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❖ News from the President

This newsletter includes the call for papers for our next conference, to be held in Adelaide, Australia. The organizers have put a great deal of planning into this meeting and promises to be a terrific conference—please plan to submit a symposia, presentation, or poster and to attend. In other important news, we have several calls for nominations, including major awards that will be presented at the 2008 conference. In addition, the ISJR executive committee is seeking nominations for a new editor for *Social Justice Research*. John Jost, after serving two very successful terms as editor of *SJR*, will be stepping down as editor at his current term. John has done a terrific job building the journal, negotiating new and more favorable terms with the publisher, and is leaving *SJR* in terrific health for the next editor. Please see the section on nominations for more information about how to make nominations for the ISJR Lifetime Achievement Award

(a new award to be given for the first time at the 2008 conference), the ISJR Young Scholar Award, and for *SJR* editor.

Linda Skitka

❖ News from the Treasurer

All subscribers of *SJR* and members who have paid their 2007 dues should be receiving their journals now. Anyone who is not receiving their journal should contact me (LBH3@Columbia.edu), and include their correct mailing address and contact information in that email.

If you have not yet paid 2007 dues, please go to the following link (also on the ISJR webpage) for secure web-based dues renewal procedures:
http://study.psych.uic.edu/ISJR/ISJR_membership.htm.

Larry Heuer

❖ Call for Nominations

❖ Editor, *Social Justice Research*

The ISJR executive committee is seeking nominations for the next editor-in-chief for *Social Justice Research*. Please send nominations (a brief note and a copy of the nominee's vita) to Linda Skitka at lskitka@uic.edu BY NOV. 15, 2007. Self-nominations are welcome.

❖ ISJR Lifetime Achievement Award

Members of ISJR are asked to submit nominations for the first annual ISJR Lifetime Achievement Award. This award honors scholars for distinguished contributions to the scientific study of justice and efforts to advance justice as a field of study (mentorship, etc).

Please send a 1-2 page nomination letter with a copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae to the Secretary of ISJR (tom.tyler@nyu.edu) (email nominations with pdf or MSWord attachments of the nomination and the nominee's CV are strongly encouraged). The recipient of the award will be decided by a vote of the ISJR executive committee. Current members of the ISJR executive committee are not eligible for this award. Deadline for nominations is November 15, 2007. The award winner will be announced by January 15, 2007 and the award winner will be invited to give a special address at the ISJR conference in Australia.

❖ ISJR Young Scholar Award

Members of ISJR are asked to nominate excellent young justice scholars for this award. Self-nominations are welcomed. The nomination should

include a detailed statement explaining the accomplishments of the scholar and should be accompanied by a CV, including a publication list and copies of the up to five of the nominees most important publications. Nominations and nomination materials by E-mail are preferred, but hard copies will also be accepted. Please send nominations to the Secretary of ISJR: Tom Tyler, tom.tyler@nyu.edu, Dept. of Psychology, NYU, 6 Washington Place, Room 550. NY, NY 10003. Deadline for nominations is November 15, 2007. The recipient of this award may not have held a PhD for more than 10 years (from the date nominations are due). The award winner will be announced by January 15, 2007 and the award winner will be invited to give a special address at the ISJR conference in Australia.

❖ 12th Conference of the International Society for Justice Research

The 12th Conference of our society will be held in Adelaide, Australia, on August 14-17, 2008. Apt to its location, the theme of the conference will be on *Justice in a Diverse Society*. Researchers from all relevant disciplines are invited to submit contributions on a topic related to this theme or *any other aspect of justice and fairness*.

The 2008 Conference will present a forum for the discussion of research on justice and diversity and other questions related to justice and fairness. The Program Committee invites submissions of symposia (of, preferably, four speakers), individual papers and posters.

The submission deadline is March 15, 2008. Further information about the conference including keynote speakers, venue, location as well as the submission procedure is available on the conference website: www.isjr.org/2008.

If you have any queries about the conference, please email the conference organizers (Chair: Michael Wenzel) at isjr@flinders.edu.au.

We, at Flinders University, feel honoured to be hosting the conference and look forward to seeing you in Adelaide.

❖ 7th Biennial SPSSI Convention

Preliminary information on the 7th Biennial SPSSI 2008 conference (June 27-29) is posted at: <http://www.spssi.org/convention.html>.

❖ 7th Annual Justice Pre-conference

Elizabeth Mullen, Kevin Carlsmith, Chris Bauman will be organizing the 7th Annual Justice Pre-conference to the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference will be held on Thursday, February 7, 2008 at the Albuquerque Convention Center in Albuquerque, NM. Registration and poster submission information will be available soon. For more information about the Justice Pre-conference please visit: <http://131.193.133.38/JusticePreconferenceSPSP.htm>.

