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Editorial
Professor Jane L. Ireland,
European *Bulletin* Editor

Welcome to the December edition of the *Bulletin* which is, as you will see, slightly different in its format and presentation. The most notable change is the new logo, the development of which is eloquently described by the current president, Dr Menno Kruk, in an ensuing article. The introduction of the new logo is also well-timed, appearing just before the start of a new year for the Society and as new officers come into office in 2008 to take up substantive positions from current elect positions. Thus it could be suggested that the logo is a marker of revision and change for the Society.

As is traditional with the December edition of the bulletin, included here is information on our forthcoming world meeting. The preparations for this are well underway and the official meeting website is very impressive in its content, presentation and detail. There has been considerable discussion concerning the content of the world meeting and members are warmly encouraged to review the material included here in the bulletin and to submit abstracts and symposia which best reflect the truly eclectic nature of our society.

Continuing with a 'society' feel, the current bulletin is characterized by the work of its members, with details of upcoming conferences, past conferences, forthcoming books and book reviews with a common shared theme of ISRA member engagement. It perhaps demonstrates not just the workings of the ISRA society but also the interesting and varied work of our members beyond society commitments. It is particularly welcoming to see the work of

ISRA members included in the bulletin and I speak also for the North American editor, Eric Dubow, when I say that such inclusions are particularly encouraged.

As I bring this brief editorial to a close, can I take this opportunity to remind members of the content of the bulletin and its reliance on membership support and contributions. We welcome contributions that include brief summaries of research of seminal interest, particularly that conducted by our members. Similarly we welcome brief articles, details of forthcoming conferences, books of potential interest and any further information pertinent to the membership. In emphasis of the title *ISRA Society*, as editors we are particularly interested in emphasizing the society element of our membership. The bulletin is our core medium for this. Thus please do feel free to forward any relevant news on our members to myself or Eric Dubow for possible inclusion.

Introducing our new ISRA logo

In 2007 the ISRA decided upon a new logo which you will see evident in this edition of the bulletin. The development of the logo was carefully sourced and prepared by the current president, Dr Menno R. Kruk. The logo was not a randomly chosen design, however. Rather it was a carefully selected and well considered representation of what ISRA aims to represent, namely the advancement of aggression research while also ensuring we remain mindful of our historical roots and the influence of our predecessors. An outline of the logo's development is presented here, written by Menno R, Kruk.

An image from the rocks

We spent some time finding a good pictogram, expressing the universal human potential for aggression as well as the ability and the desire to control its disruptive consequences. We came across an old anonymous petrograph that seemed suitable and modified it a little to emphasize those qualities. Pictograms of humanoids are relatively rare in rock art, and what is expressed is open to speculation¹.

"The warrior"

The humanoid figure in the logo is derived, with permission of the author, from a figure in the book "Magic on the rocks, canoe country pictogram" by Michael Furtman². The original figure, called "the warrior", is part of a larger panel of pictograms on the rock of Lac La Croix's easternmost rim, on the Minnesota-Ontario border. It is not known who made the pictograms, possibly an Ojibwa artist. Nor is it known what the pictogram is supposed to reflect. "Warrior" is just one modern interpretation.

How to view the modified pictogram

We modified the picture a little to better express the human's ambivalent attitude towards aggression, and offered our interpretation to Mr. Furtman, who liked it and found our views interesting. The figure is facing us, the spear in his left hand, reflects potential to kill, but it is pointing downwards, and therefore not about to be thrown. The right hand is up and open, a stop signal in many cultures, and often a signal of peaceful intent. The heart-shaped body expresses both force and human's emotional nature.

The entire logo

A professional graphic designer helped us with different fonts, and colors, to find a format and font that renders well on different scales, in black and white, in grayscale and in color. Red already is the dominant color of our website. The designer suggested that the logo was just "uncanny" enough to draw lasting attention, but in our view it also catches the eye by its simple expressive artistry.

