

# CGLBMAPA

Caucus of Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Members of the American Psychiatric Association

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## CONVENTION 1984 INFORMATION:

The enclosed page lists the Caucus activities for the Annual Meetings, May 6 through May 11, 1984, in Los Angeles. Included is a listing of APA activities of interest to Caucus members. Up-to-date information will be available at the Caucus Hospitality Suite, the Malibu Parlor in the Hotel Bonaventure, 404 S. Figueroa Street, near the Convention Center. Also, sign-up sheets for group dinners and other activities will be located in the Suite.

Please send in your dues if you have not paid for the last year. The Annual Meeting and the *Newsletter* are the Caucus' greatest expenses and need your continued support. Send your check payable to "CGLBMAPA" (\$50.00, \$25.00 if in training) to: Dr. Robert Schwartz, 5645 Park Oak Place, Los Angeles, CA 90068.

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## UPCOMING ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The terms of office of the current slate of officers of the Caucus will expire with the Annual Meeting. It is time to consider running for an office in the Caucus. It would be ideal if we had a real slate of candidates to select from, but would be almost as ideal to have some members interested who have not previously served officially on the Caucus. To help clarify the role of each officer, the following description of each position, written in 1980 by past-president Dave Kessler, may help:

- President--Chief executive officer; represents the Caucus as spokesperson; overall coordination and planning
- Vice-President(s)--Coordinate internal organizations, including the developing and strengthening of local groups; available for special projects
- Secretary--Executive manager; collects reports and keeps executive committee members informed; correspondence with members
- Treasurer--Manages finances; handles membership dues and renewals
- Newsletter Editor--Coordinate production of the newsletter and promote communication network
- President-Elect--Coordinate plans for up-coming Annual Meeting

This list may help in deciding to run on the slate for 1984. If you have any questions, please contact Stu Nichols, 245 East 17th St., New York, N.Y. 10003.

Current officers are: Stu Nichols, President; Terry Stein, President-Elect; Peggy Hackenbruck and Bert Schaffner, Vice-Presidents; Bob Schwartz, Treasurer; John O'Donnell, Secretary; and Bob Cabaj, *Newsletter* Editor.

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## WOMEN'S COLUMN: Dr. Peggy Hanley-Hackenbruck

Women in Medicine: Asilomar Conference --  
Issues Relevant to Lesbian Physicians  
April 27-29, 1984  
Asilomar, California

This conference is being sponsored by the women of the American Association of Physicians for Human Rights, but all Lesbian physicians are welcome. Several Caucus members will be on the faculty and a variety of issues will be addressed. Lesbian lifestyles as related to private practice, residency and academics, parenting, networking, and homophobia (from within and without) are among the topics. There will also be time for fun and relaxation at this beautiful spot. The cost is \$200. If interested, write:

Patricia Robertson, M.D., or Lesley Anderson, M.D.  
817 22nd Street  
Santa Monica, CA 90403.

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A relatively new journal entitled *Women and Therapy, A Feminist Quarterly*, has recently carried a number of articles about treating Lesbian clients. Although the articles are not of uniformly high quality for content, I think they are worth reading and the *Journal* is worth supporting. A special double issue entitled "Women Changing Therapy" is available in book form and in addition to two articles concerning Lesbians, has many pertinent articles to treating women in general. The *Journal* or book can be obtained from the Haworth Press, 28 East 22nd Street, New York, NY 10010.

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With the Annual Meeting coming up in May, we're already planning some special events for the women in the Caucus. I urge all of you to join the Caucus and participate in these and other Caucus events. I think it is important for you to remember that Caucus membership is still confidential and is entirely separate from the Homosexually Identified Caucus whose membership is known to the APA. Some people's jobs are still affected by such open affiliations. We understand that confidentiality is important to many potential or current members. Urge your friends to join the Caucus, too. Let's have a strong group in L.A.!

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#### NEWS UPDATES:

Congratulations to Caucus member Dr. David P. McWhirter, and his co-author, lover Dr. Andrew M. Mattison on the recent publication of their book, *The Male Couple: How Relationships Develop*. This excellent book was published by Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood, Cliffs, NJ.

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From **Washington, D.C.**, Dr. Connie Kyropoulos reports that the local group continues to be very active with about 12-15 members from the D.C. and Baltimore areas who meet monthly in private homes. Members are also very active in the local gay medical group, Capital Area Physicians Association, with psychiatrists serving as president, president-elect, and treasurer.

