

Asian American Psychological Association 2012-2013 Annual Report

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PRESIDENT: Richard M. Lee, Ph.D., L.P.

My term as President is now ending and it has been a tremendous honor to serve this organization over the last two years. I have been fortunate to have a wonderfully supportive Executive Committee, including Vice-President Anna Lau, appointed officers, Frances Shen (Membership), Ulash Dunlap (Communications), and Richard Shin (Finance), and current and past Board of Directors (Richelle Concepcion, Grace Kim, Cindy Liu, Zeb Lim, Kevin Nadal, Judy Tan). Together with countless others (e.g., delegate to APA Council, convention co-chairs, newsletter co-editors, division representatives) who have volunteered hundreds of hours, we have worked hard to make AAPA a stronger, more visible, and more proactive organization.

I began my term with the presidential theme of **Culture and Prevention**. Through continued support of ongoing projects and the development of new initiatives, I believe we have succeeded in promoting the importance of prevention efforts to reduce major disparities affecting Asian American communities and meeting the major goals of **(a) increasing visibility**, **(b) broadening scholarship and outreach**, and **(c) creating the next generation of leaders**. I would like to highlight these achievements over the past two years, many of these successes building upon the work of my predecessors.

Logo: As President-elect, I lobbied to rebrand the image of AAPA beginning with a new logo that all our print and online materials now feature. Designed by <u>Alex DeArmond</u>, an Assistant Professor of Graphic Design at University of Wisconsin-Stout, the sunburst image can be interpreted many ways but, as Alex puts it, it conveys "convergence and multiplicity, people coming together, crossing paths." At the same time, I like how it evokes our multiple ethnic roots and heritages, as many Asian countries and cultures use the circle or sun as part of their national identity and philosophy, without essentializing or Orientalizing what it means to be Asian American.

Website: Upon taking office, I learned that our existing website was not optimally functioning and, as such, was not meeting our organizational needs. Working closely with President-elect Sumie Okazaki and Membership Officer Frances Shen, we decided to move forward with building a new website using WordPress as our content management system to handle membership and convention registrations. Asian American-owned and Minneapolis-based Bust Out Solutions was selected to design and build our website. We launched in mid-May and are extremely pleased with the new site. I truly hope AAPA members frequently go to the website as it is designed to be up-to-date, interactive and intuitive.

Social Media: Paper and pencil, printed newsletters, and snail mail have been replaced by faster, more immediate online sources of news and information, such as Facebook and Twitter. When I asked Ulash Dunlap to serve as Communications Officer, I did so because she gets social media and has done an amazing job raising the visibility of AAPA on these sites. If you have not done so already, click "Like" on our Facebook page and follow us at #AAPAonline.

Fact Sheets: A couple years ago, it came to the attention of some AAPA members that there was misinformation about Asian Americans in the public discourse on suicide and bullying. In response, AAPA

Leadership Fellows produced fact sheets on suicide and bullying to correct misconceptions with accurate facts and research findings. We have since developed two more fact sheets on first-generation college students and international students. These fact sheets have been distributed to the APA Office for Ethnic Minority Affairs, Center for Disease Control (CDC), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and other outlets, as well as available on our website for distribution.

Asian American Journal of Psychology: Under the editorial leadership of Fred Leong, AAJP has grown in leaps and bounds. This year, AAJP was accepted by Thomson Reuters and is now indexed in by the Social Sciences Citation Index, Journal Citation Reports/Social Sciences Edition, and Current Contents/Social and Behavioral Sciences. What does this all mean? In short, AAJP just received its first impact factor score of 1.75. To put this into broader perspective, Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology (CDEMP), the flagship journal of Division 45, has a current impact factor score of 1.60. Journal of Family Psychology has an impact factor of 1.88, Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology has an impact factor of 1.33, and Professional Psychology: Research and Practice has an impact factor of 1.65. Additionally, AAJP is ranked *first* of 16 journals in the Ethnic Studies category and 36th of 126 journals in the multidisciplinary psychology category. What an impressive achievement for a new journal!

Recently, AAJP published a special issue on Tiger Parenting that has received national attention, including an NPR interview with University of Texas Professor Su Yeong Kim. In the upcoming year, AAJP will publish another special issue on Culture and Prevention, co-edited by Anna Lau and me. Beyond attracting national attention, these special issues reflect the broadening of scholarship in Asian American psychology.

Finally, the editorial search committee, led by Arpana Inman, nominated AAPA Fellow Bryan Kim as the next editor of AAJP. The Executive Committee subsequently approved this nomination. Trust me when I say that AAJP will remain in good hands once Dr. Leong steps down as editor in 2014. We look forward to Bryan's leadership at the helm of AAJP.

Professional Association Partnerships: AAPA must maintain and move beyond its close ties with APA. Although we have significant overlap in membership with APA, I have sought out new alliances and collaborations with the Society for Research in Child Development, Society for Research on Adolescence, and the Association for Asian American Studies. These partnerships are necessary to allow AAPA to grow in membership, as well as to forge new opportunities for our current members.

CNPAAEMI: AAPA has continued its involvement with the Council of National Psychology Associations for the Advancement of Ethnic Minority Interests. Upon taking office, I signed a Memorandum of Understanding with then APA President Melba Vasquez. Since then, I have worked closely with the Office for Ethnic Minority Affairs and CNPAAEMI to promote AAPA interests, including supporting the Leadership Development Institute and partnering on a NIH Mentoring Network grant proposal under development. I also have worked with the presidents of the other ethnic minority psychology associations and APA to develop a new alliance among presidents from national psychology associations that is distinct in its mission from CNPAAEMI. The purpose of this alliance is to work collaboratively on diversity and equity issues of mutual benefit.

Leadership Development: Continuing the work of past Presidents and the Executive Committee, I have been a strong supporter of our AAPA Leadership Fellows program, wonderfully directed by Grace Kim and Sam Wan. The AAPA Leadership program, along with the CNPAEEMI Leadership Development Institute, provides excellent training and mentoring opportunities for emerging leaders in the field. We look forward to continuing to support this important program.

Practitioner Recognition: It came to attention that most AAPA awards appear to advantage academics and researchers. Although the various awards criteria give equal weight to the achievements of practitioners and scholars, this membership perception was troubling. I worked with President-Elect Sumie Okazaki and lifetime AAPA member Michi Fu to establish a new Early Career Award for Distinguished Contribution to Service that targets early career psychologists working in non-academic settings.

I also worked with the Executive Committee to explore the development of an online practitioners digest that can serve as a resource for applied psychologists and graduate students. Communications Officer Ulash Dunlap and Student Board member Zeb Lim agreed to lead this effort.

Public Policy and More: AAPA must do more to influence the national dialogue on mental health issues affecting Asian Americans. This need is why I have advocated for the development of Asian American mental health fact sheets. Over the past two years, we also have responded with statements on a number of tragedies, including the Oak Creek (WI) Sikh temple shooting and the Oikos University shooting in Oakland, CA, and signed an amicus brief to the US Supreme Court on the matter of Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl (otherwise known as the Baby Veronica case). This amicus also was signed by the Society of Indian Psychologists, National Latino/a Psychological Association and the Association of Black Psychologists. Recently, along with a number of other AAPA members, I attended the White House briefing on suicide prevention and mental health for Asian Pacific Islander Americans in Washington, DC. Our presence at these briefings is critical to make a difference beyond our office walls. Current board member Cindy Liu, along with incoming Vice-President Kevin Nadal, has agreed to lead a task force to examine ways to expand our policy efforts.

As you can see, we have accomplished a lot in the past two years but there remains much work to be done. I want to encourage all AAPA members to get more involved within our organization as well as locally and nationally.

