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FROM IDEOLOGY TO INCLUSION 2009:

*New Directions in Domestic Violence Research and Intervention*

Groundbreaking Research and Evidence-Based  
Treatment Models From the Titans in the Field

Co-Sponsored by The Family Violence Treatment & Education Association

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Post Conference Brochure with Abstracts & Presenter Bios

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*CONFERENCE FEATURED*

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Of the New Peer-Reviewed Journal, *Partner Abuse*  
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With Special Guest Appearance By Erin Pizzey  
(Founder of the Shelter Movement)

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CAFC Annual Conference

From Ideology to Inclusion 2009:

New Directions in Domestic Violence Research and Intervention

June 26 - 28, 2009

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A Message from Conference Co-Chairs:

Michael Robinson, CAFC - Executive Director

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John Hamel, LCSW

We were truly thrilled and honored to present you with yet another ground breaking evidence-based domestic violence conference -- following last years historic conference, From Ideology to Inclusion: *Evidence-Based Policy and Intervention in Domestic Violence*, held in Sacramento, CA, February 2008. This year's conference continued our tradition of delivery the most current evidence-based research and cutting edge treatment models from many of the world's leading experts in the field.

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### President Barack Obama, March 9, 2009:

“...let's be clear: promoting science isn't just about providing resources -- it is also about protecting free and open inquiry. It is about letting scientists...do their jobs, free from manipulation or coercion, and listening to what they tell us, even when it's inconvenient -- especially when it's inconvenient. It is about ensuring that scientific data is never distorted or concealed to serve a political agenda -- and that we make scientific decisions on facts, not ideology.”

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## Live Entertainment Featured

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### Sunny Blue Bland



Sunny, the son of the legendary Blues Master, Bobby Blue Bland, performed not only his own originals, but several others. He keeps the blues alive following in his fathers footsteps by bringing you the best of blues you can use.

### Sacramento Artist Victoria Anne also performed



**SPECIAL  
2009 AWARDS PRESENTATIONS**

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For the Second Year in a Row  
The National Family Violence Legislative Resource Center  
Presented Two Lifetime Achievement Awards  
During the Conference

And This Years Recipients Were:

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Richard Gelles



And

K. Daniel O'leary



For Their Significant Work in the Field of Domestic Violence

*See bios on pages 22 and 26*

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2008 Recipients Were:  
Erin Pizzey & Murray Straus

*See bios on pages 26 and 28*

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**FROM IDEOLOGY to INCLUSION 2009:  
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**SCHEDULE AT a GLANCE**

**Friday, June 26, 2009**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration/Brunch/Book table

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

**F1** Plenary: Deborah Capaldi – Gender and the Dynamics of Intimate Partner Violence

1:15 – 1:30 p.m.

Break/Book Table

1:30 – 2:45 p.m.

Breakouts

**F2** Panel: Denise Hines and Jan Brown - Services for Male Victims

**F3** Lynette Feder – Time to Get It Right:  
Why Our Field Needs More Rigorous Research Methods

2:45 – 3:00 p.m.

Break/Book table

3:00 – 4:15 p.m.

**F4** Plenary – Richard Gelles – Partner Violence and Children

4:15 – 4:30 p.m.

Break/Book table

4:30 – 5:45 p.m.

Breakouts

**F5** Christopher Maxwell – The Evolution of Public Policy on Partner Violence:  
Current Knowledge and How We Can Improve Our Responses to the Problem

**F6** Daniel Sonkin – Domestic Violence Treatment With Attachment and the Brain in Mind

5:45 – 7:15 p.m.

Free Time/Dinner

7:15 – 8:15 p.m.

**F7** Q & A with Erin Pizzey; John Hamel, moderator

Total CEU's Friday: 6 hours

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**SCHEDULE AT a GLANCE**

**Saturday, June 27, 2009**

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.

Registration/Continental breakfast/Book table

8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

**SA1** Plenary – Murray Straus – Gender Symmetry in Dominance and Other Risk Factors for Partner Violence: Results from the 32 Nations in the International Dating Violence Study

9:45 – 10:00 a.m.

Break/Book Table

10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

Breakouts

**SA2** Panel: David Woods and Carol Crabsen – Shelter Services for All

**SA3** Richard Felson – Is Violence Involving Intimate Partners Special?

11:15 – 11:30 a.m.

Break/Book Table

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

**SA4** Plenary – K. Daniel O’Leary – Multivariate Models of Intimate Partner Aggression

12:45 – 2:15 p.m.

Complimentary Lunch

1:15 – 2:15 p.m.

**SA5** Plenary Panel – New Directions in Domestic Violence Research and Intervention, a Q & A with the experts, John Hamel, moderator

2:15 – 2:30 p.m.

Break/Book Table

2:30 – 3:45 p.m.

**SA6** Plenary – Don Dutton – The Gender paradigm Tips the Scales of Justice in Family Court

3:45 – 4:00 p.m.

Break/Book Table

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Breakouts

**SA7** 90 Minute panel: Ken Corvo and Christopher Eckhardt –Batterer Intervention: Failure, Limitations, and Promise

**SA8** 90 minute panel: John Hamel & Jodi Klugman-Rabb –Working with Parents and Families

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Free Time

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Reception

Total CEU’s Saturday: 7.5 hours

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**SCHEDULE AT a GLANCE**

**Sunday, June 28, 2009**

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.

Registration/Continental breakfast/Book table

8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Breakouts

**SU1** Panel – Ellen Bowen and Kimberly Flemke – The Treatment of Abusive Women

**SU2** Carolyn West – Standing in the Need of Care: Prevention and Intervention  
Strategies for Intimate Partner Violence in African American Families

9:45 – 10:00 a.m.

