Michigan Psychoanalytic Foundation

27th Annual Benefit
honoring esteemed psychoanalysts
Ronald Benson, M.D.
Mel Bornstein, M.D.
Saturday, November 5, 2011
7:00 p.m.
The Inn at St. John's
Featuring the Taslimah Bey Quartet with Shahida Nurullah

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Nancy Blake
Benefit Committee Chair

The Michigan Psychoanalytic Foundation will hold its 2011 Annual Benefit, celebrating its 27th year and honoring Dr. Ronald Benson and Dr. Mel Bornstein at the Inn at St. John’s in Plymouth on Saturday evening, November 5.

The theme this year is "New York State of Mind," along with the continuation of the "Heal a Mind...Heal a Life...Strengthen a Community" that was begun last year.

A wine reception will be followed by a buffet dinner and entertainment by the Taslimah Bey Quartet, featuring the singer Shahida Nurullah.

Information about the venue, as well as maps and driving directions, can be obtained from the website of the Inn at St. John’s, www.stjohnsgolfconference.com

Please join us for what we expect to be a wonderful event.

Tickets are available for $175 ($75 for students and residents) through the Institute office (248-851-3380).

To live fully in the present moment with vitality and love one must include one’s past and view of the future, which is one of the pillars of psychoanalysis. With this in mind, a program of planned giving for the MPF has been created which David Dietrich has described in his president’s column. Many of our members have devoted their professional lives to applying psychoanalytic principles in their work and in their personal lives. This has been done with an appreciation that what they are doing will not simply have an immediate effect, but will continue well into the future and hopefully into future generations. Work with depth and integrity could not be achieved without it. The future is part of human experience.

This idea has motivated us to oversee the Planned Giving Program with its Psychoanalytic Benefactors Visionary Circle. We believe to join this program and contribute to the future development and well being of its principles will enrich and deepen our current living. It will add to the solidity of what we do and who we are.
New Initiatives, Generosity and Gratitude

David R. Dietrich, Ph.D.

As I write this—my first column as president of the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute—I am overlooking the Paseo de la Reforma, the great boulevard that runs through Mexico City, and I have been talking with psychoanalysts from throughout the world at the 41st International Psychoanalytical Congress. I became aware while speaking with colleagues from around the world and the United States of the genuine interest, I might say excitement, that so many analysts have about what, and all, we are doing here at MPI. A great many analysts have a desire to learn from us, to take what has been working very well for us back to their own institutes in order to become even more effective places for psychoanalytic education and outreach. What do I have in mind? Well, we have the largest number of psychoanalytic cases per analyst compared to other places in the country. And, this has been true since the practice surveys have been conducted over decades. Analysts, wherever they are from, know we are doing much that is beneficial, and they know we do it well. As examples, we have two creatively innovative programs that we all ought to be justifiably proud of: MPI’s Early Admission Program, and MPI’s Clinical Moment Program.

Interestingly, while I was talking in late August with our Early Admission candidates (and our former Early Admission candidates who have matriculated and progressed into regular candidates) I told them I believe our Early Admission and Clinical Moment Programs remain, essentially, a ‘secret’—a ‘secret’ out in plain sight. What I mean is that as wonderful and successful as these programs are, they nevertheless remain unknown to very large numbers of bright psychiatric residents, young Ph.D. psychologists and graduate students, social work graduate students, and others. This new pathway for psychoanalytic training that a decade ago was not available, is still not widely known about. I want to be clear that our institute, and our family of organizations, have many vitally important projects and initiatives that contribute enormously to the community. This is well known. My purpose here is only to highlight these two exciting MPI programs.

So, I feel fortunate to be an analyst who is a part of MPI. And, moreover, I feel fortunate to be an analyst: fortunate to be able to help patients, and to be able to supervise candidates (who will be the next generation of analysts), and to serve as a teacher. It is my personal belief that we have a tendency to forget or minimize the enormous generosity of our former teachers (and here I include former supervisors, teachers, advisors, analysts) and the depth of our gratitude to them.

In a way related to this is a new, very important initiative we are proud of that involves planned giving. This exciting and timely project actually has quite a bit to do with generosity, gratitude, and our awareness of being fortunate. Some of you reading this already know about this initiative, while many of you have not yet heard about it. To describe it in a nutshell, we now finally have in place a program of planned giving so that each one of us who cares deeply about psychoanalysis—our Institute and its many important activities and analytic applications to many fields—can easily arrange to leave, via our planned giving arrangements, a set amount of money (as a legacy) so that our Institute can and will continue to thrive and grow in the future. Analysts who have already participated in our planned giving program have done it in different ways: some take out a small, additional life insurance policy so that when they die the Institute is the recipient of the policy. Others simply donate a certain amount from their estate. This amount of money can be paid monthly, so that it amounts to a very small amount each month. In other words, if you are an analyst, someone who cares about psychoanalysis and MPI and MPF, a candidate, or a colleague from a related field, when you arrange to participate in the planned giving program you will be inducted into our Psychoanalytic Benefactors Visionary Circle, and your name will be displayed on a plaque at MPI. Moreover, your name will also be listed, separately, in the program for each annual Benefit. Those who wish to remain anonymous can of course do so. I cannot emphasize enough how truly vital and important this new initiative is: it will literally help to insure that our Institute and its many wonderful programs will endure and benefit countless individuals. Our hope is that all analysts and many of our friends will decide to participate in some way. I would encourage anyone who is interested or who wishes more information to contact Kathleen Kunkel at MPI, or to contact Mel Bornstein, M.D. or Richard Ruzumna, M.D., or you can call me.

Our annual Benefit this year honors two of our esteemed and wonderful psychoanalysts: Mel Bornstein, M.D. and Ron Benson, M.D. They have both contributed so much over so many years, both locally and nationally. We very much want our Benefit,
where we honor and celebrate them, to be a huge success. This is the time for each of us to be more generous.

Now, there is much more I could write about at this time: we have very promising ideas for our Treatment Clinic, making it into an even more effective and responsive community resource; we will be looking at various programs that have been working well, but can be improved; and we will be exploring ways we might be able to collaborate with other psychoanalytic institutes. But, since I have limited space, these other important topics will have to wait. I shall end in this way: these are exciting times to be an analyst! There is so much to be done. And, these are exciting times to pursue analytic training and become a qualified psychoanalyst. I want to thank each of you for all of your hard work and your countless contributions (so often unheralded) that directly or indirectly help to significantly relieve human suffering, by direct treatment of patients, and by less direct but no less important methods of training and teaching large numbers of individuals who are out working to improve human lives. ✱
An Evening of Tribute for
Ronald M. Benson, M.D. and Melvin Bornstein, M.D.

Michael Shulman, Ph.D.

The Michigan Psychoanalytic Foundation is especially pleased to be able to honor two major contributors to psychoanalysis both locally and nationally, Ronald Benson, M.D. and Melvin Bornstein, M.D.

Ron has long been sought after as both a personal analyst and as a clinical supervisor. Originally an adult- and child-trained psychiatrist, he was earlier part of the Child Analytic Study Program at the University of Michigan in the 1970s. There Ron had extensive involvement with the Youth Outpatient Service in the Department of Psychiatry and served as Acting Chief of the Youth Service. He is the longest serving active member of the Psychiatry Department at the University of Michigan.

