

### IAPA Bulletin, Fall 2012

Bernardo J. Carducci, Editor

#### Message from the President

I hope this edition of the IAPA Bulletin finds all of our members doing well. I trust everyone had an enjoyable summer. The past few months have been busy for the IAPA and its members. The nature of this activity is associated with the continued growth of our organization. An important measure of this growth is the number of individuals who are contributing information for inclusion in this edition of the *IAPA Bulletin*. This issue features many new names and faces. A significant feature of these new names and faces is the new members to our organization from Italy and the U.S., as well as Guatemala. Another important feature of these new names and faces is that in addition to the seasoned scholars and practitioners, we have a few graduate students as new IAPA members. These young scholars are a vital link to help spread the word about our organization to their peers and will serve as the next generation of leadership for the IAPA. In addition, of special note is new IAPA member Melanie Martin Arpaio, who is highly active with national organizations associated with the teaching of psychology at community colleges. If the IAPA is to grow, it is important that we attract the interest of students early in their academic by allowing them to come into direct contact with positive role models who will promote the values and activities of our organization.

Another sign of our growth is the increased involvement of the IAPA at the 2012 APA convention in Orlando. Much of this involvement is summarized in the special section of this edition of the *Bulletin* titled "IAPA at the 2012 APA Convention." IAPA members should be proud of the extent to which our organization is represented on the APA program. As is noted in this special section of the *Bulletin*, an important area for future growth is our affiliation with APA's Division 52: International Psychology.

Finally, if all of this activity is not enough to convince you of the growth of the IAPA, I am pleased to announce the formation of the IAPA Election Committee to help expand the policies and procedures for the election of IAPA officers. The significance of this committee is that it will set the stage for monitoring and managing the future growth and development of the IAPA. You can read more about this important development in this edition of the *Bulletin*.

As you can see, the recent level of activity suggests the IAPA is making steady progress in our growth and development. However, we must continue to expand our efforts in these important ways:

- Continue to spread the word about the IAPA to your students and colleagues, including forwarding copies of the IAPA Bulletin to them. An IAPA application is included at the end of the *IAPA Bulletin* for distribution to potential members;
- Continue to wear your IAPA badge plate when attending professional conferences and meetings;
- Consider developing collaborative research projects with other IAPA members;
- Consider submitting information about your professional awards and activities for listing in the *IAPA Bulletin* in an effort to inspire others to do the same;
- Consider organizing IAPA-related events, including symposia, social hours, or informal dinner gatherings at professional conferences or meetings you attend. I would be willing to help you with your efforts in this regard—contact me at bcarducc@ius.edu.

As you can see, we have much to be proud of as we continue to grow as an organization. However, we still have much to do. I hope you will do all you can to strengthen the quality of the IAPA. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards, Bernardo J. Carducci 2011-2012 President

#### IAPA Announcements

#### Jack Negleari to Head IAPA Elections Committee





Jack Nagleari

**Anthony Scioli** 

The IAPA is pleased to announce that member Jack Nagleari has agreed to serve as the chair of the IAPA Elections Committee. The Elections Committee is charged with helping to define the responsibilities of and develop procedures to nominate and elect IAPA officers. IAPA member Anthony Scioli also agreed to serve as a member of this important committee. If other IAPA members have questions about or are interested in serving on this committee, please contact Jack Nagleari by E-mail at <a href="mailto:inaglieri@gmail.com">inaglieri@gmail.com</a>. When E-mailing your willingness to serve on this committee, please include the phrase "IAPA Elections Committee Nomination" in the subject line.

#### IAPA's Newest Members



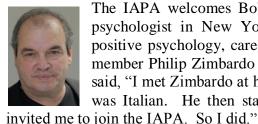
The IAPA welcomes Giulio Costantini as a new member. Giulio is a Ph.D. student at the University of Milan-Bicocca. His areas of interest in psychology include personality psychology, psychometrics, and implicit methods. Giulio was recruited by IAPA member Bernardo Carducci while attending 16th European Conference on Personality in Trieste, Italy.



The IAPA welcomes Agnese Pietrobon as a new member. Agnese has a Master's Degree in Social and Work Psychology and Psychology of Communication. She is currently a graduate student at the University of Padua. Her research interests in psychology include popular culture (with a specific interest in fan culture), psychology of communication, media psychology, and psychology of religion. She and her friends are also avid country line dancers and frequent attendees of the



Venice Film Festival. As seen in this photograph, Agnese (without the hatshame on her!) and her friends not only look like American country line dancers, they are also very good at it—taking second place at this dance competition. As Agnese notes, "Not only do Americans like Italian things... but Italian people like the American way, too!" Agnese was recruited by IAPA member Bernardo Carducci during his recent visit to Padua while enjoying many Italian things, especially the gelato. espresso, and. importantly, the people.



The IAPA welcomes Bob DiCuio, Ph.D., as a new member. Bob is a clinical psychologist in New York City. His areas of interest in psychology include positive psychology, career coaching, and geriatrics. Bob was recruited by IAPA member Philip Zimbardo while attending the 2012 APA meeting in Orlando. Bob said, "I met Zimbardo at his book signing and noticed his IAPA badge. I told him I was Italian. He then started to tell me about the organization. At the end, he



The IAPA welcomes Melanie Martin Arpaio as a new member. Melanie is an Assistant Professor of Psychology at Sussex County Community College in New Jersey and President-Elect of Psi Beta, the National Honor Society in Psychology at Her interests in psychology include developmental, Community Colleges. educational, social, counseling and general psychology. Melanie was recruited by IAPA member Bernardo Carducci at the 2012 APA Convention in Orlando.



The IAPA welcomes Tiffany Rose Milana Shrode as a new member. Tiffany is a Clinical Psychology Psy.D. student at the Minnesota School of Professional Psychology at Argosy University. Her interests in psychology include cultural psychology, severe mental illness (first breaks and the recovery model), and neuropsychology. Tiffany was recruited by IAPA member Bernardo Carducci at the 2012 APA Convention in Orlando.