Break/Book table

10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

**SU3** Plenary – Sandra Stith & Eric McCollum  
Domestic Violence Focused Couples Treatment

11:15 – 11:30 a.m.

Break/Book table

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Breakouts

**SU4** 90 minute panel – Arlene Vetere and Wendy Bunston  
Systemic Interventions

**SU5** 90 minute panel – Lonnie Hazelwood and Michelle Carney  
Batterer Intervention for Men and Women

Total CEU's Sunday: 4 hours; Conference Total, 22 sessions, 28 presenters, 17.5 hours CEU's

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**Continuing Education Credits**

**17.5 hours of Continuing Education Credit for MFTs & LCSWs, including one-time domestic violence course as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences (FAVTEA PCE 3921)**

**17.5 hours of CEU's for Psychologists (Course Code CAL129-0001-000)**

**Meets Annual 16 Hours Continuing Education Requirement for Batterer Intervention Providers**

**17.5 hours MCLE's for Attorneys. (State Bar of California approval number 15009)**

**4 hours Domestic Violence Update Credits: Child Custody Mediators and Evaluators. See below. (Approve by the California Judicial Council AOC)**

**12 hours Advanced Domestic Violence Training Credits: Child Custody Mediators and Evaluators. See below. (Approved by the California Judicial Council AOC)**

**“The course outline or agenda for this training has been approved as corresponding to subject areas specified in California Rules of Court, rule 5.230(d)(1)(A)(i)-(v) or (d)(2). The views expressed in this training are those of the trainer and do not necessarily represent the official positions or policies of the Judicial Council of California or the Administrative Office of the Courts.”**

**(Also Met the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women Requirements)**

**Course Goals and Objectives**

The goal of this Conference is to educate mental health and family violence professionals, attorneys, judges, family court evaluators and mediators, policy makers and the general public about domestic violence. The objectives are to:

- 1. Provide up-to-date research, including data that calls into question policies that have hindered our abilities to effectively reduce domestic violence in our communities;**
- 2. Educate conference participants regarding the needs of all victims and their families, regardless of gender, sexual orientation or ethnic minority status;**
- 3. Provide an overview of alternative interventions, including couples and family counseling, and based on research rather than ideology.**



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**CONFERENCE SCHEDULE  
WITH ABSTRACTS**

**FRIDAY, June 26, 2009**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Registration/ Brunch  
Book table

12:00 – 1:15 p.m. Plenary Presentation

**PLENARY**

**F1** *Gender and the Dynamics of Intimate Partner Violence*  
**Deborah Capaldi, Ph.D.**

The majority of our information about intimate partner violence comes from taking a “snapshot” in time – or cross-sectional studies. Further, most work has involved interviewing either the man or the woman, but not both partners in the couple. Much can be learned about IPV from taking a longer perspective and (1) examining romantic relationships as a dynamic system that is affected by the prior histories, mental health issues, and behavior of both partners, and (2) examining factors related to change over time in IPV. In this presentation evidence regarding men’s and women’s IPV within a long-term study of at-risk early adult couples is presented with relation to these issues. Observations over time of male and female initiation and reciprocity of aggression, predictors of the course of aggression over time, and the association of such aggression to arrests for domestic violence are discussed.

1:15 – 1:30 p.m. Break/Book Table

1:30 – 2:45 p.m. Breakout Sessions

**BREAKOUTS**

**F2 (Panel) Services for Male Victims**

**Part 1:** *Can Male Victims of Domestic Violence Get the Help They Need?* **Denise Hines, Ph.D.**

This presentation will focus on two national studies: one on male victims of DV who sought help and one on DV service agencies on whether they serve male victims. For the first study, prevalence rates for physical and psychological aggression will be presented, along with rates of physical injuries and mental illness. Their help seeking efforts will be explored, focusing on Internet sources, DV hotlines, local DV agencies, police, mental health professionals, and doctors. These results will be compared to a national survey of DV agencies, who indicated whether they provide housing, legal, counseling, and other services to male victims.

**Part 2:** *The Domestic Abuse Helpline for Men and Women* - **Jan Brown**

The Director of the Domestic Abuse Helpline for Men and Women (DAHMW) will discuss the history and mission of a domestic abuse victim program that is uniquely innovative. Staffed by volunteers who are situated all over the country; it offers supportive services to victims of domestic violence, specializing in helping men (and their children) in relationships with abusive women. DAHMW also offers educational trainings and presentations on male victims of domestic abuse – their similarities to and differences from, female victims, their needs, and the best approaches to helping them.

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**F3** *Time to Get It Right: Why Our Field Needs More Rigorous Research Methods*

**Lynette Feder, Ph.D.**

Researchers and practitioners seem to have built a rocky relationship where distrust seems to be the rule rather than the exception. Unfortunately, this has hindered our ability to more fully understand the many social ills that afflict families in crisis, thereby limiting our capacity to develop and implement programs that might change lives for the better. What is necessary is for practitioners and researchers to enter into a dialogue so that each can better understand the other and both can use their skills to improve their ability to effectively assist these families. In an effort to begin this dialogue, Dr. Feder provides an overview of important research results in the area of intimate partner violence (IPV) interventions as well as the specific steps that researchers and practitioners can take to work together more harmoniously and effectively.

1:15 – 1:30 p.m.	Break/Book Table
3:00 – 4:15 p.m.	Plenary Presentation

**PLENARY**

**F4** *Partner Violence and Children*

**Richard Gelles, Ph.D.**

Researchers and clinicians report that children who witness acts of domestic violence experience negative behavioral and developmental outcomes, independent of any direct abuse or neglect that they may also experience from their caretakers. As the presenter will make clear, however, the impact of exposure to domestic violence is far more complicated than the assumed direct relationship

between exposure and genitive outcomes. The impact of exposure varies by nature of the domestic violence, the sex and age of the children who are exposed, and the nature of the behavior or impact that is examined. The presenter will elucidate how the intersection of child abuse and domestic violence poses important clinical and policy challenges for domestic violence advocates as well as those in the field of child welfare.

