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ALLOCATE 10 FOR DIVISION 28

Each year, members of APA have an opportunity to determine their representation on the APA Council of Representatives by allocating apportionment votes to the various divisions and state associations of APA. A total of ten apportionment votes is available to each member, and the member can assign all ten to one division or state organization, or one or more votes to each of several divisions. The number of representatives a given division has on the Council is determined by the number of votes assigned to that division by all members of APA.

Division 28 presently has one seat on the Council of Representatives; other divisions have several seats. During recent years, Division 28 has come precariously close to losing its one seat due to a failure of APA members, and especially Division 28 members, to allocate a large number of their votes to the Division. A minimum of 0.50% of the total votes allocated by all members of APA must be assigned to Division 28 in order to retain our seat on the Council. In recent years, the Division has consistently received less than 0.60%, barely enough to assure one seat.

Your vote does make a difference. Allocating some of your votes to Division 28 is one way you can express your support for the Division. Allocating all ten votes to Division 28 will guarantee the retention of our seat on the Council and assure the presence of a voice speaking in our behalf. With other divisions experiencing a rate of growth greater than ours, we must have more members allocating all ten votes for Division 28.

SYMPOSIUM ON NEUROTOXICOLOGY

The Institute of Environmental Medicine of the New York University Medical Center and the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Society of Toxicology will sponsor a symposium on "Behavioral and Teratological Research in Neurotoxicology" on Saturday, November 7, 1981. The one-day program is to be held at the New York University Medical Center, East 30th Street, New York City, and requires advance registration.

Papers to be presented address the neurotoxicity of acrylamide, lead poisoning and cognitive function in humans and nonhuman primates, animal models of prenatal drug exposure and behavioral effects in humans, toxicity of prenatal carbon monoxide exposure, and effects of inhalant anesthetics on the developing nervous system.

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DIVISION 28 MEMBER RECEIVES AWARD

Norman A. Krasnegor, a Fellow and former Council Representative of Division 28, was presented a Distinguished Service Award during the recent APA meeting in Los Angeles. Norm had been invited to address the APA convention on "Perspectives of Behavioral Pharmacology and Substance Abuse", and was presented the award prior to his address. The award read, "Distinguished Service Award for contributions to the advancement of psychopharmacology presented to Norman A. Krasnegor, August 1981, by Division 28 of the American Psychological Association".

Norm began his career in Massachusetts, where he graduated with honors in psychology from Boston University. Subsequently, he earned a Master's degree from Columbia University and the Ph.D. from the University of Maryland. While a graduate student at Maryland, he joined the Division of Neuropsychiatry at the Walter Reed Institute of Research and continued to contribute to their program in experimental psychology as a Research Psychologist after receipt of the Doctorate.

In 1972, Norm became a key member of the national drug abuse program with his move to the Center for Studies of Narcotics and Drug Abuse, which was then a part of NIMH. Eventually, he rose to Assistant Chief of the Clinical-Behavioral Branch, Division of Research, the National Institute on Drug Abuse. As a scientist-administrator, he played a significant role in nurturing recognition of the need for support of behavioral approaches to the study of health problems and in calling attention to the developing field of behavioral pharmacology. His accomplishments at NIDA were invaluable in the development of support for extra-mural research on the behavioral pharmacology of substance abuse, including smoking. He was of inestimable value in planning national programs to deal with drug abuse by conceptualizing and organizing conferences on drugs and behavior. The conferences brought together leaders in the field to report on and assess the development of methods and techniques, and to describe the state of knowledge about drugs, drug abuse and behavior.

Norm is a member of several honor societies, his name appears in "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges", and he is the recipient of a commendation award for excellence in research from the Department of Defense. Recently, his alma mater recognized his outstanding achievements and elected him to the Collegium of Distinguished Alumni of Boston University. He also holds a letter of commendation from Joseph Califano, then Secretary of HEW, in recognition of the role he played in the evolution of the Surgeon General's Report on Smoking and Health.

At present, Norm is Chief of the Human Learning and Behavior Branch, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, where he is continuing the tradition he established at NIDA.

APA AMICUS BRIEF

Last month, APA filed an Amicus brief with the Supreme Court of the United States regarding a case involving the constitutional right of an involuntarily committed mental patient to refuse treatment involving antipsychotic medication. The brief was filed September 29, 1981, one month after the annual APA meeting in Los Angeles. None of the officers of Division 28 was informed of plans to file the brief, nor was any consulted for an appraisal of the position taken by APA or of statements regarding psychoactive medications contained in the brief. Upon learning about the action, John Falk, President of Division 28, drafted the following letter and forwarded it to John Conger, President of APA.