The IAPA welcomes Regina Margarita Fanjul de Marsicovetere as a new member. Regina is affiliated with the Universidad del Valle de Guatemala. Her interests in psychology include wellbeing, resilience, women's identity and role in society, worldview of nonbelievers, and positive psychology. Regina was recruited by IAPA member Bernardo Carducci at the 2012 APA Convention in Orlando.

### Cause for Celebration

#### Zimbardo Receives Multiple Awards at the 2012 APA Convention



While gold medals were being bestowed on athletes in the first week of August during the Olympics in London, "across the pond," IAPA Member and Past President of the APA Philip Zimbardo was racking up his own collection of gold medals during that same week. At the 2012 APA Convention, Zimbardo was awarded the American Psychological Foundation Gold Medal for Lifetime Contributions to Science and the Division 46: Media Psychology Gold Medal Award for Lifetime Contributions to Media Psychology.

#### Research Notes

#### Features of the TEMAS Multicultural Test Outlined



In the July 2012 *IAPA Bulletin*, IAPA member Giuseppe Costantino noted his acquisition of the international rights to the TEMAS (Tell-Me-A-Story) Multicultural Test published by TEMAS Test Publishing Corp, of which he is the president. He also promised a more detail description of the TEMAS to help IAPA members who work with children and adolescents to become more familiar with the test and its critical features. As promised, according to Giuseppe, the original Tell-Me-A-Story (TEMAS) Test (Costantino, 1987; Costantino, Malgady & Rogler, 1988; Costantino, Dana & Malgady, 2007)

was developed to assess culturally and linguistically diverse children in an unbiased manner. In comparison with the Thematic Apperception Test and the Rorschach, the TEMAS test represents several departures and improvements. Some of these departures and improvements include:

- The TEMAS is based on social, cognitive and narrative theoretical models of psychology.
- It was specifically developed for children and adolescents (Ritzler, 1993).
- It comprises two parallel sets of stimulus cards, minority and non-minority, thus making it multicultural in nature.
- The test abandons the construct of pictorial ambiguity to pull for specific conflicts, and utilizes structured pictorial stimuli depicting problem-solving situations (Costantino, et al., 2007).
- It uses an objective scoring system, thus creating norms for White, Black, Puerto Rican and other Hispanic youngsters 5-13 years old, but it can be used clinically with adolescents 14 to 18 years old.

• The stimulus cards are in color (see Figure 1), which attract and maintain children's interest,



and facilitate expression of emotional states. There are two parallel sets: Minority version for African-American and Hispanic and Non-Minority version for white youngsters. Each set is comprised of the long version, 23 cards and the short version, nine cards, which is standardized to be used in clinical setting. Several studies were conducted, which confirm the test multicultural validity and clinical utility (Costantino & Malgady 1994; Costantino et al, 2007; Dana, 2007).

Figure 1: Four cards of the Non-minority and Minority Versions of TEMAS.

According to Giuseppe, "As the president, one of my first decisions was to offer the TEMAS test to those IAPA members who work with children and adolescents at 20% discount on the TEMAS Kit, which cost \$299.00. Ten percent can be deducted directly at the time of the purchase while the 10% will be given to IAPA when the purchase order is received." For more information, please visit the TEMAS website: <a href="https://www.temastest.com">www.temastest.com</a>.

## Lorraine Mangione's Make Presentations on Italian Themes at Conferences Focusing on Bruce Springsteen and Creativity and Madness



How do you link Bruce Springsteen, creativity and madness, and Italians together? Well, for that answer you would have to ask IAPA member Lorraine Mangione. Lorraine will be presenting research having "something to do with "Italianness" at two upcoming conferences. Lorraine notes, "I am always grateful to this group (IAPA) for encouraging such interest!" For her first presentation, she is the solo author on a paper titled "Psychological Theories of Grieving, Italian American Culture, and Springsteen's Work" at the Glory Days Conference in Monmouth, NJ on September 14-16, 2012. And Lorraine wants to let all IAPA

members know that "Yes, there actually is real scholarship on Bruce Springsteen!" To see for yourself, visit the conference web site at <a href="http://www.usi.edu/glory-days">http://www.usi.edu/glory-days</a>. Here is the abstract of this presentation:

Psychological Theories of Grieving, Italian American Culture, and Springsteen's Work Ideas about grieving and loss have been changing for the last 10 or 15 years, primarily away from a "closure" model in which the grieved person leaves the loved one behind, to a model that allows for a more connected approach in which a new relationship is formed with the lost loved one and he or she is integrated into the grieving person's present life in a transformed way. Italian American culture has long had a tradition of "keeping the dead near" (Giordano, 2005) and keeping connected with those who have died. Utilizing these two frameworks, one psychological and one cultural, this paper explores Springsteen's response to recent losses through a brief examination of several songs from Devils and Dust, Magic and Working on a Dream, including "Jesus Was An Only Son", "Terry's Song", "Outlaw Pete", "The Last Carnival", "What Love Can Do", "This Life", and "Life Itself", and the current tour in which great homage is paid to Clarence Clemmons. There

are intimations of different attitudes toward the dead, including both a sense of finality to the loss and a sense of an enduring presence. One can wonder if the legendary Springsteen *faith* is going to prevail or if it is *fate* that is cruel and unforgiving and leaves you with nothing? Perhaps "Spirit In The Night" laid the groundwork for how death is ultimately conceptualized and experienced, and for what we are seeing on the current tour, particularly in "We Are Alive."

Lorraine notes that this this work comes partly out of presenting and writing done in collaboration with IAPA members Dr. Donna DiCello and Dr. Anne Pidano on Italian Americans and their approach to death and grieving, some of which was presented at 2011 APA Convention in Washington, D.C. and will also appear in a forthcoming book chapter as well as a journal article.

