TIME WENT BY and it's hard to believe that just a year ago we three co-chairs embarked on a fabulous journey to Jersey City. Some of our team didn't even know each other while others had been away from our community for years. We spent the last year building connections and friendships that we wanted to share with Our Entire Psychodrama Family. And we did. When the conference was over it felt like our baby had just grown up and left home. Time really does go by.

We are grateful to everyone who attended and supported our endeavors toward ONENESS. We were grateful to have had Dr. Robert Landy as our Keynote speaker. Robert J. Landy, PhD, RDT-BCT, LCAT, Professor of Educational Theatre and Applied Psychology and Director of the Drama Therapy Program at New York University is a researcher, writer, and educator. Dr. Landy spoke about Reaching for a Theatre for Change, the subject of his most recent book, "Theatre for Change: Education, Social Action, Therapy".

We had lively and costumed daily hospitality via our Town Criers. Our five day rich program of over 100 workshops was supported by many Session Assistants. As well, while not visible, our Triage Team was onsite and available to handle any necessary debriefing. The Silent Auction and BasketCases were a great financial success. The 18 BasketCases were so original and creative coming from training groups, collectives, and individuals – they provided festive eye candy for everyone to see! The Saturday night 70th Anniversary party was full of old songs and dances, cool clothing from the decades, and most importantly, lots of smiles and laughter. Two new events were featured

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Moreno talked about tele as a kind of intangible, inexplicable, empathic connection between two people, representing truly feeling "into" the other's actual and complex dimensions. He calls it the cement that bonds a relationship. I read a book, *Unlikely Friendships* by Jennifer Holland, a Washington-based senior writer for National Geographic, about this kind of connection existing between animals. She gave me a lot to think about with respect to connection and tele in creatures other than humans. The book documented one heartwarming true story after another of animals who, with nothing else in common, bond in the most unexpected ways. Where do such bonds among animals originate? Some of the bonds are even among predators and their prey. These are amazing stories of animal tele and sociometry. It's about choices in the animal kingdom. For example, why does a cat choose a bird to bond with or as we would say it, "to be his double?" Then there is the tiny piglet that is mothered by a huge dog, which by so doing, saves the piglet's life. A dove and a Macaque become inseparable. A pit-bull tolerates both kittens and ducklings crawling all over it simultaneously. A gorilla gently handles and pets a tiny kitten. Then there are the stories of predators befriending their prey. One story tells of an Indian leopard that sneaks into a village every night to sleep with a calf. He leaves in the morning before the sun is up.

Are these animals telling us that bonding comes from the soul and that animals also experience the phenomenon of tele? Or that as it occurs in our lives, so does it in animals. We choose people based on our needs at the time. As our needs change, so do our choices. The animals also choose other animals, that at that moment in time, they need. No matter how unlikely the match may seem. One of Moreno's visions was to create bridges between people who were different from each other. He used sociometry to bring people together to create understanding and a peaceful existence. When I read about the leopard snuggling with the calf every night, I know that peace between people and/or animals is possible even if it only lasts for a short period of time. The leopard moves on eventually when he doesn't need the calf anymore. But it happened. Perhaps this sounds like a book review but my intention is to share the magnitude of tele and sociometry that exists in our world. You can get a little taste of what is in the book on Youtube by watching the author's interview with CNN.

www.youtube.com/watch?v=GjTkloAVKrc

Carole Oliver, PNN Editor
THIS IS YOUR COUNCIL

AWARDS COMMITTEE
The awards committee consisting of Jack Shupe, chair, Elaine Sachnoff, Elaine Camerota, and Lorelei Goldman discussed nominations and made recommendations to the board for award recipients for the annual 2012 conference. We continue to invite nominations for the 2013 awards presentation at conference. A list of recipients and what the awards are for are listed on our website: www.asgpp.org.

