literature, especially on the subject of the maternal erotic transference. Many of her articles were gathered in her groundbreaking book with Judith Welles, *The Narration of Desire: Erotic Transferences and Countertransferences* (Hillsdale, NJ: The Analytic Press, 1994). The Section III panel at the spring meeting drew a large turnout. Batya Monder introduced the panel, *Sex: The Next Generation*, which was organized and moderated by Muriel Dimen who led the lively discussion that followed. Debra Roth and Stephen Hartman presented, and Virginia Goldner was the discussant. Toni Heineman presented our second Annual Dissertation Award to Sally Brandel, who is completing her work at the Fielding Graduate Institute.

For the summer APA meeting, Batya Monder organized and moderated the Section III panel, entitled *After Our Bodies Ourselves*, taking off from the popular book of the ‘70s. Panelists Nancy McWilliams, Devon Charles, Deborah Blessing, Lynne Harkless, and Judith Logue explored the trajectory that feminism took from the 1970s forward, focusing in part on the disturbing increase of body-modifying surgeries and the complex pressures on women to undergo them. The panel was so well attended and caused such a stir that *The Monitor* is running a short piece on it, and a fuller report on the panel will appear in a future issue of *Psychoanalytic Psychology*, written by Batya Monder. Section III also hosted a Meet the Authors session to promote our book, which we will continue to market in the coming year with book parties in various cities across the country.

As we move forward in the 21st century, we face ongoing challenges to maintain membership numbers in this vibrant section, and we expect to stay on the cutting edge of subjects that are important to psychoanalysis.

### Section V: Psychologist Psychoanalyst Clinicians

**Johanna Krout Tabin, PhD, ABPP**

Under the leadership of President Elgan Baker, Section V continues to thrive with an ever-expanding program. The Student Outreach Committee, with student Board members Elizabeth Hahn and David Kemmerer reported several initiatives they are taking. In an historic first for the Division, Section V and Section I are cooperating together in an Outreach Committee to Institute Candidates to join the Division and either or both of the Sections (full membership in Section V and candidate membership in Section I). The effort is being received enthusiastically. It is spearheaded by Nancy McWilliams for Section V and Mary Beth Cresci for Section I, with Johanna Tabin as chairperson.

Section V’s invited program for the Division Spring meeting in Philadelphia will be a round table discussion of *Problems of Lay Analysis Today and Licensing of Psychoanalysts*. Nancy McWilliams will chair it with Lew Aron, Laurel Wagner, David Lichtenstein and Vivian Goldner to trade ideas with each other.

Section V’s Biannual All-Division Essay Competition is in place. This year’s topic: *Is the Unconscious Necessary?* This can be interpreted as a theoretical issue in personality structure or as a concept for current psychoanalysis. Length is limited to 12 pages. First prize is $1000. Second Prize is $200. Entries are due to the Section Office for blind evaluation. Entries are due by January 15. Winners will be announced in Philadelphia. Winning essay will be posted on the Section V Web site.

### Section VI Psychoanalytic Research Society: A History

**Pamela Foelsch, PhD, Lisa Pomeroy, PhD**

Section VI, the Psychoanalytic Research Society, was officially established in 1989. Wonderfully chronicled by Harold Cook, the Psychoanalytic Research Society grew out of a standing research committee of Division 39. Its origins began in 1979, when Gordon Derner, then president of Div 39, appointed Joseph Masling as the first Chair of the Research Committee, with Richard Bellow, Sidney Blatt, Norbert Freedman, and Lloyd Silverman as committee members. Masling chaired the committee until 1985 when Howard Shevrin was appointed Chair of the Research Committee, and he appointed Sidney Blatt, Philip Holzman, Lester Luborsky, Herbert Schlesinger, and Donald Spence as members. In 1988, James Eyman became Chair until 1989 when Harold Cook and Joseph Turkel were appointed as Co-Chairs of the Research Committee.

The early seeds of the Section began to take shape under newly appointed Co-Chairs (Cook and Turkel) of the Research Committee when they invited a number of people to become members of the Committee in the Spring of 1989. They wrote a letter of invitation to prospective members of the Committee stating: “Our aim with your assistance is to establish some realistic goals for the Committee and perhaps a strategy and research agenda for the Division. We envision that almost any work we might do along these lines could impact the direction of future research committees and add saliency to the importance of psychoanalytic research for theory development and clinical practice.” In response to this letter, an outstanding and widely respected group of psychologists agreed to become members of the committee, Co-Chaired by Cook and Turkel, membership consisted of Morris Eagle, Matthew Erdelyi, Irene Fast, Judith Kantowitz, Lester Luborsky, Joseph Masling, Stephen Portes, Howard Shevrin, Herbert Schlesinger, and Hans Strupp.