An energetic and passionate advocate of psychoanalytic training and practice, Ron is revered as a teacher of clinical psychoanalysis. He has deep interests in all aspects of psychoanalytic education. In addition to his commitments to direct teaching in institutes, he has been intensely involved in educational policy and accreditation issues at both the local and national levels for many years. These interests were the basis of his election as Chair of the Board on Professional Standards of the American Psychoanalytic Association.

Ron has given much time to the development of analysis locally, nationally and, recently, internationally as well. Currently Ron is Chair of the Education and Oversight Committee of the International Psychoanalytical Association, Vice President of the Accreditation Council for Psychoanalytic Education, Inc., as well as serving, among many different MPI Committees on which he has served, as incoming Chair of the Faculty Selection Committee at our Institute. He has only recently stepped down from the Board of Allen Creek Preschool in Ann Arbor after years of devoted service to the school. But Ron has had time for even more than this: for Tigers baseball, University of Michigan sports, opera, and country music, especially Sugarland.
Mel is known for his inspired teaching. Inspired is not a lightly-chosen adjective: as a student of Mel’s, one feels his powerful spirit in each of his words, which emerge as an embodiment of his passionate love for psychoanalysis. Mel is known for grappling with both the positives and the negatives of our psychoanalytic legacy. The first includes psychoanalysis’s love of truth, the extent of its commitment to the individual, and to searching inquiry; the latter is evident in its past history of sometimes stultifying orthodoxies and of restricted, rather than comprehensive and imaginative, modes of thought.

Mel’s teaching has not only touched many at MPI but has now influenced several generations of psychiatric residents via his work as Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry at Wayne State University. For many years as well, Mel has been involved with a unique psychoanalytic journal committed to deep investigation of psychoanalytic issues across multiple perspectives, Psychoanalytic Inquiry. Mel has also served as President of the Michigan Psychiatric Society.

An original in many ways, Mel’s vision of psychoanalysis is fundamentally that it is an intimate and creative joining of minds, a work of love in the service of the patient’s more successful self-acceptance and, most of all, self-integration. Mel has forged a personal vision of the psychoanalytic process as not only an encounter of the patient with herself, but also a new construction of herself, a work of the present born of the pain of the past but also embodying its transcendence. He brings a spirit of energy and optimism to our often difficult work that is always welcome. William Blake wrote, “Energy is Eternal Delight.” He could have been describing Mel when he wrote these words.
**About the Entertainment**

**Taslimah Bey Quartet featuring Shahida Nurullah**

The Taslimah Bey Quartet features a group of accomplished musicians who are based in Detroit, Michigan, and perform internationally. The members include Marion Hayden on bass, Djallo Djakate on drums, Taslimah Bey on piano and vocalist, Shahida Nurullah.

Marion Hayden leads Straight Ahead, an all-female jazz group performing internationally and featured annually at the Detroit Jazz Festival. They have received many honors for their cutting edge sound in jazz, including a Grammy nomination and finalist in the Sony Innovators competition. Djallo Djakate is internationally recognized for his intricate rhythms, and has performed with several leading musicians in all forms of music, including jazz, reggae, fusion, avante-garde and rhythm and blues. Djallo Djakate also plays African drums and is an expert in Afro-Cuban, Brazilian and West African rhythms.

Taslimah Bey is well-known throughout the United States for her ragtime playing, which combines classical ragtime and New Orleans traditional improvisations. She is the recipient of the Societe of the Culturally Concerned award for preserving African-American music. Taslimah Bey is well-known throughout the United States for her ragtime playing, which combines classical ragtime and New Orleans traditional improvisations. Shahida Nurullah, an outstanding vocalist, sings jazz, samba, bossa nova, show tunes, and more. Her vocal talent surpasses the challenge of any music in the popular American songbook. Her latest recording, "The Ruby and the Pearl," is an intimate culmination of a lifetime of music and incredible experience.

**Ways to Give This Year**

- Make a generous donation that can be paid in installments over the coming year and encourage a friend to do the same or make a monthly donation that is the cost of one therapy session.
- Place a congratulatory message to Ronald M. Benson, M.D. or Melvin Bornstein, M.D. in the Ad/Tribute Book.
- Double the contribution you made last year or increase the amount by some small increment.
- Ask a friend of psychoanalysis to donate generously and agree to match their gift.
- Donate the cost of your favorite Starbucks drink for one day a year - about $65.00.
- Place your own ad or solicit one from a neighborhood business associate in our Ad Book.

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**Latest News from Walnut Lake Preschool**

Nancy Blieden, Ph.D.

We are celebrating our 4th academic year with the growing support of a larger number of clinicians, educators and families who volunteer countless hours of dedicated service. We had a full summer enrollment of two classes, which included some returning alumni who wanted another "summer at WLP". We find that our summer camp with the same small classes and ratio of 2 teachers: 7 students give many children an extra boost to foster success in regular school in the fall. We welcomed two new Advisory Board members: Educators Sharon Pink, Lower School Admissions Coordinator at Roeper School and Saralyn Lawn, Lower School Director at Eton Academy. Contributions from the MPI faculty are making a difference. Our successful benefit at Barrio's

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**Your Gifts Make a Difference in Our Community!**

Celebrate the memory of a loved one or recognize special events—birthdays, graduations, and achievements—in the lives of those important to you by making a contribution "in memory of" or "in honor of" to the Michigan Psychoanalytic Foundation. A personalized card will be sent to the individual or family specified by you.

Your support makes it possible for us to continue and expand our outreach activities in the metropolitan Detroit and Ann Arbor communities such as:

- affordable therapy for adults, adolescents and children through our Treatment Clinics in Farmington Hills and Ann Arbor.
- free mental health services for the families of military reservists
- our therapeutic preschool for special needs children

Please send your tax deductible contribution payable to the Michigan Psychoanalytic Foundation, a 501(c)3 organization, or call Jean at 248-851-3380 (jeanlewis@ix.netcom.com).

**Thank you for your generous support!**
restaurant hosted by the Doelle family and supported by the Advisory Board; three Sundays with our own WLP booth at Birmingham's Farmers' Market; and a WLP video currently being shown at 53 gas stations throughout the metro area- are all novel ways of marketing our school by our creative donors. Thanks to Deborah Harms’ efforts, we are piloting the new MPI practicum for Psychology Phd Students with the addition to our classrooms of Ashely Rosaen, M.A. and Laura Lehmann, M.A. But we still need volunteers (especially in grant writing and marketing) to keep the school growing. We also need referrals to fill vacancies (with some scholarship assistance) in both classes. Please check out our new Walnut Lake Preschool Facebook page for the latest news and don’t be surprised when you are pumping gas this month and see a “high octane” child scoot across the gas station TV screen to remind you that Walnut Lake Preschool is filling the gap for parents who are on empty after exhausting so many resources to find help for their preschoolers. Please call us at 248-352-5999 with referrals, offers to volunteer, or a wish to visit. ♦

**Upcoming Classes**

**When Minds Don’t Meet: Resolving Treatment Impasse**
Dwarakanath G. Rao, M.D.
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, November 7
7:30-9:00 p.m.
Fee: $210
9 CME and CE Credit Hours
Ann Arbor

**Ethics for Today’s Mental Health Professional**
Maxine Grumet, Ph.D.
November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
7:30-9:00 p.m.
7.5 CME and CE credit hours, $175.
Farmington Hills.

**The National Enquirer and People Magazine: What Does Psychoanalysis Have to Do With It?**
Susan L. Wainwright, M.D.
February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 6
7:30-9:00 p.m.
7.5 CME and CE credit hours, $175.
Farmington Hills.