Notes

- ¹ See e.g Paul G. Bahn and Jean Vertut, *Journey Through the Ice Age*, University of California Press (2001). ISBN-10: 0520229002
- ² Michael Furtman, *Magic on the rocks, canoe country pictograms*. pp. 122-124. (2000) Birch Portage Press, Duluth, MN / ISBN: 0-916691-02-0

2008 ISRA World Meeting

Budapest, Hungary, July 8–13 2008

Organiser: Jozsef Haller

What follows is a further reminder for our upcoming 2008 world meeting. The World Meetings are a vital part of ISRA business and community and so we would warmly encourage as many attendees and contributors as possible. The World Meetings can also represent a particularly useful means of encouraging new membership to the ISRA and to showcase the excellent work of the society.

World Meeting Website:

<http://www.isra2008-budapest.hu>

**An introduction to the conference from our president,
*Menno R. Kruk***



Keeping Up with Rapid Advances.

The field of aggression research is rapidly changing and internationalizing, and the impact of aggression research is increasing, both in traditionally interested disciplines as well as in disciplines that did not consider aggression as a topic worthy of attention before. Aggression research is also “unifying” in the sense that novel technologies and concepts allow us to build bridges between areas that hitherto seemed miles apart. Many of our members attend our meetings not just to link up with their own discipline again but rather to gather what is going on in the other fields. Such considerations underscore the importance of

ISRA as a platform for interdisciplinary exchange.

Budapest: A Scientific Hotspot. Budapest is an attractive and charming European city and is also the center of a dynamic scientific community, a community that managed to maintain its scientific traditions and increase its international impact, even in periods of the past when such things were not at all easy. Hungary has become a full member of the European Union and other Western organizations without relinquishing its charming national character. During the past decade I visited Hungary repeatedly, and every time I was impressed by the new scientific accomplishments of my colleagues, and by the Hungarian talent for organizing excellent, vivid, convivial meetings.

A Balanced Program, with Your Help.

Our meeting organizer and ISRA officers are acutely aware of the need to prepare a balanced scientific program that takes a wide view on current aggression research and incorporates novel developments. Since no single person can follow or judge the entire span of disciplines and novel developments, we would greatly appreciate your suggestions on topics that, in your opinion, should have a place in the program for the World Meeting. Suggestions that bridge different fields, or topics from scientific or geographic areas that were not well represented before in ISRA, will be especially welcome.

Some important dates and deadlines.....

- Date of World Meeting: **July 8-13, 2008:**
- Submission of Symposium Proposals: **January 15, 2008**
- Deadline for Abstract Submission: **March 15, 2008**
- Deadline for Early Registration: **April 15, 2008**
- Deadline for Regular Registration: **June 15, 2008**
- Deadline for Late Registration: **After June 15, 2008**
- Deadline for Cancellation: **June 15, 2008**

Meeting venue

Novotel Centrum (43-45 Rákóczi str, Budapest). The venue is centrally located and can be reached by several means of transport, including the Metro. The largest conference room can accommodate 300 people. There are several smaller conference rooms, and the large one can be divided into two smaller ones. Thus, there is ample room for parallel symposia. The hotel's website is: http://www.novotel.com/novotel/fichehotel/gb/nov/3560/fiche_hotel.shtml

Preliminary scientific program

There will be 4 full days of scientific proceedings with an optional tour day proposed now for Sunday 13th and the Banquet on Saturday 12th. The final arrangements for the program are being completed. Interested members should visit the meeting website for details on the proposed programme. Members are strongly encouraged to check the site prior to the meeting to determine the final programme outline.

Main topics

Suggestions on the following topics have already been received:

- Law; and law enforcement;
- School violence;
- The psychology of aggression, including developmental aspect of aggression;
- The psychopathology of aggression, including psychopathic violence;
- Translational research, including aggression rehabilitation programs;
- Social aggression;
- The neurobiology of aggression;
- Sports and aggression;
- Violence and hate on the Internet;
- Attachment domestic violence and sexual assault, and aggression;
- Gender and violence.