"A copy of the Amicus brief filed recently by the American Psychological Association with the Supreme Court of the United States has been brought to my attention. This brief was filed in reference to the case (No. 80-1417) of Mark Mills, et al., Petitioners, versus Rubie Rogers, et al., Respondents and concerns the forcible use of antipsychotic medications in nonemergency situations. The human rights issue is a complex one involving the conditions under which an involuntarily committed mental patient would have the right to refuse treatment. The purpose of this letter is not to comment on or offer an opinion with respect to this issue. Rather, as president of Division 28 (Psychopharmacology) of the American Psychological Association, I and other present and past members of the executive board of the division, as well as a few other experts, wish to take issue with those portions of the brief which question the efficacy of antipsychotic drugs and which claim that "[o]ther therapies have been shown to bear equal or greater promise of long-term improvement" (p. 8). The claim that "[t]reatment methods less intrusive and dangerous than antipsychotic medication are both available and effective" (p. 8) is largely without foundation. With respect to the major psychoses, behavioral management techniques can be useful in enabling chronic psychiatric patients to function more effectively in mental institutions. However, there is little evidence that psychotherapy or other environmental interventions are effective alone in treating the large numbers of labile, highly-disturbed schizophrenic or manic-depressive patients. There is overwhelming evidence that antipsychotic drugs are indeed effective and have revolutionized treatment. The modicum of effectiveness that psychotherapy does have with some forms of schizophrenia is greatly enhanced by the concurrent use of antipsychotic medication. Such medication appears to put the patients in enough contact with reality that psychotherapy then can be somewhat effective.

"It behooves a science such as psychology to use its data base appropriately and to avoid baseless claims concerning the wide-spread effectiveness of alternative forms of treatment, especially when the fates of literally hundreds of thousands of patients depend upon therapeutic policy. All of the Division 28 officers and past-presidents, as well as other experts I have contacted agree with the sentiments expressed in this letter. They are as follows:

- Herbert Barry, III (Past-President)
- Joseph V. Brady (Past-President)
- Peter L. Carlton (Past-President)

- Charles R. Schuster (Past-President and Public Information Officer)
- Travis Thompson (Past-President)
- Larry D. Byrd (President-Elect)
- James H. Woods (Liaison to Committee on Problems of Drug Dependence)
- George E. Bigelow (Member-at-Large)
- Roland R. Griffiths (Fellow)
- Maxine Stitzer (Treasurer)
- Marian W. Fischman (Past-Program Chair)
- Chris Ellyn Johanson (Past-Program Chair)
- Donald A. Overton (Membership Chair)
- Robert L. Balster (Liaison to Amer. Soc. Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics)
- Lewis S. Seiden (Liaison to Amer. Soc. Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics)
- Conan Kornetsky (Fellow)
- Peter E. Nathan (Chairman, Dept. of Clinical Psychology, Rutgers University)
- Oakley S. Ray (Fellow)
- Peter B. Dews (Distinguished Affiliate)

"Owing to the time constraints which require that we make our position known to you as soon as possible, there is no opportunity to poll the membership of Division 28 (approximately 1,050 members) or even to obtain the signatures of those mentioned above. The latter have all read the relevant briefs and have been contacted by telephone.

"We now request that this letter be attached to the Amicus brief submitted by the American Psychological Association as an addendum. If APA is either unwilling or unable to do this, I wish to be informed immediately as we intend to request that it be attached to the brief filed by the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology with the Supreme Court of the United States with reference to this case.

"We regret having to make our position known by this mechanism. If APA had consulted with its Division 28 prior to filing this brief, perhaps it could have been avoided. Division 28 is the division of APA with the relevant expertise in psychopharmacology; and the brief, as it stands, does not represent our understanding of either the therapeutic efficacy of antipsychotic drugs or the practical import of alternative treatment methods."