**What’s Love Got to Do With It?**
Margaret Walsh, Ph.D. and Susan E. Cutler, Ph.D.
February 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28
7:30-9:00 p.m.
7.5 CME and CE credit hours, $175.
Ann Arbor. ♦

**Save the Date - April 14, 2011**

**33rd Annual MPS Symposium:** “Clinical Approaches to Trauma: From Dissociation to Integration” will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2011, at The Inn at St. John’s, Plymouth. This year’s featured speakers will be Ira Brenner, M.D. from Philadelphia and Joseph Fernando, M.D. from Toronto. ♦

**APT Reel Deal 2011-2012 Season**

**Film Exploration and Discovery Panel Discussion and Clips Utilizing Cinema Theory and Psychoanalysis**

**The King’s Speech**
Sunday, October 23, 2011, 1-3 pm
Bloomfield Township Public Library
• Director’s Chair: Brian Murphy, M.D.
• Psychoanalyst: Merton Shill, Ph.D.
• Speech Pathologist: Lynn Smith

**The Black Swan**
Sunday, December 4, 2011, 1-3 pm
Bloomfield Township Public Library
• Director’s Chair: Jolyn Wagner, M.D.
• Psychoanalysts: Nancy Kulish, Ph.D. and Deanna Holtzman, Ph.D.

**Double Feature: Catfish and The Social Network**
Sunday, February 26, 2012, 1-3 pm
Bloomfield Township Public Library
• Director’s Chair: Diane Geiger
• Psychoanalyst: Carol Levin, M.D.

**Never Let Me Go**
Sunday, March 25, 2012, 1-3 pm
Bloomfield Township Public Library
• Director’s Chair: Diane Geiger, MA
• Psychoanalyst: Kathleen Moore, Ph.D.
• Academic: Bruce Russell, Ph.D.

General Public $15
APT Members and Students $5

Includes one CME / CE Credit
For information, call Dave Lundin, 248-229-5389
2012 Visiting Professor
March 19-24, 2012

Rosemary Balsam, M.D., a British doctor and an American psychoanalyst, will be our 2012 Visiting Professor. Dr. Balsam is an Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry in the Yale Medical School where she has taught psychotherapy at the Department of Student Health since coming to New Haven from Belfast, N. Ireland in the early 1970s. A Training and Supervising analyst at the Western New England Institute for Psychoanalysis, she is also in private practice. Her special interest is in female development, and she will soon publish "Women's Bodies in Psychoanalysis" (Routledge), about how the body is represented and theorized in analysis. In 2005 she was the National Psychoanalytic Woman Scholar for APsaA. Her articles deal with gender issues, mothers and daughters and prize-winning papers on the topic of "the vanished pregnant body"—how psychoanalysis tends to ignore pregnancy and delivery as an imagined aspect of a girl's future that she confronts in her development. She is on the editorial boards of Psychoanalytic Quarterly and American Imago and is a reader for the International Journal of Psychoanalysis. With her husband, Paul Schwaber, she is an editor of the Book Review section of the Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association.

MPI Accredited by Consortium on Psychoanalytic Education

Dwarakanath G. Rao, M.D.

In a historic first, the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute was accredited in March 2011 by the newly created Accreditation Council on Psychoanalytic Education (ACPEinc). This followed an extensive self-assessment and a site visit by an ACPE team in 2010.

ACPE accreditation complements the longstanding accreditation by the Board on Professional Standards of the American Psychoanalytic Association.

What is the ACPE?

Notable from the very inception of ACPE was the idea of competing and sometimes disparate psychoanalytic organizations coming together for common purpose. Four organizations created a consortium: the American Psychoanalytic Association, Division 39 of the American Psychological Association, the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry, and the American Association for Psychoanalysis in Clinical Social Work.

The consortium evolved into the ACPE, which (from the website ACPEinc.org): is an autonomous not-for-profit accrediting agency that was established in 2001 by The Psychoanalytic Consortium to implement its Standards for Psychoanalytic Education. These Standards delineate the CORE (essential) elements of psychoanalytic education. They propose a tripartite model: personal analysis, didactic instruction, supervised clinical work. They are inclusive, accommodating the full range of theories and training traditions. In 2010, in consultation with its community of interest, the ACPEinc revised these Standards to reflect contemporary actuality distance learning, analysis of child and adolescent patients, protection of candidates and their patients, etc."

The ACPEinc accredits psychoanalytic education institutions. It assesses how well each psychoanalytic institute or training program implements the Standards of Psychoanalytic Education in light of its distinctive theory and training tradition. External accreditation of an institute or training program provides parity with colleagues in other academic and health care disciplines. It supports common educational standards and guidelines; and it encourages conversation among diverse schools, and cooperative scientific investigation."

Why ACPE?

There are several advantages of ACPE accreditation for MPI members and candidates:

- National accreditation from a diverse panel of experts representing common standards as well as respecting already established standards of the APsaA
- Opportunity to learn from new group of colleagues
- Opportunity to participate in dialogue with ACPE about future standards
- Innovative ACPE self-study document and site visit led to renewed interest in financial aspects of running MPI
- As part of its efforts to apply for accreditation by the Department of Education, ACPE take special care to meet the stringent national standards of the Department of Education on the rights of students, conflict of interest issues, stability of the institute, disaster recovery and other matters not usually covered by other accrediting bodies.
- There are efforts underway to make future APsaA and ACPE site visits occur at the same time to minimize overlap and maximize synergy.

For more information on ACPE, visit ACPEinc.org.
MPI-MPS Welcomes Dr. Robert Bornstein
By Steven Huprich, Ph.D.
Eastern Michigan University

MPI-MPS has agreed to co-sponsor the 2nd Annual Psychodynamic Research Symposium, which is being supported by Eastern Michigan University Department of Psychology, University of Detroit-Mercy Psychology Clinic, Madonna University Department of Psychology, and Wayne State University School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry. This year’s speaker is Dr. Robert F. Bornstein, Professor of Psychology at the Derner Institute of Advanced Psychological Studies at Adelphi University. Dr. Bornstein’s talk, “Deconstructing the Unconscious: Psychoanalytic Theory as a Unifying Framework for 21st Century Personality Assessment,” will be presented at the Farmington Hills campus on Monday, October 10, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. His paper will be discussed by Dr. Steven Huprich, Associate Professor of Psychology, Eastern Michigan University, and Associate Editor, Journal of Personality Disorders.

Dr. Bornstein has an impressive record of accomplishments. He is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association, Association for Psychological Science, and Society for Personality Assessment. His publications have focused on the study of the dependent personality, interpersonal dependency, and psychoanalytic concepts, personality dynamics, and assessment. Among his works are: “The Dependent Personality, Principles of Psychotherapy: Promoting Evidence Based Psychodynamic Practice,” and, co-edited (with Joseph Masling), seven volumes of the “Empirical Studies of Psychoanalytic Theories series,” as well as “Scoring the Rorschach: Seven Validated Systems.” His research has been funded by grants from the National Institute of Mental Health and National Science Foundation, and he serves on the editorial boards of Psychoanalytic Psychology, Assessment, Journal of Personality Assessment, Journal of Psychotherapy Integration, and Journal of Personality Disorders. In 2007, Dr. Bornstein and Dr. Huprich won the Martin Mayman Award from the Society for Personality Assessment for their paper, “Categorical and Dimensional Assessment of Personality Disorders: A Consideration of the Issues.”