Additional suggestions are encouraged and welcomed

Call for symposia and abstracts

Symposia and abstracts should be submitted online via the link on the world meeting webpage.

<http://www.isra2008-budapest.hu/pages/conference.php>

Presentation modes: papers and posters

There will be both paper (e.g., PowerPoint) and poster presentations. Welcomed are proposals for symposia/workshops consisting of several paper presentations organized around a topic of general interest. Plenary lectures will be 50 minutes including 10 minutes for discussion (40 min + 10 min). Paper presentations will be 20 minutes including 5 minutes for discussion (15 min + 5 min).

LCD (PowerPoint) projectors will be available in every room. Overhead projectors for (transparencies) and flip charts (large paper pad easels) can be ordered in advance.

Poster area dimensions are 3 ft wide X 3.5 ft tall (0.9 m X 1.05 m). Posters will be up for a designated morning or afternoon. Within that time, each poster will be assigned to a designated one hour session during which authors are asked to be present at their poster. Poster session time will be announced later.

Symposium proposals

Deadline for submission of symposium proposals (If you can, get your abstracts in, too): **15th January, 2008**

Guidelines for submission of symposium proposals

- Length of proposals: 4,000 characters
- The organizer/chair should submit a 4,000 characters summary of the symposium/workshop's theme along with a 2,000 characters word abstract for each of the individual presentations, as indicated in the abstract submission guidelines. Following the summary, the organizer must add a statement that each presenter has agreed to participate in the symposium

Submission of abstracts:

Deadline for submission of abstracts: **15th March, 2008**. Length of the Abstract: 2,000 characters. Forms of presentations: Poster presentation/Oral presentation

Abstract submission guidelines

- The abstract must be submitted on-line.
- It must be written in English, plain text (ASCII) and may not exceed 2,000 characters.
- The title of the abstract should be typed in UPPER CASE in the appropriate fields.
- Authors' names should be typed in upper case and they should be typed in the appropriate fields. The presenting author should have the presenting check box checked.
- Authors' affiliation(s), city and country should be typed in title case in the appropriate fields.
- It is recommended that the abstract is structured as follows:

Introduction

Methods

Results

Conclusions

- All abbreviations must be defined before being used as an abbreviation in the text.
- Also indicate whether you accept your abstract to be displayed on this website after approval.

Social program

The social program comprises of the following:

1. Opening ceremony and welcome reception (with live music);
2. Budapest tour (optional);
3. Tour on the Danube by ship (optional);
4. Trips to neighboring cities with museums, treasuries, old churches, etc. (optional)
5. Banquet (included in the price).

ISRA Constitution and Bylaws

For information, the recently revised ISRA constitution and bylaws are presented (see page 9 section IX in particular for an indication as to why these are circulated to the membership).

CONSTITUTION

(As revised, September 2007)

I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be: The International Society for Research on Aggression.

II. PURPOSE

The purposes of this Society shall be exclusively scientific and educational; specifically, to promote and encourage the discovery and exchange of scientific information concerning the destructive and constructive aspects of aggression.

III. MEMBERSHIP

There shall be four-classes of members:

- 1) Fellows who shall be scientists from any nation working in any of the biological, psychological or social sciences on problems of aggression.
- 2) Associates who shall be scientific or professional persons who wish to support the goals of the Society but who are not themselves actively engaged in research on aggression.
- 3) Life Fellows shall be Fellows or non-members nominated by the Nominations Committee and confirmed by the Council, who shall in the opinion of the Committee

have made distinguished lifetime contributions to research on aggression. They shall not be officers of the Society at the time of election, and no more than three Life Fellows may be designated in any one biennium. The title shall not be contingent upon payment of dues.

4) Student Members shall be graduate students nominated by a Fellow of the Society. Dues for student members will be half the rate for other classes of members. Student membership may be retained for up to three years.

