

New Mexico Psychoanalytic Society
Joan Scott, PhD

I. Structure

A. Current Officers

President: Erik Craig, EdD

President elect: Kevin Rexroad, MD

Past president: Adrienne Larkin, PhD

Section IV Representative: Joan Scott, PhD

Treasurer: Marythelma Ransom

Secretary: David Landeau, MD

Program Committee Chair: C. Patrick McGreevy, PhD

Membership Chair: Neil Landeau

CE Coordinator: C. Patrick McGreevy, PhD

Webmaster: Jan Middeldorf, PsyD

B. Membership

Division 39 members: 19

Psychologists: 48

Social work: 10

Physicians: 14

Other: 29

II. Governance functions

The NMPS Board meets 3 to 4 times per years with an occasional brief meeting conducted after a workshop or conference. The Board determines the calendar of programs for the year, decisions regarding public relations, communications to the membership, oversight of the web site and decisions regarding the disbursement of funds for the various activities of the chapter. We have two full day conferences each years with a nationally recognized presenter and at least 2 or 3 half day workshops provided for by nationally known presenters and members of the society as well as other experts who are in the vicinity of the southwest or who may be available in Albuquerque through the UNM medical school. These presentations are well attended usually by 35 to 50 participants. Funding is provided partially by chapter dues and also from the registration fee to the conferences. The half-day workshops are free to members and around \$45 to non-members who wish to attend.

III. Publications and communications

The NMPS maintains and updates its web site on a regular basis. The web site allows access to information regarding upcoming events, registration for these events, online payment for these events as well as membership applications, and the listing of our Board of Directors. There is also an active listserv that maintains an ongoing communication among members, information

regarding upcoming events and reminders, topics of local and national interest and general communications open to all. We have sent brochures for all workshops and conferences printed by a local printer. This service has been somewhat expensive and we recently began to communicate to the general membership with beautifully designed and colorful postcards for scheduled events. They have been popular and well received.

IV. Chapter-Division relationships

Communication between the NMPS chapter and Division 39 has occurred largely between our chapter representative, Erik Craig, EdD who has been the representative for the last 5 or 6 years. New lines of communication will be opened at the Spring 2015 meeting in San Francisco with Joan Scott, PhD who has taken on the role of Division Representative.

V. Programming

1. October 2014: Psychotherapy with Couples: Moving Between the Upper and Lower Worlds, presented by Deborah Luepnitz, PhD
2. December 2014: How Might We Find Meaning in the Midst of Transience, Loss, and Uncertainty, presented by Erik Craig, EdD and Gail Feldman, PhD.
3. January 2015: Touching Becomes Touching: Mind, Body, and Sexuality in a New (6) credits Relational Psychoanalysis, presented by Jonathan Slavin, PhD, ABPP and Miki Rahmani, MA.
4. May 2015: Drives and Neuroscience, presented by Jan Middledorf, PsyD.

VI. Key Initiatives or Innovations

NMPS has been interested for several years is attracting new and younger members to the organization. This spring at the suggestion of several members of the board several initiatives were begun. Members associated with 2 universities in New Mexico reached out personally to graduate students and staff and extended a personal invitation to attend our January daylong program with Jonathan Slavin, PhD and Mikka Rahmani, MA The response was heartening. Three students from UNM attended and two students from New Mexico Highlands University agreed to attend and were extremely enthusiastic participants in the program. They will each be invited to attend our May 9th presentation by Jan Middledorf, PsyD on the Drives and Neuroscience and will also invite another student. In addition Kevin Rexroad, MD (president elect) has contacted 2 members of the UNM Medical school faculty who have promised to attend. Because this organization offers such high quality programming and educational opportunities at such a low cost to members we are anticipating a real resurgence in new members. The psychoanalytic point of view is not widely available to these professionals and they assure us that they are excited and stimulated by the prospect of this type education.