Lorraine is also the solo author on her second presentation at the upcoming Creativity and Madness conference to be held in Boston on October 11th-14th, 2012. More information is available at the conference's web site at <a href="http://www.creativityandmadness.com/2012/boston-fall-2012/">http://www.creativityandmadness.com/2012/boston-fall-2012/</a>. Here is the abstract for this presentation:

### Creating as an Act of Cultural and Identity Assertion: Italian American Women and Their Art

Mental health professionals work with many individuals from culturally diverse backgrounds, including those from recent as well as more established immigrant groups. For such individuals, issues of identity and how identity interacts with cultural components may be important for them in resolving a range of issues and seeking to live healthier and more satisfying lives. Examining the works of established Italian American women poets and artists who have forged an identity inclusive of what it means to be Italian in America can serve as an example for this process of identity development in women from Italian and other ethnic backgrounds.

Lorraine notes that the major artists/writers whose work will be discussed in this presentation include Helen Barolini, Daniela Gioseffi, B. Amore (who presented to the IAPA at our APA 2008 gathering in Boston), and Sylvia Forges Ryan. In addition, this presentation is based in part on qualitative, interview research, done in collaboration with Dr. Donna DiCello, on Italian American women and their relationships with their father. We were fortunate to have interviewed several artistically creative individuals in our study. (More to come on that research in our up-coming book). Some of the ideas around poetry and identity will also be discussed in an upcoming journal article co-authored with Rachel Urbano.

#### Guido Cimino Traces the History of Psychology in Italy in Book Chapter

IAPA member Guido Cimino, Professor in the Department of Social & Developmental Psychology at the University of Rome "La Sapienza," and Renato Froschi, Assistant Professor of Psychology, published a book chapter in *The Oxford Handbook of the History of Psychology: Global Perspectives* titled "Italy." An abstract of the book chapter is presented below. The complete citation for this chapter is: Cimino, G., & Foschi, R. (2012). *Italy.* In D. B. Baker (Ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of the History of Psychology: Global Perspectives* (pp. 307-346). New York: Oxford University Press. (ISBN: 978-0-19-536655-6).

#### Abstract

This chapter traces the history of "scientific" psychology in Italy between the second half of the 19th century and the last decades of the 20th century. In the first period of "gestation," through the works of scholars such as Roberto Ardigò, Giuseppe Sergi, Cesare Lombroso, and Gabriele Buccola, its origin was favored by three research traditions that arose within the sphere of positivist philosophy, anthropology, and psychiatry, and contributed to its "birth" in the beginning of the 20th century. In these years, a second generation of scholars—including Giulio Cesare Ferrari, Sante De Sanctis, Federico Kiesow, Francesco De Sarlo, and Maria Montessori—promoted a series of initiatives (debate on the scientific statute of the discipline; experimental research of general, applied, and clinical psychology; first university chairs; laboratories) that characterized the beginnings of the "new" psychological science. The latter proceeded then with fluctuating experiences—thanks to the contribution of Vittorio Benussi, Cesare Musatti, Enzo Bonaventura, and Agostino Gemelli—during the years between the two World Wars, marked by the predominance of the neo-idealist culture grafted onto the fascist regime, which favored in particular psychotechnics. After World War II, Italian psychology had a noteworthy scientific and institutional development up to the realization of the first university degree courses and of the law regulating the profession of psychologist.

Keywords: Italian psychology, positivism, anthropology, psychiatry, scientific foundation, psychotechnics, neo-idealism, fascism, university degree courses

# Luciano L'Iabate Seeking Support for Creating a New APA Division—Society for Technology and Psychology



According to IAPA member Luciano L'labate, efforts are underway to create a *Society for Technology and Psychology* division in the American Psychological Association. This new division will serve as a focal point for APA members interested in technology issues in psychology and will help increase the membership of the APA through collaboration with outside health and non-health-related disciplines. Our interests include but are not limited to: telepsychology, online therapy, telemental health and telehealth, social media,

virtual reality and mobile applications ("apps"). See our <u>letter of intent</u> for details. Our petition needs to be signed by 1% of all APA Members or Fellows, or we cannot be considered. If you are a full Member or Fellow of the American Psychological Association, please go to the APA <u>website and sign it electronically</u> using your APA login, or go to our <u>website</u>, <u>print</u>, <u>then sign the petition</u> (once only) and either fax hard copies to Sarah Jordan at APA Division Services: (202) <u>218-3599</u>, or mail to Sarah Jordan, APA Division Services, 750 First Street, NE, Washington, DC. 20002-4242.

You also *do not have to be a member of APA to benefit from our efforts*. To simply receive news and updates, join us on <u>LinkedIn</u>, the <u>professional networking website</u>. Once logged into LinkedIn, look for the group called "<u>APA Proposed Society for Technology & Psychology"</u> or find us on our <u>Facebook page</u>.

Technology is growing, and we hope to bring that growth to the APA! Your assistance in forwarding this email to all potentially interested parties is sincerely appreciated.

## IAPA Co-Founder Anthony Marsella Comments on the Conditions of Human Health and Well Being

The Conditions for Human Health and Well Being Reside within the Psychosocial Contexts of Life (Redux -9/11/2012)

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#### Anthony J. Marsella

As our concern for human health and well being grows with each day, we too often find ourselves seeking solutions within the limitations of our health-care system. We call for more medical services, lower medical costs, more health professionals, better medical technologies, improvements in medical records, greater accessibility and acceptability of health care, and more and more committees, evaluations, and reports to determine why the system is failing for the elderly, poor, minorities, veterans, and youth. Indeed, in many ways, it is failing all of us as concerned and compassionate citizens.

While all of these the health-care system limitations are important, they keep us from recognizing and addressing the psychosocial causes that also determine human health and well being – causes that could be addressed directly and immediately by social and political action, and causes that would *significantly* (1) reduce rates of dysfunction, disorder, and disease, (2) promote human health and well being, and (3) advance the human condition domestically and internationally.