Fellows, Associates, and Life Fellows shall have voting rights. Only Fellows or Life Fellows may be elected officers of the Society.

IV. OFFICERS

The officers of the organization shall be as follows:

A. The President shall serve for a period of two years, shall preside over all meetings of the membership and of the Council, and be a voting member of the latter body; shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, and shall perform such other functions as are described in the Constitution and Bylaws.

B. At the end of his term of office, the President shall become the Past-President and as such shall continue to serve as a member of the Council for two years.

C. The President-Elect shall serve for a period of two years and then succeed the President in that office; shall carry on the functions of the President in the absence or incapacity of the President, and shall be a voting member of the Council.

D. The Executive Secretary shall serve for four years, and shall be the chief executive officer of the Society in carrying out decisions of the Membership and Council. The Executive Secretary may establish subsidiary regional secretariats, headed by assistant secretaries, if needed to carry on the functions of the Society.

E. The Treasurer shall serve for four years, shall collect dues and disburse funds to meet the obligations of the Society, shall prepare an annual written report on the Society's finances for the Council, present a similar biennial report to the Membership at its biennial meeting, and be a voting member of the Council. The term of the Treasurer shall commence on a biennium alternating with the commencement of the term of the Executive Secretary.

F. The Archivist shall serve for four years and shall preserve documents, records and other papers of historical interest received from the files of officers and other members of the Society. With the approval of the Council, the Archivist may arrange for deposit of materials at a suitable institution to assure security and continuity. Papers so deposited may be transferred, by vote of Council, to a different location, particularly to a permanent Society headquarters if one is established in the future. The Archivist serves on Council.

G. The Council shall consist of the six above officers and not fewer than ten nor more than twenty other councilors. Councilors shall be chosen to represent different scientific disciplines and regions of the world. The Council shall be the principal decision-making body of the Society, and shall conduct its business either at regular meetings of the Society or by mail. The Council shall submit a report of its activities for approval of the Members every other

year. Councilors shall serve for four years but may be re-elected. Councilors' terms will be staggered; so 5 to 10 will be elected every two years. Subject to the above restrictions, additional Councilors may be elected by majority vote of the Council to serve until the next regular election. If not serving on the Council as an officer or elected member, the Editor-in-Chief of *Aggressive Behavior*, the two editors of the *ISRA Bulletin*, and the ISRA member serving as the Web Master shall serve as ex-officio members of the Council.

H. Additional subsidiary officers may be established as needed by the Council to carry on special functions of the Society.

I. Vacancies. If the office of the President becomes vacant prior to the expiration of the term of the incumbent, it shall be filled by the President-Elect, who shall serve for the unexpired term plus the term for which he or she was elected. If any other elective office becomes vacant, the President, with the approval of the majority of the Council, shall appoint a replacement who shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term until a successor is elected at the next regular election.

V. COMMITTEES

Standing or ad hoc committees may be appointed from the membership by the President with the advice of the Council.

VI. ELECTIONS

For a regular election, a Nominations Committee, headed by the President-Elect, shall submit to the membership a slate of at least two nominees for each office then falling vacant. Any group of five members may submit an additional nominee for any office, if the nomination is received before

the date set for the mail ballot. Voting shall be by mail, and the nominee receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. Elections shall be completed by June 15 of the election year.

VII. MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the membership may be held independently or in connection with the meetings of international organizations of disciplines concerned with scientific research. Such meetings may be held as often as feasible, but in no case less than once every two years. In addition, members may set up special or regional scientific meetings in the name of the Society, provided that they inform the Executive Secretary of this activity.

VIII. OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Officers and Council may conduct activities consistent with the purposes of the Society not specifically mentioned in the Constitution and Bylaws.

IX. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted to a vote of the membership by mail ballot and shall be adopted if favored by two-thirds of those voting, provided that at least one-third of the total membership vote. Amendments may be proposed either by the Council or by any group of five members.

