that the book is definitely worth looking into further.

Ronald R. Ross, PhD, CPM, the Executive Director of the State Board of Psychology, gave a three hour ethics presentation at The University of Akron entitled, “Ethical Dilemmas, Slippery Slopes, and Trap Doors: A Workshop for Psychologists and Allied Professionals.” As he is wont, Dr. Ross laced the talk with his sparkling wit and made the learning about ethics quite enjoyable. Dr. Ross did a particularly good job of drawing out divergent viewpoints and helping those in attendance to appreciate the complex issues faced by practitioners at times through the use of case studies.

Lastly, Jeffrey Moore, MD, of the Akron General Medical Center and the Northeast Ohio Medical University spoke about “Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation” on June 15. Those in attendance learned about the evolution of TMS techniques in research and clinical practice. Dr. Moore also taught us how to critically evaluate the efficacy of TMS in the treatment of depression. Many thanks to Dr. Moore for his helpful lecture.

AAPP would like to express our gratitude for the many speakers who shared their knowledge with us over the past year. The AAPP officers for the last year were: Dr. Jane Eckert, President; Dr. Colin Christensen, Vice President/OPA liaison; and Dr. Joel Mowrey, Secretary/Treasurer. We look forward to another year of compelling presentations in 2013.

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A Look Back and a Look Forward: A Year with OWP

It is hard to believe another year ends for me at the helm of OWP. I am proud to say that OWP has been very active this year and, it is thus important to reflect on our year, our accomplishments and our hopes for the future.

This year began in the fall of 2011 where I was fortunate to attend the OPA Board Retreat as Ohio Women in Psychology President. At that meeting I reviewed last year’s accomplishments and the goals for our upcoming year. I reported that one of my goals for the previous year was to begin a website for OWP to house information about our organization, our vision, and our goals. We are thankful that OPA is hosting a page for OWP on their website. This can be reached at www.ohpsych.org/about/ohio-women-in-psychology. As always, OWP is looking forward to receiving articles and resources that could be useful for women in psychology to place on the website or in our quarterly newsletter, Perspectives.
Another one of my presidential initiatives has been to create a program for women, by women to enhance their interaction and collaboration with one another, and to learn from and to support one another. While we attempted to do this, we ran into some difficulty meeting requirements to obtain CE credits for our women's program in time to meet deadlines. Therefore, we opted to hold a less formal women's program as an addendum to our business meeting at the OPA Convention. This program explored mother and daughter relationships, the dynamics between them, and ways to grow and develop as women as we come to understand this relationship. This program was well received by attendees and it was decided that we should expand this program. It is our hope to further explore this important relationship didactically as well as experientially as well as examining the dynamics in this electronic age.

We are still hopeful that we can potentially do a for women, by women retreat in the future for OWP. We welcome ideas on how to spearhead this initiative and particularly how to work efficiently to meet CE requirement and to serve our membership. We also hope to find ways to help our membership communicate through social media and other methods to meet the needs of Ohio Women in Psychology.

OWP sponsored a symposium at the 2011 OPA Convention on positive psychology and resilience across the life span. This program was well attended and helped attendees understand the central tenets of positive psychology and resilience and ways to understand these concepts at differing points of the life span. OWP also presented its annual rose giveaway and OWP held a table with information related to OWP at the OPA Convention.

We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Terry Ransom Flint as OWP's newly chosen President-Elect! Dr. Flint is a rehabilitation psychologist in OSU's Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and will bring her wealth of experiences within this discipline to support and mentor other women in psychology. Dr. Flint will bring her two-year term as OWP President as I shift to Past-President this fall. OWP also hopes to continue putting together Perspectives newsletter and requests article or column writers from those that may be interested in women's issues. As OWP needs and membership evolves we also welcome ideas about how best to serve the membership. Please let us know if you have any new ideas.

Finally, I have been fortunate to attend many events hosted by OPA during my tenure as President. I have attended OPA Board Meetings for OWP. Additionally, I have attended the OPA Legislative Day and Health Fair at the Ohio Statehouse on May 23, 2012. Witnessing and engaging in mental health advocacy is always an enriching and exciting experience and this year was no exception. It was particularly rewarding to be a part of the health fair and provide information to legislators and the public. I look forward to participating again in the future. Additionally, I participated in the OPA's Leadership Forum where I learned a significant amount about my values as a leader and how to utilize those values to lead effectively.