We are excessively concerned with physical aspects of our being – even to the extent we divide up medical specialties along functions and organs. We pursue reductionism endlessly, going from limb, to organ, to cell, to gene, to atom and to molecular space. Clearly, these pursuits are warranted, for they have helped illuminate the substrates and structures of illness and disease. But they cannot alone address nor resolve the tolls exacted on human health and well being forged and sustained within the psychosocial contexts of our lives. No one can deny that scores of illnesses are linked directly to the deprivations of associated poverty?

And yet, we proceed each day to do little or nothing to build communities, societies, and nations in which salutogenic psychosocial contexts of life are developed and promoted. Even as we justly speak of cancer, heart disease, asthma, obesity, and other chronic medical illnesses, we forget that the conditions that give rise to them also reside in the psychosocial contexts of our daily lives -- in the stressors and demands that reside in families, friends, neighborhoods, schools, workplaces, cities, corporate board rooms, and government offices.

Of special importance as the date of our presidential elections approach, are the contributions politically partisanship is shaping our health and wellbeing problems. Extreme partisanship is pitting social classes, "races," minority populations, political parties, genders/sexual preferences, religions, and other sectors against one another. This has kept us from working toward shared solutions for the broad spectrum dysfunctions, disorders, diseases, and deviancies we face. We

have come to the point of institutional stasis and paralysis. No action has become the acceptable norm as groups and political constituencies refuse civil discourse, cooperation and collaboration.

#### Therefore, I say:

- 1. We cannot have health and well being where there is cultural destruction, for this breeds confusion, uncertainty, and conflict;
- 2. We cannot have health and well being where there is oppression, for this breeds anger and resentment;
- 3. We cannot have health and well being where there is powerlessness, for this breeds helplessness and despair;
- 4. We cannot have health and well being where there is poverty, for this breeds hopelessness;
- 5. We cannot have health and well being where there is denigration, disdain, and condemnation, for this breeds a sense of low esteem and worthlessness;
- 6. We cannot have health and well being where there is violence and aggression, for this breeds fear, anxiety, and dread;
- 7. We cannot have health and well being where there is distrust, for this breeds paranoia, suspicion, and isolation;
- 8. We cannot have health and well being where there is inequity and inequality, for this breeds resentment, bitterness, and frustration;
- 9. We cannot have health and well being where there is humiliation, for this breeds revenge, resentment, and reprisal;
- 10. We cannot have health and well being where there is racism, sexism, and ageism, for this restrains opportunity, limits choice, and punishes minority status.
- 11. We cannot have health and wellbeing where political partisanship interferes with the process of addressing and resolving governance at local, regional, and national levels. This leads to uncertainty, confusion, alienation, disgust, and a loss of hope.

Reflect for a moment on a world in which the described psychosocial conditions are absent or limited. It is possible.

PsySR Past President Anthony Marsella is Professor Emeritus, Department of Psychology, University of Hawaii. Although retired, he continues to lecture and write on the many social

challenges facing our global community. He can be reached directly at <u>marsella@hawaii.edu</u>. See also www.psysr.org/marsella.

#### Call for Papers

#### Help Spread the Word about the IAPA at Local and Regional Conferences

Attending local and regional conferences is an excellent way to help spread the word about the IAPA without the time and expense of traveling to the national conferences. Developing an IAPA social network at local and regional conferences is also an effective way to reach those individuals who might not be able to afford the expense of traveling to the national conferences but still want to actively participate in the IAPA "closer to home." Listed below are "Call for Papers" local and regional conferences. Please consider helping to spread the word out the IAPA by attending, submitting your research, and/or organizing a social event (e.g., dinner) at one of these conferences.

#### **Call for Papers: 2013 EPA international Proposals**

The 2013 meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association is set for 1-4 March, in the magnificent Marriott Marquis Hotel in the heart of New York City. Once again, for the 11th year, EPA welcomes proposals from all students and professionals interested in international and cross-cultural psychology, due by **1 November 2012**. A low fee of U\$60 also includes one year membership in EPA (\$25 for students). Membership is required before on-line submission.

In 2012 at EPA in Pittsbugh PA, many of 1,800 psychologists and students shared two full days of global programs—invited international speakers, symposia, papers, posters, and organizations.

To submit proposals by 11/1/2012: www.easternpsychological.org.

For any details, check <u>www.internationalpsychology.net</u>, or contact the EPA International Program: Harold Takooshian at <u>takoosh@aol.com</u>

#### TWO INVITATIONS:

- (1) **D52**. All students and faculty who present international research at EPA 2013, and are (or become) members of the APA International Division, can submit their 300-word abstract by 15 September 2013 for publication in the APA International Psychology Bulletin in fall 2013. For any details, contact Editor **Grant Rich at** optimalex@aol.com
- (2) **EPA**. A special Presidential theme for EPA 2013 is all aspects of "Food and eating," such cross-cultural, diet, obesity/anorexia, vegetarianism, fasting.

#### **CALL for Papers: The 2013 Midwestern Psychological Association**

Instructions for Faculty/Graduate Students: Submissions for papers, posters, and symposia for the annual meeting will be accepted from September 1, 2012 through November 11, 2012 11:59PM EST. Electronic submission is required. The Call for Papers provides a preliminary list of Invited Addresses, Talks, and Workshops as well information about the meeting. At least one of the authors on each presentation must be a current, dues-paid MPA member. If you hold a doctorate in psychology or are a graduate student you may become a member <a href="here">here</a>. If you want to renew your membership, login using the box in the upper right-hand corner. Once you have become a member or renewed your membership, you may submit your preentation. Submit your MPA abstract electronically at: <a href="http://forms.apa.org/mpa/">http://forms.apa.org/mpa/</a>. Note: Only one contact email can be associated with each unique submission login. Don't use your colleague's, professor's, or student's login unless that person's email address should be the

contact email address for all the submissions. The last email address entered will be used for all submissions under that login.

