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Farewell from Former Board Chair, Joseph E. Comaty, Ph.D., MP

(Board Member, 2006 – 2010, Board Chair, 2010 – 2011)

At the beginning of my tenure on the Board, 5 years seemed like a long time. Now, at the end of my term, it did not seem long enough to accomplish all the goals I had set for myself and the Board. I feel that I have rotated off the Board with many projects unfinished. But, I imagine that my predecessors had the same feelings. Serving on the Board presents many challenges. The initial challenge of learning Board procedures, rules, the state laws governing the practice of psychology, how to conduct an efficient business meeting, how to fulfill the immense responsibility to protect the public without causing harm to those we regulate, how to negotiate the legislative sessions, how to find the time to devote to Board duties in the midst of a busy full time job. It is as if by the time your term is over, you feel that you have just learned how to do the job!

The activities of the Board are critically important and require constant vigilance, thought, careful deliberation, and ultimately measured action. Fortunately, there are many reasons why it can be done. The support of my professional colleagues on the Board, who are all in the same boat as me! But, the real reason why the Board works so well is the effort and dedication of the staff. Starting with the Executive Director and her assistant; the Board's legal counsel; the accountant; the complaints coordinator and investigators; all of these dedicated professionals serve the Board in so many ways and do so mostly because they are all dedicated to the profession of psychology. We are indebted to their dedication and to their passionate support of the profession of psychology.

Like my predecessors, I have had the experience of being on the Board through several significant changes in the evolution of the practice of psychology. Managing the shift of the regulation of medical psychologists from LSBEP to the State Board of Medical Examiners; attempting to prevent the illegal expansion of scope of practice of LPCs under SCR 100 and being involved in legislative efforts to limit this expansion under SB 268 have all been tremendous efforts and also a unique learning experience for me. Fortunately, I have had the support of our colleagues in LPA and LAMP, and the LSBME without whose help I would not have been able to guide the Board through these uncharted waters.

Now that I have finished my term, I leave with great satisfaction but also with some degree of regret. It is a tremendous honor and tremendous responsibility to serve our profession and the public. I strongly encourage all psychologists to consider submitting their nomination for the Board. I feel that the experience will make them not only better psychologists, but also give them a new respect for those who serve the public as licensed psychologists.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

[Act 320 Signed by Governor](#)

On June 28, 2011, Governor Bobby Jindal signed Act 320 into Law which allows licensed professional counselors to treat serious mental illnesses in collaboration with a physician and/or medical psychologist. You can view the entire bill at <http://www.legis.state.la.us/>

[Sunset 2012](#)

The LSBEP's Chair, Dr. Young along with Vice Chair, Dr. Lee Matthews are heading up the Board's committee regarding Sunset 2012. The LSBEP and LPA intend to work together in the Sunset 2012 process.

The LSBEP Welcomes New Board Member Marc L. Zimmermann, Ph.D., MP



Marc Zimmermann was born and reared in San Antonio, TX. He received his Ph.D. from Texas A & M University – Commerce in 1977. He was licensed in Texas in 1978 and later in Louisiana in 1979. He became a member of the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology in 1981. He was licensed as an M.P. in 2006. He is a member of the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis, APA, APS, and LPA, and on the advisory Board of the American College of Forensic Psychology and is an officer of the American Academy of Psychologists Treating Addiction. Zimmermann was founding member of Baton Rouge Area Society of Psychologists and first President.

Question and Answer

The LSBEP staff is incorporating a question and answer section in future newsletters.

Do you have questions you would like answered by the Board and/or Board staff?

If so, email your submissions to kparker@lsbep.brcoxmail.com.

Have you checked out the Board's website lately?

www.lsbep.org

Recent additions include: a Frequently Asked Question section, a Board Agendas and Minutes page, and more. Coming soon fillable forms!! Check it out!!

LSBEP's 20th Annual Honor and Awards Ceremony

On October 28, 2011, the LSBEP held its 20th Annual Honor and Awards Ceremony in honor of the dedicated service and leadership of Joseph E. Comaty, Ph.D., M.P., and exemplary service and administrative leadership of Jaime T. Monic.

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Left to right: Marc Zimmermann, Ph.D., Rita Culross, Ph.D., Tony Young, Ph.D., Jaime T. Monic, Lee Matthews, Kelly Parker, Jacqueline Lively, Beverly Stubblefield, Ph.D., Janet Matthews, Ph.D., Joseph Comaty, Ph.D., Tommy Stigall, Ph.D., and Constance Patterson, Ph.D.



Happy Holidays!

From the LSBEP Board and Staff

2011 RENEWAL STATUS REPORT

As of August 1, 2011, the total population of psychologists in Louisiana was 637. We appreciate the 464 psychologists renewing their licenses using the on-line renewal system offered by the LSBEP. We hope that the system was fast, convenient, and easy to use. Our goal is to consistently improve the system and ultimately move to an online only renewal period.

