I eagerly await the Fall Meeting, looking forward to the continued energy and excitement from the Spring Meeting! The new committees are continuing to invite a large number of guests for committee membership; and the Committee on Human Sexuality is restructuring at this meeting with 13 first time guests invited, under the leadership of returning members, Richard Friedman and Jennifer Downey.

We continue to look for people interested in working on committees on neuroimaging, genetics, and psychosomatic medicine. If you know anyone working in these areas who is interested in GAP, let me know.

GAP continues to work on contributions from various sources. The Board asks that you let us know if you have contacts with foundations or industry. Please send that contact information to Dave Baron or Frances so that contact can be made on behalf of GAP.

The Fellows will be presenting the plenary session so come ready to learn how defensive medicine affects us all.

I look forward to seeing you in November!

Carol C. Nadelson, M.D.
President
Announcements:

The GAP Fellows are presenting the Plenary Session on Friday at 5:30 p.m. We look forward to a great presentation!

Welcome new members:
Stevan Weine
Silvia Olarte
Benjamin McCommon
Deborah Steinberg
Gary Kennedy
Seth Powsner
Josh Gibson
Jake Roth

Welcome back Jennifer Downey and Rick Friedman to co-chair the Committee on Human Sexuality.

FALL 2004 MEETING
117th MEETING OF
GROUP FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF PSYCHIATRY

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2004

10:00 a.m.       GAP Office Opens
                 Masefield A Room

10:00 a.m.       Finance Committee Meeting
                 Masefield B Room

11:00 a.m.       Contributions Committee
                 Masefield B Room

12:00 noon       Publications Board Meeting
                 Hutchinson A Room

2:00 p.m.        Board of Directors
                 Cooper B Room

4:00 p.m.        Fellows Selection Committee
                 Masefield B Room
4:00 p.m.  Work Group Consultation  
Masefield B Room

4:00 p.m.  Fellows Meeting  
Cooper A Room

5:30 p.m.  Reception of the Board of Directors  
Room 688 – Sixth Floor

6:30 p.m.  Fellows Dinner Meeting  
Cooper A Room

6:30 p.m.  Corporate Sponsors Dinner  
Masefield B Room

9:00 p.m. -  Hospitality Room  
11:00 p.m.  Irving A and B Rooms  
Hosted by: Committee on Research

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                 Cooper-Greeley Rooms
                 Steering Committee Meeting  
                 Irving B Room
                 Fellows Breakfast Meeting  
                 Irving A Room

9:00 a.m.         Committee Meetings

11:30 a.m.        Luncheon  
                 Cooper-Greeley Rooms

12:00 noon        Board of Directors Wrap Up Meeting  
                 Cooper B Room
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ADOLESCENCE ROOM 102
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CHILD PSYCHIATRY LIBRARY ROOM
COLLEGE STUDENT STUDIO ROOM
CULTURAL PSYCHIATRY ROOM 101
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FAMILY HUTCHINSON B ROOM
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NOVEMBER 17-19

2006
APRIL 6-8
NOVEMBER 9-11

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MARCH 29-31
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PROPOSAL FOR GAP PRESIDENT TO INCLUDE
IN A CIRCULAR LETTER EVERY TWO YEARS:

I. Membership

The major qualifications for membership in GAP are superior competence, creativity, and the demonstration of special interest and knowledge in an area within psychiatry.

Membership in GAP implies not only a sense of responsibility for an individual Committee, but also for the well-being of the organization as a whole. In addition to each individual’s unique intellectual participation, membership carries with it a willingness to attend meetings, to answer correspondence promptly, to study and comment on preliminary drafts of Committee Reports, to do Committee homework, and to demonstrate willingness to meet the financial responsibilities of GAP membership, not only with respect to personal dues but also for the over-all concern with its financial structure.

An essential element in the strength and vitality of GAP is recruitment, and members are asked to keep in mind the continuing need for young women and men of unusual talent who are highly motivated to contribute to a study-service organization such as GAP.

In the choice of new members, it has been felt that maximum flexibility and avoidance of rigid membership requirements are desirable as the basis of selection.

The actual procedure for the selection of members is designed to provide Committee autonomy and choice. Although the final decision on accepting new members is made by the Steering Committee, the basic consideration in adding new members to a Committee and determining who those members shall be falls under the aegis of each individual Committee.

II. Procedure for Selecting New Members

Potential new members must have attended two (not necessarily consecutive) meetings of the sponsoring Committee as guests. They may be proposed to the Steering Committee for membership during their second meeting.

The Chairperson must submit to the Central Office 30 days prior to the meeting a three-page summary of the guest’s curriculum vitae to be distributed to the Steering Committee at the guest’s first visit. The name of the Committee inviting the guest must appear on the CV.

When a Committee decides that it wishes to propose a guest for membership, the Chairperson prepares, in advance of the meeting, a short statement outlining the Committee’s reason for proposing the candidate.

After discussion in individual Committees and in the Steering Committee, the latter votes at its Saturday meeting whether to accept or reject proposed members.

When an individual is accepted by the Steering Committee, the Committee Chairperson is required to notify Frances Roton in writing of the new member’s acceptance of membership, mailing address, telephone numbers (home and office) as well as FAX number.
III. Temporary Absence from Meetings

Members who are temporarily unable to attend meetings may request that they be transferred to contributing status, provided they meet the Bylaws requirement of three years of prior, active participation. Situations of this kind may arise for a variety of reasons, for example, a year of sabbatical overseas.

This, obviously, does not apply to absence from one meeting necessitated by an emergency or for any other reason. It is a tradition in GAP that every member attend each meeting unless excused by the Chairperson for sufficient reason.