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Notes from the Co-Chairs

As is customary, with the end of the semester comes our reflection on the spring semester. There is quite a bit to report on, and many people to thank.

Let's start with the *thank yous*. Again this year, our gratitude goes to our administrative staff for doing a superb job of keeping everything running smoothly as the university and the relationships among the various New School divisions continue to evolve. Our thanks to Janiera Warren, our senior department secretary; Trisha Toelstedt, Director of Clinical Student affairs; and Nichelle Horlacher, clinical secretary.

Congratulations to Wendy D'Andrea who has now formally been reappointed in her tenure track position as assistant professor in clinical psychology. We would also like to congratulate New School clinical psychology alumnus, Bill Gottdiener, on his receipt of the prestigious APA Division 39 Scholarship & Research Award. Bill is Professor and Clinical Coordinator at John Jay College. Finally, we'd like to congratulate ourselves, but particularly Miriam Steele, for shepherding the APA visit and accreditation process. The clinical program has now formally been reaccredited for a full seven years.

Goodbye to Anne Maass, who is going back to her home university (Padova, Italy), after spending her sabbatical in our department. Aside from being a

beloved teacher, she has been a wonderful contributor to the research and social life of the department. Overall, she has been a very special presence and she will be sorely missed.

Looking ahead. Two faculty members will be back in September. Michael Schober completed a long tenure as Dean of NSSR, and after a well-deserved sabbatical he will be back in his office at the end of summer! Same goes for Jeremy Ginges, who will be returning to our department after his leave of absence in his native Australia. During the summer the department will also appoint two postdoctoral fellows, one for the newly created Whiting Fellowship in Psychology and the Humanities, granted to Professor Castano, and the other for an NSSR-funded position, which will help the department boost its teaching offering at both the graduate and undergraduate level.

Our best wishes to all for the summer,

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Faculty News

Emanuele Castano co-authored a paper in Psychological Science with William Hirst and two former graduate students of the department, Alin Coman (Princeton) and Charlie Stone (John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY), titled "Justifying Atrocities: The Effect of Moral-Disengagement Strategies on Socially Shared Retrieval-Induced Forgetting," and an article on the negative Ostracism in the journal Death Studies, together with former Eugene Lang student, Caroline Steele, and current graduate student David Kidd.

Emanuele also gave invited seminars at Koc University, Istanbul (March), and at Università La Bocconi, Milan (May). He also received several extramural grants. One from the Spencer foundation, as part of a team led by Danielle Allen, of the Institute of Advanced Studies, to investigate the impact of the teaching of the Humanities. A second grant is from the Whiting Foundation, to create the Whiting Fellowship in Psychology and the Humanities - a postdoctoral position in the department. A third grant comes from the International Committee of the Red Cross and The UK Department for International Development, to investigate the behavior of current and former combatants in conflict-ridden regions of the world (Democratic Republic of Congo, Columbia, Lybia, and Yemen).

Chris Christian presented a paper entitled Intersubjectivity and Conflict Theory: The Dividing Line at the 2014 Symposium Therapeutic Action: What Works in Psychoanalytic Therapy on March 22, 2014 at Mount Sinai Medical Center in

New York City. He was also the moderator of a panel entitled *Situating Conflict in our Theories of Therapeutic Action* with Morris Eagle, James Fosshage, and Stephen Cooper on April, 26, 2014 at the Meeting of Division 39 in New York City. Chris has been appointed as co-director of the Norbert Freedman Center for Psychoanalytic Research at IPTAR. He also received a small grant from the New York Psychoanalytic Society and Institute for research exploring the application of linguistic measures to the study of ruptures and repairs in psychotherapy.

Michael Levy co-authored an article titled "Temporal relations between methamphetamine use and HIV seroconversion in gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men" published in the Journal of Public Health. The article is available online http://hpq.sagepub.com/content/early/2014/02/26/1359105314522675.

