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## Notes from SAW Chair

*Jillian Wasson, Ph.D.*



Greetings SAW  
Members,

I want to start by saying this has been a wild year. There is so much in my heart that I want to say but have been struggling as nothing feels adequate. The ongoing pain and oppression of our BIPOC community has left a heavy space to hold. I have witnessed Counseling Psychology continue to prioritize advocacy and social

justice work and hope to find ways for SAW to collaborate across Division 17 on anti-racism initiatives. In addition, with the current reality of the COVID-19 pandemic there are many ways Counseling Psychologists are being called to respond. There has been an incredible increase in the need for mental health care, particularly for women. I am reminded that as psychologists we are also in a unique position to help bridge the gap between science and emotion—as the important role of science and research has never been more clear. In the coming weeks I hope to hear more from SAW members how you have been impacted and are responding.

Looking toward August, with APA going virtual, I will miss seeing so many of you in person. If you are presenting in any capacity, please email our Newsletter Editor/Website Administrator Morgan Grotewiel at [morgangrotewiel@gmail.com](mailto:morgangrotewiel@gmail.com) so we can be sure to include you in the Virtual APA Highlight (to come).

With the goal of holding space and staying engaged, I would like to invite SAW members to participate in the following initiatives. Overall, it is my goal this year to increase visibility and offer more programming. It is my desire that people will have a variety of opportunities to engage when and how they feel most comfortable. I am excited about the following initiatives:

**Mentorship Meetups:** SAW has a long tradition of valuing and prioritizing mentorship of students and ECPs. It is my goal to continue building valuable connections through mentorship by taking advantage of virtual platforms. Three - six virtual meetings will be scheduled over the next year (based on availability and interest).

**Colloquium:** Increasing engagement has been identified as a Division 17 priority. In addition, in the current political and social climate, I believe it is critical to connect in supportive and encouraging forums. SAW will be hosting several virtual colloquia over the next year. If you may be interested in hosting a topic please let me know. I would like to encourage students to host a topic as well.

**Increased Discussion:** It is my hope to increase the discussions on our listserv without overwhelming your inboxes. I would like to invite SAW members to engage in discussion on topics of interest to you, as they come up. If there is a request to send a new topic out on the listserv, please email me. I will send it out and create a forum in BaseCamp to host ongoing conversation so that it is not going through email. SAW members will be added in BaseCamp over the next month.

More detailed information on these initiatives will follow in listserv announcements. If you have interest in serving as a mentor, presenting a topic for discussion on the listerv or a colloquium, or if you would otherwise like to get more involved please contact me!

Please consider nominating yourself or a colleague whom you feel might be interested in serving as Chair Elect or Treasurer. Contact Laurel Watson, Past Chair, at [watsonlb@umkc.edu](mailto:watsonlb@umkc.edu) with nominations or questions about the positions.

As August approaches and everyone is focused on school starting - I hope you are all staying healthy and finding ways to stay engaged while also taking care of yourselves.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Jillian Woodford Wasson". To the right of the signature is a small, light purple butterfly icon. Below the signature, the words "LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST" are printed in a small, sans-serif font.

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## Jean Lau Chin: Leader, Mentor, Activist

*Natalie Porter, Ph.D.*

Is it any wonder that Jean Lau Chin studied leadership? Or more specifically, leadership that didn't come in the assumed package: White, male, dominant, projecting a little too much confidence. Jean came in an entirely different package, Asian, female, soft-spoken, and humble. Yet, Jean was unquestionably a leader. Her very presence challenged any traditional Western notions of what a leader looks like, how a leader acts, or what makes a leader effective.

Jean's style of leadership challenged our stereotypes of leaders. She might have to stand on a box to be seen over the podium, but she didn't back down from her values or principles. She didn't raise her voice, but her determination was tangible, particularly when it came to representing groups that had been traditionally left out of the discourse. She was a charismatic leader, a charisma made of warmth, humility and deep engagement.

Leadership was interwoven in everything that Jean did. It was central to her commitment to advocating for underserved, unheard, and unrecognized groups, such as women of color, racially, ethnically, and economically oppressed groups, immigrants, and students and early career colleagues in the field of psychology. Jean forged new areas of leadership for women, particularly for women of color. She was President of APA Divisions 35, 45, and 52 and of the International Council of Psychology. In all of these presidencies she promoted women and people of color in leadership roles and mentored colleagues and students to assume these roles. She was a visible and effective leader as Chair of the Council of Representatives Leadership Team, as President of the Women's Caucus of Council, and on various APA Boards and Committees. In these roles and throughout these organizations, she strove for equitable policies and justice-oriented positions. For example, as Chair of the Council Leadership Team, she advocated for more effective diversity training for Council members and for the collection of data to support this endeavor.