4:15 – 3:30 p.m.	Break/Book Table
4:30 – 5:45 p.m.	Breakout Sessions

**BREAKOUTS**

**F5** *The Evolution of Public Policy on Partner Violence: Current Knowledge and How We Can Improve Our Responses to the Problem*

**Christopher Maxwell, Ph.D.**

This presentation is in two parts. First, we will survey the past 80 years of public policy scholarship regarding the prevention and control of violence between intimates. The presentation will highlight both local and national initiatives including those that were intended to highlight the problems of domestic violence and those that prescribed remedies for the violence. The second part of the presentation will then focus on assessing the more recent policies that further criminalize intimate partner violence, particularly those mandating that police expand arrests and serve victims, that prosecutors more frequently process, convict, and sanction offenders, and that the community deliver more intensive oversight and accountability of offenders through therapeutic programs. This assessment includes both an examination of the underlying theoretical underpinnings

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of these programs and empirical analyses of data collected to test their efficacy. The presentation will conclude with a discussion of what we have learned and how we can apply this knowledge towards improving policies and programs that address intimate partner violence.

**F6 Domestic Violence Treatment With Attachment and the Brain in Mind - Daniel Sonkin, Ph.D.**

This workshop will explore the clinical application of attachment theory and recent findings in the cognitive and affective neurosciences to the treatment of domestic violence perpetrators. Dr. Sonkin will help clinicians integrate the large body of attachment research that has evolved over the past 40 years into their work with patients. In it he will explore John Bowlby's initial conceptualization of attachment theory and how it has been expanded upon by developmental and social psychologists over the past twenty-five years. Also explored will be the neuro-biological aspects of attachment and how this knowledge can help pinpoint specific capacities that clinicians can focus their attention on. Since one way of conceptualizing attachment theory is about affect regulation, Dr. Sonkin will discuss the latest findings in the affective neurosciences and their application to treatment. Specific case material will also be presented.

5:45 – 7:15 p.m.	Free time/Dinner
7:15 – 8:15 p.m.	Special Evening Program

**SPECIAL EVENING PROGRAM**

**F7 Q&A with Erin Pizzey, Founder of the Battered Women's Shelter Movement**

The founder of the Western world's battered women's shelter movement returns by popular demand, following

last year's historical presentation. Having related her pioneering efforts on behalf of battered women, and having offered her insights on the politicization of the modern shelter movement, Pizzey now turns her attention to family violence today and her ongoing efforts to promote the delivery of victim services for all who need them, regardless of gender, and answers questions in what promises to be a spirited and enlightening Q&A. A controversial figure, Pizzey's work has often been distorted and misunderstood. However, her ideas on emotional dependency, the systemic nature of domestic violence and its relationship to child abuse, as well as the role of women's violence - while initially dismissed - have found empirical support in recent victimization and attachment research and should now be considered ahead of their time. John Hamel will act as moderator.

<b>SATURDAY, June 27, 2009</b>	
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Registration/ Book table Continental breakfast
8:30 – 9:45 a.m.	Plenary Presentation

**PLENARY**

**SA 1 Gender Symmetry in Dominance and Other Risk Factors for Partner Violence: Results from the 32 Nations in the International Dating Violence Study  
Murray A. Straus, Ph.D.**

This talk will address three of the most prevalent beliefs about the causes of physical violence between married, cohabiting or dating partners (partner violence or PV); the belief that: (1) PV is almost exclusively perpetrated by men. (2) That the predominant risk factor is male-dominance in the relationship. (3) That when women physically attack a partner, it is an act of self-defense or a reaction to an intolerable

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continuing pattern of dominance and physical victimization. Results from a study of 14,252 university students in 32 nations do not support any of these beliefs. The results show that: (1) When PV occurs, it is typically mutual rather than perpetrated only by men. (2) Male-dominance in the relationship is an important risk factor, but dominance by the female partner occurs just as often as by the male partner, and is as likely as male-dominance to result in violence. (3) Many other risk factors are as important or more important than male dominance; for example: Antisocial Personality, inadequate anger management skills, inadequate communication skills, and stressful life circumstances. These results suggest that both prevention and treatment efforts must take into account the similarity between men and women in perpetration rates and in risk factors for PV.

9:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Break/Book Table
10:00 – 11:15 a.m.	Breakout Sessions

**BREAKOUTS**

**SA 2 (Panel) Shelter Services for All**

**Part 1: Interview with a Male Victim of Partner Violence - David Woods**

David Woods endured several years of severe physical abuse at the hands of his wife, leaving both he and his daughter traumatized. When they sought help from a local shelter, they were denied services. Eventually, Mr. Woods joined in a lawsuit against the state of California, resulting in a historic court decision in 2008 that has changed current statutes to provide funding for victims of domestic violence regardless of gender. In this session, Mr. Woods talks about his experiences as a male partner violence victim, the lawsuit, and how he, his wife, and their daughter have coped since then.

**Part 2: Valley Oasis: A Gender-Inclusive Approach to Shelter Services - Carol Crabsen, LCSW**

The presenter will talk about her work at Valley Oasis, a community based organization that is dedicated to providing services to all victims of domestic violence. Although somewhat controversial, the programs offered by the agency do not separate services by gender. By utilizing transference and counter transference in group settings therapists can address issues that are not attainable in single gender settings. Programs have been developed for children and teens based on boys and girls working together to solve problems and to learn social interaction and communication skills that are non-violent and non sexist.