Final Thoughts: I want to thank AAPA for allowing me to serve as your 18th president of the association. When I first joined AAPA as a first-year graduate student in 1991-1992, I was yearning for a place to call my professional home. When I attended my first AAPA convention in Washington DC that following year, I was one of only two non-Chinese and non-Japanese Americans in attendance. I actually recall verbally pointing this fact out to then President Nolan Zane at a business meeting. A few years later, I established the Korean Psychology Network to encourage Koreans and Korean Americans to get more involved in AAPA. Look at AAPA today! We have two divisions reflecting the growing diversity of our association (South Asian Americans and Filipino Americans) and possibly a third division on Southeast Asians in the works. The Korean Psychology Network was reborn recently and there also is a vibrant

Taiwanese Psychology Network. The inclusivity of AAPA has always been its hallmark and will allow AAPA to continue to prosper and grow. I am proud to say that the association has been and will remain my professional home. Much love to all and 감사합니다.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Anna Lau, Ph.D.

This year, my role in AAPA has encompassed two main efforts in supporting Rich Lee in executing his Presidential emphasis on Prevention within AAPA. First, I have been co-editing the AAJP special issue on Culture and Prevention. After co-writing the Call for Papers and identifying invited contributors last year, this year we have focused on editorial review of the submissions. Rich and I each reviewed proposals from authors and together invited eight authors to submit full papers for consideration in the special issue. We then each served as action editors on these eight manuscripts, identifying expert reviewers and coordinating reviews. At the time of this writing, action letters have been written for all manuscripts with all authors being invited to revise and resubmit. The first few revised manuscripts have been nosubmitted to the journal back office. Our next steps will include final review of the resubmissions, writing the Introduction to special issue, and editorial review of the invited commentary from Dr. Larke Huang.

Second, I acted as a liaison between the 2013 conference planning committee and the Executive Committee and to support the works of the conference co-chairs, Matthew Lee and Anjuli Amin. In the process, we communicated frequently via email on aspects of the conference planning. These included consultations on the site selection, theme selection, budget for the conference, promotional mass emails, conference program, continuing education programming, and award banquet program, and so on. I am also managing details of the awards banquet, including VIP invitations and procuring awards for the honorees and outgoing officers. In addition, I will work with Rich to show appreciation to the Convention Co-Chairs for their steadfast work and tremendous commitment to the organization.

In addition, my other duties for the AAPA included assisting the President with ongoing business (e.g., consulting on various requests made to the organization, editing AAPA statements and reports, voting on EC actions as they arose, etc.), participated actively in the EC discussions and decision-making. I represented AAPA at American Psychological Association's eighth annual Science Leadership Conference (SciLC), "Act Locally: Promoting Psychological Science in Our Academic Institutions and Local Communities," hosted by APA's Science Directorate and Board of Scientific Affairs September 27-29, 2012 in Washington, DC.

AAPA Convention Responsibilities - Detail

Banquet VIP invitations

It has become customary for the AAPA to invite various VIPs and friends of the association to the awards banquet. This year, we are extending complimentary banquet invitations to:

Norman Anderson, PhD (APA CEO)
Gary VandenBos, PhD (APA publisher)
Gwendolyn Keita, PhD (APA executive director for public interest)

Tiffany Townsend, PhD (APA office of ethnic minority affairs, senior director)

Lisa Straus (APF, executive director)

Ford Kuramoto (Okura Foundation)

Andrew Austin-Dailey (APA MFP director)

Donald Bersoff, PhD (APA President)

Jacqueline Gray, PhD (President, Society of Indian Psychologists)

Cheryl Grills, PhD (President, Association of Black Psychologists)

Lynda Field, PhD (President, National Latina/Latino Psychological Association)

Luis Vasquez, PhD (President of APA Division 45)

Additional banquet reservations sold to non-AAPA conference attendees

It is customary to extend the AAPA member rate banquet tickets to the following organizations:

APA Division 45 executive committee (Professional Member rate)

APA Minority Fellows (Student Member rate)

<u>Award Banquet Honorees</u>

The following AAPA award winners will also be offered the complimentary banquet registration (once the awards committee had determined the awardees and been notified by the awards committee chair). I will also design and order award plaques for the following individuals through an online vendor AccoladeDesigns.com:

Cindy H. Liu, Ph.D. APF Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation Fellowship

Huijun Li, Ph.D. APF Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation Fellowship Chun-Chung Choi, Ph.D. AAPA Early Career Award for Distinguished Contribution to Service

AAPA Early Career Award for Distinguished Contribution to

Joyce P. Chu, Ph.D. Research

AAPA Early Career Award for Distinguished Contribution to

E.J.R. David, Ph.D. Research

Pawanjit Kalra, Ph.D. AAPA Okura Community Leadership Award Karen L. Suyemoto, Ph.D. AAPA Distinguished Contributions Award

Frederick T.L. Leong, Ph.D.

AAPA Lifetime Achievement Award
Gordon Nagayama Hall, Ph.D.

AAPA Lifetime Achievement Award
AAPA Dissertation Research Grant

In addition, I made certificates to honor three additional individuals, including Annie Hill who will receive a President's Citation for her work in promoting the Asian American Journal of Psychology, and Christine Zhou and Jane Yang, the outgoing Newsletter Co-editors.

Finally, it has been customary for AAPA to present tokens of appreciation to the AAPA officers who are rotating off their terms. I elected to make plaques for the outgoing officers.

Richelle Concepcion, Ph.D.

Grace Kim, Ph.D.

Richard Q. Shin, Ph.D.

Richard M. Lee, Ph.D.

Anna S. Lau, Ph.D.

Matthew Lee, Ph.D.

Outgoing Board of Directors

Outgoing Board of Directors

Outgoing Finance Officer

Outgoing President

Outgoing Vice-President

Convention Co-Chair

The total cost for the 16 plaques was \$520.50. I will contact the awardees and outgoing officers to see who will attend the convention. For those not attending I will mail the plaques to them.

Gifts for Convention Co-Chairs

In consultation with Rich Lee, we are going to purchase gifts for the Convention Co-Chairs, Matt Lee and Anjuli Amin, for their extraordinary service. These gifts included personal items and gift cards, totaling \$347.17.

Appendix to VP Report

Here is the e-mail invitation (sent on June 24)

On behalf of the Asian American Psychological Association (AAPA) President Richard M. Lee and the convention planning committee, I would like to invite you to attend this year's convention Awards banquet as our special guest. As you know, AAPA convenes our annual meeting prior to the APA convention each year. This year our convention theme is "Social Justice and Prevention: Strengthening Our Community" and will be held on Tuesday, July 30, 2013 at the Japanese Cultural Center (2454 S Beretania St., Honolulu, HI 96826)

The banquet will take place at The Willows Restaurant (901 Hausten St., Honolulu, HI 96826), just a short walk from our convention venue. We hope you can join us for dinner featuring Hawaiian *luau* dishes and delicacies, stimulating company, and a wonderful time.

Date: Tuesday, July 30, 2013 Time: seating at 6:45pm

Place: The Willows Restaurant (901 Hausten St., Honolulu, HI 96826)

A complimentary seat at the banquet has been reserved for you, but for planning purposes I would very much appreciate your letting me know whether you will accept this invitation by July 15. Please RSVP to me at alau@psych.ucla.edu. Also, please let me know if you wish to bring a guest of your own, we will arrange for you to be able to purchase a guest ticket at the AAPA member price (\$55).

If you are able to attend, please indicate if you would you like a vegetarian meal and if you need any special accommodations at the banquet site. Also, please let me know if you are interested in attending the AAPA conference that will take place earlier that day (July 30) at the Japanese Cultural Center, and I can supply additional information to you. For more information about our annual convention and awards banquet, visit our website at http://aapaonline.org/convention/. Sincerely,

Anna S. Lau, Ph.D.

AAPA Vice-President

Because we had an awkward situation last year with one VIP bringing two invited/unticketed guests, I added a sentence about VIPs being able to bring guests at the AAPA member rate. I corresponded individually with the invitees regarding their RSVPs (and sometimes negotiating designees). If an invitee turned down the banquet invitation, we replied that it was not necessary to send a substitute to attend the banquet (presidents of APA and ABPsi). However, when the invitee had already invited a substitute to the banquet (president of NLPA), we extended the complimentary banquet ticket to that person.