I have had wonderful experiences as President of OWP that has led to my own personal and professional growth. It is my sincerest hope that I can continue advocating for mental health and enhancing, empowering, and encouraging women throughout the state in the field of psychology. I hope that in turn they too will feel empowered enough to empower others. I look forward to seeing you all at the OPA Convention and at OWP's Convention activities!

Sincerely,

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Exciting Advances in History!

Ohio Psychology Oral History Project 2011-12

The Oral History Project is an innovation within the Foundation for Psychology in Ohio developed to collect and archive the history of Ohio psychology and psychologists via videotaped interviews of Ohio psychologists. Did you know that at least one of our Ohio psychologists and his family emigrated from Vienna to escape the Holocaust? And that this same psychologist’s Viennese neighbor also escaped and settled in Cleveland to open her new school called Montessori? Ohio psychology has a historical richness that we have just begun to tap. This is a project in which both the interviewer and interviewee experience inspiration! The project has been successful in completing the majority of the 12 plus interviews planned for this year. We have also been successful in planning the transfer of OPA video and material archives to the care of the Wright State University library, where our interviews will eventually be available to psychologists, students and researchers world-wide on the internet. In addition, the project plans to develop topical DVDs that professors can use within their psychology courses.

To make the interview process more efficient for project members and interviewees in various Ohio locations and beyond, we have procured a second video camera and acquired tripods that were generously donated by OPA members.

This project will accept new members for the beginning of this next academic year (September 2012) and is always accepting suggestions for psychologists and historical issues that should be archived for Ohio. Please contact John Rudisill, incoming Chair, or me with your interest and suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Gaw, PsyD, Chair
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Important Membership Benefit is Attainable – With Your Help!

For years, OPA members have requested that affordable, comprehensive healthcare be made available for members, their dependents and employees. For years, the Membership Committee has researched this possibility and has recently discovered a company that will help OPA acquire such a membership benefit. In addition, this company can assist OPA to eventually create our own Health Insurance Alliance, which will allow for a more flexible plan of coverage to OPA members. Because the marketing of such a benefit and development of an Alliance Charter would involve more time and detailed focus than the Membership Committee could provide, the OPA Health Insurance Task Force was formed. Since formation in the summer of 2011, this task force has worked to educate OPA membership and Ohio psychologists about the process and the importance of acquiring enough completed health information applications to be covered by a major Ohio health insurance program. Our first attempt to collect enough applications occurred between the 2011 Fall Convention and the end of that calendar year. Although we acquired over 200 completed applications from Ohio psychologists, this was not a large or health-wise diverse enough group to be chosen by any of the major Ohio health insurance programs. We have not given up!

As of January 2012, the task force has worked to create; an interest survey for the purpose of acquiring necessary information from the membership and previous applicants, an improved portal on the Preferred Benefits website that provides clear information, easy access to and submission of health information applications, and a far-reaching marketing program meant to capture the range of psychologists needed to acquire a health insurance plan for OPA members. Over the summer of 2012, the task force will begin to provide information via email, podcasts and web portal regarding the facts about the process and the benefits of such a health care plan. Health information applications will once again be available for completion as of October 1, 2012.

Please seriously consider completing an application within the required 90 days in order to help OPA provide this important membership benefit! We hope you will actively access information about this plan as it becomes available and that you will direct any questions/concerns to Michael Ranney or Brian Lenzo (on the Preferred Benefits website). We are very excited about the possibility of offering this benefit and cannot do it without your participation!

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Gaw, PsyD, Chair

Members: Drs. Peg Mosher, Jim Clark, Howard Bonem, Karen Spain, Katie Golden, Mr. Brian Lenzo and Mr. Michael Ranney

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Take this Job and Love It:

Psychology in the Workplace Network Committee Honors Ohio’s Best Workplaces!

Most working adults can spend nearly half their waking hours on the job, making the importance of healthy and supportive workplaces more critical than ever. OPA’s Psychology in the Workplace Network is committed to identifying and honoring those businesses who lead the way in providing compassionate, empowering and innovative programs and services to their employees.

OPA’s Psychology in the Workplace Network had a banner year in 2011, highlighted by the Psychologically Healthy Workplace Awards. In October, we announced eight state winners at the OPA Annual Fall Convention, and were happy to host representatives from all our winning organizations at the award luncheon. Much to our surprise and delight, the PWN committee was also awarded OPA’s Committee of the Year award.