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

The Behavioral Pharmacology Research Unit at the Johns Hopkins Medical School and Baltimore City Hospitals is accepting applications for USPHS-sponsored postdoctoral fellowship positions to conduct research on the human behavioral pharmacology of substance abuse. The areas of human research include: drug self-administration, abuse liability assessment, performance and behavioral drug effects, drug discrimination, and substance abuse treatment. Two or three vacancies are expected in the Spring/Summer of 1982. Send vita and letter of interests to:

- George Bigelow, Ph.D.
- Behavioral Pharmacology Research Unit
- Psychiatry D-5-West
- Baltimore City Hospitals
- Baltimore, Maryland 21224

MINUTES OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING (AUGUST 28, 1981, AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA)

President Barry called the meeting to order at approximately 4:09 P.M. About 25 members were present, which is more than the 15 required for a quorum. Inasmuch as the minutes of the last business meeting were published in the Division 28 Newsletter, they were not read. These minutes were accepted by vote.

President Barry announced the results of the elections for Division officers. Larry Byrd will be the new President-elect, Marlyne Kilbey will be representative to the APA Council (1981-84), and George Bigelow will be Member-at-Large of the Executive Committee (1981-84).

In addition, the Executive Committee has made the following appointments: J. McKearney to continue as Secretary; J. Howard, as Program Chair-elect; L. Seiden and R. Balster, as liaison to ASPET; J. Woods, to continue as liaison to the Committee on Problems of Drug Dependence; and C. R. Schuster, as Public Information Officer.

The roster of officers for 1981-82 is as follows:

Elected

- President: John Falk
- Past-President: H. Barry, III
- President-elect: Larry Byrd
- Council Rep.: Marlyne Kilbey
- Member-at-Large: S. Fisher (until '82)
- Member-at-Large: L. Gollub (until '83)
- Member-at-Large: G. Bigelow (until '84)

Appointed

- Treasurer: M. Stitzer
- Secretary: J. McKearney
- Program Chair: A. Young
- Past Program Chair: K. Miczek
- Program Chair-elect: J. Howard
- Newsletter Editor: L. Byrd
- Membership Chair: D. Overton
- CPDD Liaison: J. Woods
- ASPET Liaison: L. Seiden
- R. Balster
- Public Information Officer: C. R. Schuster

Maxine Stitzer gave the Treasurer's report. As of May, 1981, the balance was \$5,757.71. Receipts during the year consisted of \$1,956 in member dues and \$3,500 in corporate donations.

Larry Byrd reported on the status of the Division Newsletter. In order to gain some control of when members receive the Newsletter, it is now sent by first class mail. Although APA first objected to this, recent communications with them have assured us that use of our own labels will be permitted. One member wondered why we use our own mailing list, inasmuch as the charge from APA is nominal. Dr. Byrd replied that the APA list is often not as current as our own in terms of new members and existing members whose addresses change. There was also a comment on the possibility that the Division may lose its Council Representative if more members do not assign the Division all or most of their 10 votes. Newsletter Editor Byrd was congratulated and applauded for his excellent performance in this position.

Norman Krasnegor reported on matters related to the APA Council. The annual dues will be increased from \$69 to \$89, with some reduction for new members. There is also pending a proposal to adjust dues according to a member's income. APA has become involved with the issue of "who is a psychologist?", and has authorized a study of the development of criteria for psychological training programs. There is a continuing movement to split APA into academic-research and professional subgroups, perhaps with separate annual meetings. In line with this movement, as of January, 1982, the Council of Representatives from the academic-research and the professional divisions will meet both separately and jointly.

Klaus Miczek reported on the program arrangements for this year, and made a number of recommendations for the incoming Program Chair. It was suggested that the Program Chair actively solicit contributions to encourage broad participation, and that our program hours be expanded by co-sponsoring with other divisions as much as possible.

Don Overton reported that 32 new members joined the Division this year. In addition, the following members were elevated to Fellow status: Jim Howard, Barry Jacobs, Evelyn Satinoff and Alan Marlatt. Overton mentioned that the Division is compiling a list of prospective Fellow nominees, and that members are encouraged to nominate themselves if they feel qualified.

President Barry reported that the Executive Committee has nominated the following members for elective office:

- President-elect: J. Harvey
- J. Woods
- Member-at-Large: R. Balster
- M. Fischman

It was moved and voted that no other names be added.

President Barry announced that he had received queries from several groups regarding Division 28 representation in their activities. Members present expressed no interest in participating in (a) a committee on the employability of experimental psychologists, (b) a committee on continuing education, or (c) a gay concerns group. There are two staff positions open at the APA Central Office, and anyone interested should contact H. Barry for details.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:45 P.M.