Arien Mack organized and ran a large 2 day conference in April at the New School entitled "Climate Change Demands We Change: Why aren't we?" which brought more than 600 people to the School. Arien also organized the 80th Anniversary Celebration of the University in Exile at the New School on January 30 and was one of the opening events at the new building described in the piece "80th Anniversary Celebration of the University in Exile".

Joan Miller gave an invited lecture on The Cultural Psychology of Moral Thinking at the Philomathia Lectures on Human Values, Research Center for Human Values, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, China, March 27, 2014. She also was a discussant on the symposium Cultural-Developmental Research on Adolescent Moral Reasoning: Dyadic and Longitudinal Evidence from India and Thailand at the Society for Research on Adolescence, Austin, Texas, March 20, 2014. Joan co-authored an article with Chloe Bland, Mallin Källberg-Shroff, Chiung-yi Tseng, Jazmin Montes-George, Katelin Ryan, Rekha Das and Sharmista Chakravarthy on Culture and the role of exchange vs. communal norms in friendship, which was published in the Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, 53, 79-83.

Lisa Rubin joined the editorial board of *Psychology of Women Quarterly* as a Consulting Editor. Lisa (with Inmaculada de Melo-Martin) co-authored the paper, "Ethical analysis of PGD for BRCA: Attending to more than risk and benefits", published in *Breast Cancer Gene Research and Medical Practices: Transnational Perspectives in the Time of BRCA.* Lisa (with Liz Margolies of the National LGBT Cancer Network) also guest edited an upcoming volume of the journal *Women & Therapy*, focused on women and cancer, available in print in June 2014.

Miriam and **Howard Steele** published a chapter "Attachment Disorders: Theory, Research, and Treatment Considerations" in the *Handbook of Developmental Psychopathology*, Third Edition, published by Springer.

Student News

Bennett Allen (with Clayton Hartmann, Lisa Rubin, and Michael Hoyt of Hunter College) presented the paper, "Masculine Identity in Emerging Adults with Testicular Cancer: A Voice-Centered Analysis" as part of the symposium Living with Cancer In Emerging Adulthood: What Qualitative Research Can Tell Us at the Society for Behavioral Medicine Conference. Lisa Rubin was the discussant for the panel.

Jordan Bate and Hannah Goldman coauthored a paper with Drs. Howard and Miriam Steele titled "Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Questionnaire and Adult Attachment Interview (AAI): Implications for parent child relationships" published in volume 38 of Child Abuse & Neglect, 38, 224-233.

Emily Brietkopf presented on a symposium entitled, "Reproductive Bodies, Productive Language:
Theorizing Gendering Discourse and the Material Body" with other members of Lisa Rubin's Lab Jessica Chavez,
Jessica Joseph, and Michelle Leve. Dr.
Rubin was the discussant at the National Association for Women in Psychology Conference, Columbus, Ohio, March 8. The title of Emily's presentation was "Opting out of 'finding out': Sex, gender, and fetal constructions during pregnancy".

Kerri Chladnicek was recently named as one of APA Division 39's Graduate Scholar Award recipients.

Or Dagan won the North American Society for Psychotherapy Research's (NASPR)

Student Travel Award, receiving the **Edward Bordin Memorial Student Travel Award** for \$1,000. The award will be used to attend the 2014 SPR Meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark. Dr. Jeremy Safran and Or will present posters: Therapists' spontaneous reflective functioning usage as a predictor of change in patients' spontaneous reflective functioning usage in brief relational therapy.

Jonathan DePierro with Dr. Wendy
D'Andrea and collaborator Dr. Paul Frewen
at the University of Western Ontario,
published a book chapter, "Anhedonia
in Trauma-Related Disorders: The Good,
the Bad, and the Shut-Down" in an edited
volume, Anhedonia: A Comprehensive
Handbook (Ed. M. Ritsner).

Jonathan also presented a poster entitled, "Negative Affect Interference: Relationship to Psychopathology, Anhedonia, and Affect Ratings in a Large Community Sample," at the Inaugural Meeting of the Society for Affective Science, in Bethesda, Maryland on April 28th, 2014.