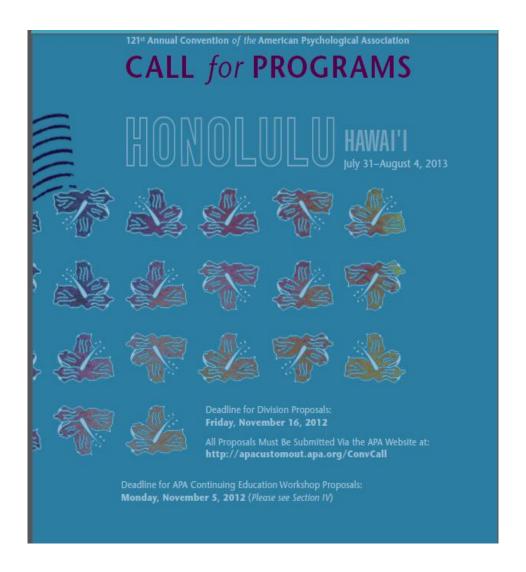
**Instructions for Undergraduates:** Undergraduate students who are submitting their own work (e.g., an honors thesis) should submit a poster through the Psi Chi portion of the annual meeting. The Psi Chi site is located <a href="here">here</a>. Undergraduates who have collaborated on faculty-generated research may be coauthors on MPA papers as long as the MPA member is also an author and present at the meeting.

#### **Questions?**

Please contact the Program Moderator, Dr. William Graziano.

#### The IAPA at the 2013 APA Convention in Honolulu

The IAPA is interested in helping its members to develop proposal for the 2013 APA Convention in Honolulu. It you have an idea for a proposal, please contact Bernardo Carducci at bcarducc@ius.edu.



#### IAPA at the 2012 APA Convention



# Psychology Italian Style: The Traditions and Activities of the Italian American Psychology Assembly at the 2012 APA Convention

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#### IAPA/APA Dinner: "We Came, We Ate, We Had a Great Time"

For me, as well the feedback and comments I continue to hear from IAPA members, a highlight of the APA meeting is the Annual IAPA/APA Dinner. This year, the 2012 IAPA/APA Dinner was held at Fratelli's Italian Restaurant on Wednesday, August 1, 2012. Fratelli's is a family owned-and-operated restaurant located next to the Courthouse in the heart of Downtown Orlando. Given the restaurant's central location and solid reputation for serving classic Italian food at great prices, Fratelli's is the "go-to-place" for the locals for lunch, dinner, and family celebrations and the out-of-towners wishing to avoid the national chain restaurants while seeking a unique and comfortable casual dining experience. As Julian Fratelli said to me while we were planning the event, "When folks come here, we make them feel like family." To make us feel



IAPA members and their guests enjoying the outstanding food at the IAPA/APA Dinner. Is your mouth watering yet?

like family, Julian reorganized the tables in the restaurant so that we could enjoy family style seating, order from the entire menu at regular prices, and pay by separate checks. As someone who has organized many social gatherings for large groups, it does not get more "family friendly" than this, believe me. Finally, consistent with the "family theme" of the event, and just like the family-owned Italian restaurants most of the older IAPA members remember going to as kids on those special and rare occasions when we actually did go out to dinner, those working at the restaurant that evening included

Julian Fratelli, the owner, Julian's wife and her sister, and a longtime friend of the family in the kitchen.

We Ate. We Talked. And Ate and Talked Some More—We're Italians: In addition to the wonderful food and old-school family atmosphere, another characteristic feature of the IAPA/APA Dinner is, without question, the fellowship and conversations that are always a big part of any gathering of IAPA members. We start with general introductions that include, as you would expect, standard information about professional affiliations and academic interests. However, what always happens, right after the professional information, each person begins to



Always on the go are Ruth and Joe Matarazzo.

share personal information about their Italian roots and special memories that include childhood experiences of growing up in an Italian family that had a significant impact on their decision to become a psychologist and/or memorial experience when traveling to Italy to explore their family heritage. While there are always so many wonderful and heartfelt stories shared at these dinners, a highlight at this year's dinner was when IAPA member and former APA President Joe Matarazzo regaled us with some travel stories of he and

his wife Ruth having a discussion with the actress Judy Garland about her fight with severe depression and an impromptu lunch meeting in Italy with the legendary gangster Lucky Luciano! As I have always told individuals who have not had the wonderful opportunity to attend these IAPA/APA dinners, "The only thing that exceeds the food at these dinners will be the stories you will hear being told by our members." So, if you ever have the opportunity to attend an IAPA/APA Dinner, take it. I guarantee you will not regret it.

Adding Some Local Flavor to the IAPA/APA Dinner: In addition to trying to seek out local, family-owned Italian restaurants, we always try to have a speaker to make an informal presentation about the Italian heritage and activities of Italian organizations in the area. To add some local Italian flavor to the 2012 IAPA/APA Dinner, we had the delightful experience of having as our featured speaker local resident Rose Marie Boniello. Consistent with the principal objective of the IAPA, Rose Marie Boniello talked about her efforts throughout Florida to preserve the Italian culture and inspire young people to embrace their Italian heritage. As a reflection of these efforts, Rose Marie Boniello is the current president of the Deltona Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge #2441 of Deltona, Florida, state president emeritus of the Grand Lodge



(1 to r) John G. and Rose Marie Boniello, IAPA President Bernardo Carducci, and Alice Russell embrace at the IAPA/APA Dinner. Now "That's *Amore*."

of Florida Sons of Italy, and editor of the highly successful *Preserving Our Italian Heritage* cookbook, which has sold over 100,000 copies worldwide! Sales of the book are used to raise funds to support the Grand Lodge of Florida. According to Rose Marie, "*Preserving Our Italian Heritage* is more than just a cookbook. It is a collection of recipes from the hearts and minds of our forefathers, many handed down from generation to generation and written down for the very first time in this book." As a special favor to the IAPA members, Rose Marie took the time to share with us the history of some of the family recipes included in the cookbook while

signing copies of the cookbook for those IAPA members who purchased one at a special discounted price. In fact, most of those who purchased books bought more than one copy to give as special gifts. And if all of this was not enough, Rose Marie also brought a few baskets of

homemade *biscotti* and *pizzelle*, a traditional waffle cookie seasoned with anise, she made herself to share with us at the event. Talk about hospitality, "Now, that's Italian!"