Dr. Bornstein’s presentation promises to be interesting and stimulating. His papers are calls to action for researchers and clinicians alike to seriously consider how empirical research and psychoanalytic theory must be integrated in order to advance psychoanalytic practice in the 21st century. Whether a researcher or clinician, participants are likely to leave with new ideas about the ways in which science and practice can and should interact.

Peter Loewenberg, Ph.D.

Peter Loewenberg, Ph.D. has been invited to present his paper, “Face in Chinese Culture and Sino-American Diplomacy,” at the Depression Center in Ann Arbor on Saturday, October 22, 2011. Dr. Loewenberg is Professor Emeritus of History at the University of California, Los Angeles and Chair of the International Psychoanalytical Association China Committee. He is a Training and Supervising Analyst and former Dean of the New Center for Psychoanalysis, Los Angeles. He has received various awards for his professional contributions to the field of Political Psychology and is the author of many publications, including “Decoding the Past: the Psychohistorical Approach” (1996) and “Fantasy and Reality in History” (1995).

2010 APT Annual Workshop

Working with Divorce: Challenges and Opportunities—An Interactive Conference

The goal of the conference is to help clinicians work more effectively with children, parents and individual adults going through a divorce. The presenter will examine crucial developmental issues to provide a framework for clinical interventions. It will explore how clinicians can become facilitators of mourning in order to help their patients traverse divorce with the fewest negative effects. The conference will utilize an interactive format—with small group discussions followed by presentations.

Joshua Ehrlich, Ph.D. received his doctorate in clinical psychology from the University of Michigan and completed his psychoanalytic training at the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute. Dr. Ehrlich will share his ideas about divorce based on his more than 20 years of clinical experience working in this field. His approach integrates psychodynamic ideas with practical, concrete interventions.

Saturday, November 12, 2011, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Oakland Campus of Wayne State University
Farmington Hills, MI

APT members $120.00; General Public $135.00; Students $35.00. Lunch is included.

5 CE/CME hours, approval pending
Psychoanalysis in the 21st Century

The Literary Work of Manuel Puig: Its Significance for the Study of Culture and Psychoanalysis

Jorgelina Corbatta, Ph.D.

At the end of 2010, Dr. Marvin Margolis called me about the possibility of delivering a talk on Manuel Puig at the Dallas Psychoanalytic Center. Dr. David Hershey then contacted me and we agreed I would come in May 2011. The talk was organized by the Hispanic Outreach Committee of the Dallas Psychoanalytic Center. Residents, analysts, and also literature students and academics attended.

I organized my presentation in four sections, starting with biographical/bibliographical information about Manuel Puig. In the second part, titled “Puig and I,” I dealt with my long relationship with Manuel Puig and his work, which started in Argentina in the 60s, followed by our encounters at Universidad de Antioquia in Medellín (Colombia) in 1979, and at the University of Pittsburgh in 1983 when I was writing my doctoral dissertation on his work. These two encounters resulted in one long interview (translated into several languages) and a shorter second one. The first interview was the origin of my doctoral dissertation–turned later into a book in which I examined Puig’s personal myth (following Charles Mauron’s psychocritique), complemented with what I called ‘collective myths’ (Roland Barthes, Gillo Dorfles, and Umberto Eco) related to Puig’s fascination for, and use of, popular culture in the form of Hollywood films of the 30’s and 40s, soap opera, tango lyrics. In this section of my presentation I included references to our written correspondence until Puig’s death in 1990. I also contextualized our interaction as a literary critic versus a writer by inserting it in the cultural and socio-political scene of those years (the revolutionary 60s and 70’s, the Cuban Revolution and the Latin American Boom, the military government in Argentina between 1976-1983).

Part of my attraction to Puig and his work was based upon the fact that we were both Argentines in exile, coming from small towns, and having in common a language and a cultural background. In addition, Puig’s preoccupation with sexuality and gender issues helped me to explore the question of roles in a couple and in society in general—what it means to be a woman and Feminism. But my main attraction to Puig’s work was, and still is, his interest in psychoanalysis (“the modern novel starts with Freud” was his usual statement). This interest determined not only his use of dreams, elaborated language and fantasies to explore the unconscious of his characters but also his introduction of psychoanalytic theories in his novels (different approaches to homosexuality in “Kiss of the Spider Woman,” Lacan in “Pubis angelical,” etc). In the third part of my talk, titled “Writing about Puig,” I explained my critical approach to Puig’s work, and reviewed my two books: “Mito personal y mitos colectivos en las novelas de Manuel Puig” (Madrid: Orígenes, 1988) and “Manuel Puig: mito personal, historia y ficción” (Buenos Aires: Corregidor, 2009).

In the last part of the talk, “Reading Puig through Psychoanalysis: ‘Betrayed by Rita Hayworth,’” I focused on the novel’s protagonist Toto (alter ego of Puig in a novel he considers “99% autobiographical”), his interaction with his parents and other people in his small town and, specially, Toto’s fascination with movies. As an illustration, I selected and examined some portions of the novel: chapter I (a ‘gallery of voices’ belonging to Toto’s mother relatives); Toto’s parents’ nap time during which the boy reproduces scenes from his favorites films meanwhile anxiously waiting for his mother to come back; Toto’s mother’s miscarriage as an opportunity to get closer to her; and the last chapter in which a letter written (and never sent) by Toto’s father forces the reader to reevaluate the whole novel and to reconsider the interaction between father, mother and son.

Dr. David Hershey, who organized the lecture and with whom I previously had an intense communication, offered to make a presentation on Rita Hayworth. In his excellent contribution, complementing my own paper, Dr. Hershey examined the role that Rita Hayworth plays in Puig’s novel as an imago of the seductive and usually destructive woman. We are currently working together in the analysis of the presence of this glamorous woman, represented by the actresses Rita Hayworth and Hedy Lamarr, in Puig’s...the gift of writers is “to mould fantasies into truths of a new kind...”
“Betrayed by Rita Hayworth” and “Pubis Angelical.” During our interdisciplinary exchange I am learning to analyze literary characters through different lenses provided by psychoanalysis while Dr. Hershey discovers in these literary characters traits already perceived in his own patients.

My presentation was well received. This presentation is very important for me because it has started on a new professional path by combining my experience and knowledge as a literary critic with a new approach based upon my readings as an Academic Candidate at the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute. To initiate something new is always exciting and creative but also scary. For that reason, I am extremely grateful to Dr. David Hershey for inviting me and for the people of the Dallas Psychoanalytic Center for their warm and hospitable reception of my talk. This is a first step in building a bridge between literature and psychoanalysis, so similar in so many ways, and so important for a better understanding of human mind, and actions. Or, in Freud’s words: the gift of writers is “to mould fantasies into truths of a new kind, which are valued by men as precious reflections of reality” (Freud 1911: 216).

Life After Graduation: An Analytic Journey
by Susan Flinders, Ph. D.

This is a brief story of my life since my graduation as an analyst—written to perhaps encourage the pursuit of such training and continued growth for all of us. This is perhaps preaching to the choir, but I imagine we all can use continued validation and reaffirmation of our work as psychoanalytic thinkers.

Last week I returned from one of the most miraculous journeys since graduation. I had become intrigued by the intimate nature of the analytic work, and also had become fascinated with the concepts of mentalization and reflective functioning. I began reading many articles related to intimacy in the psychoanalytic literature, and in this search discovered that there was no clear agreed-upon definition. I felt strongly that it would be good to operationally define intimacy, as this seemed to be the core of what we do and a term for something for which others outside the psychoanalytic community seem to hunger and readily recognize. With these ideas in mind, I decided to write a proposal to the International Psychoanalytical Association (IPA) for the advertised $5000.00 grant for current and recently graduated candidates (within three years) to operationally define intimacy using reflective functioning. This past Spring I received a letter declining the $5000.00 award, but instead offering me $2000.00 to further develop the research component of my grant proposal.