Jon Dimond (with Vicki Gluhoski, Ph.D. and Hetal Bhingradia, M.D.) presented a structured discussion entitled "Cognitive therapy supervision with psychodynamically oriented trainees: Supervisor and trainee perspectives" at the June, 2013 annual meeting of the Society for the Exploration of Psychotherapy Integration (SEPI) in Barcelona, Spain.

Jennifer Doran is currently serving on the 2014 Board of Directors of the American Psychological Association. She is also serving on NYSPA's Healthcare Reform Taskforce. As part of her role as APAGS Chair, she writes a quarterly column in the magazine gradPSYCH.

Jennifer's recent publications include "Promoting a higher quality graduate training experience: A student perspective on the HSPEC Blueprint for Health Service Psychology Education and Training" (Training and Education in Professional Psychology), "Posttraumatic stress and meaning making in Mexico City" (Psychology and Developing Societies), and "Moving towards population health management: What you need to know" (NYS Healthcare Reform Task Force Newsletter).



Jennifer attended a private American Psychological Association Practice Organization dinner for Senator Mike Enzi (R-Wyoming). The dinner was a fundraiser sponsored by the APAPO PAC (Political Action Committee) to advocate for key issues for psychology (including psychologists in the Medicare definition of "physician," preventing proposed cuts to Medicare reimbursement rates, making psychologists eligible for HITECH act incentives for adopting electronic medical records, etc). The event was held in March 2014 at APA's Annual State Leadership Conference.

Muge Erol, John Bert, and Arien Mack attended the Vision Sciences Society meeting in Florida in May and presented a poster, Iconic Memory Requires Attention.

Mallorie Gordon presented on the lived experience of young adult women who have undergone breast reduction surgery: An interpretive phenomenological analysis at a symposium on Cosmetic Surgery and Psychological Screening with Discussant David Sarwer, accepted to the 6th annual meeting of the Appearance Matters conference in Bristol, U.K.

Mallorie's poster "'I probably wouldn't do that, except for prom': Mother-daughter discussions about indoor tanning" was accepted to the 6th annual meeting of the Appearance Matters conference in Bristol, U.K.

Mallorie's poster "Patterns of Family Communication in Learning of Melanoma Genetic Risk" was accepted to the 35th annual meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine in Philadelphia.

Ingmar Gorman and Samuel Koval presented a poster "Cultural Hybridity: Self-Monitoring and Ethnic Identity Commitment in Third Culture Kids" at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association held in Boston in March.

Chakira M. Haddock, M.A. has been named a Multicultural Scholar by the Division of Psychoanalysis (Division 39) of the American Psychological Association. The Division's Scholars Program is a new initiative designed to foster intellectual curiosity and professional development relevant to psychoanalytic approaches to clinical work, theory, and research and to

facilitate open dialogue about the future of psychoanalysis. As a recipient of this award, Chakira will participate in a series of events at the Division's 2014 Spring Meeting in New York City and will be matched with a senior psychoanalytic mentor in the Division 39 community.

Jessica Joseph received the 2014 APAGS Disabilities Grant to facilitate a series of programming entitled, "Taking Another Look: Foregrounding Bodily Diversity & Social Models of Disability in Doctoral Training in Clinical Psychology." This series aims to create a space for graduate students in clinical psychology to engage with the field of Critical Disability Studies and the Social Model of Disability. Formalized events and informal discussions will span the 2014 spring and fall semesters. Special thanks to Dr. Lisa Rubin for offering guidance and support with the application process and subsequent event planning.

Alexander Kriss presented a paper at the Division 39 spring meeting titled "Psychogaming: Conflict, Morality, and Potential Space."

Alex also received a Graduate Student Scholar Award.

In May, a chapter Alex wrote with **Miriam** and **Howard Steele** called "Sibling Relationships: An Attachment Perspective" will appear in the book "Sibling Matters: A Psychoanalytic, Developmental, and Systemic Approach" published by Karnac.