**SA 3 Is Violence Involving Intimate Partners Special? Richard Felson, Ph.D.**

The presenter will compare violence committed by men and women against their intimate partners to other forms of violence to determine how it is different. When one makes comparisons, one comes to some surprising conclusions. For example, the evidence does not support the idea that the most violent husbands are particularly likely to have a control motive. In addition, men’s violence against their partners is just as likely to be reported to the police as many other types of violence. He argues that we should rely on theories of violence, not theories of sexism, to explain intimate partner violence.

11:15 – 11:30 a.m.	Break/Book Table
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11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Plenary Presentation

## PLENARY

### **SA 4** *Multivariate Models of Intimate Partner Aggression* - **K. Daniel O’Leary, Ph.D.**

Intimate partner aggression has many significant correlates and causes. They include socioeconomic, cultural, genetic, family of origin, neurological, personality, substance abuse, and relationship variables. Risk factor analyses as well as tests of multivariate models of intimate partner aggression by different investigators will be presented. The multivariate models add to the risk factor analyses by allowing one to discern distal and proximal causes. Commonalities across these risk factor models will be discussed along with associated intervention implications.

12:45 – 2:15 p.m. Complimentary Lunch  
Book Table

1:15 – 2:15 p.m. Plenary Panel Presentation

## PLENARY PANEL

### *Lunch Time Presentation*

### **SA 5** *New Directions in Domestic Violence Research and Intervention- a Q&A with the experts,* **John Hamel, moderator**

Some of the world’s most renowned family violence experts, have made themselves available for what promises to be a lively, informative and memorable hour. This will be a rare opportunity for conference attendees to ask about and discuss a multitude of issues related to family violence, including new directions in research, intervention and policy.

2:15 – 2:30 p.m.

Break/Book Table

2:30 – 3:45 p.m.

Plenary Presentation

## PLENARY

### **SA 6** *The Gender Paradigm Tips the Scales of Justice in Family Court* - **Don Dutton, Ph.D.**

Dutton reviews the manifestations of the gender paradigm on custody decisions. He argues that family courts have been unduly and unfairly influenced by research that is biased and claims far more than it delivers. Citing the American Bar Association Website and the Website of the Judicial Council of California, Dutton reviews research that claims wife abuse should be a major desiderata in custody decisions. The research on which this claim is based is drawn from non-representative samples that inflate the incidence of the abuse and ignore the risks posed by women’s violence both to spouses and to children. Some of the ABA cited research is either anecdotal or non-existent. What empirical studies have been done conflate allegations of abuse with real incidence of abuse. When due process criteria for abuse are applied, incidence rates are reduced by 75%. When non-representative samples, typically drawn from women’s shelters or court mandated treatment groups for males are balanced by samples from the broader community, the incidence of risk dynamics for spouses and children changes dramatically. The best designed studies show that women are the greatest risk for violence to children. A case by case assessment in custody hearings should not include gender stereotyping.

3:45 – 4:00 p.m.

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4:00 – 5:30 p.m.      Breakout Sessions

## **BREAKOUTS**

### **SA 7 (90 Minute panel) Batterer Intervention: Failure, Limitations and Promise**

**Part 1:** *How Duluth-Model Interventions Violate Mental Health Professional Ethics: Ignoring Science and Ethical Practice - Ken Corvo, Ph.D.*

In spite of numerous studies of program outcomes finding little or no positive effect on violent behavior, the Duluth model remains the most common program type of interventions with perpetrators of domestic violence. Based in ideology, not science, Duluth model programs often ignore important risk factors including serious mental health and substance abuse issues present in perpetrators. These and other issues of possible threat to mental health professional ethics are reviewed in light of the court-mandated, compulsory nature of most Duluth model programs and client and victim expectations for program efficacy.

**Part 2:** *Batterer Intervention Programs: Presumed and Actual Mechanisms of Change*  
**Christopher Eckhardt, Ph.D.**

In addition to the question of whether batterer intervention programs are effective at preventing future acts of intimate partner violence, many questions remain concerning how such programs promote behavior change. Dr. Eckhardt will review the assumptions that underlie cognitive behavioral interventions for partner assaultive men and discuss the evidence concerning the validity of these claims.

### **SA 8 (90 minute panel) Working With Parents and Families**

**Part 1:** *Treating Child Abusers in High Conflict Family Violence Parent Groups - John Hamel, LCSW*

Child abuse is a major social problem, with children the most vulnerable victims of family violence. In California, PC 273.1 mandates a 52-week program for child abusers. However, there is only minimal awareness of this law, even among law enforcement agencies, and there are few programs available relative to the number of batterer intervention groups. In families in which there is child physical, sexual and emotional abuse there is often co-occurring forms of other types of abuse, including partner abuse, child on parent abuse, and elderly abuse. Thus the various forms of family violence have common etiological roots and need to be understood in relation to one another. This presentation outlines the essential features of a High Conflict Family Violence Parent Group, and argues that it can be a useful, cost-effective part of a multi-modal, systemic and evidence-based approach in working with perpetrators. It provides an accepting environment in which participants benefit from group empathy and group learning; and it incorporates current research knowledge on known family violence risk factors in a psychoeducational format, with sessions devoted to anger and stress management, child development, family abuse dynamics, parenting, communication and conflict resolution skills.

**Part 2:** *The Effects of Domestic Violence on Family Systems - Jodi Klugman-Rabb, MFT*

This presentation will examine the effects of domestic violence and high conflict on the nuclear and generational family system. Beginning with an examination of perpetrator and victim dynamics, a multi-generational lens will be used to demonstrate the effects of violence on

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developmental life cycles for past and future generations, and the effects on family members' relationships and their ability to function in society. Relevant research will highlight the importance of addressing the family system rather than the individual. Examples of cognitive-behavioral interventions will be given through case presentation.