By the time the evening was over Rose Marie, John, and Alice were presented with their IAPA badge plates and made "Honorary Members" of the IAPA. As an expression of her appreciation, Rose Marie said, "The next time you folks meet in Orlando, all of you are invited to the Lodge to enjoy a homemade spaghetti dinner and play some bocce with our members." My response was, "Game on!"

# From the Convention Center to Convention Program: The Italians Were Everywhere!

It is tempting to think that all IAPA members do at the APA meetings is get together to eat, talk, and have fun. I am here to say that, while there is some truth to that assumption, we are also active as individuals and an organization in a variety of ways, as described below.

#### Showing Our Colors at the 2012 APA—The Wearing of the IAPA Badge Plate



The colorful IAPA badge plate was a familiar sight at the 2012 APA Convention.

For the second year in a row, IAPA members attending the APA meeting were encouraged to wear the IAPA badge plate on their APA Convention badge to help promote the organization. As an accurate reflection of the organization's name and the shared heritage of our members, the green, white, and red colors on the left portion of the badge plate represent the colors of the Italian flag while the red, white, and blue colors on the right portion of the badge plate represent the

color of the American flag. Once again, many IAPA members shared stories of other attendees at the convention approaching them after seeing the name of the organization on the badge plate seeking information about the IAPA and requesting an IAPA badge plate so that they, too, could show the pride they have in their own Italian heritage and/or that of a spouse, significant other, or friend. A common theme in these serendipitous exchanges included expressing surprise at the existence of the IAPA and then the individuals sharing stories of growing up in an Italian household, which almost always included recollections of big family dinners, and/or trips to Italy. Anyone interested in receiving a sheet of IAPA badge plates free of charge for themselves and/or to share with others while attending other professional meetings is encouraged to contact me at <a href="mailto:bcarducc@ius.edu">bcarducc@ius.edu</a>. When doing so, please include the phrase "IAPA Badge Plates" in the subject line of the E-mail message.

# IAPA's First Official Event with Division 52: "... I think this is the beginning of a beautiful friendship."

A significant event at this year's APA convention was the IAPA's first official co-sponsored activity with Division 52. This event occurred on Saturday morning, August 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. when the IAPA hosted an open meeting and social hour in the Hospitality Suite of Division 52. Once again, many of the topics of discussion during this time in the hospitality suite followed a very similar conversational pattern reflecting the overall theme of the event. More specifically, at this event, IAPA members had the opportunity to meet and greet others members of Division 52 to discuss the nature and activities of the IAPA and their individual areas of academic and research interest. As you might expect, the topic of conversation then



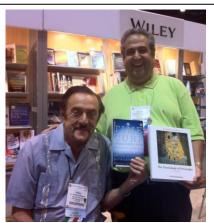
Yuki Shig is all smiles while wearing his IAPA badge plate.

moved on to all those in attendance sharing stories of growing up in or near an Italian neighborhood, having Italian friends and colleagues, and trips to Italy. Also helping to make the atmosphere in the suite relaxed and comfortable was Yuki Shig, who served as the Division 52 representative during the IAPA's hospitality hour. As an expression of appreciation for his efforts to make the IAPA's time in the hospitality suite a success, Yuki was presented with an IAPA badge plate and made an "Honorary Italian." To Yuki, the IAPA says, "Grazie."

The IAPA would also like to express its gratitude to Dr. Robyn Kurasaki, Co-Coordinator of the Division 52 Hospitality Suite, for working so closely with me in the planning of this event. Before the conclusion of the event, Robyn, who will be helping to coordinate the programming

activities in the suite again next year, and I began discussing ideas for co-sponsoring a social hour at the 2013 APA meeting in Hawaii. While reflecting on the success of this initial event and talking with Robyn about co-sponsoring future activities in the Division 52 Hospitality Suite, I was reminded of Humphrey Bogart's famous line from the movie *Casablanca*, "..., I think this is the beginning of a beautiful friendship."

# IAPA Members at the Convention Center: Mixing and Mingling in All the Right Places IAPA members made their presence known in the exhibit hall and social receptions in their efforts to raise the visibility of the IAPA and its activities while also having a fun time.



IAPA members Philip Zimbardo and Bernardo Carducci appear at the John Wiley Publishers booth prior to their "Meet the Author" sessions.



IAPA member Vito Tumino, from Como, Italy, talked to many groups of individuals throughout the convention about the Italian Network of Psychologists' Associations efforts to present the 2015 European Congress of Psychology in Milan.



IAPA members (l to r) Vito Tumino, Giuseppe Costantino, and Bernardo Carducci at the APA Reception for International Visitors. Their colorful IAPA badge plates served as wonderful icebreakers for starting conversations with psychologists from around the world.



IAPA members Laura Nota, of the University of Padua, and Bernardo Carducci celebrate after her presentation.



Bob DiCuio is being recruited as an IAPA member by Philip Zimbardo.









# IAPA Members on the APA Convention Program: Demonstrating Variety IS the Spice of Life...And Psychology

The Italians have long been known for the diversity of spices they use when creating some of the world's most tasty and favorite foods. Well, this same approach to the value of diversity is taken by the IAPA members when participating in the APA convention. In addition to the variety of wonderful spices used to create the great-tasting food we ate at the IAPA/APA Dinner, another of our traditions is to provide a summary of all the different the IAPA members listed as participants in the APA Convention Program. Their names and the titles of their presentations are listed below in the summary titled "Participation by IAPA Members in the 2012 Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association." One purpose for assembling this list is to help those IAPA members attending the conference to locate easily when and where such participation takes places so as to facilitate their attendance at these presentations as a means of fostering social support. Another reason for assembling this list is to be able to share with all IAPA members, especially those not able to attend the convention, the wide range of topics being addressed by IAPA members as a means of stimulating collaborative research and networking opportunities. Finally this list serves as a sense of pride for all IAPA members by documenting the diversity of ideas and interests and extensive involvement of IAPA members in a wide range of different divisions of the APA. To this point, IAPA members participated in programming with primary sponsorship by 19 different APA divisions (Divisions 1, 2, 8, 9, 14, 16, 17, 18, 26, 30, 32, 35, 36, 37, 42, 45, 52, 53, and 55), secondary co-sponsorship by 17 different APA divisions (Divisions 3,5, 6, 12, 19, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29, 31, 38, 39, 48, 49, 51, and 56), and the following APA-recognized groups and organizations: APAGS, APA Invited Address, APA Committee for the Advancement of Professional Practice, APA Committee on Psychology Teachers at Community Colleges, APA Continuing Education Committee, APA Teachers of Psychology in Secondary Schools, and Psi Chi.