PRESIDENT-ELECT: Sumie Okazaki, Ph.D.

As the president-elect of the organization, in addition to participating in quarterly phone meetings and frequent email discussions, I was involved in several key initiatives:

EC appointments

Key positions in the Executive Committee are appointed by the president of the organization. In order to ensure continuity while providing opportunities for new leadership, I have appointed or reappointed the following members to these positions: Frances Shen has agreed to continue as the membership officer and Ulash Dunlap has agreed to continue as the communications officers. Richard Shin will be departing as the finance officer; Kelly Liao has agreed to serve as the new finance officer.

AAJP Editor-Elect search

I was tasked with appointing the search committee for the editor-elect of the Asian American Journal of Psychology. Arpana Inman agreed to chair this ad-hoc committee and was joined by Michi Fu and Gordon C. N. Hall, with Fred Leong (current editor-in-chief) as ex-officio member of the search committee. The search committee was tasked with developing a call for the position, advertising the open position and soliciting nominations, evaluating the nominations, and making a recommendation to the Executive Committee. The committee recommended Dr. Bryan S. K. Kim to be the editor-elect of the AAJP journal, which was approved unanimously by the EC on June 6, 2013.

Awards Committees

AAPA-APF Okura foundation fellowship: I served as the liaison between the American Psychological Foundation (Parie S. Kadir, APF program officer) and the AAPA to review and select the awardee for the the AAPA-APF Okura Foundation Fellowship. This Okura Fellowship committee was chaired by Gayle Iwamasa and was joined by Christine Iijima-Hall, Debra Kawahara, and Ann-Marie Yamada. This committee concluded its work in November 2012 and selected Drs. Cindy Liu and Huijin Li's proposal entitled "Increasing the efficacy of psychoeducation to improve mental health knowledge and attitudes among parents of Chinese American youth." The APF Board of Trustees approved the committee's recommendation.

AAPA awards: The awards committee is typically comprised of the winners of the previous year's AAPA awards. Because only one award was given to an early career psychologist in the previous year, I chaired the committee and recruited several senior members of the association to serve in this year's awards committee. The committee members were: Y Barry Chung,

Christine Iijima-Hall, Yosh Kawahara, Jeffery Mio, and Joel Wong. The call for nominations to the awards were posted to the AAPA website and sent out via e-mail in early May, with the deadline of submission on June 3. The awards committee evaluated multiple applications in various categories, discussed the criteria for the awards, and rank-ordered the candidates. The 2013 awardees are:

- AAPA Early Career Award for Distinguished Contribution to Research: Joyce Chu & E. J.
 R. David
- AAPA Okura Community Leadership Award: Pawanjit Kalra
- AAPA Distinguished Contributions Award: Karen L. Suyemoto
- AAPA Lifetime Achievement Award: Frederick T.L. Leong & Gordon C. Nagayama Hall

New award category: Because the past awardees of the AAPA early career award were almost all academics and it was felt that practitioners were under-recognized for their contributions to the field, the EC voted to establish a new award criteria. I chaired the ad-hoc committee to create a call for the new AAPA early career award for distinguished contribution to service and recruited Michi Fu, Gisela Lin, and Paul Wang to serve on this awards committee. The members discussed the criteria of merit and achievement for early career non-academic psychologists and created a call for nomination, which was circulated with calls for nominations for all AAPA awards. The committee evaluated the submitted materials, developed a rating sheet for the award, and selected the following 2013 awardee:

AAPA Early Career Award for Distinguished Contribution to Service: Chun-Chung Choi

AAPA fellows: The Fellows Committee were comprised of Y Barry Chung, Christine Iijima-Hall, Yosh Kawahara, Jeffery Mio. The committee evaluated the nominations and voted to approve granting the fellow status to the following members:

- Phillip Akutsu
- Michi Fu
- Su Yeong Kim

New website

After the EC voted to approve the expenditure for the new AAPA website, I participated in the discussion with Rich Lee and Frances Shen in evaluating the proposals from various companies who submitted the bids for developing our new website. Once we selected the company (Bust Out Solutions), I participated in e-mail and video discussions regarding various key components and functions of the website.

Appointing a new task force

Out of a discussion with Rich Lee, Anna Lau, and Kevin Nadal regarding the question of visibility for LGBTQ issues in the organization, I appointed Kevin Nadal (incoming Vice President) to chair a new AAPA new task force on LGBTQ issues to make LGBTQ concerns among AAPI communities more visible. The e-announcement to the membership seeking volunteers to serve on the task force went out on May 29, and within a few days, we had over a dozen AAPA members express an interest in joining the task force. I have asked Kevin Nadal to keep the EC updated on the works of the task force.

Ethnic minority psychological associations

Together with Rich Lee, I attended a one-day meeting on June 9, 2013 in Logan, Utah (where the Society of Indian Psychologists annual meeting was being held) of the presidents and representatives of five organizations (the four ethnic minority psychological associations: AAPA, Association of Black Psychologists, National Latina/o Psychological Association, Society of Indian Psychologists) and the APA. The meeting continued to work on the agreements among the five associations regarding the larger goal of coming together to work toward the purpose of this new organization (and how it serves a different purpose from the CNPAEEMI). A more detailed report can be found in the report by the President.

BOARD MEMBER: Richelle Conception Psy.D., MPH

During my past year as AAPA Board Member, I have participated in activities such as attending Board Meetings and voting on essential AAPA business items.

In addition to the above, I have served as finance chairperson for the recently established Division on Filipino Americans, where I worked on establishing a financial account for the Division, participated in committee meetings, voted on division-related business items, such as bylaws revisions, development of new officer positions, DoFA-related activities to take place during the AAPA convention in Hawaii.

I also worked with Larke Huang with SAMHSA. Initially, Cindy Liu and I strived to assist Dr. Huang's program with recruitment of AAPA members as applicants for their policy internship in order to increase diversity of their applicant pool. AAPA's role in this effort was more to advocate for its members to apply for the positions.

In addition, I assisted as AAPA's point of contact for APA's Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs' Ethnicity and Health in America Series. The EHAS was designed to raise public awareness concerning the varied health concerns of America's people of color, while highlighting the impact of psychology and psychological factors on those health concerns. I collaborated with both staff from APA's OEMA, Chairpersons from AAPA's Division of Students, and the AAPA Leadership Fellows to collect articles and fact sheets pertinent to their Health Disparity Initiative.

Finally, I was honored to have served as a reviewer for AAPA's dissertation grant award and had the opportunity to review several wonderful dissertation proposals submitted by current doctoral students. In all, I assisted with reviewing 6 applications, with the committee selecting one award winner and 2 honorable mentions which represented the best and most promising future researchers within AAPA.

BOARD MEMBER: Grace S. Kim, Ph.D.

In my second year as a board member of the Asian American Psychological Association, I have been actively involved in the Executive Committee. My responsibilities have included attending Board meetings and voting on Association business. I have continued to serve as the co-chair of the AAPA Leadership Fellows Program, and oversaw the program from selection of the new leadership fellows to the completion of their fellowship year. In addition, I also served as the chair of Student Dissertation Research Grant and the AAPA student travel award committee.

Co-Chair of AAPA Leadership Fellows Program

I have continued to co-chair the AAPA Leadership Fellows Program with Dr. Sam Wan. In summer of 2012, the selection committee included Drs. Karen Suyemoto, Soni Kim, Asuncion Austria, Christopher Liang, Sam Wan, and myself. We received 7 applications and selected the fourth cohort of AAPA Leadership Fellows, Drs. Catherine Bitney and Bong Joo Hwang, and made announcements to the AAPA membership.