5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Free Time

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Reception

**SUNDAY, June 28, 2009**

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Registration/ Book table  
Continental breakfast

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Breakout Sessions

## BREAKOUTS

### **SU 1 (Panel) The Treatment of Abusive Women**

**Part 1:** *Violent, Abusive women: Who Are They? What Works in Helping Them?* **Ellen Bowen, LCSW**

Recognizing that women are as capable of intimate partner abuse as their male counterparts, this presentation will summarize the unique characteristics of violent women. Fundamentals of good treatment will be discussed with special focus on attachment theory and how it can be used to help women heal. Case examples will be used to illustrate.

**Part 2:** *Triggering Rage: Women's Unresolved Trauma*  
**Kimberly Flemke, Ph.D.**

This presentation will examine an often overlooked facet of IPV—women's rage towards their intimate partners. Based on research with incarcerated women who reported experiencing rage

during IPV, a 3-part process of rage is depicted. Additional findings reveal a clear distinction between anger and rage, with rage generating specific physiological, cognitive and emotional changes. Triggers for igniting rage will be discussed, as unresolved childhood trauma seems to fuel current acts of violence; connections to posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) will be explored and discussed. Clinical suggestions for treatment will also be provided.

**SU 2** *Standing in the Need of Care: Prevention and Intervention Strategies for Intimate Partner Violence in African American Families* - **Carolyn West, Ph.D.**

The purpose of this interactive presentation is to provide participants with the knowledge and skills that will enable them to offer more culturally sensitive services to African American survivors of intimate partner violence (IPV). Participants will be able to identify (1) historic, social, and demographic risk factors that increase victimization; (2) gender differences in the use of violence; (3) racial differences in disclosure patterns; (4) psychological consequences of abuse; and (5) resilience and protective factors. The presentation will conclude with tools and techniques that service providers can use to build effective collaborations with community members and survivors.

9:45 – 10:00 p.m.

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10:00 – 11:15 a.m. Plenary Presentation

## PLENARY

### **SU 3** *Domestic Violence Focused Couples Treatment* **Sandra Stith, Ph.D. & Eric McCollum, Ph.D.**

This seminar will offer participants an overview of the latest version of an 18-week manualized treatment model, Domestic Violence Focused Couples Treatment (DVFCT), developed for working with couples who choose to stay together after mild to moderate domestic violence has occurred. Offered to single couples and multi-couple groups and based on a solution-focused framework, the model was developed with NIMH funding and has preliminary evidence of efficacy. The presenters will review the content of the 6-week gender-specific treatment which precedes the 12-week conjoint treatment, focusing on ways the program has been expanded to include aspects of mindfulness and motivational interviewing regarding substance abuse to the previously developed model. Outcome data from research on this model will be reviewed. The presenters will also review best-practices for addressing intimate partner violence, regardless of the treatment model used. Included in this discussion will be a focus on careful screening and strategies for enhancing safety. Videotapes of clinical work will be presented throughout the presentation.

11:15 – 11:30 a.m. Break/Book Table

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Breakout Sessions

## BREAKOUTS

### **SU 4 (90 Minute Panel) Systemic Interventions**

#### **Part 1:** *A Systemic Approach to Working with Interpersonal Violence and Family Safety - Arlene Vetere, Ph.D.*

Reading Safer Families is a UK based domestic violence project that aims to ensure prevention and continued protection from inter-personal violence for family members. Our safety methodology is based on a systemic approach to risk management, risk assessment, issues of responsibility and collaborative practices. An example from therapeutic practice will be used to explore inter-generational violence, the effects on children of witnessing inter-personal violence, gender issues and men as fathers in the legal system.

#### **Part 2:** *Mind the baby: How 'Infant' and 'Child Led' Interventions Can Challenge the Way We Think About Our Work to Address Family Violence*

#### **Wendy Bunston, MFT, BSW, ATIPMH**

This dynamic presentation will provide an overview of work undertaken with mothers and babies/children affected by family violence and how fathers are seen as a critical component of this work. The 'Peek a Boo Club' and PARKAS (Parent's Accepting Responsibility-Kids Are Safe), two programs originating from Melbourne, Australia, have introduced hundreds of professionals to 'infant', and 'child led' practices, revolutionizing how they now think and work. Curiosity about the 'mind' of the infant and thoughtfulness about the world of the child makes present, alive and powerful a part of the family system that is often overlooked by parents and professionals alike.

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**SU 5 (90 minute panel) Batterer Intervention for Men and Women**

**Part 1: *Gender Inclusive Principles in Batterer's Intervention Programs***

**Lonnie Hazelwood, MSHP, LCDC, CCCJS**

The presenter will give participants a historical and sociopolitical perspective of the development of BIPs and explore a range of basic gender inclusive principles, strategies and skills that he developed over three decades of direct clinical work with abusers, victims and couples. The male perpetrator stage of the developing family violence field emerged from the victim stage, which was dominated by the shelter movement's political construct that the cause of family violence - i.e., violence against women and children - was a patriarchal culture that taught men to exercise power and control over women. Those who questioned this paradigm were seen as blaming the victim, and even of being themselves misogynous and oppressing women. In the system phase, as male perpetrator programs proliferated and diversified, research-minded clinicians began to critically examine the data while gaining valuable practice knowledge directly from their clients. This led to a number of promising new perspectives and treatment approaches, which the presenter will discuss. These include compassionate confrontation, the role of alcohol and drugs, partner contact monitoring, respect for clients, developing empathy, dealing with different forms of anger and mutual dependency, along with other basic principles in work with abusers and batterers.