BYLAWS

I. DUES

The amount and mode of payment of dues shall be set by the Council and submitted to the Members for their approval at any biennial meeting.

II. QUORUM

A quorum for the purpose of doing business by the Council shall consist of one-third of the total Council membership, of which number at least two shall be officers, or for business conducted by mail, replies from at least 50% of the total Council. A quorum for business meetings for the membership shall consist of 25% of the Members; or for business conducted by mail ballot, replies from at least one-third of the total membership.

III. HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of the Society shall be established in the office of the Executive Secretary.

IV. POLICY STATEMENT

Statements on public policy concerning problems of aggression shall be handled by the Society in the following manner: The President, with the advice and approval of the Council, shall appoint a special Commission to review the specific problem. After suitable study, the Commission may issue a public statement. The Commission shall bear sole responsibility for any statement issued.

V. ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP

Charter Members shall be all those persons who have accepted invitations to membership before June 30, 1973. After that date an open invitation to apply for membership will be issued to interested scientists and professional individuals. Applications shall be made by means of forms supplied by the Executive Secretary on which the applicant shall give information regarding his professional qualifications and evidence of research interests, usually in the form of publications.

VI. CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Persons who have not paid dues to the Society for a period of one year shall be given notification of such arrears and will be automatically dropped from the rolls of the Society if dues in arrears are not received within six months.

VII. OPERATIONAL YEAR

New officers of the Society shall take office at the conclusion of the business meeting of the Society at the Biennial World meeting in the year of the elections.

VIII. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Bylaws may be made by a favorable vote of two-thirds of the total Council Membership, either at an actual meeting of Council or by mail ballot. Bylaws may alternatively be amended by the procedure described in Article IX of the Constitution.

IX. DISTRIBUTION OF COPIES OF CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS AND OF MEMBERSHIP LIST

A copy of the Constitution and Bylaws shall be sent by the Executive Secretary to all present Officers and Members of Council and to all newly elected officers and Council members immediately after their election. A copy of the membership list shall be mailed to all Members at the end of each non-election year, in anticipation of the nomination and election process, and in order to acquaint Members with the membership in its entirety.

X. ELECTION PROCEDURES

In order to be counted, a ballot must be returned to the Executive Secretary in an envelope bearing the member's name. When there are more than two candidates for an office (excluding Council member), voters will rank order the candidates and the "Hare" system will be used to determine the winner.

Five to ten Council members will be elected every two years. For council, at least 15 candidates will be listed in random order on the ballot. Members may vote for up to 10 candidates. The 5 candidates with the most votes will be elected automatically. The current Council may declare up to 5 additional candidates as elected in order to ensure adequate representation of different scientific disciplines and regions of the world.

Forthcoming conferences and society announcements

The following section presents information on three forthcoming conferences. These are presented for advertisement only and their inclusion does not indicate formal ISRA endorsement. They are included simply as the themes may be of interest to ISRA membership.

International Family Aggression Society [IFAS]



CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT
“Family Aggression: Causes & Consequences”
First Biennial Conference of the International
Family Aggression Society
18th & 19th March, 2008

Venue: University of Central Lancashire, Preston, UK, PR1 2HE

CONFERENCE AIMS

The University of Central Lancashire is pleased to announce the first biennial conference of the International Family Aggression Society. The aim of this conference is to bring together academics, researchers, policy makers and service providers who are involved in working towards understanding, preventing and/or treating family aggression or the consequences of it. The focus of this conference is therefore broad and includes aggression between romantic partners, parent to child aggression, child to parent aggression, sibling aggression, elder aggression, and aggression to companion animals. As aggression within the family home contributes to physical and psychological injury, family breakdown, disrupted schooling and employment, antisocial behaviour and criminality, ill health and higher mortality papers on these topics are also encouraged. The multifaceted nature of family aggression highlights the need for a multidisciplinary approach and therefore papers from all disciplines are welcomed.