Billy Somerville was selected as one of three student discussants from NSSR to present at the 80th Anniversary of the University in Exile on February 26, 2014. Billy's comments, which highlight the need for a reduction of power inequities

and the creation of a more inclusive learning environment, are available on the NSSR blog, *Public Seminar*: http://www.publicseminar.org/2014/03/reimagining-our-institution/.

Together with Doris F. Chang, Ph.D. and Lia Okun, M.A., Billy organized and presented a discussion at the 2014 Columbia Teacher's College Winter Roundtable Conference, entitled "Social justice-oriented supervision for counseling and psychotherapy trainees." This discussion provided a preliminary proof-of-concept for Billy's dissertation research, which explores peer supervision as pathway to cultural competence for clinical and counseling psychology trainees. Billy was also awarded a registration waiver and a \$100 stipend for a poster at the Columbia Teacher's College Winter Roundtable Conference entitled "The impact of clinician-perpetrated racial microaggressions: Group-level differences in new scale items."

Tuba Tokgoz spoke at a panel at IPTAR entitled, "Close to You: Intimacy in the Clinical Encounter" on March 16th.

Jeremy Yamashiro presented a poster "Language of Practice Moderates Retrieval-Induced Forgetting of Autobiographical Memories in Bilingual Immigrants" at the 26th annual American Psychological Science Convention in San Francisco.

Jeremy's paper "Mnemonic convergence in a social network: Collective memory and extended influence" with **Bill Hirst** has been accepted for publication (pending revisions) in the Journal for Applied Research in Memory and Cognition, Special Edition on Social Influences on Memory.

Alumni News

Susan Budney (PhD class of 1996) presented at The Institute for Contemporary Psychotherapy's fifteenth session of its yearlong investigation of The Dissociative Aspects of Trauma on "'How I Do the Work' With Trauma and Dissociation: Facing Challenges in the Treatment of Dissociative Patients." In this presentation, Dr. Budney addressed the identification of dissociation throughout the continuum, and how to work with patients to be aware of and be able to regulate their dissociation.

William Gottdiener (PhD class of 2000) will be the 2015 recipient of the Division 39 Scholarship and Research Award.

Ilan Harpaz-Rotem (PhD class of 2002) was recently awarded the NIMH R21 Grant (2014-2016). Ilan also has several recent publications including "Posttraumatic stress disorder among preschoolers exposed to ongoing missile attacks in the Gaza War" in Depression and Anxiety, 30, 425-431, "Military sexual assault and homeless female veterans: clinical correlates and treatment preferences" in Women's Health Issues, 23, 373-380, "Determinants of prospective engagement in mental health treatment among symptomatic Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans" in the Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease, 202, 97-104, and "The dimensional structure of posttraumatic stress symptomatology in 323,903 U.S. veterans" in the Journal of Psychiatric Research, 49, 31-36. Ilan also has an article in press titled "Comparing four competing models of depressive symptomatology: A confirmatory factor analytic study of 986,647 U.S. veterans" which will be published in the Journal of Affective Disorders.

Matthew Steinfeld (PhD class of 2012), recently gave a paper presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for the Exploration of Psychotherapy Integration (SEPI)

in Montreal, OC, Canada entitled "Historicizing psychotherapy: Recovering 'subjugated discourses' in the consulting room." He also was recently selected as an Early Career Professional Scholar in APA's Division (39) of Psychoanalysis Scholars Program, and was recently made the Associate Director of Clinical Training at the Substance Abuse Treatment Unit (SATU) of the Connecticut Mental Health Center (CMHC) in New Haven, CT, where he serves on the faculty of Yale University School of Medicine's Department of Psychiatry