**Part 2: *Female Partner Violence Offenders: Current Research and Practice Implications***

**Michelle Carney, Ph.D**

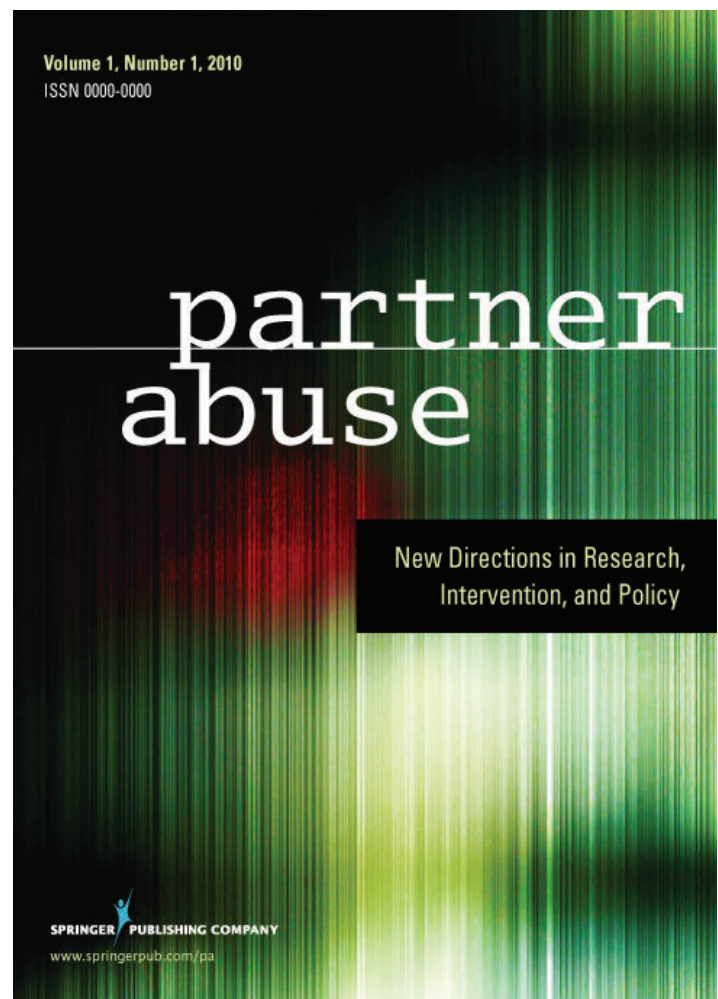
The purpose of this presentation is to review the literature on women as perpetrators of violence in their

intimate relationships and to summarize the scant literature on intervention programs for these women. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural influences that shape our conceptualization of "domestic violence" as exclusively male initiated violence as well as a discussion of the similarities and differences between male and female domestic violence offenders.

**CONCLUSION of SCHEDULE**

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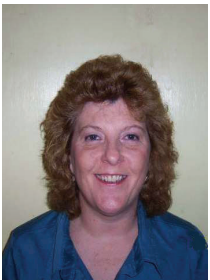
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**Ellen L. Bowen** is a clinical social worker with 35 years of clinical experience—initially in private, nonprofit settings and the last 25 years in private practice in Santa Rosa, California. She is a past board member and fellow in the California Society for Clinical Social Work. In 1997 she co-founded Non-Violent Alternatives (NOVA), a certified domestic violence treatment program. Through NOVA, she facilitates groups for male and female domestic violence offenders. She conducts domestic violence/anger management assessments for Sonoma County Family Court and co-teaches a continuing education class for therapists on treatment of intimate partner abuse. She contributed a chapter to J. Hamel and T. Nicholls (Eds.) *Family Interventions in Domestic Violence* (Springer, 2007), and she is the author of *Domestic Violence Treatment for Abusive Women: A Treatment Manual* (Routledge, 2009).



**Jan Brown** is the Founder and Executive Director of the Domestic Abuse Helpline for Men and Women (DAHMW) based in Harmony, Maine. DAHMW, founded in October 2000, is a nationally known non-profit agency that specializes in offering support and direct services to both male and female victims of spousal and intimate partner abuse. Mrs. Brown holds a Bachelor's degree in Mental Health and Human Services and an Associate's degree in Legal Technology. She has presented on male victimization locally at colleges and social services agencies as well as outside of Maine. She co-authored the peer-reviewed article, *Characteristics of Callers to the Domestic Abuse Helpline for Men*, published in the *Journal of Family Violence* in February, 2007. This article and other information about male victimization can be found at the DAHMW website, [www.dahmw.org](http://www.dahmw.org).



**Wendy Bunston** is a senior social worker, has a master's degree in family therapy, and has completed further postgraduate studies in organizational development as well as infant mental health. She is manager of the national award-winning Community Group Program (CGP) and Addressing Family Violence Programs (AFVP) within Melbourne, Australia's Royal Children's Hospital Integrated Mental Health Service (RCH IMHS). She has specialized in working with infants, children, adolescents, and families considered at high risk and within the areas of sexual violence and family violence. Wendy is also a sessional teacher in the Social Work department at the University of Melbourne. She has published work in the area of child protection, childhood trauma, child/adolescent sex-offending, and group work. Most recently she has coauthored *The Therapeutic Use of Games in Group Work* and co-edited the book *Addressing Family Violence Programs: Group Work interventions for Infants, Children and their Families*. Wendy has codeveloped specialist group-work programs for children and their parents affected by family violence called PARKAS, as well as the Peek a Boo Club, for infants and mothers.