Throughout the academic year, I oversaw the program, supported the fellow's projects, connected with individual mentors, and facilitated professional development activities for the fellows. In particular, I had monthly telephone meetings with the fellows to provide guidance and support. In working with the EC, Dr. Wan and I invited Drs. Cindy Liu and Chun-Chung Choi to be the project mentors, and supported them and the fellows in their projects. This year's leadership fellows created two AAPA fact sheets: Asian American First Generation College Students and Asian International Students' Adjustment Challenges.

I also invited two mentors to provide individual mentorship to leadership fellows on regular basis: Drs. Nadine Nakamura and Diane Hayashino. Dr. Nakamura worked closely with Dr. Bitney and Dr. Hayashino mentored Dr. Hwang.

In addition, Dr. Wan and I also invited two mentors to participate in professional development conference calls with the fellows: Drs. Michi Fu and Vivian Tseng. Dr. Fu discussed her professional experiences and thoughts on getting involved in professional organizations. Dr. Tseng discussed the issue of tokenism in professional settings and how to effectively work with various colleagues, seek mentorship, and to build one's career trajectories.

Dr. Wan and I have drafted the call for applications for the 2013-2014 leadership fellows program and started planning programming for the fifth cohort of the fellows.

Chair of AAPA Dissertation Research Grant

I chaired the AAPA Student Award Committee, overseeing the AAPA Dissertation Research Grant and AAPA Student Travel Award. For the Dissertation Research Grant, I sent out the call to the membership,

invited and formed a review committee consisting of four professional AAPA members. We received 6 applications and selected one winner and two honorable mentions, based on the following criteria: potential impact, innovation, methodology, viability of the project, and capability of the researcher. The winner will receive \$500 stipend and all three awardees will have opportunities to present their projects at the 2014 AAPA annual convention.

Chair of AAPA Student Travel Award Committee

The sales from the previous year's AAPA Book Drive, karaoke fundraiser, general donations, and donations from speakers yielded a total of \$1,500.00, which was used for the AAPA Student Travel Award. Award winners were chosen based on financial need, involvement with AAPA, and order of authorship. Fifteen students received awards of \$100.00 each.

BOARD MEMBER: Cindy Liu, Ph.D.

My first year involvement as a board member of the Asian American Psychological Association included Board meeting attendance and voting on Association business. I was involved in the AAPA Leadership Fellows Program by serving as an individual mentor to Catherine Bitney where I worked with her on the fact sheet she produced on First Generation Asian American College students.

I am currently involved in early stage discussions with Sumie Okazaki and Rich Lee in developing AAPA policy activities, by identifying how AAPA can be helpful through research or clinical activities, by connecting with policymakers, and by producing a viable strategy for dispensing mental health and psychological issues via policy. I plan to propel these efforts and activities into my second year as a Board Member. I am also open to serving in additional AAPA activities as needed (e.g., Leadership Fellows Program) in 2013-2014.

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER: Frances Shen, Ph.D.

Current Membership Numbers for 2013 and comparison with previous years:

Membership Category	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
	(to 6/30)	(to 8/15)	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
Professional	190	169	152	117	124	167	256	169
Early Career & First Year	N/A	54	45	26	39	54	41	23
Student	180	168	210	145	173	228	289	179
Lifetime	17	17	17	17	17	16	14	12
Retiree	7	5	5	4	3	7	7	10
Organization	N/A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total	394	414	430	310	357	473	608	394

As of 6/30/13, there are a total of 394 members for 2013. Although it may appear on that there has been a decrease in membership since 2012, there has actually been an increase in membership this year because the previous membership numbers were calculated in mid-August (8/15/2012). The 2012 membership numbers totaled only 276 on 05/29/12. Since membership renewals occur at its highest rate during the AAPA convention, I anticipate that our total 2013 membership numbers will greatly surpass that of 2012. As we moved to the new AAPA website and membership system, we will only be dividing membership categories into professional, student, and retiree. Thus, I am unable to examine changes in membership renewals for professional, early career/first-year and associate organization from 2012 to 2013.

The great majority of members register or renew their membership online (98%) rather than mailing in paper-pencil applications (2%), and the website also allows for members to pay membership dues using credit card payments instead of check. Paper-and-pencil membership application forms are also available on the AAPA website for members who prefer to mail in a check payment with their completed membership applications. The new AAPA website, which was launched in May 2013, will make the membership renewal process even easier and more convenient for AAPA members in the future. Members will be notified via email when their

memberships expire, and offered the opportunity for automatic renewal of membership using the credit card on file in the membership system. We hope that this will increase membership renewals in the future.

Over the past year, several strategies have been taken to increase the recruitment and retention of members. Individualized email reminders were scheduled at the first of each month from January to August to members who had expired memberships. These emails reminded members of the membership benefits, including the complimentary one-year subscription to the AAJP and the discounts on registration and banquet tickets for the annual AAPA convention. This approach also allows us to send reminders to members who have not subscribed to the AAPA listserve. Reminders were also sent out to encourage members to renew their membership before quarterly updated members lists were to be sent to APA in time for the publication of the next AAJP issue. These strategies appear to be effective in encouraging members to renew their membership, as renewals spike in the days immediately following the scheduled automated reminder emails. In addition, more student-focused travel funding and volunteer benefits were provided this year associated with the AAPA convention in response to the decrease in student participation and student feedback. As a result, student membership renewals significantly increased this year compared to last year. Moreover, the new AAPA website allowed us to require members to renew their membership before registering for the AAPA convention to receive members only prices. This may have also helped to increase membership renewals prior to the convention. Finally, the new AAPA website will allow the use of international and American Express credit cards to increase the convenience of membership renewals.

In the future, several strategies can be implemented to increase membership recruitment and retention. First, emails can be sent to other psychology-related email listserves to recruit new members. This may include APA and other ethnic minority associations. Second, the results of the 2011 membership survey indicate that increasing mentoring, professional development and networking opportunities would most attract new members to join AAPA. The new AAPA website may be able to offer such services in the future through the newly developed membership discussion forum functions. Finally, the new AAPA website includes new functions such as allowing members to enroll in automated annual membership renewals, which will continue to increase the ease and convenience of membership renewals.

New Membership Website

A new AAPA website was developed and launched in May 2013 with Bustout Solutions. The new website allows for improved functionality of the membership system, increased convenience of membership renewals, and additional membership benefit functions such as discussion forums. In addition to the improved functions described in the section above,

memberships will also expire one year from the date of renewal rather than at the end of the year. This change will allow members to receive a full year of membership benefits from the exact date of renewal.

Complimentary Membership Subscriptions to the AAJP

To ensure that members receive their complimentary subscriptions to the AAJP following their membership renewal or registration, updated member lists are sent to APA quarterly (the first of March, June, September, December). Members with updated mailing addresses or who renewed their membership after the first issue is published are highlighted on the report to ensure that they receive the journals at the appropriate address and that they receive earlier issues from their subscription year. Some members have reported throughout the year that they did not receive earlier issues of the journals published in their subscription year; these incidences were reported to APA and addressed on a case-by-case basis. In addition, there are a couple members who have not yet updated their mailing addresses in our membership system in order to receive their journal subscription.

Starting in January 2014, member lists will continue to be sent to APA on a quarterly basis to coincide with each published issue of the AAJP. However, the member lists will reflect all current members for each issue, as memberships will expire one year from the date of their renewal. This will ensure that all members will receive a full year of AAJP issues as part of their membership benefits, regardless of when they renew their memberships.

FINANCE OFFICER: Richard Q. Shin, Ph.D.

It is my pleasure to provide the following information about AAPA's financial health. As of July 16, 2013 we have \$14,467.13 in our checking account and \$13,329.50 in our money market account, and \$35,079.90 in our PayPal account for a total of \$62,876.53. I am very happy to report that we continue to enjoy fiscal health!

