



# South Dakota Psychological Association

## SUMMER 2012



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### SDPA ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

## From The Desk of the President

*Sally Weyer, Ph.D.*

Greetings! I hope it has been a good summer for everyone. For those who were not able to make it to our annual meeting and conference, you missed a good conference. Speakers Kerri and Greg Lamberty (sister and brother, and both neuropsychologists), provided good information about assessment and treatment of cognitive disorders. Our setting this year was East River and there was mixed reviews about the location. Many are hoping that we return to Cedar Shores next year because it offers a way for everyone to get away from the office. The time of the annual meeting and conference is likely to change as we align it better with our fiscal year.

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Once again we had students doing poster presentations with interesting topics that are so relevant for future practice. Awards are always given to the students as an encouragement to them in future research. This year, individuals/practice agencies were invited to sponsor the student presentations. We will do this in the future which will give others an opportunity to express

their support of psychological research endeavors. During a break, a picture was taken of all the winning poster presenters, as well as all of the USD grads in attendance.

As we move into another year, it is my hope that our association will continue to grow and make itself accessible in meaningful ways. This year, we voted to have a Public Education Campaign Coordinator, which has the task of promoting the use of psychological services thorough print media, social media, and a speakers' bureau. If you are an individual with expertise in an area and would like to be considered as a spokesperson that can be called upon to do an interview or presentations, please contact Laura Hughes, Psy.D. ■

### SDPA Executive Committee

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# FAC Update

*Scott Pribyl, Ed.D.*

Brief Federal Advocacy update: APA is continuing to work with state associations and their members to gain the "physician definition" for psychologists - members are urged to contact Senator's Johnson and Thune, and Representative Noem to voice their support; the Supreme Court has upheld the Affordable Health Act, including the individual mandate to purchase

insurance. The APA's response to the decision is available at <http://www.apa.org/news/press/statements/affordable-care-act.aspx>. A new version of CAPWIZ is being utilized to contact SDPA practice payer members with Action Alerts and Information Alerts - there have been a few adjustment and training challenges which will hopefully be ironed out soon! ■

## New Executive Committee

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Welcome aboard!

## Executive Director Report

*Brittany Novotny, JD, MBA*

This past year, we have thoroughly enjoyed working with the Executive Committee and other volunteers of the South Dakota Psychological Association. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your support and commitment to the Association and to the profession. The Association has accomplished much this past year because of your hard work and dedication.

The Association took part in a legislative event this past session, educating law makers on the profession of psychology and issue of importance to the profession. I, along with executive committee members Liz Spivey and Scott Pribyl, attended the APA conference this spring. This was a valuable event and a great opportunity to network with colleagues in other states. The Association held its Annual Conference in May in Sioux Falls. Approximately 30 psychologists attended this event and feedback received has been positive.

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SDPA currently has 36 members. The Association received a grant through the APAPO to assist with office operations. The Association is very thankful for these annual funds and for the support of the APAPO. The Association also received an emergency grant through the APAPO. These funds helped the Association rectify

certain issues, so as to provide strong foundation upon which to build the Association as it moves forward.

I would like to thank all SDPA members for understanding the importance of your membership. Without these dues and volunteer hours, the Association

could not continue the work that it does on behalf of psychologists across South Dakota. If you are currently involved in the Association, thank you for the time and energy that you dedicate to this organization and to the profession. If you are not currently involved in the Association, it's time to get involved! Your participation in SDPA will help shape the future of the profession. ■



# Post 2012 Annual Meeting and Conference

"Thank you so much for attending 2012 SDPA Annual Conference and see you next year!"



## Student Award Winners

- 1st Place: Rosalie Brueske
- 2nd Place: Aimee Deliramich
- 3rd Place: Nickolas Jones

*USD graduates attending the annual conference gathered for a group picture!*

## Conference Participants

- Front row: Aimee Deliramich and Nickolas Jones
- Middle row: Drs. Barb Yutzenka, Kerri Lamberty, Jen Helkenn, Hilary Kindsfater, Rosalie Brueske, and Dr. Sally Weyer
- Back row: Jessica Klopfer, Jerry Buchkoski, and Christy Hartline, and Tyler Wray



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## Want to join SDPA membership?

### Full Membership

- Practitioners with a(n):
- Doctoral degree from an accredited Psychology Program or equivalent
  - Current License to practice psychology in South Dakota or who are license eligible
  - APA membership in good standing, on the National Register of Providers (Psychology) or members of another state psychological association

### Associate Membership

Practitioners who have a master's degree from an accredited program and are working or teaching in the mental health field

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Any student currently enrolled in a psychology program (masters or undergraduate)

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- 3) Send an application and payment to:

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