It appeared politically that the time was right, and after several discussions, the Research Committee, functioning as an organizing committee, proposed (see Psychologist-Psychoanalyst, IX, 2) a new Section of the Division. They were encouraged by the large number of members who responded to their solicitation of signatures to a petition to establish a Research Section. In the Fall of 1989, they submitted the peti
tion to the Board of the Division requesting the establishment of the Section. The cover letter stated:

... The bylaws and publicity for the Division state that the Division "is concerned with advancing scientific and public interest in the contributions of psychoanalysis to psychology as a science and profession, and encouraging educational programs and research in psychoanalysis." It seems that "encouraging research in psychoanalysis" unfortunately has been a neglected objective of the Division.

Thus, the establishment of A Research Section should be of vital concern and interest to the Division. It represents an opportunity for the Division to take an overdue, visible step in promoting the value and importance of psychoanalytically informed research, and its contribution to theory and practice. The section attempts to function as a catalyst in the development of a psychoanalytic research enterprise. At this historical juncture, psychoanalysis is in need of well trained, thoughtful, dedicated research people who are psychoanalytically oriented to demonstrate the efficacy of psychoanalytic treatment and the viability of psychoanalytic theory. The section attempts to foster a research posture and attitude among psychoanalysts. Attached you will find: (a) A draft version of Bylaws for the proposed new Research Section; (b) A list of the names of almost 400 members of the Division (approximately 15%) who have signed a petition requesting a Research Section. About 15 more folks have signed the petition but have not yet been added to the list..."

With apparent pleasure and enthusiasm, on November 11, 1989, the Board of the Division approved the establishment and the Bylaws of Section VI—The Psychoanalytic Research Society with its stated purposes (Article II of Bylaws) being:

The Section subscribes to the general objectives of the American Psychological Association and the Division of Psychoanalysis. The overall purpose of this section is to promote psychoanalytic research of an empirical, theoretical and clinical nature. More specifically, this section shall further the development of a variety of research activities including the planning and conducting, as well as the dissemination of research findings. It will stimulate and support communication among researchers by the use of professional meetings and publications. In addition, it shall facilitate (1) the continual development and training of psychoanalytically oriented researchers; (2) the broadening of the role that psychoanalytic research plays in general psychology, with other related professional disciplines, and the public.

Section VI was born, with pro-tem officers (Harold Cook, President; Joseph Turkel, Secretary-Treasurer and Members-at-Large: Morris Eagle, Lester Luborsky, Howard Shevrin, and Hans Strupp) who initiated a membership campaign. Within 6 months, 252 dues-paying members from throughout the States and from other countries became members of the new Section.

The Research Section was now firmly established and began to actively participate on the Board of the Division. It organized its first symposium at the 1990 Spring Meeting, Psychoanalysis as a General Psychology: Theoretical and Empirical Issues. The Section was influential in the Board's decision to recommend that the Research Section appoint a representative to future Divisional Program Committees. In addition, it conducted an empirical evaluation of the Division's Spring 1990 meeting, reported the results to the Board, who recommended that program committees of all Annual and Spring meetings conduct an empirical evaluation of their meetings. The Section also supported a request for funds from the Division to sponsor jointly, with APsaA, a conference, Psychoanalytic Research: Education for Research Careers in Psychoanalysis—Dream or Reality? A small group of scientists, as well as several members of the Division attended the conference, known as the Bethesda Conference.

In June 1991, the first contested elections of officers of the Section were held. More than 50% of Section members voted, electing Harold Cook, President; Joseph Turkel, Treasurer; Gwen Gerber, Secretary; and Peter Biurksi, Morris Eagle, Carol Giesler, Nancy Miller, and Dennis Shulman, Members-at-Large. The new officers of the Section appointed a number of standing committees, established a format for a forthcoming Newsletter, The Bulletin of the Psychoanalytic Research Society (under Dennis Shulman's editorship), which was published in the Spring of 1992, and participated in discussions regarding the Division's co-sponsoring, with APsaA, a Joint Board for Psychoanalytic Research Training (JBPR). During the 1990's, hardworking members worked diligently to raise awareness in the Division of the need to pursue, and conduct empirical research to support the rich clinical tradition of psychoanalysis and psychoanalytic psychotherapy. Funding was lobbied for and received from Division 39 as well as members to create a fund that was used to support the research of students. Grant Awards were given to 16 worthy student researchers between 1994 and 2004 totaling almost $20,000. These awards serve to encourage the growth and development of a new generation of researchers that will contribute to the viability of psychoanalytic treatments in an ever increasingly hostile "consumer" market.