Jack Shupe, Awards Committee Chair

ARCHIVE COMMITTEE
In Fall 2011 we assessed the viability of moving the Archive to a new home at Lesley University in Cambridge, MA. After careful consideration, the ASGPP has decided to move the Archive collection to our headquarters in NJ. This will allow us to be able:
1. To keep the collection together rather than spread throughout one of Lesley’s libraries;
2. To readily access the collection for the coding, scanning of collection covers and tables of contents and/or introductions;
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5. To be able to develop, implement, and monitor online sharing of collection information, or to make available requests for chapters and articles from collection books and journals.

The Archive is ours to nurture, manage and to help grow and mature while in our capable hands. Thank you for your ongoing support, and please consider making an Archive donation. Questions or comments? Contact asgpp@asgpp.org

Adam Barcroft, Archive Committee Chair

CEU COMMITTEE
The CEU Providership Committee successfully transitioned to a new chair and continues to offer the ability to provide Continuing Education Units (CEUs) from the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC), the National Association of Alcohol and Drug Counselors (NAADAC) and the National Registry of Certified Group Psychotherapists (NRCGP) to psychodrama trainees who are training with Practitioner Applicant for Trainer (PAT’s) and with Trainer; Educator, Practitioners (TEP’s) of psychodrama. Increasing the number of PAT’s and TEP’s who participate in this program and exploring the possibility of adding other organizations to this program are goals for the next year.

Deborah Shaddy, CEU Committee Chair

EVALUATION COMMITTEE
The Evaluation Committee has prepared the necessary forms and procedures for evaluation of this year’s conference. A series of specialized questions have been added to the workshop evaluation form for the Friday morning sessions to elicit opinions and feedback about the use of the sociometric workshop selection process that is being piloted at this year’s conference. After nearly four years’ service in the role, Cathy Nugent has announced that she will be resigning as Committee Chair after the 2012 conference report is written and submitted. Anyone interested in serving the Committee and/or taking over the role of Chair is asked to contact Jen Reis at the ASGPP office. The role of the Evaluation Committee is to develop policies and procedures to help ensure that the conference is in accord with the ASGPP standards of excellence in education and training.

Cathy Nugent, Evaluation Committee Chair

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE
We continue to work toward extending awareness and communication about psychodrama ideas and activities between ASGPP and other countries of the world. We invite anyone who is interested to join the committee. We have been focusing on the exchange of information about international conferences, publications, journals and workshops. We are establishing a data base of email addresses for international organizations, newsletters and calendars for the sharing of information.

We request your input. Because all of us have individual contacts with people from other places, we can all spread the word about ASGPP activities and advertise our ASGPP conferences abroad. We encourage you to write about your international experiences for the PNN. We need all of your participation for good international networking.

Jeanne Burger, International Committee Chair

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
As of May, there are currently 363 members. Last year at this time, we had 286. This is wonderful news!

We’ve changed the way we handle membership renewals. The savings in postage is significant. The office sends out 2 electronic membership renewal reminders, via email. The first goes out the month prior to the membership expiration. An email is sent, with a letter detailing the benefits of membership and the members “record” that shows them the contact info we have on file for them. Members are asked to renew via mail (check or credit card) or a weblink with credit card. An identical email is sent the month the membership is set to expire. A third reminder takes place a month after the membership expires. This is a physical mailing, with a printout of the “membership benefits” and member record. A month after that, the Membership Committee makes personal phone calls. At least four “touches” are made in an attempt to get members to renew. Members receive a thank-you for renewing email from the office. Thank you to Jeanne Burger, Jackie Fowler, Lorelei Goldman and Carole Oliver for making phone calls!

Debbie Ayers, Membership Committee

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE
This season the publicity committee has worked to support the conference committees effort to publicize this years conference. This has been done by reaching out and posting on listservs, giving promotional materials to colleagues presenting at tri-state conferences and reaching out to colleges and universities in the area. In addition, we continue to monitor the ASGPP facebook page (with now over 1000 followers) and twitter account. The main purpose of the publicity committee is to encourage interest in the ASGPP’s activities for new and old members alike. Do you have a flair for telling the story of the ASGPP? If so you might want to consider joining the publicity committee. If interested, email Heidi Landis at heidilianaol.com.