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**Deborah Capaldi** is a Senior Scientist at the Oregon Social Learning Center in Eugene, Oregon. Her Ph.D. is in Developmental Psychology, from the University of Oregon. Her research focuses on antisocial and co-occurring behaviors across the early life span within a dynamic developmental-contextual framework. Foci include explaining developmental trajectories of such behaviors (e.g., crime, health-risking sexual behaviors, substance use), including the dispositional, contextual, familial, peer and romantic partner influences on their emergence, persistence, and desistance. One current study focuses on the transmission of these behaviors across three generations. A further focus is on understanding the formation and stability/instability of romantic relationships in early adulthood, and particularly on explaining the development of aggression in such relationships. She is currently the Principal Investigator of two studies funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). One examines young at-risk couples' relationships, and the third study examines intergenerational influences on risk with a prospective three-generational design.

Dr. Capaldi is currently on the editorial board of the *Journal of Family Psychology*, *Child Development*, *Journal of Marriage and Family* and the *Journal of Adolescence*. She has served on numerous grant review committees. She is the author of many journal articles and book chapters. In 1998 she was awarded the Boyd McCandless Award for scientific achievement in early career from American Psychological Association, Division 7. She is a member of a number of professional societies and a regular participant at meeting symposia, as well as speaking at NIH conferences. In October 2004, she was an invited speaker at the NIH State-of-the-Science Conference on Preventing Violence and Related Health-Risking Social Behaviors in Adolescents. In December 2007 she was co-chair of the conference on Teen Dating Violence: Developing a Research Agenda to Meet Practice Needs (NIH, NIJ, CDC), Arlington, VA. Email: [deborah@oslc.org](mailto:deborah@oslc.org).

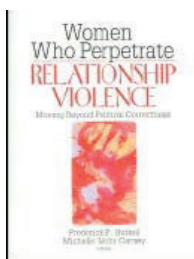


**Dr. Michelle Mohr Carney**, Associate Professor in the School of Social Work and Director of The Institute for Nonprofit Organizations at the University of Georgia, received the Ph.D. from The Ohio State University in 1996, the MSSA from Case Western Reserve University in 1989, and the BSSW from The Ohio State University in 1988. Her primary research interests and expertise are in the areas of intimate partner violence, batterer interventions and program evaluation. She has conducted numerous evaluation studies primarily in the area of service provision for male and female batterers. Dr. Carney co-edited the book *Women Who Perpetrate Relationship Violence: Moving beyond Political*

*Correctness* and has published numerous journal articles and book chapters on issues related to female and male perpetrators. Her publications address the need to better understand the prevalence and characteristics of intimate partner abuse and to promote better treatment interventions through client-treatment matching and developing researcher-agency partnerships. Dr. Carney teaches courses in nonprofit management, advanced community practice and evaluation research each year, and is a member of the Graduate Faculty.

Many of the Presenters Books were Available at the Conference, including:

*Women Who Perpetrate Relationship Violence: Moving beyond Political Correctness*  
By, Dr. Michelle Carney



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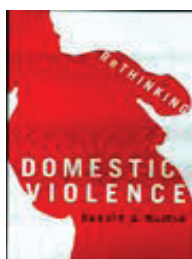
**Dr. Ken Corvo** is an Associate Professor in the School of Social Work at Syracuse University. After earning his doctorate at the Mandel School of Applied Social Science at Case Western Reserve University in 1993, he served on their adjunct faculty while consulting extensively with the George Gund Foundation to develop and implement a three-year research-based community strategy for youth violence prevention in Cleveland. Building upon that work, he later served as research chair for the Mayor's Commission on Juvenile Violence in a study of youth violence in Syracuse, NY, and authored the Commission Report. He has served as principal investigator and research consultant to public and private not-for-profit organizations in numerous domestic violence, substance abuse and youth violence evaluation studies. He has extensive program development and clinical experience in working with both perpetrators and victims of domestic violence. His domestic violence research interests, publications, and conference presentations have ranged from neuropsychological vulnerabilities in perpetrators, to identifying new dimensions of family of origin risk, to broad meta-theoretical and policy analyses.



**Carol Crabsen, LCSW**, has worked with victims of crime for more than 21 years. Ms. Ensign has been the executive director of the Antelope Valley Domestic Violence Council for nine years. She is a strong advocate for male victims of domestic violence and has appeared on "The Montel Williams Show," was in a documentary *Hidden Victims: Children of Domestic Violence*, has been interviewed on CNN, NBC, and many other television shows, as well as addressed many groups and organizations on the subject of domestic violence. She was Woman of the year in 2000 in L.A. County and Citizen of the year in 2004 in the Antelope Valley. She can be contacted at her e-mail address, [censign@avdvc.org](mailto:censign@avdvc.org).



**Donald Dutton** received his Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Toronto in 1970. After receiving training as a group therapist at Cold Mountain Institute, he co-founded the Assaultive Husbands Project in 1979, a court mandated treatment program for men convicted of wife assault. He has published more than 100 papers and several books, including the *Domestic Assault of Women* (UBC Press, 1995), *The Batterer: A Psychological Profile* (Basic Books, 1995), and *The Abusive Personality* (Guilford Press, 2006), *Rethinking Domestic Violence* (UBC Press 2006) and *The Psychology of Genocide, Massacres and Extreme Violence* (Praeger, 2007). *The Batterer* has been translated into French, Spanish, Dutch, Japanese, and Polish. His latest work, *Rethinking Domestic Violence* (UBC Press, 2006), includes an examination of how the gender paradigm developed in domestic violence research and policy. His other recent books include a review of recent research on personality disorder, developmental neuroscience and intimate abusiveness (*The Abusive Personality*, 3rd ed., 2006), and an explanation and the psychology of genocide and military massacres (*The Psychology of Genocide, Massacres and Extreme Violence*, Praeger, 2007). Dutton has frequently served as an expert witness in both criminal and civil trials involving domestic abuse. He is currently Professor of Psychology at the University of British Columbia.