Jim McKearney, Secretary

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Material of interest to the membership of Division 28 should be forwarded for inclusion in the Newsletter to:

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APA COUNCIL MEETING

During the recent APA Council of Representatives meeting in Los Angeles, much of the attention of Council members centered on the broad issue of reorganization of APA. The Commission on Reorganization presented a summary of its work, and a motion was made that the Council vote to undertake a trial program involving two groups or forums composed of members of the Council.

Discussion supporting the motion emphasized that (1) the academic/research community within APA has experienced gradual slippage over the years in effective consideration of its legitimate concerns, including allocation of convention time and proliferation of APA divisions, (2) young research graduates are turning away from APA as a primary focus of identity, and (3) APA risks further alienation of current and potential members by doing nothing. Opponents emphasized that (1) the format proposed would further divide the professional and academic/research communities by formalizing the adversarial posture between them, (2) the issues that originally led to establishment of the Commission have become less compelling due to better responsiveness of APA to grievances, and (3) it is imperative that American psychology speak with a unified voice in these present times of budget cutting.

The Research-Academic Coalition, of which Division 28 is a member, strongly supported the trial program. Council members representing professional interests generally opposed reorganization, but they eventually came to support the proposal at the close of the debate, and the final vote was nearly unanimous. Therefore, beginning with the January, 1982, meeting and continuing for three years, Council members will attend one or both of the unnamed forums and confront agendas set by the Board of Directors. The two forums will have only recommending powers initially, with the full Council retaining authority to legislate and make decisions. Due to concern that names or labels might be given the forums that would indicate superiority of one over the other, one representative suggested that the two be named Forum 1 and Forum A.

In other business, the Council endorsed a recommendation for an APA Bylaws revision to limit Council representation to a period of three consecutive years. The amended version reads: "A representative of a division or state association who has served for three consecutive years shall not be eligible for re-election or appointment for a period of one year from any division or state association". In addition, dues for 1982 will increase by \$20. For most APA members, that means annual dues of \$89. There will be a dues discount for new members to encourage membership. Previously, new members did not pay full dues until the third year of membership, but the new plan will defer full dues until the fourth year. Finally, Council approved a draft of guidelines and procedures for an experimental trial program designating graduate psychology programs in the health services areas. The approval will allow the start of a trial program involving forty programs in psychology. The Council of Graduate Departments of Psychology recommended that the programs be expanded to include graduate programs outside the service areas, a recommendation planners of the pilot study are expected to consider.

1982 CONVENTION PLANS

Division 28 members and friends are encouraged to begin planning NOW for presentations at the 1982 APA convention in Washington, D.C. The official call for papers will appear the week of November 6; the deadline for submissions will be January 20, 1982. Maintaining the high quality of our Division 28 program depends on your active participation. Presentations from all areas of psychopharmacology (basic and applied; animal and human) are encouraged. Topical symposia and discussions in the following areas and programs that can be co-sponsored with other interested divisions are especially encouraged.

Behavioral toxicology
Clinical psychopharmacology
Drug effects on behavior
Drug self-administration
Environmental and behavioral influences on drug effects
Neuropharmacology
Psychopharmacological drug evaluation
Substance abuse

Suggestions for invited speakers or special programs should be communicated to the Program Chair for the 1982 meeting:

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Alexander, P. E. (ed.): Electrolytes and Neuropsychiatric Disorders. SP Medical & Scientific Books, Jamaica, N.Y., 1981, 350 pp.

Beckman, A. L. (ed.): The Neural Basis of Behavior. SP Medical & Scientific Books, Jamaica, N.Y., 1981, 350 pp.

Essman, W. B. and Valzelli, L. (eds.): Current Developments in Psychopharmacology, Vol. 6. SP Medical & Scientific Books, Jamaica, N.Y., 1981, 339 pp.

Mathew, R. J. (ed.): Treatment of Migraine: Pharmacological & Biofeedback Considerations. SP Medical & Scientific Books, Jamaica, N.Y., 1981, 170 pp.

Usdin, E., Dahl, S., Gram, L. and Lingjaerde, O. (eds.): Clinical Pharmacology in Psychiatry. Macmillan Publ., New York, 1981, 384 pp.

Domino, E. F. (ed.): PCP (Phencyclidine): Historical and Current Perspectives. NPP Books, Ann Arbor, Mich., 1980, 530 pp.