Since the winter quarter, I transferred \$20,000 from our Paypal account to our checking account in anticipation of costs associated with our web page reconstruction and the annual convention. During this time, we received \$8,462.16 in income and spent \$38,157.41. Our primary expenditures were associated with our web site reconstruction, deposits for the annual convention, and membership dues owed to divisions. Our primary sources of income were associated with the convention and memberships.

AAPA Leadership Travel	Division Membership Payments	Convention Deposits	Web Reconstruction	Merchant Card Processing	Billing Portal	NCMS Support	Misc (stamps, supplies)	Total
\$2,549.49	\$940.00	\$13,720.42	\$19,930.50	\$386.30	\$179.95	\$400.00	\$52.75	\$38,157.41

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your Finance Officer.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Q. Shin

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER: Ulash Thakore-Dunlap, M.S., LMFT

My role within the AAPA EC team is to oversee and update the AAPA website and contents, to ensure appropriate information is disseminated to the listserv. In addition, I am also the contact person for website and list serve enquires and drafting communication materials. The goal for 2012-2013 has been to reduce the number of emails forwarded to the listserv and respond to any general queries. This goal has been met.

We have met our 2012-2013 goal of increasing social media presence. AAPA has been successful in increasing the number of social media followers and contents for our members. My goal as Communication Officer for 2013-2014 is to continue social media presence and increase website content for AAPA members.

In 2013, we launched our new website. My goal is to help AAPA EC team to help reach out to members, to create, maintain and share new contents on the AAPA website. My goal for 2013-14 as Communications Officer is to encourage members to submit their work for the website, to share knowledge and content with each other and encourage existing and old members to engage on our website.

SECRETARY/HISTORIAN: Linda Juang, Ph.D.

I began my term as secretary/historian in August 2011. In 2012, I organized voting on an Amendment to AAPA's Bylaws regarding the AAJP Editor Search Committee. In order for a bylaws amendment to pass, at least 25% of the AAPA membership needs to vote, with a majority approving it. There were 430 members. Of the 123 members who voted, a vast majority supported the amendment (120 voted in favor, 3 against). Thus, the amendment was adopted into the AAPA by-laws. In 2013, I organized the nomination and election process for two AAPA board members for the 2013-2014 term. There were 3 candidates: Jocelyn Buhain, Nellie Tran, and Jorge Wong. The two candidates who received the most votes were Jocelyn Buhain and Nellie Tran.

Other activities included: Created a running list of AAPA awardees and fellowships, handled document requests, took and disseminated minutes of EC meetings throughout the year, archived important documents, looked into questions regarding past policies and procedures, and collated the AAPA Annual Reports for 2011-2012 and 2012-2013.

DELEGATE TO APA COUNCIL: Alvin Alvarez, Ph.D.

I have served as the Delegate to the American Psychological Association's Council of Representative. The central goal of this position was to secure full voting seats for AAPA as well as our sister organizations in the Association of Black Psychologists, the National Latina/o Psychological Association and the Society of Indian Psychologists. For the past year, I have continued to work with an Ad Hoc Presidential Working Group to develop a strategy for securing the aforementioned seats. This involved a publicity campaign aimed at educating key stakeholders to vote in favor of the bylaws amendment. In the Fall of 2012, the membership voted against the amendment for a third time. Currently, I have been involved in discussions to determine how to proceed in regard to alternative mechanisms and organizational structures to the Council seats; this has included discussions involving the future role of the Delegates as well as the creation of a Federation of psychological organizations. I have also served as AAPA's representative to and Chair of the Leadership Development Institute Committee for the Council of National Psychological Associations for the Advancement of Ethnic Minority Interests (CNPAAEMI). This is a joint advisory board that has been charged with developing and implementing a leadership institute designed for early career professionals from AAPA as well as the three other ethnic minority psychological associations and Divisions 45 and 17 of APA. I am currently serving as the Director of the Leadership Development Institute which received funding from the American Psychological Association's (APA) Commission on Ethnic Minority Recruitment, Retention, and Training in Psychology Task Force (CEMRRAT). The LDI is completing its first cohort and has sponsored a year-long program of monthly facilitated workshops and group meetings. The LDI also received a CEMRRAT grant to sponsor travel to the National Multicultural Conference and Summit. Currently has selected six Fellows and six Mentors for the second cohort of the LDI, i.e., the 2013-2014 cycle – which will be launched in Honolulu, Hawaii.

ASIAN AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PSYCHOLOGY EDITOR: Frederick T. L. Leong, Ph.D.

This is the Annual Report for the *Asian American Journal of Psychology* to be presented at the executive committee meeting at the annual convention in August.

1. Published Issues of the Journal and Manuscripts in the Pipeline

We have successfully published, on schedule, 14 issues of the journal for 2010 (4 issues), 2011 (4 issues), 2012 (4 issues) and 2013 (March and June issues). The Table of Contents for these 10 issues can be viewed at the following link: http://www.apa.org/pubs/journals/aap/

Things are continuing smoothly in terms of the editorial team, the assignment of manuscripts, and the review process (see last item below regarding Statistics and Performance Data). Since this is the fourth year of operation for the journal, we have met the challenge of getting enough high quality manuscripts into the pipeline for publication. I would like to once again thank my Associate Editors Bobbie Yee and Ed Chang for their tremendous efforts in helping us produce such a high quality journal.

2. Special Features

We have continued several special features in the journal including the Book Review section (John Moritsugu serves as the Book Review Editor) and a section on Case Studies (Doris Chang serves as the Case Studies section editor). Just recently, we have also added an International Section to the journal with Winnie Mak from the Chinese University of Hong Kong serving as section editor. Finally, we have continued with the commissioned Annual Review of Asian American Psychology and the 2012 Review should be published in the December 2013 issue.

3. Expansion of the Journal

Given the number of manuscripts in the pipeline and the special issues which have been commissioned, we decided to expand the journal. In general, it is quite expensive to add additional pages for the journal. We had 80 printed pages for each issue and 4 issues each year (total of 320 printed pages). In my discussion with other journal editors, I have learned that one way to publish more articles without incurring the exorbitant costs of adding pages is to go to a larger format for the journal. CDEMP had gone through this process as well. By going from the current 7 X 10 format to a 8.5 X 11 format, we can publish more articles in each issue without the high cost of adding pages. There will be cost to going to a larger format but not as much as adding pages. With the support of the EC and the APA Journal office, we moved to the larger format in 2013 with the March 2013 special issue on Parenting.

4. Special Issues

We have successfully published 3 special issues. In the March and June 2012 issues, we published a 2-part special issue focused on the NLAAS data set. The second special issue was based on an NIMH funded conference grant to Phillip Akutsu, Margaret Shih, and Gilbert Gee focused on Asian American Mental Health. This special issue consisting of several of the invited papers from the April 2011 conference as well as submitted papers was published in September 2012 under the title "Culture, Context, and Mental Health". In the March 2013 issue, we published a special issue on "Parenting" from the Tiger Mom plenary panel at the last AAPA convention with Linda Juang, Desiree Qin and Irene Park as Guest Editors. This issue received considerable attention in the field and in the media due to the importance and timeliness of the topic.

We are continuing to work on three other special issues. One of these is from the Asian American Center for Disparities Research, directed by Nolan Zane. This special issue will focus on Asian American Health Disparities and will be co-edited by Anne Saw and Anna Song. The second special issue is being guest edited by Richard Lee and Anna Lau and focused on "Prevention". The third special issue is focused on "Leadership" and will be guest edited by Jean Lau Chin.

5. Changes to the Editorial Board

There were no significant changes to the editorial board since we are continuing with the same board for a 2-year cycle. We did add an International Section and appointed Winnie Mak to be the section editor. We continue to add more ad hoc reviewers to our roster. If you know of colleagues interested in serving as ad hoc reviewers, please refer them to me.

6. Best Paper Award

Continuing with the tradition of the AAJP Best Paper Award, we had the editorial board review the published papers in 2012. The 2012 Best Paper Award will be presented to Moin Syed and Mary Joyce D. Juan for their article on "Discrimination and Psychological Distress: Examining the Moderating Role of Social Context in a Nationally Representative Sample of Asian American Adults". The Award will be presented at the annual AAPA convention in August. It is also announced in September or December issue of the journal.