MHSAC Events

The Concentration in Mental Health and Substance Abuse Counseling (CMHSAC) hosted several events this spring. The first was Celebrating Latino Communities: A Town Hall Meeting, which focused on gathering information about the needs of treatment providers working with Latino communities and how harm reduction approaches can be tailored to these communities. We are currently in the process of planning a follow up event to be held in the fall. In March 2014, Dr. Jenifer Talley offered a training on Incorporating Mindfulness into Practice: A Training for Clinicians and is planning another mindfulness event for the fall. The CMHSAC sponsored a panel discussion with a team from The New York City Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene on the topic of Working Effectively with Opioid Users and Strategies to Prevent Overdose and co-sponsored a presentation by Dr. Sunil Aggarwal on Cannabinoid Science and Political Ecology. The CMHSAC is sponsoring a presentation on Mindful Parenting: How to be Less Stressed and More Loving at Home by Dr. Jonathan Kaplan and Bonnie Levine

on June 21, 2014. In October 2014, The New School will be hosting part of the Horizons 8th annual Conference in the Tishman Auditorium of the University Center. Horizons is an annual forum for learning about psychedelics in New York City. Its goal is to open a fresh dialogue on their role in medicine, culture, history, spirituality, and creativity.

The CMHSAC is pleased to announce the launch of a new Harm Reduction Psychotherapy Certificate Program starting Fall 2014. This program is for graduate students and clinicians who want to gain knowledge and skills to treat substance misuse from an integrative harm reduction perspective. Classes will be co-taught by Dr. Talley and Dr. Andrew Tatarsky. Applications are currently being accepted and all New School alumni will receive a 10% discount on tuition. For more details about this new program please visit: www.newschool.edu/nssr/harmreduction-psychotherapy-program or contact Dr. Talley at talleyj@newschool.edu.

The Sandor Ferenczi Center

The Sandor Ferenczi Center at The New School for Social Research was established in 2008 to promote research, scholarship, and publications regarding Ferenczi and his work, and to contribute to the ongoing vitality of psychoanalysis as a cultural, intellectual, and psychotherapeutic discipline.

This winter the Ferenczi Center hosted a book launch celebration for the release of Beatrice Beebe and Frank Lachmann's The Origins of Attachment: Infant Research and Adult Treatment. In their presentation, the authors showed how, utilizing an extraordinarily detailed microanalysis of videotaped mother-infant interactions at 4 months, they are able to provide a fine-grained and precise description of the process of attachment transmission. Their presentation explored how, alongside linguistic content, the bodily aspect of communication is an essential component of the capacity to communicate and understand emotion. They discussed how moment-to-moment self- and interactive processes of relatedness documented in infant research form the bedrock of adult face-to-face communication and provide the background fabric for the verbal narrative in the foreground. They also discussed how aspects of bodily communication between mothers and infants provide useful analogies for therapists in their work with adult patients.

The Ferenczi Center hosted and co-sponsored, along with The Institute for the Psychoanalytic Study of Subjectivity and the Manhattan Institute for Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy, a half-day conference

titled "Discipline and Spontaneity in Psychoanalysis: Different Perspectives" with Lewis Aron, Christopher Meehan, Julie Hyman, Irwin Hirsch, and Jeremy Safran as presenters, discussants, and moderators. Panel presentations investigated how the theoretical frameworks and traditions of the two co-sponsoring analytic institutes guide their understanding of clinical action, the aims of the therapeutic encounter, and the rules of engagement. They discussed how, within the relational model, analysts' styles vary greatly regarding the pursuit of therapeutic inquiry and interpretation, use of confrontation and empathy, the importance of self-disclosure and privacy, and with the establishment or maintenance of therapeutic boundaries. Presenters addressed how this multiplicity can be confounding to clinicians struggling to reconcile discipline and spontaneity, and poses a particular challenge for new analysts, bewildered by what appears to be a climate of postmodern deconstruction of both the rules and aims of analysis.

This spring the Ferenczi Center hosted Martin Mahler in an event titled "Psychoanalysis in its Underground Stage and After: Fifty years of Nazism and Communism in Prague". Dr. Mahler explored the past and present of psychoanalysis in Prague in the context of a changing socio-political reality in Central Europe, the multinational region where Freud was born and created psychoanalysis. Dr. Mahler discussed how psychoanalysis stemmed from the collective unconscious as well as the cultural and political background of this region and shared its dramatic fate during the past century. The presentation also focused on how the development of Czech psychoanalysis until the Velvet revolution in 1989 was accompanied with various adaptations to and against oppressive Nazi and Communist regimes, and how

new democratic conditions have brought great challenges to Czech psychoanalysts regarding their adaptation into the posttotalitarian reality and their integration with the world of psychoanalytic thought and community.