Lapsed Licenses:

Sonya G. Belcher, Ph.D., #911

Lynne S. Elliott, Psy.D., #733

Judy B. Gwin, Ph.D., #535

Michael H. Hansen, Psy.D., #1138

Daniel J. Krall, Ph.D., #1005

Nathanael G. Mullener, Ph.D., #223

Corinne N. Ortega, Ph.D., #1132

Dawn C. Parsons, Psy.D., #1050

Shannon D. Parsons, Psy.D., #1110

Timothy P. Pearman, Ph.D., #810

F. Cal Robinson, Psy.D., #1075

Bertram C. Sippola, Ph.D., #235

Emily R. Slife, Ph.D., #1119

Laura E. Lajos, Ph.D., #963

Patricia D. Stanley, Ph.D., #716

Darren M. Strother, Ph.D., #1017

Nadia E. Webb, Psy.D., #1087

Gregory C. Wells, Ph.D., #1111

David L. Williams, Ph.D., #953

Mary C. Williams-Brewer, Ph.D., #644

Donald A. Williamson, Ph.D., #340

On September 8, 2011, the LSBEP randomly selected 10% of the renewed licensees for an annual audit. The audit was concluded on October 28, 2011.

Going Somewhere? Moving? Change of Address? Notify the Board!

It is imperative that you notify the Board of any change of address. Without a current address on file, you may not receive renewal notices, or your license may be lost in the mail, and you may miss other significant communication from our office.

Pursuant to LAC: Title 46, § 903 Changes of Address, specifically, §903(A) states:

A licensed psychologist shall notify the Board within 30 days, with documentation, attesting to any change of mailing and/or home address. This documentation notice shall include the psychologist's full name, license number, and the old and new addresses.

So next time you change addresses, put the Board on your notification list. We can only send mail to addresses that we have on file and only you can notify the Board of any changes. Address changes must be in writing by mail, Fax or email (admin@lsbep.brcoxmail.com).

NEW LICENSEES



*James C. Smith, Ph.D.
Mandeville, LA
License #1164 (CL)
Issue: 8/1/11*



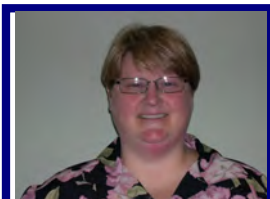
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New Orleans, LA
License #1165 (CL)
Issued: 7/22/11*



*Marianne H. Walsh, Ph.D.
Metairie, LA
License #1166 (CL)
Issued: 8/1/11*



*Merry R. Buckley, Psy.D.
Pineville, LA
License #1167 (CL)
Issue: 9/16/11*



*Stephany L. Hillman, Ph.D.
Gulfport, MS
License #1168 (CO)
Issue: 9/16/11*



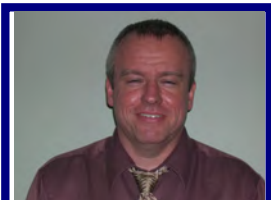
*Lee B. Kneipp, Ph.D.
Natchitoches, LA
License #1169 (CL)
Issue: 9/21/11*



*Lou'uan Brown, Psy.D.
Ruston, LA
License #1170 (CL)
Issue: 9/21/11*



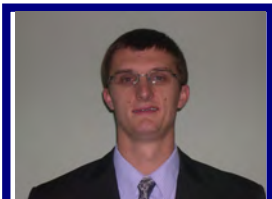
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Issue: 10/28/11*



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Issue: 10/28/11*



*Lauren E. Pasqua, Psy.D.
Shreveport, LA
License #1173 (CL)
Issue: 10/28/11*



*Adam B. Hess, Ph.D.
Pollock, LA
License #1174 (CL)
Issue: 10/28/11*



*Lacey LeBlanc Seymour,
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*Heather E. Sterling, Ph.D.
Lafayette, LA
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Issue: 11/18/11*



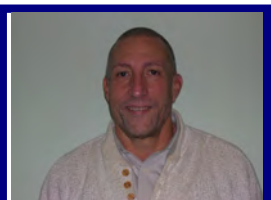
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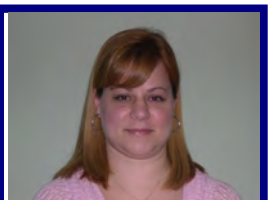
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Issue: 12/9/11*



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Issue: 12/9/11*



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License #1180 (CL)
Issue: 12/9/11*



*Katherine J. Aucoin, Ph.D.
Marrero, LA
License #1181 (DV)
Issue: 12/9/11*



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License #1182 (CL)
Issue: 12/9/11*