7. Journal Citation Reports

This is the BIG news for the journal for the year. Thanks to the support of Annie Hill and other APA Journal Office staff, we found out in February 2013 that AAJP had been accepted by Thomson Reuters and will be indexed in their Social Sciences Citation Index, Journal Citation Reports/Social Sciences Edition, and Current Contents/Social and Behavioral Sciences. Then in June 2013, we were delighted to be informed that the 2012 impact factors had been released, and that AAJP has indeed received its first rating: 1.750! This means that AAJP is ranked favorably near more established EPF journals like Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology (1.603) and Families, Systems, & Health (1.735). Furthermore,

the journal is ranked first of 16 journals in the Ethnic Studies category and 36th of 126 journals in the multidisciplinary psychology category.

This is a significant accomplishment for AAPA since the journal has only been in production for 3 years. It has been a team effort and our success is due to the work of Bobbie Yee and Ed Chang as Associate Editors, the editorial board members, ad hoc reviewers, and the authors for their hard work and commitment to advancing the field of Asian American Psychology.

In my previous annual reports, I had indicated that the primary challenge for a new journal is getting the word out and getting enough high quality submissions. In addition to publishing important and high quality articles, our goal was to position the journal for acceptance into Journal Citation Reports from Thompson-Reuters. We had anticipated the usual process requiring continuous and timely publication of peer reviewed articles in our journal for 5 years. To our pleasant surprise, we have met this challenge and achieved our goal early. Kudos to all of us!

8. Incoming Editor

A journal editor search committee was formed by the EC consisting of Arpana Inman (chair), Gordon Nagayama Hall, Michi Fu, and Fred Leong (ex-officio). The committee completed its work in June and submitted its report to the EC which then accepted the committee's recommendation. The Incoming Editor of AAJP will be Bryan Kim who will serve as Editor-Elect (Jan-Dec 2014) and then Editor (Jan 2015-Dec 2019). Fred Leong will end his term as Editor in Dec 2014.

9. Strategic Goals for the Future

Our primary goals are to continue to publish high quality articles in the journal and reduce our lag time (to make the journal more attractive to scholars as a publishing outlet) and ensure that the AAJP remains the go-to source for information on Asian American Psychology research and knowledge. Our sub-goals are to work on the recently established Case Studies and International Sections to make sure that they provide added value to the journal and expand its relevance to a larger readership.

10. Statistics and Performance Data

APA provides us the statistics and performance data in terms of submission numbers, rejection rates, and editorial lag time for the journal. The statistics for June 2012 to June 2013 are appended below for your review. In summary, for the year of June 2012 to June 2013, we received 84 new manuscripts and our rejection rate was 63%. Our average individual ms review lag time is 72 days (down from last year's lag time of 93 days). This lag time continues to be affected by having many action editors including Guest Editors managing special issues which will undoubtedly increase the range of response times to manuscripts. To be a competitive journal, we will aim for reducing the average lag time to 60 days (2 months).

INDIVIDUAL MANUSCRIPT LAG TIMES

06/01/2012 through 06/01/2013

Overall Average: 72 days

MANUSCRIPTS RECEIVED 06/01/2012 through 06/01/2013						
New Manuscripts	84					
Resubmissions/Revisions	49					
Actions Taken						
Accepted	32					
Withdrawn	2					
Pending Decision	35					
Rejected With External Review	16					
Rejected Without External Review	16					
Revise & Resubmit	43 (0 ultimately rejected)					
Open Revise & Resubmit	21					

NUMBER OF MEN, WOMEN, AND MINORITY INDIVIDUALS SERVING ON EDITORIAL BOARD IN 2013							
Category	Editor	Action Editor	Consulting Editor	Reviewers			
Number of Women	0	1	6	1			

Of these, number of minority women	0	1	6	1
Number of Men	1	2	6	1
Of these, number of minority men	1	2	6	1
Total number of persons	1	12	18	2

REJECTION RATE REP 06/01/2012 through 06/	
New manuscripts received	81
Accepted manuscripts	30
Pending as of 06/01/2012	33
Pending as of 06/01/2013	34
Acceptance rate	38%
Rejection Rate	63%

REJECTION RATE BY EDITOR 06/01/2012 through 06/01/2013							
Editor Rate Rejection Rate Manuscripts Accepted Rejected Rejected 06/01/2012 Pending on 06/01/2012							
Akutsu, Phillip	100%	0%	0	2	0	2	0
Chang,	n/a	n/a	20	0	10	3	8

Edward							
Chin, Jean Lau	n/a	n/a	4	0	0	0	2
Gee, Gilbert	100%	0%	0	1	0	1	0
Hall, Gordon Nagayama	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0	0
Juang, Linda	200%	-100%	2	4	0	2	2
Lau, Anna	n/a	n/a	4	0	0	0	1
Lee, Richard	n/a	n/a	4	0	0	0	2
Leong, Frederick	35%	65%	23	7	15	0	3
Moritsuqu, John	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0	0
Park, Irene	100%	0%	1	2	0	1	0
Qin, Desiree	100%	0%	0	2	0	2	0
Saw, Anne	100%	0%	1	1	0	1	1
Shih, Margaret	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0	0
Song, Anna	50%	50%	2	1	0	1	1
Yee, Barbara	43%	57%	20	10	7	17	14

FIRST SUBMISSIONS COMPLETED BY ACTION EDITOR Submitted 06/01/2012 through 06/01/2013								
Action Editor	Number of FIRST Submissions	Number Completed	Avg Days to Complete					
Phillip Akutsu	0	0	0					
Edward Chang	20	16	78					
Jean Lau Chin	4	3	105					
Gilbert Gee	0	0	0					
Gordon Nagayama Hall	0	0	0					
Linda Juang	2	2	5					
Anna Lau	4	4	85					
Richard Lee	4	4	67					
Frederick Leong	26	21	34					
John Moritsuqu	0	0	0					
Irene Park	1	1	36					
Desiree Qin	0	0	0					
Anne Saw	1	0	0					
Margaret Shih	0	0	0					
Anna Song	2	2	142					
Barbara Yee	20	15	153					
[Change Dates]								

REVISED SUBMISSIONS COMPLETED BY ACTION EDITOR Submitted 06/01/2012 through 06/01/2013								
Action Editor	Number of REVISED Submissions	Number Completed	Avg Days to Complete					
Phillip Akutsu	2	2	8					
Edward Chang	0	0	0					
Jean Lau Chin	1	0	0					
Gilbert Gee	0	0	0					
Gordon Nagayama Hall	0	0	0					
Linda Juang	6	6	12					
Anna Lau	1	0	0					
Richard Lee	2	0	0					
Frederick Leong	8	8	5					
John Moritsuqu	0	0	0					
Irene Park	3	3	3					
Desiree Qin	4	4	14					
Anne Saw	1	1	100					
Margaret Shih	0	0	0					
Anna Song	1	1	34					
Barbara Yee	20	16	74					
	[Change Dates]							

DIVISION ON SOUTH ASIAN AMERICANS (DoSAA): Kusha Murarka, Psy.D.

DoSAA Executive Committee (voting members)

Chair: Kusha Murarka, Psy.D. Co-Chair: Anjuli Amin, Ph.D. Chair-Elect: Rahul Sharma, Psy.D. Treasurer: Razia Kosi, LCSW-C

Secretary/Historian: Sheetal Shah, Ph.D.

Membership/Nominations Chair: Monique Shah Kulkarni, Ph.D.

Student Representative: Harpreet Bhatia, M.A.

Communications Chair: Shanta Nishi Kanukollu, Ph.D.