Jean was an academic leader: She was a Dean of Psychology for the California School of Professional Psychology, Alliant and the Derner Institute, Adelphi. She supported faculty and students alike in their quest for a psychology that was multicultural, feminist, and social justice oriented. She served as President of the National Council of Schools and Programs of Professional Psychology.

Jean was an early leader in the field of health and mental health service delivery for Asian Americans and women. She served as the Executive Director of the Asian Community Health Center in Boston for a decade. She developed innovative and relevant services for Asian and immigrant populations. Through her consultations and advocacy within the USDHHS Office of Minority Health, the NIMH, the CDC, and SAMHSA, she influenced service delivery and worked to decrease health disparities for these groups at the national level.

Jean's research allowed for a broader understanding of leaders across diverse and global contexts. She reminded us that most of the world's leaders don't look like or act like the leaders of western psychological theories. Her research conceptualized leadership from multiple standpoints that highlighted how culture and context shape the development of leaders, their practices, values, and

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perspectives on successful leadership outcomes. It shifted our thinking to acknowledging that multiple origins, multiple forms, and multiple outcomes are crucial for leaders in an increasingly global society.

Jean was a prodigious scholar with about 20 authored and edited books, 25+ journal articles, 20+ book chapters, and 200+ professional presentations. She was a pioneer in expanding the understanding of the intersection of gender with ethnicity, race, immigration, cross-cultural, and international perspectives. She received a publication award for the three volumes she conceived of and edited on Social Justice and had recently published two volumes on Leadership from diverse and global perspectives.

Jean's remarkable contributions were recognized through many awards: She was a Distinguished Fulbright Scholar and a Fulbright specialist. She received two APA Presidential citations for her work on women's issues and diversity, the APA Committee on Women in Psychology Leadership Award in 2014, the Distinguished Elder Award by the National Multicultural Conference and Summit in 2013, and the Margaret Floyd Washburn Award from the New York State Psychological Association, the Pioneer Award from the Society for the Psychology of Asian Pacific American Women in 2012 (APA Division 35, Section 5); and the Women of Distinction Award from the Office of the Nassau County Executive, Thomas R. Suozzi in 2009.

Jean was 76 years young; she grew up in Manhattan the daughter of Chinese immigrant parents who operated a hand laundry. She was educated at Columbia and met her husband Gene, while in graduate school. He was an immigrant from China, worked in his grandfather's hand laundry by day and received a degree in engineering by night. They had two sons, Scott and Stephen and two grandsons. Those of us who knew Jean, also knew Gene her husband, as he accompanied her to professional meetings. Family and traditions were important. I remember how thoughtfully Jean selected each piece of gold jewelry to give as wedding gifts to her daughter-in-law and how many silk jackets she tried on in Beijing until she found just the right one for her son's wedding. Her iPad conversations with her grandsons were the highlight of her week. Jean and Gene were married for 50+ years and died a week apart from COVID-19. Although they have left a huge hole in the hearts of family, friends, and colleagues, they enriched our lives, society, and psychology immeasurably.

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## Poetry by Clarie Koehn

### Catching Flies

“Please,” “Thanks,” “Okay, sure”  
“You’ll catch more flies with honey”  
Now I’m not so sure

“... the reward for simply being nice in oppressive circumstances is to be mistreated all the more”  
(Estés, 1992, p. 89).

### She-Wolf

The wind at my ears, the earth beneath my toes  
I gaze into the dark  
There is a change, a transformation brewing  
In the air and in me

I crouch down, coming to my hands and knees  
I arch my back and clutch the dirt with my fingers  
My breathe becomes jagged and my chest tight  
Fear and rage become my heartbeat

Long have I resisted this transformation  
Afraid of what it means, how I will be changed  
But I cannot resist any longer  
I become the wolf

“Without us, Wild Woman dies. Without Wild Woman, we die. *Para Vida*, for true life, both must live” (Estés, 1992, p. 22).

A note about Clarissa Pinkola Estés, PhD: Dr. Estés is a poet, certified psychoanalyst, and post-trauma specialist. Estés’s words first came to me in the form of her book *Women Who Run with the Wolves: Myths and Stories of the Wild Woman Archetype* (1992). Estés’s work, which integrates psychology, social justice, and art, has become an intellectual and spiritual home for me. More information on Estés and her work can be found on her website: <http://www.clarissapinkolaestes.com/index.htm>

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## Announcements

Please welcome our new Newsletter Assistant Editor, Nicole Lozano, PhD! Nicole is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology & Sociology at Angelo State University. She officially assumed her roles as Newsletter Assistant Editor on July 21<sup>st</sup> and helped with final edits of this issue. Nicole can be reached at [nicole.lozano@angelo.edu](mailto:nicole.lozano@angelo.edu). Thank you to Aashna Banerjee for helping with newsletter editing in Fall 2019 and earlier stages of this issue.