In addition to sponsoring the Psychologically Health Workplace Award luncheon, representatives from the PWN committee presented a workshop titled “Take This Job and Love It: Helping Individuals and Organizations Thrive in Healthy Workplaces.” Committee members Dick Rynearson, John Rudisill and Robin Graff-Reed were joined by Dr. Marianne Bowden in presenting convention attendees with information about the value, purpose and practice of promoting psychology in the workplace and consulting to businesses.

In January we received the news that three of our state winners had been selected for national awards! In the small for-profit category, Nobel Davis Consulting, Inc. of Solon, Ohio was the national winner. Certified Angus Beef of Wooster, Ohio, was the winner in the small, not-for-profit category. In addition, Koinonia Homes, Inc. of Independence, Ohio won the national award in the medium not-for-profit category, and was selected as a Best Practice Award winner as well. We also hosted our winners at the award ceremony and reception at the State Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C. in March.

The PHWA committee has set some lofty goals for the 2012 award year. We plan to expand our committee’s scope by providing additional resources to Ohio’s businesses through enhanced website offerings as well as workshops and consulting referrals. In addition, we’d like to provide resources and support to consulting and I/O psychologists.
in Ohio, and hope to collaborate with APA's Division 13 to identify potential members. All of this is in the early planning stages and will require a high level of commitment from committee members, so recruitment remains an important goal.

We have also resumed our efforts to solicit applicants for the 2012 PHWA awards and already have several applications in process! We plan to assign committee members to personally “shepherd” these businesses through the application process as needed.

As always, we could not accomplish our goals without the commitment and hard work of our committee members. We welcome anyone interested in promoting psychology in the workplace while having fun!

Robin L. Graff-Reed, PhD, Chair
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Members in the News

Have you been featured in the news lately? Let us know! Contact Heather Gilbert at hgilbert@ohpsych.org with your submission.

On Tuesday, April 24, WOUB Public Media, the Scripps College of Communication and the E. W. Scripps School of Journalism hosted a screening of Boys and Men Healing, a leading documentary produced by Big Voice Pictures about the effects of male child sexual abuse and the importance of healing, speaking out, and advocating for ending the cycle of the sexual abuse of boys.

The program consisted of screening the movie and then a panel discussion with Simon Weinberg, co-producer of Boys and Men Healing; Dr. Howard Fradkin, MaleSurvivor co-founder, Advisory Board member and nationally known psychologist; and sexual abuse survivors. The panel was moderated by Tom Hodson, director and general manager of WOUB Public Media.

Dr. Kathy Platoni was featured in the Springfield Sun News as a clinical psychologist who has served in Iraq, Afghanistan and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and works with soldiers who have been repeatedly deployed to war zones. The article focused on mental health services falling short for veterans.

Dr. Jeff Sherrill was on Good Day Columbus (WSYX-Columbus) talking about attachment parenting after the controversial TIME cover.

Psych Talk

Psych Talk allows OPA members to share information about the presentations they have given, awards won or recent items that have been published. Please submit your 50-100 word piece to Heather Gilbert at hgilbert@ohpsych.org.

Mike Dwyer, PhD was selected to serve on the board of directors of the Multiethnic Advocates for Cultural Competence (MACC).

Dr. Audrey E. Ellenwood received the Clyde V. Bartlett Distinguished Service Award from the Ohio School Psychologist Association on April 19, 2012. This award, which recognizes contributions to the field, was presented by Dr. Richard Van Voorhis from Youngstown State University at the OSPA Awards luncheon in Columbus, Ohio.

SPIRE Institute is a multi-sport training camp, academy and event-hosting complex pioneering new approaches to athletic, academic and character development. Sport psychologist Jack J. Lesyk, Ph.D., CC-AASP has been appointed Director of SPIRE Sport Psychology Services.

W. Michael Nelson, PhD, ABPP, Professor of Psychology at Xavier University, co-authored a book entitled Specialty competencies in clinical child and adolescent psychology (2012, New York: Oxford Press) that was recently released.

It is part of a series intended to describe state-of-the-art functional and foundational competencies in professional psychology across extant and emerging specialty areas. It is a guide to best practices across both core and specialty competencies as defined by the area of clinical child and adolescent psychology.

Dr. Kathy Platoni released a book in August with Dr. Raymond Scurfield, War Trauma and Its Wake: Expanding the Circle of Healing. “Drs. Scurfield and Platoni, veterans of both past and current wars respectively, bring together an extraordinary collection of chapters that address the full spectrum of traumatic stressors and stress reactions associated with war. War Trauma and Its Wake should become required reading for practitioners who care about caring for warriors, their families, and civilian survivors.” —Charles R. Figley, PhD, the Paul Henry Kurzweg Distinguished Chair in Disaster Mental Health at Tulane University and author of Trauma and Its Wake

Dr. Carl Tishler was published in the APA Monitor, June, 2012 p. 41.