From there I contacted Peter Fonagy to pursue consultation, and he suggested I apply to attend the 17th Annual Research Training Programme of the IPA in London. My application as a Fellow was accepted. In late August, I returned from Europe, having spent ten days studying and learning about psychoanalytic research in general, and specifically about my own research ideas. I was one of 27 researchers from all over the world. Only two of us were analysts, and the remaining Fellows were psychoanalytic researchers still early in their careers and thirsting for data to scientifically support the viability of psychoanalytic thought and practice. We were supported by ten consultants, also from around the world, and established psychoanalytic researchers in their own right. I learned about many aspects of psychoanalytic research, including, for example, research applications with children. This was an event of a lifetime for me.

While in England, I had another marvelous opportunity. I had inquired about and was able to arrange a visit to Grendon Prison. It is an entire therapeutic prison based on a psychoanalytic model. It has been in existence for over 50 years and has the lowest recidivism rates of all the prisons in the UK with minimally more expense. It houses some of the most troubling offenders, including murderers and rapists. I am hoping to bring some of the ideas related to this model to Michigan. I am hoping also to find some interested psychoanalytic thinkers to perhaps write a grant and execute it regarding working with criminal offenders and conducting some research of our own. I would also like to bring some of the ideas regarding child research that I worked on related to reflective functioning to interested child analysts and others.

My analytic graduation was only the beginning of what is proving to be a marvelous journey and a world of opportunity. I hope my experience will serve to encourage all of you to pursue analytic research and consider attending the 18th Annual Research Training Programme next year.

Suggestions
Ideas for future issues? News we need to know? We welcome all comments and suggestions. Write to:

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In Memoriam

Harold L. Taylor, M.D.
1949-2011
Linda A.W. Brakel, M.D.


Nothing else was usual about Hal. He met Ellen, his wife of 40 years, in an atypical way on a trip to Columbus Ohio (which I will not recount). Their long happy marriage was as solid and interesting as the technical rock climbing that Hal did as a youth. (I kid you not!) Hal’s and Ellen’s daughter Katie was born in 1977, demonstrating almost from her first day that she was yet another original.

Despite being rather busy as a family man, and as a candidate with endless reading, classes, supervisions, and travel in addition to starting and then maintaining a large and lively practice, Hal embarked with great intensity on a number of different hobbies. He engaged with each of these serially, monogamously, and with considerable passion. I may not have the order exactly right, but there was the motorcycle phase (which we all liked least for obvious reasons), the dulcimer craze, which entailed both playing and making them (I have one Hal made in my office to this day), and then the years-long project of serious and complex computer programming. His last hobby, and I believe his favorite, recaptured a love of his youth, the saxophone. He practiced it with devotion, and near his untimely end had finally found a band that felt just right.

Hal approached psychoanalysis unconventionally too; he was the consummate clinician, not eschewing theory, but not appropriating it in any defensive way, not needing it as a shield. As was true with his family and his hobbies, he treated his patients with great care and respect. Although Hal taught several courses at the Institute (at least one a year I believe), supervised and taught the residents at Wayne State University and was the Assistant Training Director at Detroit Psychiatric Institute for many years, as well as holding offices in the Michigan Psychoanalytic Society and Institute (he was at various times Chair of the Arrangements Committee, Program Commit-

tee, and the Committee on Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy, Chief Editor of the Newsletter, President of the Society, and Member of the Admissions Committee), for Hal the clinical endeavor was always central and uppermost. As such he would no doubt be proud to learn that the Society recently created an award in his honor to be given yearly, The Harold L. Taylor, M.D. award for humaneness and generosity of spirit in the practice of psychoanalysis. Likewise he would be pleased to learn that posthumously he was the award’s first recipient this last May. Above all, though, he would be satisfied that every one of his patients knew their analyst had a good and kind heart.

Finally let me add the obvious: he was a wonderful friend—to the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute and Society, to psychoanalysis, and to me. I miss him and I shall continue to do so.

Frederick F. Shevin, M.D.
1921-2010

When Dr. Frederick Shevin died on November 26 last year at the age of 89, the Institute lost one of its most senior members. A native Detroiter, Dr. Shevin obtained his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan and graduated from Wayne State University School of Medicine in 1946. After completing an internship year at Grace Hospital, he relocated to New York for an internal medicine residency at Goldwater Memorial Hospital, which he completed in 1950. He switched to psychiatry and completed a second residency at Kings County Hospital, after which he undertook psychoanalytic training at the State University of New York, Downstate Medical Center Psychoanalytic Institute. By 1963, he had returned to Detroit, joining the Psychoanalytic Training Center of Detroit under the auspices of the New York Psychoanalytic Institute.

At the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute, he held the elected office of Treasurer, and was appointed Fellow of the Board on Professional Standards of the American Psychoanalytic Association. As a Training and Supervising Analyst—an appointment he held from 1979 on—he was a standing member of the Educational Committee. Throughout his long career, Dr. Shevin was continuously involved in local committee work, serving as chairman of several important Institute committees—Curriculum Committee, Finance Committee, Utilization Review and Peer
A Tribute to Frederick F. Shevin, M.D.
Rhoda Stamell, M.A.

He was 39 and I was 25. After six years of therapy, we would see each other sometimes in the lobbies of movies and in lines at restaurants. There were lengthy conversations in the aisles of Warren's Save-Mor Prescriptions. At life-changing moments—the deaths of my parents—we would meet for a few hours at his office. No one knew me better than Fred Shevin, and I acknowledge that with a sense of loss. As long as I am alive, I will keep him in my memory. That is my gift to him, a limited immortality.

We argued. Imagine two opinionated people in the same room for 55 minutes five times a week. “That is not what the one-armed cookies mean!” I said. But I was the dreamer, and he was the Joseph. Interpreter of dreams and secret sharer of my deepest self, I honor your life and mourn your death. The last time I saw you, we talked, we laughed, we disagreed. You said, “I had a good time. You should send me a bill.” The debt is mine.

Fred Shevin died on November 26, 2010. He was 89. He had children, grandchildren and a wife of many years: companions of his rich, full life. Fred Shevin, Dr. Shevin in my endless dialogue with him was a healer of the deep pain that comes with the business of life. When we are sent away, almost as disciples, we have a lighter step and a resolve to live more fully. We, in turn, can be healers, physicians, teachers, artists: whatever we have dreamed ourselves to be.

I looked for words in poems and in prayer books: words that are greater than mine to honor the memory of this healer of the heart. And I found them in “The Intention” by Margaret Torrie. It is a poem of remembrance and an acknowledgment of what we take away from the people who have left us.

To know healing
is to know that
all life is one
and there is no beginning
and no end
and the intention is loving.