Peggy Brady-Amoon, PhD, has been elected to Fellow status in APA through the Division of Counseling Psychology. She shares: “I am grateful for the many people, too numerous to be listed here, who supported (and continue to support) my professional development – and, in particular this application. I stand on your shoulders.”

Peggy Brady-Amoon is also a participant/leader in this year’s Leadership Institute for Women in Psychology (LIWP). She shares: “My LIWP experience, even with the necessary transition to a virtual format, is exceeding my admittedly high expectations! The LIWP is challenging in the best possible ways and affirming at the same time. If you’re eligible and considering the LIWP, I encourage you to apply!” You can learn more about the LIWP at <https://www.apa.org/pi/women/programs/leadership/>

Debra Mollen, PhD, and Noelany Pelc, PhD, co-edited an upcoming special issue of *Women & Therapy*. The special issue, titled Feminist Leadership and Mentorship in the Academy: Diverse Women Telling Our Stories, is dedicated to one of their contributors, Sue Morrow, PhD, who died while we they in the final stages of editing. Jean Lau Chin, PhD, also contributed to this issue. <https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wwat20/43/1-2>

Debra Mollen, PhD, will begin her term (through 2024) as Associate Editor of *Psychology of Women Quarterly*.

Debra Mollen, PhD, and Sharon Lamb, PhD, co-coordinated this year's annual meeting of the Association for Women in Psychology conference (March, 2020 in Austin, Texas). [https://www.awpsych.org/2020\\_conference.php](https://www.awpsych.org/2020_conference.php)

## Publications and Presentations

Brady-Amoon, P. & Hammond, M. S. (2020, April 2-5). *Differential academic career trajectories: The effect of age, institutional status, gender, race/ethnicity, and personal/family status*. [Poster presentation]. 2020 Society of Counseling Psychology Conference, New Orleans, LA, United States. (Conference canceled).

Brady-Amoon, P. (2020, April 2-5). *The Master’s issue: Social justice advocacy and action*. [Roundtable]. 2020 Society of Counseling Psychology Conference, New Orleans, LA, United States. (Conference canceled).

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Brady-Amoon, P. & Hammond, M. S. (2020, August 6-9). Promoting cultural competence and ally development through teaching, advisement, and mentoring. In T. Ling (Chair), *Liberating diversity in teaching: Using identity to change the invisible landscape* [Symposium]. American Psychological Association 128th Annual Convention, Washington, DC, United States.

Brady-Amoon, P. (2020, August 6-9). *Social justice action: Promoting and extending counseling psychology values*. [Division 17 Fellow presentation]. American Psychological Association 128th Annual Convention, Washington, DC, United States.

Currin, J., Borges, N. J., Hogge, I., Harris, K., Grotewiel, M., Roberts, T., & Ingram, P. (2020, April). *Pulling back the academic curtain: Some answers for ECPs and students wanting to pursue academic positions*. Symposium accepted for presentation at the 2020 Counseling Psychology Conference, New Orleans, LA. (Conference canceled).

Grotewiel, M. (2020, April). *Measurement of flow in the objectification theory model*. Poster accepted for presentation at the 2020 Counseling Psychology Conference, New Orleans, LA. (Conference canceled).

Grotewiel, M., Crenshaw, M., Dorsey, A., & Street, E. (2020, August 6-9). *Daily experiences of hyperfocus and flow in college students with and without Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)*. Poster accepted for presentation at the 2020 Convention of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC, United States.

Pelc, N., Hasan, N., & Mollen, D. (2020). Feminist storytelling: Representing the stories of diverse women in psychology. Special issue of *Women & Therapy* Feminist Leadership and Mentorship in the Academy: Diverse Women Telling Our Stories. *Women & Therapy, 43: 1-2, 7-17*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/02703149.2019.1684683>

Pelc, N., & Mollen, D. (2020). Conclusion: Representing the stories of diverse women in psychology. Special issue of *Women & Therapy* Feminist Leadership and Mentorship in the Academy: Diverse Women Telling Our Stories. *Women & Therapy, 43: 1-2, 213-220*.  
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## Ways to Get Involved

### Lifetime Members

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When you renew your SAW membership this year, please consider becoming a Lifetime Member for a one-time payment of \$150. We appreciate our members and their support!



<https://www.facebook.com/SawDiv17APA>

Visit the SAW Facebook page for a great way to meet many like-minded individuals seeking to address issues related to gender, sexuality, diversity, and social justice. This page will keep you up to date on the most current SAW information. It also provides non-members with a quick and easy way to join SAW.

<http://www.div17.org/sections/advancement-of-women/>

Visit the SAW website to learn more about SAW, including our leadership, task forces, awards, bylaws, and projects. You can also join our listserv and download the membership application.



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Membership Application for 2020**

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Membership dues should be submitted in January of each year in order to remain active within the Section. Annual Dues are \$15 for psychologist members and \$5 for graduate and undergraduate students. We also offer a Lifetime Membership for a one-time fee of \$150.

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