OPA Advocacy Committee is composed of OPA staff, past presidents, board members and interested OPA members. Advocacy is a central mission of OPA. The committee meets monthly by teleconference and two to three times a year in Columbus for more in-depth discussion and fellowship. The committee focuses on issues affecting psychologists, mental health care and social justice. OPA advocates through the legislative, administration and private sector by direct contact and through coalitions. For the 2011-2012 season the Advocacy Committee focused on several legislative issues.

This spring two pieces of OPA legislation were introduced. Ohio Psychology Board Bill HB 496 was introduced, updating the psychology licensure law in several significant ways; improving the licensure examination process, fees and limited subpoena powers. Establishing a Demonstration Project for Prescribing Psychologists is SB 329. It would allow for six psychologists to be certified to prescribe in the Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections. Hearings have been held on both pieces on legislation.

This fall the Ohio Statehouse passed HB 116 the Safe School Bill, aimed at reducing bullying. While this is an important step forward and we will continue to work towards recognition of the groups targeted by bullies. Committee members Chuck Gerlach, Ashley Murray, Kate Hibbard and Jim Broyles have been directly involved in this issue.

This spring NAMI introduced legislation on involuntary medication in outpatient treatment in the community. SB 350 would clarify the law allowing judges to order a patient to outpatient treatment for medication as well as order them to a hospital. This is in response to parents and community members who see their mentally ill family members going without proper treatment. Michael Ranney has been active in working though coalitions to support this legislation.

Legislative Day was coordinated this year by Dr. Christine Charyton. It featured several notable events: breakfast with the Ohio Legislative Black Caucus; presentations on integrative health care by Nate Tomick, health homes by Greg Moody and prescription privileges by Jerry Strauss and Alice Randolph. Awards were presented to Senators Seitz and Burke.

Other Legislative Activity:
- HB 143 Concussion Bill: Tim Wynkoop worked on changes to protect psychologist's independence.
- Employment Discrimination Bill - which forbids discrimination in housing and employment for LGBT individuals. It does not appear to be moving.
- Social Work Bill: Reviewed and discussed, no objections were raised.
- Joint Resolution for Funding PTSD Military Treatment: Testimony by Dr. Nate Tomick.
- Bi-Annual Budget: Advocated for mental health and drug and alcohol funding.
- Reviewed Lambda Legal Statement of Support for the Affordability Act.
- Health Care Exchanges: On hold, likely pending Supreme Court review.
- OSMA Proposed Credentialing Bill: Opposed
- SB 205 Art Therapy: Neutral
- HB 252 Alternative Medicine: Opposed, acting through coalitions at this time.
- Art Therapy Licensure Bill: Neutral, no activity
- Chemical Dependency Licensure Bill: Neutral
- Nominated various psychologists to serve on the Attorney General’s Task Force on Mental Illness and the Criminal Justice System.

Brad Potts, PhD, Chair

Members: Tim Wynkoop, PhD, Bailey Bryant, MA, Barb Fordyce, PhD, Bobbie Celeste, PhD, Carol Johnson, PhD, Cathy McDaniels-Wilson, PhD, Christine Charyton, PhD, Chuck Gerlach, PhD, Craig Travis, PhD, Dan Davis, PhD, Catherine Gaw, PsyD, Gerald Strauss, PhD, Greg Brigham, PhD, Jennifer Daniel, BA, Jonathan Lehman, PsyD, Katie Golden, PhD, Michael Ranney, Michele Evans, PhD, Mike Dwyer, PhD, Penny Tipps, Sandra Shullman, PhD, Sarah Cain, PhD, Ken Covey, PhD, Audrey Murray, BA, Nick Tomick, PhD and Kate Hibbard, MA.
For many, it's in the public sector and it's the Public Sector Issues (PSI) Committee that provides a voice for these psychologists and their clients through advocacy, education and networking. The committee requires a sizable umbrella since it represents psychologists in a host of community, state and federal agencies and universities. Our committee membership reflects this diversity of settings and interests. One important function for us is to link with the Board and other committees of OPA to maintain awareness of public sector issues and work collaboratively on shared goals.