Express Your Sympathy With a Donation

Our Institute community has suffered three grievous losses this year: Drs. Taylor and Shevin, and Mrs. Anne Parcells, all of whom were devoted to our mission. A tribute or memorial donation would be a significant and meaningful way to honor the memory of any one of these special people by honoring the cause that meant so much to them. All contributions are gratefully received, especially in these difficult financial times. You can now make a donation from the Foundation section of our website, through Paypal, a secure online processing service. If writing a check, please make sure to specify the name of the person you are honoring and let us know if there is anyone who should receive an acknowledgment of your generous donation. Our mailing address is:

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Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute Chapter
A Community Outreach Program
Anne Parcells, Friend and Patron

Anne Leete Parcells passed away on August 12, 2011. She was memorialized at a moving service at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church on August 20th. [Anne was the wife of the late Frank Parcells, M.D., one of the early Training Analysts at our Institute. He was a warmly-regarded and respected man who enjoyed teaching and supporting young analysts and candidates. He is especially remembered for his interest in pioneering Audio-Visual means for preserving analytic history by recording noted individuals in our field – and for mischievous-irreverent moments that made him special. For those of us who knew him, it is hard to believe that he died 21 years ago.]

Anne had married Frank in 1962, two years after the premature death of his first wife, Jacqueline. Sons Jeffrey (now the husband of our own Christine Parcells) and Steven and daughter Gretchen were then ages 14, 12 and 9. Frank and Anne went on to have two more children: Matt in 1964 and Deb in 1966. Frank and Anne were married and now both memorialized in the very same magnificent sanctuary in the statuesque and landmark Presbyterian church on Lake St. Clair – which has been even more beautified by Anne's many paintings and murals on its walls.

Anne has been far more to us than the wife of a former colleague. She was a wonderful singer in many distinguished groups, a talented painter, a teacher to adults who were less fortunate and a tutor to children in need. She was a leading member of a group that would beautify the community of the Grosse Pointes in many artistic modes, whether painting, gardening, etc.

Altogether, as Jeffrey has noted, they had eight grandchildren and it was Anne who was the glue of the combined families. Four years prior to her death, she was discovered to have malignant melanoma and was given one year to live. She fought through three surgeries in that first year and believed she had conquered her problem, only to have it return one year ago. She had only one course of radiation since then to reduce swelling in her neck and sang until nearly the end.

Anne was a charming and sweet woman, whose grace was noted by all who knew her. She, along with stepson Jeffrey and his wife Christine, led the family foundation ever since Frank's death, in generous support of our Institute – in the context of annual giving to our Frank Parcells Audio-Visual Fund (led by Marc Rosen) in memory of our cherished colleague and friend. We shall always be indebted to, and greatly appreciative of, the Parcells family and remember the special warmth of our friend, Anne Parcells.

APT Brunch Program
Hearing Loss: Grief, Isolation, Anger and Relationships Gone Sour

Penny Kennedy, M.A.
Grief Recovery Specialist; Hearing Loss Consultant
Sunday, December 11, 2011
12 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.
2.0 CME and CE Credit Hours
Farmington Hills, MI
A light brunch will be served.

Ms. Kennedy was diagnosed with hearing loss over 20 years ago. Due to feelings of infuriating helplessness, she has committed herself to make a difference in the lives of those who need someone who gets it along with professional skills that aid them and their loved ones in moving through this trauma. She has interviewed numerous audiologists who recognize that there is often a clear disconnect between the provider and their patients on a psychological level. Ms. Kennedy has been invited by the Henry Ford Health System Division of Audiology to speak and form a working collaboration to assist providers with narrowing the psychological gap with patients. They would do this by recognizing, understanding and counseling patients regarding their struggle with feelings of personal insult in reaction to dealing with hearing loss.

Ms. Kennedy states that this loss frequently feels more painful than the death of a loved one in that one is never free of the constant, frustrating daily reminder of the loss.
**Book Fare - Third Edition**

The Association for Psychoanalytic Thought of the Michigan Psychoanalytic Society has hosted two Book Fare programs, presenting psychoanalytic and academic perspectives on selected works of fiction for members and guests who enjoy reading and discussing books of psychodynamic interest. The first book in the discussion series was “Olive Kitteridge” by Elizabeth Strout, the 2009 Pulitzer Prize in Fiction winner. The second book was “Too Much Happiness” by Alice Munro, a Canadian short-story writer and winner of the 2009 Man Booker International Prize for her lifetime body of work. Please watch for the announcement of our third Book Fare program to be scheduled in January 2012 and featuring discussants Robert DeYoung, Ph.D., psychotherapist and graduate of M.P.I.’s APPEP, and Ilana Blumberg, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Humanities, James Madison College, Michigan State University, author of “Houses of Study.”

**2011 GRADUATES**

**Suzanne Thomas, A.C.S.W., B.C.D.,** is a psychoanalyst with practices in Southfield and Walled Lake. During her training at MPI, Suzanne served as president of the Candidates Association. Her private practice career began in the mid-1980s when she joined the staff of Lakewood Clinic before opening her solo practice in Southfield. She attended Extension Division classes for many years and has been active in psychoanalytic study groups and training since 1990. She was active in the Association for Psychoanalytic Thought, serving on the Board as a member at large, secretary, program chairman, president and past president. Suzanne’s career also includes over ten years of experience in hospitals. She worked as a medical social worker, an Oncology social worker at Harper Hospital, and Oncology social work supervisor and Psychiatric social worker at both Harper and Beaumont Hospitals. Suzanne’s initial passion for Social Work began over thirty years ago when she was a subsistence volunteer in the Appalachian Mountains, working with coal miners and their families. Suzanne obtained her Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Detroit, majoring in American History, with minors in English, Education and Philosophy, and received her Master’s Degree from the University of Michigan. Currently, Suzanne resides in West Bloomfield with her husband and flat-coated retriever. Her daughter is an improv comedian, a fact Suzanne attributes to both her husband’s warped sense of humor and Suzanne’s expertise in free association.

**Margaret Walsh, Ph.D.** graduated from the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute in May 2011. She developed her interest in analysis in 1978, when she started working at the Menninger Foundation in Topeka, Kansas. She finished her Ph.D. in 1986 and began her private practice in Ann Arbor. She is currently the Assistant Director of University of Michigan’s Psychodynamic Psychotherapy Program, where she is involved in the training and supervision of psychiatric residents, and she teaches at the Michigan School of Professional Psychology as an adjunct faculty member. She draws on over 30 years of clinical experience with children, adolescents and adults.

Outside of her practice and professional activities, Dr. Walsh enjoys participating in her community theatre group, cycling with friends and spending time with her family.

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Deborah Tucker, L.M.S.W., began her professional career as a special education teacher. In 1964 she received her Bachelor of Science degree in education from the University of Michigan. In 1971 she received her Master of Arts degree in education from Oakland University. Ms. Tucker taught hospitalized and physically challenged children from kindergarten through grade twelve.

As a teacher consultant at Oakland Schools in Pontiac, Michigan, she organized and facilitated support groups for special-needs children and their siblings. In 1967, Ms. Tucker created a teaching program for hospitalized/homebound children in the Birmingham Public Schools. She became increasingly aware of the traumatic impact of chronic illness on children and their families. This interest led Ms. Tucker to pursue a second career as a clinical and school social worker. Ms. Tucker received her Master of Social Work degree from the University of Michigan in 1986. Additional work as a psychotherapist in private practice led to her interest in becoming a psychoanalyst. In 2005 she became a candidate in the child/adolescent and adult psychoanalytic training programs.

Ms. Tucker is the first psychoanalytic candidate at MPI to graduate from the child program before completing the adult program. She currently works with children, adolescents, and adults in her private practice in West Bloomfield. Ms. Tucker is a family consultant and supervisor at the Walnut Lake Preschool. In addition, she is teaching a psychoanalytic theory course for CAPA (China American Psychoanalytic Alliance).