Raskin, A. A., Robinson, D. S. and Levine, J. (eds.): Age and the Pharmacology of Psychoactive Drugs. Elsevier/North-Holland, New York, 1981, 224 pp.

Giurgea, C. E. Fundamentals to a Pharmacology of the Mind. Charles C. Thomas, Springfield, Ill., 1981, 472 pp.

FELLOWS, DIVISION 28

Anger, Douglas
 Appel, James B.
 Balagura, Saul
 Balster, Robert L.
 Barry, Herbert, III
 Beer, Bernard
 Bigelow, George E.
 Bindra, Dalbir
 Boren, John J.
 Brady, Joseph V.
 Byrd, Larry Donald
 Campbell, Byron A.
 Canter, Arthur
 Carlton, Peter Lynn
 Catania, A. Charles
 Clark, Fogle C.
 Cook, Leonard
 Daniel, Robert S.
 Davidson, Arnold B.
 Eichelman, Burr S.
 Evans, Wayne O.
 Falk, John L.
 Ferraro, Douglas Peter
 Ferster, C. B.
 Fischman, Marian W.
 Fisher, Seymour
 Freed, Earl X.
 Geller, Irving
 Gollub, Lewis R.
 Griffiths, Roland R.
 Grossman, Sebastian Peter

Harvey, John A.
 Hearst, Eliot S.
 Helse, George A.
 Holloway, Frank A., Jr.
 Holz, William C.
 Howard, James
 Hutchinson, Ronald R.
 Jacobs, Barry
 Jarvik, Murray E.
 Johanson, Chris Ellyn
 Johnson, Laverne C.
 Justesen, Don R.
 Kenshalo, Daniel R.
 Kilbey, M. Marlyne
 Kline, Nathan S.
 Kornetsky, Conan
 Krasnegor, Norman A.
 Krech, David
 Lacey, John I.
 Laties, Victor G.
 Leaf, Russell C.
 Leander, J. David
 Leibowitz, Sarah F.
 Malmo, Robert B.
 Marlatt, G. Alan
 McKearney, James W.
 Mello, Nancy K.
 Miczek, Klaus A.
 Miller, Neal E.
 Mirsky, Allan F.
 Moyer, Kenneth E.

Overton, Donald A.
 Pickens, Roy Wilson
 Poschel, B. Paul H.
 Raskin, Allen
 Ray, Oakley S.
 Reid, Larry Douglas
 Rosenzweig, Mark R.
 Ross, Sherman
 Rubin, Leonard S.
 Russell, Roger Wolcott
 Satinoff, Evelyn
 Schuster, Charles R.
 Seiden, Lewis S.
 Sepinwall, Jerry
 Siegel, Shepard
 Skinner, B. F.
 Smith, Gene M.
 Sprague, Robert L.
 Steiner, Solomon S.
 Stone, George C.
 Teitelbaum, Philip
 Thompson, Travis
 Valenstein, Elliot S.
 Wayner, Matthew J.
 Weinstein, Sidney
 Weiss, Bernard
 Wertheim, George A.
 Wittenborn, J. Richard
 Wolff, B. Berthold
 Woods, James H.
 Zubin, Joseph

PAST PRESIDENTS, DIVISION 28

Murray E. Jarvik (1966-68)
 Victor G. Laties (1968-69)
 John J. Boren (1969-70)
 Larry Stein (1970-71)
 Bernard Weiss (1971-72)

Leonard Cook (1972-73)
 George A. Helse (1973-74)
 Travis Thompson (1974-75)
 Peter L. Carlton (1975-77)
 Charles R. Schuster (1977-79)

Joseph V. Brady (1979-80)
 Herbert Barry, III (1980-81)
 John L. Falk (1981-82)
 Larry D. Byrd (1982-83)

NOMINATION BALLOT

The Executive Committee of Division 28 requests nominations for several offices within the Division as indicated below. The names of those nominated by the Executive Committee are presented. You can indicate which of the two nominees you prefer or you can write in the name of another Fellow you wish to nominate. Included above is a listing of the Fellows of Division 28 and those who have served as Presidents of the Division. Please return the form to:

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President-elect (1982-83): John Harvey _____
 James H. Woods _____

Member-at-Large (1982-85): Robert Balster _____
 Marian W. Fischman _____

If you are interested in holding office or serving Division 28 in some capacity, please indicate below or in a separate mailing to the President.

Office: _____ Name: _____