A major emphasis this past year has been planning for and providing continuing education that addresses the needs of public sector professionals. A June workshop, Developing Competence in Working with Clients Who Experience Serious Mental Illness, in addition to examining the history of SMI treatment, considered advances in evidence-based practice, discussed training recommendations and looked at the interaction between SMI and trauma, particularly in the prison population. The workshop grew out of participation by committee members in a Xavier conference convened to consider graduate level training needed to adequately prepare graduate students to work with the SMI population. Proposals have also been accepted for the 2012 OPA Annual Convention, one looking at advances in the diagnosis and treatment of abusers of opioids and fad drugs and one tackling Risk Assessment of Juvenile Sex Offenders.

Tracking state legislation and advocating for policies that support public sector psychologists and their clients remain important goals for us. Activities this year included support for a pilot program for prescription privileges for prison psychologists and a proposed early psychological intervention program for workers’ compensation clients. PSI committee members who participated in OPA’s recent Legislative Day actually had the pleasure of witnessing the introduction of the RxP bill by its Senate and House sponsors. We’ve also been concerned about strengthening the Safe Schools Act by enumerating groups of students at risk for bullying. PSI committee members, including our school psychologist, will be working with the LGBT Committee to develop a program to increase the comfort of school staff in discussing these sensitive issues. We also support NAMI’s proposed amendments to the Assisted Outpatient Treatment bill, designed to facilitate use of treatment in a least restrictive environment.

During the coming year we would like reach out to public sector psychologists who’ve never joined OPA or have become disengaged. Although we’ve set up a public sector-specific mail group (address below), not limited to OPA members, to aid communication, it’s still underutilized. We encourage all public sector psychologists, and those considering public employment, to join the list and use it as an open forum to share questions, concerns and information. We’d also like to increase representation of rural psychologists on the PSI Committee. These professionals often work in tough settings with limited resources. Although we’d like to support them and address issues of particular concern to them, it’s difficult without their participation.

We meet via teleconference for most of our meetings (link below to our page on the OPA website for more details. Please email the chair if you’re interested in joining or have questions.

Lynne C. Rustad, PhD
Chair, Public Sector Issues Committee

PSI Committee web page: www.ohpsych.org/about/governance/committees-task-force-and-affiliates/psi/
PSI Mail Group: http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/PSI_Mail_Group/

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For several years, the Ohio Psychological Association, in an effort to support early career members, has tried to develop a thriving mentorship program. The Professional Practice Committee has tried to match mentors and mentees via the OPA Mentor Program. However, we have experienced varying degrees of success in establishing effective matches. During the past year, the Professional Practice Committee has shifted its focus from “mentoring” to a “peer consultation model.”

The peer consultation model focuses on bringing peers together to assist one another to become more effective in their professional practice by sharing knowledge and skills. This model allows participants to choose their peer consultation group and determine their own goals for the process. This model decreases dependency on “expert” mentors and enhances one’s self-confidence, self-direction and independence as a professional psychologist. This is a non-hierarchical model of professional development, acknowledging that growth and learning in peer relationships is bi-directional. More experienced members are able to share historical lessons learned, while early career members are able to share newly developing trends in the field that may have been fostered in their training programs.

Thus far, the Professional Practice Committee has organized the first Central Ohio Peer Consultation Network in collaboration with the Central Ohio Psychological Association. This group currently meets twice per month either on the weekend or during the week to discuss professional issues. For more information, please contact Nate Tomcik at ntomcik@gmail.com. Please include your name, location/practice setting, areas of interest, expertise and other information you would like to share with the group.

We are working to establish a Northeastern Ohio Peer Consultation Network at the end of the summer in collaboration with the Akron Area Professional Psychologists and the Cleveland Psychological Association. In the fall, we will be collaborating with the Toledo Area Academy of Professional Psychologists to establish a Northwestern Ohio Peer Consultation Network. We anticipate that these meetings will present informal opportunities to learn from and network with psychology peers in your region.

The Professional Practice Committee has also been working to establish marketing materials for psychologists who wish to market their services to primary care and other medical professionals. Our committee is currently working to establish a Wellness and Emotional Health Newsletter. Our first newsletter will focus on the empirical basis for stress management interventions. This brief newsletter will be available to OPA members for use to market their practices in the fall.

We will continue to work to support professional psychologists in the state of Ohio. The goals of the Professional Practice Committee include:

- Make psychology more visible to the citizens of Ohio by providing psychological resources, scientific knowledge, public education and referrals.
- Provide priority services that members want and need.
- Support the personal and professional lives of psychologists throughout their lifespan, from student status through retirement.