Ms. Tucker lives with her husband, Dr. Kenneth Tucker, who is an oncologist/hematologist at St. John’s Hospital in Warren. They have four married children and the pleasure of eight wonderful grandchildren. The family spends one week each summer at Michigania—a University of Michigan family camp on Walloon Lake. Ms. Tucker and her husband enjoy playing duo piano and are members of a quartet (two pianos, eight hands). When time permits, Ms. Tucker enjoys reading, swimming, and bike riding.

Meryl Berlin, Ph.D. graduated from the Adult and the Child/Adolescent Training Programs of MPI in April, 2011. Dr. Berlin earned her Doctorate in Clinical Psychology in 1990 from the University of Michigan where she completed pre-doctoral internships at the University Center for the Child and Family and the University Hospital Adult Outpatient Psychiatry Service. During her doctoral training, Dr. Berlin was a Fellow in the Bush Program in Child Development and Social Policy and a Center for the Education of Women Scholar. Her doctoral research focused on mother-infant attachment in high-risk, premature infants, and she has worked extensively with infants and toddlers providing developmental assessment and therapeutic intervention. Dr. Berlin completed a clinical post-doc in family therapy at the Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic. She has co-authored papers on attachment security in premature infants, child advocacy in the courts, and psychological-mindedness in children and adolescents. Her graduation paper, “The Snowday,” was the recipient of MPI’s Nathan P. Segal Award in 2011. Dr. Berlin has a private practice in Ann Arbor where she works with children, adolescents and adults in psychoanalysis and psychotherapy. She lives in Ann Arbor with her husband, Michael Shulman, Ph.D., who is also an analyst. They have two daughters, Madeline and Olivia.

Early Admission Candidates Move Up

Four participants in the Early Admission Program move into full candidacy status this year. Pictured above, left to right, they are Anton Babushkin, M.S.W., Sylvia Delgado, M.S., Kristen Miller, Ph.D., and Cristine Mueller, M.D.
Meet the New Candidates

Sara M. Dumas, M.D. earned her medical degree from George Washington University in Washington, DC after completing her bachelor of science in biochemistry from the University of Michigan. She returned to the University of Michigan for her training in both general psychiatry residency and child and adolescent psychiatry fellowship. She participated in the Ann Arbor Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Fellowship and took the Child Developmental and Clinical Issues Program at MPI. Currently, Dr. Dumas has a private psychiatric practice in downtown Ann Arbor, where she provides psychotherapy for adolescents and adults and pharmacotherapy for all ages. In addition, she is an adjunct clinical instructor at the University of Michigan, where she provides pharmacotherapy for adults referred to the Comprehensive Cancer Center’s PsychOncology Clinic and teaches residents in psychiatry and family medicine. She enjoys spending time with her husband, family and friends. She also enjoys reading, music, movies, exercising, and traveling.

David Votruba, Ph.D, P.L.C., L.M.S.W., A.C.S.W. is a clinical social worker in private practice in Ann Arbor. A 1999 graduate of the University of Michigan’s College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, Dr. Votruba served as a Teach For America Corps Member and Men’s and Women’s Varsity Cross Country Coach in Louisburg, NC for two years before returning to Ann Arbor to complete his Master of Social Work degree. While completing his M.S.W. internship at the University’s Psychological Clinic, Dr. Votruba first explored and experienced the transformative power of long-term, intensive, psychodynamic psychotherapy. With this experience in mind, Dr. Votruba enrolled in the Smith College School of Social Work’s psychodynamically-oriented clinical doctoral program. During the next few years, Dr. Votruba completed an additional, doctoral-level internship at the Psychological Clinic, conducted research, and wrote a dissertation examining the relationship between interpersonal guilt and college adjustment among first-generation college students. He also worked part-time as a Program Manager for the University of Michigan’s Division of Student Affairs and a Staff Clinician for the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute’s Treatment Clinic in Ann Arbor.

Since completing his doctorate in 2008, Dr. Votruba has focused on developing his private practice where he works primarily with late adolescents and adults on a wide variety of psychological, relational, and substance abuse-related issues.

Dr. Votruba enjoys spending his free time with his wife, Kristen Votruba, Ph.D., a faculty member with the University of Michigan Department of Psychiatry, Neuropsychology Division, and their one-year-old son, Charlie.

Rhoda Stamell, M.A. is new to the Institute. She has been an English teacher since postage for a letter cost three cents. She earned an undergraduate degree at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and a Masters degree in English Literature from Wayne State University. She taught in Detroit Public Schools for twelve years until her unfortunate relocation to Missouri. Upon her return to Michigan in 1974, Stamell, now a mother, worked as an adjunct at Wayne County Community College and Henry Ford Community College. She was hired into the Adult Education program of Detroit Public Schools in 1980 where she served as a Job Club Counselor in conjunction with Social Services. Stamell is unable to describe exactly what she and her work-day family accomplished in those four years.

In 1986, over three hundred-fifty irritable Detroit teachers retired without prior notice, and Stamell was rehired as a high school English teacher at Pershing High School. She insists that the years at Pershing were the best years of her life. During this time, Stamell applied to Charles Baxter’s Fiction Writing workshop at WSU. She attended seminars sponsored by the National Endowment for Humanities. And then she won the Older Woman Writing Award at Ragdale Artist Colony in Lake Forest, IL in 1996: a month at an artist colony. She retired from DPS upon her return. From 1997 to 2005, Stamell attended artists’ colonies all over the United States and Costa Rica.

Stamell has been an adjunct since 2000 at Lawrence Technological University, Wayne State University, and Oakland Community College. “Detroit Stories” and The “Art of Ruin” are Stamell’s two publications currently in print. Selected stories have been
published in the “Anthology of Fat Fiction” and in the Kenyon Review. She was second first-place winner of a short story contest sponsored by the Boston Review. The first first-place winner received a thousand dollars.

Stamell lives in Farmington Hills with some plants and no pets. She teaches grammar (passionately) and swims regularly. Her daughter, Rachel Havrelock, is a tenured professor of Jewish Studies and the Bible at the University of Illinois-Chicago; her son-in-law, Yuri Lane, is an actor and a beat boxer; Delilah Rose Lane is the adored grandchild.

She looks forward to being a candidate in the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute, and she thanks Jane Miller for encouraging and coaxing her to complete the application. ❖

Jennifer Mohorovic, Ph.D. earned her Doctorate in Clinical Psychology in August 2011 from the University of Detroit-Mercy. She completed her pre-doctoral internship at Wayne State University’s University Psychiatric Centers. Her doctoral research studied the impact of age on factors related to volunteer commitment among hospital volunteers. While completing her doctoral studies, Dr. Mohorovic completed a one-year psychotherapy fellowship at the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute. She has a Master’s degree in General Psychology from New York University and a Bachelor’s degree in Psychology from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland. While at New York University, she taught one of her favorite graduate courses, statistics.

Dr. Mohorovic is currently a postdoctoral fellow at the Children’s Hospital of Michigan.