Senior Advisory Council (non-voting members): Shamin Ladhani, Psy.D., Neha Navsaria, Ph.D. and Lina Patel, PsyD., Ulash Dunlap, MS, LMFT

GENERAL POINTS:

The DoSAA Executive Committee (EC) completed its fifth year term in 2012-2013. During 2012-2013, the DoSAA EC focused on increasing local and national visibility, networking with other South Asian organizations and professionals, enhancing member benefits, and engaging and responding to community needs. The EC exceeded their goals based on the needs of the organization and the South Asian community. The past year has been one marked by the importance of community building and support. EC members have focused on increasing our membership base, as well as our presence across the South Asian American community. DoSAA has shared its vision with multiple South Asian mental health organizations at a national level, and continues to develop connections through social media networks and other forms of outreach. Last August, board members and many other South Asian mental health providers voiced support of the Oak Creek Sikh community, subsequent to the tragic shooting. The impact of this tragedy resulted in the formation of the Sikh Healing Collective by one of DoSAA's cofounders, Puni Kalra. In turn, current EC members were able to come together with mental health providers from across the country and provide ongoing psychoeducation and emotional support to those affected by the shooting. In 2013-2014, the EC hopes to continue to increase membership involvement and further connect with the South Asian American community through service. Additionally, the EC will continue to work towards engaging its elders/founding members within the proceedings of the Division.

Goals completed in 2012-2013:

Sustainment of board member structure and governance.

Maintenance of financial standing.

Continuation of membership and listserv.

Continuation of outreach efforts.

Involvement in community outreach and interventions.

Presence at AAPA, APA and other national conventions.

Offering fourth annual DoSAA Student Award.

Support for local South Asian organizations affiliated with convention cities.

SPECIFIC COMPONENTS:

1. Sustainment of board member structure and governance.

Process:

- Monthly conference calls conducted by the Chair
- Call for Nominations for 2013-2014 EC.
- Conducting Elections for 2013-2014 EC.
- Elections Held June 2013.

2. Maintenance of financial standings.

Treasurer's Financial Report

Our current DoSAA balance as of June 25, 2013 is \$921.04

Deposits and withdrawals have occurred as a result of the following:

* Note: minimum monthly withdrawal of \$5.00 to purchase an Amazon Gift Card using debit card is made in order to not incur \$16 monthly bank service charge. The gift cards will either be used to purchase items for DoSAA or used as incentives for attending DoSAA events at the AAPA.

Date	Description	Withdrawal	Credit Amount	Running Balance
		Amount		
8/13/12	Chk Student Award	100.00		996.04
9/04/12	Chk-Pehachaan	100.00		896.04
10/01/12	Amazon Gift Card	5.00		891.04
10/31/12	Amazon Gift Card	5.00		886.04
10/31/12	Maintenance Fee	16.00		870.04
11/26/12	Amazon Gift Card	5.00		865.04
12/24/12	Amazon Gift Card	5.00		860.04
1/24/13	Amazon Gift Card	5.00		855.04
2/26/13	Amazon Gift Card	5.00		850.04

4/15/13	Membership Deposit		208.00	1058.04
4/15/13	Chk-CHAI	100.00		958.04
4/30/13	Maintenance Fee	16.00		942.04
5/31/13	Maintenance Fee	16.00		926.04
6/29/13	Amazon Gift Card	5.00		921.04

Process: The Chair was designated as a co-signer. The check card has to be used once per month in order to prevent us from having a \$16 service fee. Therefore, the check card was used monthly to buy office supplies or a gift card that can be reinvested in DoSAA.

3. Continuation of membership and listserv.

Membership Report

 We have a total of 41 paid members as of June 2013. Until May 2013, annual dues were \$15 for all professional members, \$10 for early career professionals, and \$6 for students. As of the launch of the new AAPA website, however, annual dues are \$10 regardless of type of membership.

DoSAA continues through social media and informal local chapters to continue to increase visibility and membership support. Other marketing Efforts include:

- DoSAA Listserv.
- AAPA website.
- Sharing information about DoSAA on Division 45, AAPA and SAPNA listservs.
- DoSAA Facebook Page.
- DoSAA LinkedIn Page.
- DoSAA social event at AAPA, APA, and NMCS conferences.
- DoSAA membership flyers.
- Consultation and networking in cities or geographic areas that members reside in

Process: The EC has focused on our Facebook page as a way to market DoSAA and disseminate information to even non-members. Our newsletter continues to be distributed and is sent out via the listserv and through AAPA's listserv to make us more visible and was a great success. Several EC board members have worked to gather momentum for a clinical consultation group within their respective cities as a means of retaining membership, making use of the DoSAA network and fostering continued professional support. Membership numbers continue to be a focus of DoSAA, as we hope to retain and increase membership.

4. Continuation of outreach efforts

EC Members have written articles and been interviewed for local and national counseling or psychological associations, conducted presentations and workshops, and outreached to other organizations in order to bring more visibility to DoSAA and issues concerning the South Asian American community. DoSAA has been making an increased effort to connect with other divisions with APA, such as Div 45, and Div 17 as well as working with elder members in the field of psychology to work on ways to increase presence within the community.

Members of DoSAA presented a workshop at the National Summit for South Asian Organization in Washington DC and raised the visibility and importance of addressing self-care and attending to burnout among staff engaged in social justice work. In addition, members of DoSAA EC had worked with the Sikh Healing Collective to provide both crisis response materials and longer-term healing informational materials to the community traumatized by the violent shooting at a gurdwara in Oak Creek, WI.

After the NCSO summit, a member of the DoSAA EC was present at both the AAPI Briefing on AAPI Mental Health and Suicide Prevention and the White House Summit on Mental Health. After the AAPI briefing, DoSAA EC member met with other AAPA leaders to discuss the information shared at the briefing and discuss next levels of engagement and action for the AAPA. Both events were written into blogs and shared on social media outlets.

5. Planning for AAPA, APA and other national conventions

The AAPA and APA convention time will be used to increase DoSAA's visibility and membership, and to create activities that have a direct impact on the internal structure of DoSAA. DoSAA EC members will also be presenting at this year's AAPA conference.

Process: The EC conducted a mid-year conference call to evaluate the needs and priorities of DoSAA, identify challenges faced in meeting said needs, generate potential solutions, and revisit our mission. EC members then sought to determine how to integrate our mission and potential solutions into the AAPA/APA conference activities. This conference call was productive as the EC was able to identify the strengths and limitations of DoSAA. It was understood that the EC must continue to place an emphasis on increasing and enhancing membership, as it can impact the infrastructure of DoSAA. It was also decided that fundraising activities would be directed towards DoSAA membership (i.e. student award) and towards support of external organizations.

DoSAA EC members have been active in being present in other conventions including the American Psychological Association (APA), American Counseling Association (ACA), National Multicultural Conference and Summit (NMCS), California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (CAMFT) in an effort to recruit a diverse group of mental health professionals.

6. Annual DoSAA Student Award

DoSAA's annual award for students dedicated to exceptional contributions to the field of mental health, psychology, and the South Asian community will be given again this year in addition to a monetary prize. One winner will be announced at the AAPA convention in Honolulu, HI.

Process: Following last year's process, a request for submissions for the DoSAA Student Award was sent out on the DoSAA and SAPNA listservs. The request entailed applicants to write a brief summary about research or community work they have or are currently engaged in, with respect to the South Asian population. These submissions are read and evaluated by the DoSAA EC and an awardee is chosen prior to the AAPA convention.

DIVISION ON FILIPINO AMERICANS: Kevin Nadal, PH.D.

DoFA Executive Committee (EC)

Elected Officers:

Co-Chairs: E.J.R. David, Ph.D. & Kevin Nadal, Ph.D. Financial Chair: Richelle Concepcion, Psy.D., MPH

Student Representative: Gregory Desierto, M.A., Ph.D. Candidate

Appointed Officers:

Mentorship Coordinator: Christine Catipon, Psy.D. Communications Coordinator: Steph Pituc, Ph.D. Membership Coordinator: Krista Chronister, Ph.D.