CONFERENCE LEAD
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PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE INFORMATION
Confirmed Keynote Speakers

Professor Murray Straus, University of New Hampshire, Title to be confirmed

Professor Richard Tremblay, University of Montreal “The impact of the family on the developmental trajectories of physical aggression from early childhood to adolescence”

Professor David Farrington, University of Cambridge “Family factors in the Intergenerational transmission of antisocial behaviour”

Professor John Archer, University of Central Lancashire, Title to be confirmed

Invited Symposia

Honour violence and killings; Risk factors for family violence; Post-separation harassment; Sexual aggression in intimate relationships; The role of the family in childhood origins of aggressive behaviour; Fatal family violence; Child victims of familial sexual abuse.

The conference is also receiving sponsorship by The British Psychological Society’s Division of Forensic Psychology.

Registering for the conference

The following website provides a link to registration:

<http://www.uclan.ac.uk/facs/science/psychol/ifas/ifasindex.html>.

Enquires concerning the conference should be directed to:

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International Family Violence Society Update

The International Family Aggression Society (IFAS) has been formed. IFAS is dedicated to understanding the causes and consequences of family aggression, with the aim of promoting and facilitating cutting edge research, evidence based practice, and effective governmental responses. IFAS is a multidisciplinary society open to all who work (either paid or on a voluntary basis) in **any area** of family aggression.

Over 100 people from Europe, North America, Asia and Africa have already contacted IFAS to become members. Membership forms are going to be issued shortly. If you would like more information on IFAS or would like a membership form sending please contact: Nicola Graham-Kevan at ngraham-kevan@uclan.ac.uk

The first IFAS International Conference. The aim of this conference is to bring together academics, researchers, policy makers and service providers who are involved in working towards understanding, preventing and/or treating family aggression or the consequences of it. The prestigious British Psychological Society (BPS) has funded places for Chartered Forensic Psychologists (Chartered with the BPS) to attend this important event and additional support has been provided by the UK based Crime Solutions.



Meeting on Aggression and Terrorism

Given the scientific success of the CICA-STR International Conference on Interdisciplinary Analyses of Aggression and Terrorism, held last summer in Madrid (see a short information about it in this same Bulletin), another meeting is being organized this coming summer in Poland (near Cracow), 15-18 July 2008, between the ISRA Budapest meeting (8-13 July) and the Berlin International Congress of Psychology (20-25 July).

Those interested in attending, please contact:

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Highlights of the international conference on Terrorism (Spain)

Miraflores de la Sierra, Spain -
September 27-30, 2007

Around 100 top thinkers and researchers in the field of terrorism and aggression gathered in Miraflores de la Sierra, Spain, just north of Madrid, for the CICA/STR International Conference on Interdisciplinary Analyses of Aggression and Terrorism. The conference is sponsored by the Society for Terrorism Research (based in Boston, MA) and Coloquios Internacionales Sobre Conflicto y Agresion (based in Madrid).

During three days, scientists from almost 30 countries and five continents in many fields (i.e., psychology, nuclear physics, sociology and psychiatry), along with professionals in the field of criminal justice, shared their most recent research findings and theories related to terrorism and aggression. This interdisciplinary group learned from each other and developed collaborations for future research, in an effort to understand the causes and alleviate terrorism throughout the world.

Highlights of the conference include four keynote speakers from Italy, Iraq and Spain: *Fernando Reinares* presented the most recent information on 'Terrorism in Spain: Assessing Current Threats and Evaluating Institutional Responses'; *Natividad Carpintero-Santamaría* spoke on the 'Characteristics of Global Terrorism'; *Francesco Calogero*, Former Secretary General of the Pugwash Movement, addressed 'The Risk of a Nuclear Catastrophe'; finally, *Abbas Al-Hussaini*, Secretary General of the Iraq Higher Education Organizing Committee, informed us about the interaction between politics and terrorism in Iraq.