Once again, this shows that for the Italians variety is a key ingredient in when preparing wonderful food, when living an interesting life, and, as you can see, when doing psychology Italian style at the APA convention! In closing I say, "Arrivederci. I look forward to more interactions with Division 52 members at the 2013 APA Convention in Hawaii. A presto (See you soon.).

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(Note: Only IAPA member names are included here as Authors, Chairs, Discussants, Participants, Coauthors.)

### Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>

12:00PM - 12:50PM

10:00AM - 11:50AM Convention Center, Room W110B, Level I

**Raymond A. DiGiuseppe, Ph.D.,** Co-Author— Cognitions and Emotional Distress: Testing the REBT and CBT Models From a Cross-Cultural Perspective

Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

Session ID: 1111—Symposium, Divisions: 42, 12, 17, 24, 29, 31, 55

**Linda C. Caterino, Ph.D.,** Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author & **Jack A. Naglieri, Ph.D.,** Participant—*Giftedness and Social Skills* 

Session ID: 1162—Poster Session, Division: 16

1:00PM - 1:50PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Sandra Lee, Ph.D.,** Co-Author— *Ethical Considerations and Boundary Issues Raised by Technology* 

Session ID: 1204—Poster Session, Division: 17

1:00PM - 2:50PM Convention Center, Room W105B, Level I

**Patrick H. DeLeon, Ph.D., J.D.,** Discussant—Prescriptive Authority—Critical to the Future of Psychology As a Viable Health Care Profession

Session ID: 1235—Symposium, Divisions: 55, 18, 12, 17, 22, 38

1:00PM – 2:50PM Convention Center, Room W105B, Level I

**Raymond A. Folen, Ph.D.,** Chair and Participant—Is the Sky Really Falling or Is It Just My Imagination?

Session ID: 1235—Symposium, Divisions: 55, 18, 12, 17, 22, 38

1:00PM – 2:50PM Convention Center, Room W105B, Level I

**Stephen A. Ragusea, Psy.D.,** Participant—Expanding Our Roles: Where We Are Successful, and Where We Are Not?

Session ID: 1235—Symposium, Divisions: 55, 18, 12, 17, 22, 38

Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:00AM - 3:50PM Hilton Orlando Hotel, Lake Eola Room B, Lobby Level

**Jack A. Naglieri**, **Ph.D.**, Co-Leader— Continuing Education Workshop #136: The Assessment of Autism Spectrum Disorders in Children and Adolescents

Session ID: 2058—Workshop, Group: APA Continuing Education Committee

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9:00AM - 9:50AM Convention Center, Room W307A, Level III

**Andrea L. Dottolo**, **Ph.D.**, Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—Surveying Obstacles to Education in Research Methods at a State University

Session ID: 2060—Symposium, Divisions/Groups: 2, 49, APA Committee on Psychology Teachers at Community Colleges, APA Teachers of Psychology in Secondary Schools, APAGS

9:00AM - 9:50AM Convention Center, Room W304A, Level III

**Anthony Scioli, Ph.D.,** Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*Empirical Support for a Whole-Brain Intervention to Instill Hope* 

Session ID: 2074—Paper Session, Divisions: 30, 55, 56

9:00AM - 10:50AM Convention Center, Room W102B, Level I

**Jeff Matranga, Ph.D.**, Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*Integrated Primary Care—Multifactorial Perspectives on Psychopharmacotherapy* 

Session ID: 2097—Symposium, Divisions: 55, 17, 22, 38

10:00AM - 11:50AM Convention Center, Room W311G, Level III

**Anne E. Pidano**, **Ph.D.**, Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*Models and Policy Promoting Pediatric Primary Care* 

Session ID: 2137—Invited Symposium, Divisions: 37, 12, 17, 18, 19, 27, 51, 53, 55

10:00AM - 11:50AM Convention Center, Room W207A, Level II

John Piacentini, Ph.D., Participant/1st Author—Evidence-Based Treatment of Pediatric OCD

Session ID: 2146—Symposium, Division: 53

11:00AM - 11:50AM Convention Center, Room W309A, Level III

**Patrick H. DeLeon, Ph.D., J.D.,** Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—Senior Scholar Roundtable—Influencing Policy: What Works/What Doesn't

Session ID: 2155—Discussion, Divisions: 9, 3

12:00PM - 12:50PM

Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Bernardo J. Carducci, Ph.D.**, Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*Evaluation of a 5-Week, Skills-Focused, Career-Development Course for Psychology Majors* 

Session ID: 2186—Poster Session, Division: 2

12:00PM - 12:50PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Sara C. Haden, Ph.D.,** Co-Author—Familial Support, Self–Concealment, and Psychological Distress in Stigmatized Women

Session ID: 2190—Poster Session, Division: 35

1:00PM-1:50PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Bernardo J. Carducci, Ph.D.,** Co-Author—*Getting Your Mind Right: Positive Mental Control as a Happiness-Enhancement Strategy* 

Session ID: 2218—Poster Session, Division: 8

1:00PM - 1:50PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Joseph G. Ponterotto, Ph.D.,** Co-Author—Influential Scholars in Multicultural Counseling Training and Research

Session ID: 2222—Poster Session, Division: 45

4:00 PM – 4:50 PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Bernardo J. Carducci, Ph.D.,** Co-Author—Promoting the Ideas of Division 1 Through a Skills-Based Careers in Psychology Course at a Community College