Heidi Landis, Publicity Committee Chair

WEBSITE COMMITTEE
The committee is working on a new website and we hope to have it and running shortly so you will be able to see the fruits of our labor. In the last six months, we have selected and hired a web designer, helped come up with an eye pleasing, well organized website design, updated and/or revamped content as needed (a special thanks to Patty Phelps and Jen Reis for that) and turned things over to the designers to do their magic.

Regina Sewell, Website Committee Chair
— CONGRATULATIONS 2012 ASGPP AWARD WINNERS —

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Linda Rae Conaldfine, MA, LMHC, TEP

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Linda Condon, LMHC, TEP

PRESIDENT'S AWARD
Donell Miller, M.Div, PhD, TEP
with Sue McMunn, Pres.

INNOVATOR'S AWARD
John Nolte, PhD, TEP, Katrin Lammer, ACSW, TEP, Katie St. Claire, LCSW, TEP, Don Clarkson, MSW, LICSW, TEP
with Presenter, Louise Lipman - center
Amna Jaffer, MA, TEP & Darcy Erickson, MA, TEP not shown

COLLABORATOR'S AWARD
Mary Peckham, JD, PAT, Joanne Garcia-Colson, BFA, JD, PAT, & Fredlyn Sison, JD, CP

FELLOWS
Suze Jary, LCSW, TEP, Estrella Finoeberg, LCSW, LMFT, TEP, Steve Gordon, JD, Paul Leshik, LCSW, PAT & Mike Traynor, LCSW, GCP, TEP

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
Robert Landy

PLENARY SPEAKER:
Louise Lipman

Community Sociometric Section MC:
Mario Cossa

Awards Ceremony MC: Jean Campbell

Author's Book Signing

Playback
...and fun was had by all.


PHOTOS COURTESY OF: Colleen Baratka, Rhona Case, Suzie Jary, Jeff LiCalzi, Sue Mc Munn, Carole Oliver, Daniela Simmons and Evelyn Yee.
Jennifer Salimbene was the lucky 1st Prize winner of the 2012 Conference Exhibitor's Raffle: A 5 1/2-day Breakthrough at Caron Workshop in Wernersville, PA valued at $2,550.

NEW Psychodrama Research Listserv

At the 2012 ASGPP conference, some of us participated in a workshop to support research initiatives in Psychodrama and to connect with others also interested. We took as a key idea: “Creative ideas are children of solitude yet are rarely conceived in isolation.” (- G. Schatz) With that in mind, we are staying in touch with one another, offering support and thoughts, sharing what we know, bouncing ideas off one another, asking for help and collaboration, etc. We expect to be carrying this forward to the next conference and to making some concrete projects happen. If you want to participate, no need to wait for the next conference, send an email saying so to ericahollander@comcast.net.

– Erica Hollander

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Nominating Committee is asking for your help in seeking nominations or self-nominations for offices and committees of the Society. A slate will be prepared from these nominations and presented to the membership for their vote. Those duly elected by the membership will take office at the 2013 Annual Meeting. Please visit the ASGPP website to see positions open and for nominations form.

The deadline for nominations is August 31, 2012.

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Contact: www.apa.org/convention/index.aspx

August 17 - 20
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Contact: http://asanet.org/AM2012/index.cfm

October 11 - 14

November 2 - 5
Contact: www.nadt.org/events/2012-annual-conference.html

November 8 - 11
3rd Annual Expressive Therapies Summit. New York, NY. Contact: www.expressivetherapiessummit.com

January 24 - 27, 2013
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February 25 - March 2, 2013

March 21 - 24, 2013
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April 11 - 15, 2013

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Conference Chairs Nancy Kirsner, Colleen Baratka and Rhona Case did an awesome job. They received help from many people, for a conference of this magnitude does not come off on its own. The social hour was in a room with a beautiful view and offered some interaction with our international attendees. The dance was a blast with the theme of "Time" as the decor reminded us. The workshops were well attended and well reviewed.