The Ferenczi Center also hosted an event this spring where Jon Sletvold presented his new book, titled The Embodied Analyst: From Freud and Reich to Relationality. Dr. Sletvold discussed his argument that analytic interaction can be navigated from the embodied experience of the self (subjectivity), the other (intersubjectivity), and the third (reflexivity). The event was moderated by Adrienne Harris, with commentaries by Lew Aron, Jeremy Safran, Sue Shapiro, Frances Sommer Anderson, Siri Hustvedt, and Stephen Seligman.

For more information about the Ferenczi Center and upcoming events, please visit: http://blogs.newschool.edu/ sandor-ferenczi-center.

The University in Exile was created by The New School's first President, Alvin Johnson, as a haven for scholars whose lives and careers were threatened in Germany in 1933, when the Nazi Party came to power and acted to expel all Jews and political opponents from German universities. More than 180 intellectuals and scholars were rescued with their families. Some remained at The New School for many years. All of them immeasurably enriched the intellectual life of the United States. This commemoration of these events on January 30, 2014 is also intended to call attention to the urgent need today to protect scholars around the world who are being persecuted and silenced.

Samantha Power, U.S. Ambassador to the UN, discussed "Protecting Scholars and the Right to Free Inquiry." (Watch the video or read the transcript)

Panel discussion, in response to
Ambassador Power's talk with Jonathan
Fanton, Interim Director of Roosevelt House
at Hunter College, former Chair of Human
Rights Watch, and former President of The
New School, and George Rupp, Senior
Fellow, Carnegie Council for Ethics in
International Affairs, former President and
CEO of the International Rescue Committee.
Moderated by Aryeh Neier, President
Emeritus of the Open Society Foundations.
(Video)

Hannah Arendt (2013) was screened, followed by discussion with film director Margarethe von Trotta, actress Barbara Sukowa, and co-screenwriter Pamela Katz. Moderated by Jerome Kohn, director of the Hannah Arendt Center at The New School for Social Research. (Video)

Embodiment(s) Conference

Jessica Joseph, the current Statue Foundation Fellow, organized a one-day conference, "Embodiment(s) in the Therapy Room: (How) Clients and Therapists Negotiate the Material Body," at The New School's Kellen Auditorium in April. Guest speakers included Danielle Sheypuk, PhD; Griffin Hansbury, MA, LCSW-R; and Joanne Clark, LCSW. The event's success would not have been possible without Dr. Lisa Rubin, Victoria Sliva, William Somerville, Emily Breitkopf, Erica Gardner-Schuster, Camila Rivera-Morales, and Nichelle Horlacher. Sponsors included the American Psychological Association of Graduate Students Disabilities Programming Grant, the American Psychological Association Society of the Psychology for Women, Division 35; the Initiative for Women with Disabilities, NYU Langone Medical Center/ Hospital for Joint Diseases; the University Student Senate; and the New School for Social Research Diversity Initiatives in Clinical Issues.

APA Division 39 Psychoanalysis Scholars

The APA Division 39 (Division of Psychoanalysis) Scholars Program for Graduate Students is a new initiative designed to help foster intellectual curiosity and professional development relevant to psychoanalytic approaches to clinical work, theory, and research. The aim of this program is to promote learning about psychoanalysis, and to facilitate open dialogue and exchange of ideas about the future of psychoanalytic thinking, research, and practice in the field of psychology and the role of psychologists in the future of psychoanalysis.

Four New School Clinical Psychology PhD students were selected from the inaugural year's very competitive applicant pool to receive this honor: Kerri Chladnicek, Jessica Kraus, Alex Kriss, and Alexandra Shaker. New School alumnus Matthew Steinfeld was also selected as an APA Division 39 Scholar in the Early Career Professionals program.