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Dr. Bob Schwartz reports that he and Dr. Norm Hartstein are presenting a workshop entitled "Ten Years Later: Revisiting Group Therapy with Homosexual Men" at the International Congress of Group Psychotherapy, held in Mexico City from April 22-27. There will also be other workshops of interest: gender issues in group psychotherapy; psychodrama addresses homophobia; and sexually homogeneous therapy groups.

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HOPE TO SEE ALL OF YOU AT THE ANNUAL MEETING CAUCUS ACTIVITIES IN LA THIS MAY!

APA ANNUAL MEETING ACTIVITIES  
of interest to Caucus members—

Monday, May 7, 2-3:45—

APA Committee on Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Issues:  
"Gay Identity Formation and Coming Out", Dr. Jim Krajeski, Chair

Tuesday, May 8, 10-12noon—

Paper Session 13: Treatment and Complications of AIDS

Wednesday, May 9, 8-9:45—

Issues Workshop 24: Psychological Aspects of AIDS

Thursday, May 10, 10-11:45—

Film: Homophobia—Pink Triangles

Thursday, May 10, 2-5—

Symposia 65: Update on Psychological Issues in AIDS

## **The Caucus of the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Members of the American Psychiatric Association**

**Invites you to its  
Program Activities at the  
1984 APA Annual Meeting  
Los Angeles, California**

**Sunday, May 6:**

**Open Meeting, Hospitality Suite  
The Malibu Parlor  
3:00 - 5:00 P.M.**

**Sunday May 6:**

**Opening Reception Santa Anita C  
6:00 P.M.**

**Monday, May 7 and Tuesday, May 8:**

**Business Meetings Santa Anita B  
5:30 - 7:00 both evenings**

**Thursday evening, May 10**

**Closing Party , 6:30 or 7:00**

Home of Dr. Dave Sanders

630 Burk Place, Beverly Hills

**More information about Caucus activities will be available in the Registration area at the Annual Meeting. The opening reception, all meetings, and the Hospitality Suite will be located at the BONAVENTURE HOTEL , 404 S. Figueroa Street, downtown Los Angeles. The Hospitality Suite will be open on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, May 6-8.**

Please note further information on the other side of this page. Updates and directions to the closing party will be available in the Hospitality Suite, The Malibu Parlor. Be sure to return the bottom of the reverse page to help us plan more efficiently.

CONVENTION UPDATE: The Southern California contingent of the Caucus looks forward to hosting the 1984 annual meeting. We wish to thank Terry Stein and the APA meeting management staff for their assistance. All of the on-site activities have been scheduled at the Hotel Bonaventure.

Accommodations: A limited number of places are available for members who wish to stay in the homes of Caucus members. If you are interested, contact Dan Fast at 2901 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica CA 90403 or call 213-829-7204(o) or 213-658-7807(h) to reserve a place. Plan to have a car if you will be staying outside of the downtown area.

Transportation: To rent a car or not to rent a car...that is the question? Driving in LA really isn't bad--if you avoid peak rush hours. Parking downtown can be quite costly; the convention center might be the best deal. There are buses in LA but the service is slow and quite limited at night. Plan to carpool or share a taxi to get to the closing party planned for Thursday evening May 10 at the home of David Sanders in Beverly Hills. Directions and a map will be available at the Hospitality Suite.

Hostpitality Suite: The Malibu Parlor in the Hotel Bonaventure will be our hospitality suite. Our first event, the Open Meeting will convene there on Sunday at 3:00 PM. We are preparing a list of restaurants, bars, and other points of interest in Gay LA. This information will be available at the Suite and at the Opening Reception scheduled at 6:00 PM on Sunday in the Santa Anita C.

Small group discussions are also being planned for the Suite. A program for gay and lesbian residents is being planned. If you have a special interest or an idea for a discussion group, please contact Norm Hartstein at 851 No. Kings Rd. #309 LA 90069 or call 213-653-0207.

The women are planning a special event at the Suite for Tuesday evening, May 8th at 7:00 PM.

Bob Schwartz will be coordinating small, no-host dinners for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings at restaurants convenient to downtown. Plan to sign up at the Hospitality Suite or the Opening Reception.

SPECIAL EVENTS: MECLA, Municipal Elections Committee of Los Angeles will have its annual dinner Saturday, May 5th at the Century Plaza Hotel. This gala celebration is really special. Tickets are \$200. and you can make a reservation through Norm or MECLA, PO Box 48005, LA 90048-1005.

PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE TO NORM HARTSTEIN BY APRIL 30th.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ No, of guests

I plan to atend : \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Opening Reception \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday Closing Party \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Dr. Norm Hartstein  
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Los Angeles, CA 90069