Martin Ramirez, Director of CICA and Spanish Representative of the Nobel prize-winning Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs hosted a symposium to celebrate Pugwash's 50th anniversary. Among other very interesting topics, Dr. Mark Suh, President of the Korean Pugwash Group and member of the Member of the Pugwash Council informed us as about the recent development in Korea Peninsula and about his efforts to improve the situation in Korea, bringing both Koreas closer through the summit between the two Koreas. Former President of ISRA and Editor of *Aggressive Behavior*, Rowell Huesmann, and Lucyna Kirwill (council member of the ISRA) presented very interesting papers on 'The Development of Terrorists from Childhood to Adulthood' and on 'Justification of Violence, Causes of Terrorism'.

Other symposia and sessions covered a range of topics, such as: Terror Management Theory; the Ulster experience on Societal and Personal Reactions to Terrorism; Concepts and Kinds of Terrorism; A Multi-cultural Perspective on Terrorism; The Psychology of Terrorism; Politics and Terrorism; and Conflict, Aggression and Terrorism.

A selection of papers presented at the conference will be published in the STR's online journal, *Terrorism Research*, and in the journal *Organisational Transformation and Social Change*.

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**New and forthcoming books of
potential interest**

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resource of its kind. It is an invaluable work that should be a 'go-to' book for anyone interested in shaping and improving the future of our juvenile justice system." — Randy Borum, PsyD, Department of Mental Health Law and Policy, Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute, University of South Florida

"This volume is a primer for both neophytes and experts on current theory, research, and practice in juvenile justice. The editors have crafted a cohesive set of chapters that move from recent trends in juvenile crime to developmental theories, from treatment principles to policies and best practices in particular circumstances." —Kenneth A. Dodge, PhD, William McDougall Professor of Public Policy and Psychology, Duke University

"Hoge et al. have provided a thorough yet concise review of the epidemiology and causes of juvenile offending, as well as effective interventions. Importantly, the book is extremely readable and current in its synthesis of theory and research, which enhances its utility as a graduate text. An excellent volume."—Scott W. Henggeler, PhD, Director, Family Services Research Center, Medical University of South Carolina

DESCRIPTION

This authoritative, highly readable reference and text is grounded in the latest knowledge on how antisocial and criminal behavior develops in youth and how it can effectively be treated. Contributors describe proven ways to reduce juvenile delinquency by targeting specific risk factors and strengthening young people's personal, family, and community resources. Thorough yet concise, the book reviews exemplary programs and discusses theoretical, empirical, and practical issues in assessment

and intervention. It also provides best-practice recommendations for working with special populations: violent offenders; gang members; sexual offenders; youth with mental health, substance abuse, educational, and learning problems; and female offenders.

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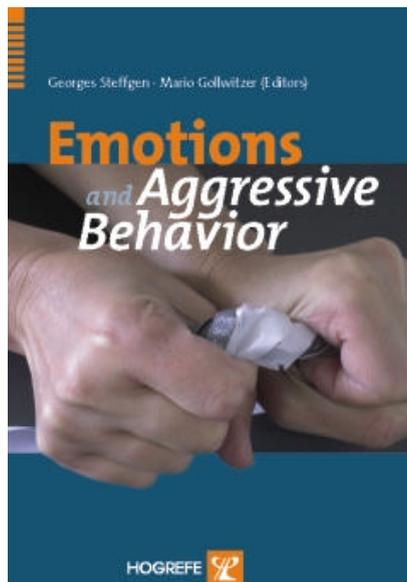
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New book publication from Prof. Dr. G. Steffgen

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Emotions and Aggressive Behavior
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The relationship between affective-emotional processes and aggressive behavior has been a central topic of scientific interest in the aggression literature for decades. Emotions are not merely epiphenomena of aggression: they can be triggers, amplifiers, moderators, or even ultimate goals of aggressive behavior. Insights into the functional relation between emotions and aggression are of theoretical relevance and above all are crucial for finding solutions for

efficient control, prevention, and reduction of aggression.