Current committee members include: Sharla Wells-Di Gregorio, PhD (Chair), Priscilla Kingston, PhD (Past Chair), Courtney Wudyka, PsyD, Kelli Riedl, PsyD, Julie Merrell, PhD, Craig Travis, PhD, Melissa Buelow, PhD and Michael Ranney

If you are interested in joining our committee or have questions about our work, please contact Sharla Wells-Di Gregorio, at sharla.wells@osumc.edu or (614) 293-8898. We are especially interested in OPA members who live in the southeastern and southwestern parts of Ohio.

Sharla Wells-Di Gregorio, PhD, Chair
Support for Students, Scholarships, and Diversity

The Foundation for Psychology in Ohio Works Quietly on Big Projects!

The Foundation for Psychology in Ohio (PSYOHIO) is the nonprofit, charitable subsidiary of the Ohio Psychological Association (OPA). As stated on OPA’s website, the Foundation “seeks to support individuals and organizations which promote community health through psychological means.” This is accomplished through various means. Supporting students is an integral part of the Foundation, and over the past year this was done through scholarships that promote graduate student research (e.g., the Michael Sullivan Diversity Scholarship Fund), sponsorships to attend conferences and workshops and awards for middle school and high school students at Ohio Science Day. Additionally, our Board members have volunteered their time with projects such as preparing for the Multicultural Conference, and the Oral History Project, which is a collection of interviews in which the history of psychology in Ohio is discussed.

This important work requires money, thus we have been busy trying to increase our revenue. We ask that you consider donating to this worthy cause. Should you wish to contribute to the Foundation, this can be done in a variety of ways. While you can make a tax deductible donation to PSYOHIO at any time, an easy way to do so is when you renew your OPA membership. Donations can be earmarked for a specific PSYOHIO project. Simply indicate as such when making the donation. Another easy way to support the organization is by registering your Kroger Plus Card to support PSYOHIO through the Kroger Community Rewards program. To do so please use our code number, which is 84670.

A gift honoring someone living or deceased is a great way to show your respect while helping this organization. Another option is to make a bequest during estate planning. Doing so will garner recognition in the Leave a Legacy Program. During the past year, funds were also collected through the President’s Challenge. A fundraising project was implemented where OPA Board members were asked to collect spare change in Ball jars between two Board meetings. Money is a very important component in meeting our yearly goals and objectives. However, volunteering time is also welcomed. And there is always a need for volunteer judges for Ohio Science Day.

We feel that the previous year was a successful year. However, we hope to expand our efforts to make the upcoming year an even greater success. Involvement in the Foundation for Psychology in Ohio can be a rewarding way to begin or increase your participation in the association, and I challenge all OPA members to think about this important component to what we do as psychologists and future psychologists.

Michele Evans, PhD, Chair

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- Committee on Social Responsibility: Dr. Mary Miller Lewis
- Public Sector Issues: Dr. Lynne Rustad
- Science: Dr. Mike Dwyer

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- RxP Task Force: Dr. Jerry Strauss
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- Early Career Psychologists Task Force: Dr. Josh Shuman
- Oral History Project: Dr. John Rudisill
- Awards: Dr. John Rudisill
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- Parliamentarian: Dr. David Hayes
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- Foundation Chair: Dr. Kevin Arnold

Annual Report of the Psychologists Retired of Ohio
An Opportunity to Give Back

The PROs, Psychologists Retired of Ohio is a special interest group of OPAMembers who are retired, semi-retired or are within retirement distance. Anticipating the significant impact of the rapidly aging OPA membership, it was established in 2007 under the direction of Michael Ranney, OPA ExecutiveDirector and is administered by Bobbie Celeste, Director of ProfessionalAffairs. As OPA correctly predicted, the prophecy has come to pass, and in an article entitled How Old Are We?, published in the January/February 2012 OPA Update, a report of the analysis of the OPA database was released that showed the astonishing fact that about half of the OPA membership is 60 years or older, and 26% percent were at or beyond the retirement age of 66. Under their stewardship, the PROs have held quarterly advisory meetings, helped design and conduct surveys, and provided input to two highly attended retirement planning workshops at the Annual OPA Convention, recruited new members and are currently running a series of articles on retirement issues in OPA publications. The PROs currently meet at the OPA office quarterly, plans are also being developed for regional PRO groups and if you are planning to or recently retired, and interested in helping your colleagues, please contact Dr. Celeste for details. With your many years of experience, it is an opportunity to give back to the psychological community, and pass your considerable collective wisdom on to the next generation.

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