She is originally from Baltimore, Maryland and resides in Royal Oak. In her free time, Dr. Mohorovic enjoys swimming, kayaking, skiing, and reading. She also has interests in avian rescue and rehabilitation. ❖

Guarav Mishra, M.D. became an early admission candidate last year. He graduated from medical school in Bangalore, India in 2007 and worked there briefly before relocating to the United States. Once here, he worked at a variety of observerships and volunteer research positions before entering residency at Wayne State University Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, where he is currently a PG-III. ❖

Member News

In May, Julie Jaffee Nagel, Ph.D. presented a paper, “Stage Fright as a Signature Style in Some Performing Musicians,” at the Conference on Creativity, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia and a paper, “Shame and Rage in Lucia di Lammermoor,” at the Conference on Arts and Psychoanalysis in Florence, Italy. She was invited to be a blogger on the Psychology Today website (“Music to My Ears”) and gave a presentation on “Performance Anxiety: When is A Symptom More than a Symptom?” in July at the National Conference on Keyboard Pedagogy in Chicago, Illinois.

Merton Shill, Ph.D. presented his paper “Intersubjective Ego Psychology: a Clinical Illustration” at the International Psychoanalytical Association Meeting in Mexico City in August. He will continue his Discussion Group entitled “Psychoanalytic Explorations” at the meeting of the American in NYC in January. This Discussion Group, influenced by the work of Dale Boesky, explores the fact that “Every analyst applies an explicit and/or implicit theory in clinical work.” This Discussion Group will penetrate the surface of the clinical process to discern the analyst’s underlying theory of personality, revealing the fundamental assumptions employed in the various psychoanalytic approaches. The intent is to see through clinical technique and process to the underlying theory of personality functioning applied clinically in each of the schools. The presenter in January will be David Scharff, M.D., teaching analyst at the Washington, D.C. Psychoanalytic Institute, and co-founder and codirector of the International Psychotherapy Institute. Dr. Scharff is a leading proponent of the American Object-relations approach.

Ronald M. Benson, M.D. was appointed Chairman of the International Psychoanalytical Association Committee on Education and Oversight effective September 2011.

Patricia Plopa, Ph.D. was a presenter for the discussion group on “Deepening the Treatment” at the June meeting of the American Psychoanalytic Association in San Francisco. The clinical material focused on the progression of treatment from initial evaluation to the start of an analysis nine months later.

Richard Marcolini, M.D. was appointed as the new Medical Director of Neighborhood Service Organization (NSO) after serving as a staff psychiatrist there since 1996. Dr. Marcolini will be working closely with NSO target populations, including the homeless and individuals with developmental disabilities.
Michael Shulman, Ph.D. has an article in press in Psychoanalytic Inquiry entitled "Comments on the development of a psychoanalytic technique," and a book review of Paul Stepansky's "Psychoanalysis at the Margins" in press in JAPA.

Joshua Ehrlich, Ph.D. published a paper, "Litigation as a Defense Against Mourning: A Perspective for Attorneys and Judges," in the Michigan Family Law Journal in March 2011. He also presented a paper with Hon. Timothy Conners and Vivek Sankaran (University of Michigan Law School), “Humility, Respect and Understanding: Tips on How Judges and Lawyers can Work with Families to Address the Needs of Their Children," at the 7th Annual Child Welfare Services Conference in East Lansing in May. He has been invited to serve as the moderator of the mental health track at the Institute of Continuing Legal Education's 10th Annual Family Law Institute in Plymouth in November where he also will present a paper to attorneys and judges entitled, "Dealing with Troubled (and Troubling) Clients: Tips for Assessment and Management."

Linda A.W. Brakel, M.D. has been appointed an Associate Editor for Frontiers in Neuropsychoanalysis and Psychoanalysis. This is a division of Frontiers in Psychology, which is a branch of the Frontiers in Science series, a new vehicle for rapid peer-reviewed publications in the sciences. Becoming an Associate Editor requires an inaugural peer-reviewed article. Dr. Brakel’s article “Extinction Phenomena: A Biologic Perspective on how and why Psychoanalysis Works" has just been accepted for publication. “Empirical evidence for primary process mentation in acute psychosis” by Ariane Bazan, Kim Van Draege, Lisbet De Kock, Linda A.W. Brakel, Filip Geerardyn, and Howard Shevrin has been accepted for publication in Psychoanalytic Psychology.

Bernard Chodorkoff, M.D., Ph.D. was presented the Distinguished Psychoanalytic Award by the Southeast Florida Institute for Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy in appreciation for his leadership, dedication to psychoanalysis, contributions to the community and to the growth and development of SEFIPP.

Howard Shevrin, Ph.D. presented a paper at the January meetings of the American in San Francisco titled, "The Past, Present, and Future of the Unconscious" (Discussant: Galatzer-Levy). In October, he was one of seven invited speakers at a conference on the Freudian Unconscious sponsored by the Agalma Foundation, Universities of Lausanne and Geneva. One of the neuroscientist participants co-authored a lead paper in Brain (May 2010) in which he described how only Freud's metapsychological theory could account for most current neuroscience findings. Dr. Shevrin was interviewed on television for the Agalma Foundation archives for notable figures in the field. In November, Dr. Shevrin participated on the Ph.D. thesis defense jury at the University of Bremen for Jana Steinig whose dissertation replicated and extended a study of Dr. Shevrin's (with Charles Fisher) on the relationship of primary and secondary process subliminal effects on different sleep stages. In November, Dr. Shevrin met with graduate students at the University of Brussels working with Ariane Bazan whom some of you met when she was a visiting scholar in his lab and now is a tenured full professor with her own lab and editor-in-chief of the journal, Neuropsychoanalysis and Psychoanalysis, part of a series of journals called Frontiers in Psychology.

David R. Dietrich, Ph.D. presented at the 41st International Psychoanalytical Congress in Mexico City on August 5, 2011. The title of his paper was: "The 'Creation' of Psychoanalytic Candidates: Two Creative and Successful Programs of the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute," and Drs. Marvin Margolis and James Hansell were also part of the panel.

Dwarakanath G. Rao, M.D., Training and Supervising Analyst at MPI, will be recognized by the Alliance for Psychoanalytic Thought at MPI, the South Asian American Forum of the Indo-American Psychiatric Association at a function in Philadelphia in December 2011. Dr. Rao will make an invited presentation entitled "Patanjali's Yoga Sutra: Contemporary Perspectives on Yoga and Psychoanalysis." Dr. Rao's paper will examine aspects of "Yoga Sutra," authored by Patanjali (c. 200 A.D.). Although traditionally considered a magisterial and esoteric guide to transcending ordinary life, Patanjali's aphorisms contain surprising psychoanalytic implications for contemporary concerns about morality, freedom, dependence, thought and action, attention, self and object, suffering and contentment. This presentation will consider in some detail the similarities between the radical ideals of free association, including the immediacy of the here-and-now experience, and the ideals of meditative experience.

Publication Notices

**CALENDAR**

**October 10**  
Farmington Hills  
Robert Bornstein, Ph.D.

**October 22**  
Ann Arbor  
Face in Chinese Culture and Sino-American Diplomacy  
Peter Loewenberg, Ph.D.

**October 23**  
Bloomfield Township  
Reel Deal - The King’s Speech

**November 5**  
Michigan Psychoanalytic Foundation  
27th Annual Benefit

**November 12**  
WSU Oakland Center  
Working with Divorce: Challenges and Opportunities—An Interactive Conference  
Joshua Ehrlich, Ph.D.

**November 17**  
Farmington Hills  
The Revival of Symptoms as Ritual Transformation in the Termination Phase of Analysis  
Mayer Subrin, M.D.

**December 3**  
Ann Arbor  
Psychoanalytic Gerontology: A Contemporary View  
Channing Lipson, M.D.

**December 4**  
Bloomfield Township  
Reel Deal - The Black Swan

**December 11**  
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