GENERAL POINTS:

The DoFA just completed its second year of being an official AAPA division. During 2012-2013, the DoFA EC focused on drafting and finalizing the DoFA Handbook (which includes the division's by-laws), filling the EC positions through election and appointments, increasing visibility, networking with other Filipino American organizations and associations, and increasing its members and membership involvement. The DoFA EC met good progress toward these goals, while also generating additional ideas for how the DoFA can meet the needs of the general community. In 2013-2014, the DoFA EC hopes that through collaboration with DoFA's membership and other organizations, the division will continue to increase membership involvement and community impact.

Goals completed in 2012-2013:

Sustainment of board member structure and governance.

Maintenance of financial standing.

Continuation of membership.

Improve visibility through social media.

Presence at AAPA, APA, and other national conventions.

SPECIFIC COMPONENTS:

- 1. Creation and Sustainment of board member structure and governance.
- Quarterly conference calls, including an in person meeting at the AAPA/APA convention in July/August 2013.
- Creation and adoption of division handbook and by-laws. (May 2012)
- Call for Nominations for 2012-2014 EC during May 2012.
- Conducting Elections for 2012-2014 EC during June 2012.
- Appointment of other officers completed on April 2013.

2. Maintenance of financial standings.

Financial Report

We are in the process of setting up an account with Bank of America. Based on our membership dues, our current DoFA balance (as of July 8, 2013) is approximately \$400.00

3. Continuation of membership.

Membership Report

• We had 18 individuals who have paid their membership between 7/2012 and 2/2013. Annual dues are \$15 for all professional members, \$10 for early career professionals, and \$6 for students.

4. Improve visibility through social media.

The DoFA uses social media to continue to increase visibility and membership support. These efforts include:

- DoFA Listserv.
- AAPA website.
- Sharing information about DoFA on AAPA listserv.
- DoFA Facebook Page.
- DoFA Twitter account.
- DoFA LinkedIn account.
- DoFA social event at AAPA conference.

5. Planning for AAPA, APA and other national conventions

The AAPA and APA convention time in 2012 was used to increase visibility of DoFA, increase DoFA membership and create activities that had a direct impact on the internal structure of DoFA. Some of the DoFA EC members will also be presenting at the 2013 AAPA and APA conferences. DoFA will have a meet and greet during the lunch hour at AAPA. DoFA is also participating in an inter-division session during the AAPA conference. DoFA is co-sponsoring a self-defense workshop during APA along with Division 44 (Society on LGBT Issues in Psychology). Andy Paves, a DoFA member, a clinical psychology doctoral student at the University of Washington, and a professional mixed-martial arts fighter, will facilitate the workshop that will include Filipino martial arts techniques.

DIVISION ON STUDENTS: Ming-Che Tu

Division on Students Executive Committee:

Chair - Fanny Ng
Assistant Chair - Jin Kim
Secretary/Historian - Ming-Che Tu
Treasurer - Alicia Ibaraki
Publicity Coordinator - Chak Wong
Membership Coordinator - Jennifer Hsia
Expansion Coordinator - Aakash Kishore

The Division on Students (DoS) of the Asian American Psychological Association (AAPA) has seen another productive year in 2012-2013. The newly inducted DoS Board members began numerous initiatives under the leadership and direction of Chair Fanny Ng following a multitiered plan to improve DoS through activities ranging from redefining our organizational identity to advocating for student issues. Important strides are continually made toward improving the overall experiences of students within AAPA.

Redefining Organizational Identity. One important initiative that the Board has undertaken is redefining the organizational structure of the Division in order to reflect the evolving identity, roles and functions of DoS. The Board reviewed its mission statement and central guiding pillars outlined in the original DoS Handbook and reflected on our recent experiences and challenges. In the first few months, the Board made meaningful modifications after extensive discussions to the mission and pillars to better guide our current and future work.

Efforts to revise the outdated DoS Handbook, which are spearheaded by Assistant Chair, Jin Kim, reflects and addresses new challenges, concerns, and interests within DoS. The Board strategically renamed itself from its original name of the Division *of* Students to the Division *on* Students based on our desire to not restrict membership to students but also inclusive and welcoming of recent graduates and professional members sharing our passion for advancing student issues.

With a renewed focus on the future of DoS, we sought to preserve records of our activities, knowledge, and experiences for future generations. The Board aimed to maintain continuity across revolving DoS leadership through establishing a permanent DoS archive using Dropbox™. A Board member shared "AAPA DoS" folder is currently maintained by Secretary and Historian, Ming-Che Tu for this purpose.

Attending to and Expanding DoS Membership. Another primary objective prioritized by the Board is the retention and recruitment of DoS members. This initiative includes efforts to improve our members' experiences within DoS and AAPA. A DoS Membership Survey was developed and administered online in an effort coordinated by Membership Coordinator

Jennifer Hsia and Expansion Coordinator Aakash Kishore. Preliminary analyses from 48 participants provided the Board with invaluable membership data and will guide our approach towards meeting and addressing various concerns, interests, and needs of our members.

The Board continues to support and recognize exceptional student members within AAPA with annual DoS Awards awarded for Graduate Research, Undergraduate Research, Leadership, and Student Service areas. The nomination and selection process for these awards are currently underway and coordinated by Treasurer Alicia Ibaraki and a review subcommittee drawn from the Board.

The Board has also expanded its efforts to increase the visibility and relevance of DoS through our presence and efforts at regional conferences; identifying new sites for new member recruitment and through publicity efforts via social media. The Board succeeded in increasing our number of Facebook followers to our DoS page, which is managed by Publicity Coordinator Chak Wong, by over 100 followers since taking office for a current total of a fast-growing 300+ followers.

Furthermore, the Board sought to strengthen interdivision relationships with leaders of our sister Divisions of DoW, DoSAA, and DoF. DoS is co-presenting a joint session with fellow division representatives focused on activating membership through mentorship across divisions in the upcoming Convention. Expansion Coordinator, Aakash Kishore, has also worked to establish ongoing relationships and collaborations with sister Divisions to promote student engagement and foster opportunities for students.

Student Interests Advocacy. A final priority area for the Board is to serve, represent and protect student members' interests through advocacy. The Board has been active in representing the concerns of students and offering recommendations on issues impacting students through activities such as:

- Recommending preservation of crucial AAPA subsidies for division membership fees enabling automatic enrollment into DoS
- Advocating for the support of student poster presenters through sponsorship and/or provision of tri-fold boards on location for poster sessions at the upcoming Convention

The Board continues to remain active to ensure that the student interests and concerns are being represented and heard by the EC, Convention Planning Committee and other entities within AAPA whose decisions and activities strongly impact students. We appreciate continued efforts and consideration by AAPA to support student engagement and growth within AAPA.

Looking Ahead. As the Board completes its first year in office, great progress was made towards important goals and next steps have been outlined. Some highlighted areas for continued growth for the second half of the Board's term include:

• Strengthening relationships and communications between the AAPA Executive Committee and other Divisions

- Completing revisions to the DoS Handbook
- Developing a division website in order to enhance online presence and provide web-based services and resources for members
- Providing year-round DoS services and membership benefits beyond the week of annual conventions
- Expanding DoS membership

As the representative body of the student membership within AAPA, the Board continues to unify, strengthen, and foster the student voice and the development of future leaders of AAPA through our activities described above. We gratefully acknowledge the support from fellow student members, our mentors and advisors, and AAPA as a whole.

For a more detailed DoS Annual Report, please visit tinyurl.com/DoS-Full-Annual-Report.

State of Asian American Psychological Association, Division on Students

• Active Members: 149

• Available Funds: **\$2,307.32**

AAPA CONVENTION CO-CHAIRS: Matthew Lee, Ph.D. & Anjuli Amin, Ph.D.

Please see the 2013 Annual Convention Final Report. The convention theme was "Social justice and prevention: Strengthening our community".