While the Section has had some difficult years, with some original founding members taking ill, and the group struggling to maintain a critical mass of actively participating members, the Section has begun the process of revitalization during 2002-2004 under the leadership of E. Lisa Pomeroy. Dr. Pomeroy recruited as Honorary Board Members an outstanding group of PhDs and MDs, who were participating in psychoanalytic
research. A great effort was made to increase the Section’s membership numbers to 180 (approx) which reestablished the vote on the Division 39 Board; once again Gwen Gerber, the representative could express the wishes of the Section to the Div 39 Board. Of note, a very special Honorary Member, Morton Schillinger, passed away after making a significant contribution to the Section.

With Dr. Pomeroy’s efforts to revitalize the membership and clarify the financial situation of the Section, the Section could turn its attention back to its mission, “promote psychoanalytic research of an empirical, theoretical, and clinical nature”. The Psychoanalytic Research Society News was established with two well-received issues mailed out. Two Spring Meeting panels were presented for Division 39 and were extremely well attended. On these panels, Drew Westen, and Ken Levy, presented papers on psychoanalytic research. Fonya Helm, was the discussant at one meeting; John Auerbach, filled in unexpectedly at the other. E. Lisa Pomeroy was the moderator of both. Another well-received panel included Gwen Gerber, with Maurine Kelly and Johanna Tabin as the discussants. We remain committed to maintaining a level of excellence and a continuing presence in future Division 39 meetings.

Currently, with the dedication of the Election Committee of Past President, Steve Portugese Maurine Kelly and Fonya Helm, the Section members chose the current board. For the 2005–2007 term, Pamela Foelsch is President with the following outstanding Board members: Ken Levy, President Elect; Joel Weinberger, Secretary; Fonya Helm, Treasurer; Gwen Gerber, Div 39 Representative; Lisa Pomeroy, Past-President. The Members at Large are: J. Stuart Ablon, John Auerbach, Sidney Blatt, Robert Bornstein, Michael Sperling, Johanna Tabin. The Honoray Advisors of the Section are: Patrick Luyton, Sherwood Waldron, Gerald Stechler, Drew Westen, and Andrew Gerber.

What Harold Cook said in his earlier history of the section remains unchanged,

Hopefully, the Psychoanalytic Research Society will play an increasingly important and exciting role in invigorating psychoanalysis as a scientific, as well as a clinical endeavor. Inspiring the Division’s membership to value, support, perhaps conduct and intelligently become consumers of research is an objective that should evoke the imagination and energetic participation of all of us who view psychoanalysis as a vibrant, intellectually stimulating and developing theory, and technique of treatment of human distress.

**Stephen A. Mitchell Award**

Papers are invited for the fifth annual Stephen A. Mitchell Award. Established by Psychoanalytic Psychology and the Board of the Division of Psychoanalysis, the award honors our esteemed colleague as well as a graduate student whose paper is deemed exemplary by a panel of judges, all journal editors and Division 39 members. The award includes a $500 cash prize, airfare and registration for the Division Spring Meeting, at which the paper will be read, and publication in *Psychoanalytic Psychology*. Deadline for submission is July 1, 2006, and presentation of the paper will be at the 2007 Spring Meeting in Toronto. Five printouts of the paper should be submitted to me according to the procedure for submission to *Psychoanalytic Psychology* and should include a cover letter indicating that the paper is being submitted for the Stephen A. Mitchell Award. Division members with academic affiliations, in particular, as well as all members are strongly encouraged to invite graduate students to submit papers. There are no restrictions as to topic or theoretical orientation, although the papers must be of a psychoanalytic nature. Manuscripts and questions should be addressed to the editor: Joseph Reppen, PhD, ABPP, Editor, *Psychoanalytic Psychology*, 211 East 70 Street, New York, NY 10021-5207, 212/288-7530 (voice), 212/628-8453 (fax), jreppen@datagram.com (email).

**Deadline: July 1, 2006**

**Section III Dissertation Grant**

A $500 grant is awarded yearly for the support of a dissertation in keeping with the mission of Section III: “Section III is dedicated to promoting research and theory concerning gender and women’s issues, to increasing the participation of women within the profession, to advancing the psychotherapeutic treatment of women, and to advocating on behalf of women’s issues. The Section has an additional focus on contemporary social issues.” Any doctoral student whose dissertation proposal has been approved is eligible to apply. The application will consist of three (3) copies of a letter, not to exceed two double-spaced pages, describing the dissertation and its relationship to the interests of the section and proof that the proposal has been approved. Faxes and emails are not acceptable. Applications will be judged on: 1) relevance of the topic to the Section’s mission, 2) importance of the contribution to the field, and, 3) likelihood that the dissertation will be completed in a timely fashion. The winner will be announced at the Section III reception at the Annual Spring Meeting of Division 39 and, upon completion of the dissertation, will be invited to participate in a conversation hour sponsored by the Section. Applications for the 2006 award must be postmarked by March 1, 2006 and should be addressed to: Toni Vaughn Heineman, D.M.H., 2481 Clay St., #201, San Francisco, CA 94115

**Deadline: March 1, 2006**