❖ Conference on Disasters - Recipes and Remedies

A Social Research conference at The New School in New York, November 1st and 2nd, 2007. Everyday brings fresh news of another disaster that threatens our lives, our homes and our entire community. Please join us as leading experts discuss the conditions that amplify or reduce the affects of disasters, who is most affected by them and why, and what can be done to lessen the likelihood and the magnitude of disasters in the future.

Conference Sessions:

- I. Definitions: What We Talk about When We Talk about Disasters
- II. Acquiring Vulnerabilities that Potentiate Disasters
- III. Keynote by Nicholas Scoppetta, NYC Fire Commissioner
- IV. What “Really” Happens: Preparations and Responses
- V. The Impact of Disasters on Human Development

Conference Tickets: \$50 (\$12 for a single session)

Special for ACLU members: \$35 (\$8 for a single session)

Special for Full-time Students: \$15 (\$5 for a single session)

Special for New School Alumni: \$15 (\$5 for a single session)

Please visit www.newschool.edu/disasters or email socres@newschool.edu for more information.

❖ 2006 Morton Deutsch Award

The Morton Deutsch award is given annually by ISJR for the best article published in Social Justice Research every year, with preference given to contributions from investigators who are relatively early in their research careers. The 2006 winner is Sarah F. Brosnan for her article entitled “Nonhuman Species’ Reactions to Inequity and Their Implications for Fairness” (published in the June 2006 issue of SJR). The committee also decided to name an honorable mention, which goes to Michael Wenzel, who published two articles in SJR in 2006, including “A Letter from the Tax Office” (published in the September 2006 issue). Congratulations to both authors! They will be officially recognized at the ISJR conference in Australia. The committee this year was comprised of Carolyn Hafer, Keith Murnighan, and John Jost (chair).

❖ Grants to ISJR Members

Kees van den Bos (Utrecht University), along with Annemarie Loseman (Utrecht University) and Bertjan Doosje (University of Amsterdam), were recently awarded a grant (EUR 150,000) by the Research Centre of the Ministry of Justice and the National Coordinator for Counterterrorism to study the radicalization of Dutch youth. This research will focus on factors like relative deprivation and perceived injustice as moderators of these radicalization processes. More information about this research project can be obtained from Annemarie Loseman (a.loseman@uu.nl).

❖ Recent Publications of ISJR Members

Dalbert, C., Schneidewind, U. & Saalbach, A. (2007). Justice judgments concerning grading in school. *Contemporary Educational Psychology*, 32, 420-433.

Hardin, R. & Wang, H. (2007). *David Hume: Moral and political theorist*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Törnblom, K. & Vermunt, R. (Eds.) (2007). *Distributive and Procedural Justice. Research and Social Applications*. Hampshire, England: Ashgate Publishing Limited.

❖ Small Conferences, Symposia and Talks by ISJR Members

Jesse Graham and Kate Ranganath presented a symposium on implicit cognition and social justice at the APS conference in Washington, DC this May. The symposium was well-attended and generated lots of great questions and feedback. Basic information is below. Abstracts of the talks can be obtained on request (jgraham@virginia.edu).
Speakers: Brad Lytle, Jesse Graham, Kate A. Ranganath, Nilanjana Dasgupta.
Discussant: Tom Tyler

At the annual Hume Society meetings in August (held this year at Boston University), Russell Hardin gave the plenary lecture on "Justice As an Unintended Consequence," an effort to present the theory of law that Hume might have given us if he had taken it up at length.

Huan Wang and Russell Hardin ran a conference on trust and the transformation of norms of social cooperation at the Beijing Normal University (where Wang is Associate Professor), with an international cast of presenters and commentators, including presentation of 14 papers.

❖ Change of Affiliation of ISJR Members

Susan Opotow joined the sociology faculty at John Jay College of Criminal Justice of the City University of New York. Contact information: Sociology Department, John Jay College, CUNY, 899 Tenth Ave., New York, NY 10019. sopotow@jjay.cuny.edu.

From September 1st, Jaap Ham will move from Utrecht University to Eindhoven University of Technology, where he has been appointed as an assistant professor. His

new address is: Jaap Ham, Eindhoven University of Technology, CG Human-Technology Interaction, IPO 1.36, P.O. Box 513, 5600 MB Eindhoven, The Netherlands, Email: J.R.C.Ham@tue.nl.

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