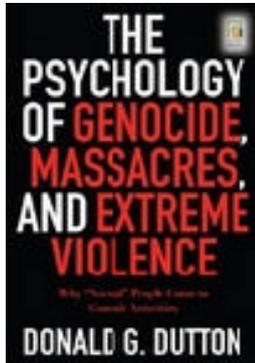
Professor Georges Steffgen, responsible for the research axis 'anger and aggression in institutional and social contexts' of the research unit INSIDE at the University of Luxemburg together with Professor Mario Gollwitzer from the University of Landau have now published a new scientific book on this topic.

This book brings together leading experts from fields such as social, personality, developmental and physiological psychology presenting state-of-art research on this relationship.

The book describes assessment and treatment approaches, as well as theoretical concepts and research findings concerning the interconnections between emotions and aggression. The following main areas are covered:

- Bibliometric analyses of psychological research on emotions and aggression
- Emotion-based motives and measures of aggression
- Anger and aggression
- Emotions and aggression in intergroup contexts
- Emotions and aggression from a developmental perspective.

**Reviews of books by ISRA
Members:**



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In the last ISRA bulletin a review of the above book was included. A further review on this book has been published and extracts from this review are presented here.

The review is authored by Anthony J. Marsella and appears in *Psychological Critiques* (© 2007, American Psychological Association), November 14, 2007, Vol. 52, Release 46, Article 1 entitled 'Journey Into "The Heart of Darkness''. In consideration of copyright issues only selected excerpts are included here:

Journey into "The Heart of Darkness"
Anthony J. Marsella

.....a carefully documented work that leads the reader on a journey into humanity's "heart of darkness" through a chapter-by-chapter account of the brutal litanies of genocides, holocausts, military massacres, lynchings, prison riots, rapes, serial killers, and wars of the 20th century.

.....Dutton's volume is neither the first to address the topics of genocide, massacres, and extreme violence, nor is it likely to be

the last.....but what makes Dutton's volume unique and, in my opinion, essential reading for everyone is its straightforward, clear, and unadulterated presentation of the panorama of brutality that marks the 20th century....Dutton's volume is not bedtime reading, but it is, in my opinion, required reading because it asks repeatedly "Why did this happen?" and "How did we let this happen?" The answers Dutton provides are an interaction of biological, psychological, and social determinants.

.....Dutton holds back little in presenting the cold, harsh, and brutal facts of genocides, massacres, and extreme violence in paragraph after paragraph of detailed description, analysis, and commentary. If a simple reading of this horror could deter violence, then Dutton's book would accomplish this end.

.....Are there any scholarly issues that Dutton may have missed or given only limited attention? The only concern I had, and it is, at best, minor, is that I wish Dutton had done more to integrate the many biological, psychological, and social determinants he discusses. In the closing chapter, Dutton does discuss emerging evolutionary biology models of human aggression in which inborn instinctual and neurological capacities for violence are juxtaposed against situations in which there is the risk of abandoning normal social restraints.

.....In my opinion, Dutton has written a book for our era that should be read by everyone. It compels us to explore the human heart of darkness.

Notices

CHANGE IN ISRA WEBMASTER

Roger Johnson will be stepping down as ISRA webmaster in mid-December. The new webmaster will be Yvon Delville, Dept. of Psychology, The University of Texas, Austin, TX 78712. Yvon has promised a new look for the web site with many new features so be sure to visit www.ISRASociety.com in the months to come. This would be a good time to offer suggestions for new features and options for the website. Please contact Yvon at Delville@psy.utexas.edu.

Roger has been ISRA webmaster for almost 9 years going back to when he started it for the 1998 World Meeting at Ramapo College in New Jersey. Roger has recently retired and is now Professor Emeritus. He has moved to San Clemente, California and welcomes contacts from ISRA members all over the world (rjohnson@ramapo.edu).