I woke every morning with a view of the new World Trade Center under construction and the Statue of Liberty. I could not help but be reminded of 9/11 and the sadness that shadows our world as a result of that day. But I had the pleasure of hearing Governor Whitney of NJ speak the following year of 9/12. September 12th, the day after 9/11, was the day that the American Spirit rose to the occasion through the ruble and tears. Where we were able to restore our dignity and support one another through the recovery. I believe as psychodramatists we do the same for people in crisis. We offer them a 9/12. An occasion for them to find their resources and rebuild their lives. We offer an Integration and Insight to their healing. How poetic is the metaphor of the Statue of Liberty that offers an open door to all who care to enter.

I want to acknowledge Sue McMunn’s Presidency and her beautiful nurturing spirit. Thank you to our Executive Council members who have finished their term; Lorelei Goldman and Casandra Beam. This Executive Council and its work are “flowing” from the last Executive Council.

René Marineau’s book is under contract. Our new web site is coming this summer with improved visibility and a better user friendly format. The planning for the Crystal City / Washington DC Conference for 2013 is under way. We have a number of volunteers and the co-chairs, Nancy Kirsner, Jacob Gershoni and Jeffrey LiCalzi are creating the foundations of what will be another great conference.

The Executive Council is looking into on-line courses that offer CEU's, as well as ways to offer Social Work CEU's through our providership program. The Journal is in publication and should arrive shortly. We are discussing locations for the 2014 conference. We are looking for people who would like to host the conference in their area who are willing to serve as co-chairs. If you would like to host the conference “in your own backyard”, please contact the National Office. All submissions will be considered by the Executive Council. Co-chairing is a lot of work. It has its benefits and perks. You will have to ask what they are!

There is a strong energy around the “Evidence Based” research necessary to bring psychodrama “our Intellectual property” into the accepted modalities of treatment being recognized by the funding sources and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA).

We will continue to keep you informed of our progress and growth as well as the struggles and challenges. The Executive Council, and myself as your President, want to maintain an open door policy of transparency and inclusion in our service to the ASGPP and its membership. Please feel free to contact any one of us for information or direction or any of the Executive Council for help, information or if you are interested in getting involved with service. I would like to end with an invitation to you all to join us in our service to the ASGPP and in the world in which we experience our encounters of our mutual sociomentry.

Yours In Service
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David Moran, LCSW, CCDP, TEP
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at this year’s conference. The Community Sociometric Selection on Friday morning was lively and well received. Our authors’ book signing event was well attended and people spontaneously reviewed their books out loud for the audience. The spontaneity and hard work of our committee members and all those that came on board onsite to help us made things look effortless. We are appreciative for everyone who offered a hand in any capacity. Every one of you counts.

As our journey began, we set out to Trust, Risk and Expand with the main focus of helping the ASGPP community feel as though "WE ARE ONE." With the symbol of Ellis Island right within our view, we often referred to how many of our immigrant families passed through coming to this country. Similarly after 7 decades, the world of psychodrama, it too has been flavored with many different people, fields of knowledge, other countries and cultures.

For this conference we created Sociometric experiences from start to finish in the hope that society as a family would feel stronger and more connected. And in the end the feedback is that it worked. People who still felt disconnected after our opening Sociometry found themselves feeling the "Oneness" by the closing ceremony. And to solidify people’s connections, we left Jersey City with a rich conference staff for 2013 and many openings for all of you to step into. It is very exciting to have Committees and Conference co-chairs who want to continue on to our 2013 Conference. Nancy Kirsner, as Executive Council liaison to our conference, will Co-chair with Jacob Gershoni and Jeff LiCalzi. Rhona Case will continue her awesome work with the silent auction with Janell Adair at her right hand, and Colleen Baratka with Mario’s Cossa’s creative touches will outdo this year’s bash for sure with our International Global focus. We hope that each member of the community feels the connections we rekindled or created and that you bring this warmth and excitement to DC next year.

If we look at this one last time like a Good Psychodrama, our warm-up was our year of connecting and planning this fabulous event in New Jersey. Our action phase was Co-creating the Conference with YOU in April and our sharing is THANKING YOU for the experience and hoping to stay connected. ASGPP, we thank you for the honor of having co-chaired your 2012 Conference.

Colleen, Rhona and Nancy
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