Session ID: 2304— Poster Session, Division: 1

4:00PM - 4:50PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Sandra Lee, Ph.D.,** Co-Author— Psychological Interactions and Social Media: Ethical Implications of Digital Disclosure

Session ID: 2304—Poster Session, Division: 1

4:00PM - 4:50PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

Sandra Lee, Ph.D., Co-Author— Therapist Self-Disclosure: An Ethical Gray Area

Session ID: 2304—Poster Session, Division: 1

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4:00PM - 4:50PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Raymond A. DiGiuseppe, Ph.D.,** Co-Author—Cognitions and Emotional Distress: Testing the REBT and CBT Models From a Cross-Cultural Perspective

Session ID: 2330—Poster Session, Division: 52

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### Saturday, August 4th

9:00AM-10:00AM Hilton Hotel Orlando, Div. 52—International Psychology Hospitality Suite

IAPA, Host Organization—Italian American Psychology Assembly (IAPA) Open Meeting and Social Hour

Special Note: All IAPA members and their guests are encouraged to stop by this informal gathering.

11:00AM - 11:50AM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Joseph G. Ponterotto, Ph.D.,** Co-Author—*Multicultural Personality Inventory:* Development and Psychometric Assessment

Session ID: 3154—Poster Session, Division: 17

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11:00AM - 12:50PM Convention Center, Room W312C, Level III

**Wade Pickren**, **Ph.D.**, Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*Golden Thread of Humanism in Psychology* 

Session ID: 3179—Symposium, Divisions/Groups: 32, 1, 2, 5, 6, 24, 26, 39, 48, APAGS, Psi Chi

12:00PM - 12:50PM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Anthony Scioli, Ph.D.,** Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*American and Kuwaiti Validation of a Comprehensive Measure of Hope* 

Session ID: 3202—Poster Session, Divisions: 36, 55

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1:00PM - 1:50PM Convention Center, Room W108A, Level I

**Ronald Riggio, Ph.D.,** Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*Student Assessment Centers for Selection and Outcomes Assessment* 

Session ID: 3234—Symposium, Division: 14

1:00PM – 1:50AM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Bernardo J. Carducci, Ph.D.** Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author & **Piero Bocchiaro, Ph.D.,** Participant—*Dove Si Trova la Timidezza un Problema: Where Shy Sicilians Students Say Their Shyness Is a Problem* 

Session ID: 3254—Poster Session, Division: 52

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1:00PM - 1:50PM

Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Giuseppe Costantino, Ph.D.,** Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author, **Dominick Fortugno, Ph.D., & Louis Primavera, Ph.D.,** Participants—*Validation of Narrative Personality Assessment Test: The Jewish Temas* 

Session ID: 3254—Poster Session, Division: 52

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1:00PM - 1:50PM

Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

Giuseppe Costantino, Ph.D., Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author & Dominick Fortugno, Ph.D., Louis Primavera, Ph.D., & Elsa Cardalda, Ph.D., Participants—*BMI Study With Hispanic/Latino Children: Healthy Body/Healthy Mind* 

Session ID: 3254—Poster Session, Division: 52

2:00PM - 3:50PM

Convention Center, Room W304B, Level III

**Raymond A. Folen, Ph.D.,** Participant—*Primary Care Integration in a Department of Defense Setting* 

Session ID: 3298—Symposium, Group: APA Committee for the Advancement of Professional Practice

6:30PM - 7:30PM

Convention Center, Valencia Ballroom B and C, Level IV

Philip G. Zimbardo, Ph.D., Presenter—The Anatomy of a TED Talk

Session ID: 3399—Invited Address, Group: APA

### Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup>

8:00AM - 9:50AM Convention Center, Room W103B, Level I

Patrick H. DeLeon, Ph.D., J.D., Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*Professional Psychology's Future for Better or Worse* 

Session ID: 4017—Symposium, Divisions: 18, 55

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10:00AM - 10:50AM Convention Center, Room W101A, Level I

**Wade Pickren**, **Ph.D.**, Chair—New Fellows Addresses: Historiographical Reflections on Behaviorism

Session ID: 4091—Fellows Address, Divisions: 26, 25

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11:00AM - 11:50AM Convention Center, West Hall A4-B3, Level II

**Jack A. Naglieri**, **Ph.D.**, Participant/1<sup>st</sup> Author—*Development and Standardization of the Comprehensive Executive Function Inventory* 

Session ID: 4135—Poster Session, Division: 53

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1:00PM - 1:50PM Convention Center, Room W303A, Level III

**Wade Pickren, Ph.D.,** Discussant—History and Undergraduate Psychology---Integrating the Past in the Contemporary Curriculum

Session ID: 4161—Symposium, Divisions: 26, 2

#### IAPA Membership Application—Help Spread the Word

Presented on the next page is an application for membership in the IAPA. Please feel free to forward the application and this copy of the *IAPA Bulletin* to those individuals you feel might be interested in becoming a member of the IAPA. If you are a member of other professional or community organizations, please feel free to forward this information for possible listing in other newsletters and listservs.



Italian American Psychology Assembly Membership Application

#### Dear Prospective IAPA Member:

According to our mission statement, the Italian American Psychology Assembly (IAPA) is a professional organization of psychologists and other educators founded in 2005 that seeks to:

- develop a resource network that links Italian American and Italian psychologists;
- foster cooperative teaching and research on Italian and Italian American culture and behavior;
- learn more about Italian and Italian American history, culture, and society;
- promote an understanding of Italian and Italian American culture and behavior;
- recognize and honor distinguished Italian American and Italian psychologists.

If you would like to be included in the IAPA member registry and receive the IAPA newsletter and announcements of upcoming events, please download this form and save it as:

your name\_IAPA membership application as the title; complete the information in the form below and E-mail it to: bcarducc@ius.edu.

Best regards, Bernardo J. Carducci, Ph.D. President, 2011-2012

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