Another Book that was Available at the Conference:  
*Rethinking Domestic Violence*  
By, Dr. Donald Dutton

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**Christopher Eckhardt, Ph.D.** is an Associate Professor of Psychological Sciences at Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN. Dr. Eckhardt received his BA from the University of Michigan (1989) and his Ph.D. in Clinical/School Psychology from Hofstra University (1994). Prior to coming to Purdue, he was on the faculties of Southern Methodist University in Dallas, TX and the Univ. of North Carolina –Wilmington. Dr. Eckhardt’s research has investigated risk factors for intimate partner violence as well as factors that may predict successful/unsuccessful treatment outcomes among men assigned to partner violence abatement programs. His research has examined whether men who abuse their partners exhibit cognitive disturbances and intense emotional states (such as anger arousal problems) during emotionally charged relationship conflicts, including those that involve alcohol intoxication. A second line of research has investigated the relation between readiness to change and outcomes of treatment programs for abusive offenders. Dr. Eckhardt has published more than 40 scientific articles and books/book chapters on intimate partner violence, which has been supported by research grants from the National Institute of Mental Health, the H.F. Guggenheim Foundation, Alcoholic Beverage Medical Research Foundation, National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, US Department of Justice, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



**Lynette Feder** is a Professor in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Portland State University. She has evaluated a wide array of interventions set within a variety of settings including the police, courts, corrections and social service agencies. This work has led to her belief that preventive efforts would be more feasible and more effective than intervention programs. Her recent focus has been on conducting applied research on specific interventions that are methodologically rigorous so as to address both policy questions (“evidence-based policy”) as well as underlying theoretical issues. In this way, her research attempts to build the knowledge base to aid in the development of future programs and policies while simultaneously answering to specific questions about the effectiveness of a particular program. Dr. Feder is a fellow of the Academy of Experimental Criminology and has published a number of peer reviewed articles and two edited special issues (on domestic violence and the need for rigorous research in real-world settings) and one edited book (on domestic violence).



**Richard B. Felson, Ph.D.** is Professor of Crime, Law, and Justice and Sociology at The Pennsylvania State University. He received his Ph.D. in Sociology from Indiana University in 1977. He has published more than 80 papers and 4 books. His articles have appeared in such journals as *Criminology*, *Journal of Marriage and Family*, *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, and *Social Psychology Quarterly*. His books include *Violence, Aggression, and Coercive Actions* (with James Tedeschi) and *Violence and Gender Reexamined*, both published by the American Psychological Association. He argues that domestic violence is better understood if studied in comparison to other types of violence and crime. Dr. Felson’s e-mail address is [rbf7@psu.edu](mailto:rbf7@psu.edu).

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**Kimberly Flemke, Ph.D.** is an Assistant Professor at Drexel University in the Department of Couple and Family Therapy. She is also part of Drexel's College of Nursing and Health Professions Interdisciplinary Research Unit. She is a trained couple and family therapist and specializes in treating trauma. She clinically practices at Council for Relationships in Philadelphia, where she evaluates and treats women with rage and trauma. Dr. Flemke previously worked as a forensic family therapist within a co-ed medium/maximum-security prison in Philadelphia, frequently treating incarcerated women on past issues of rage and violence. Currently she does trainings and workshops on violence- and rage-prevention, as well as on methods for healing and managing past trauma, with both men and women inmates in the Federal Detention Center. She formerly worked as a BIS treatment provider for Bucks County (PA) Adult Probation and Parole Department for women arrested for domestic violence. Dr. Flemke's primary research interest is in understanding women's use of violence and rage in their intimate relationships. She has published book chapters and articles on women's rage and violence and has presented her research findings on women's rage both regionally and nationally. Her current research focus is on exploring links between past trauma, PTSD, and current acts of rage and violence among women involved in IPV.



**Richard Gelles** serves as the Dean of the School of Social Policy & Practice and holds The Joanne and Raymond Welsh Chair of Child Welfare and Family Violence in the School of Social Work at the University of Pennsylvania. He is the Co-Director of the Center for Research on Youth and Social Policy and Co-Faculty Director of the Field Center for Children's Policy, Practice, and Research. In addition, he directs the Ortner-Unity Program on Family Violence. His book, *The Violent Home*, was the first systematic empirical investigation of family violence and continues to be highly influential. He is the author or co-author of 24 books and more than 100 articles and chapters on family violence. His latest books are, *The Book of David: How Preserving Families Can Cost Children's Lives* (Basic Books, 1996) and *Intimate Violence in Families, Third Edition* (Sage Publications, 1997), and *Current Controversies on Family Violence, 2nd Edition* (with Donilene Loseke and Mary Cavanaugh—Sage Publications, 2005).

In 1998 Secretary of Health & Human Services, Donna Shalala appointed Gelles to the Kinship Care Advisory Panel of the Administration for Children Youth and Families. Gelles was a member of the National Academy of Science's panel on "Assessing Family Violence Interventions." He was also the Vice President for Publications for the National Council on Family Relations. Gelles received his B.A. degree from Bates College (1968), an M.A. in Sociology from the University of Rochester (1971), and a Ph.D. in Sociology at the University of New Hampshire (1973). He edited the journal, *Teaching Sociology* from 1973 to 1981 and received the American Sociological Association, Section on Undergraduate Education, and "Outstanding Contributions to Teaching Award" in 1979. In 1999 Gelles received the "Award for Career Achievement in Research" from the American Professional Science on the Abuse of Children. Gelles has presented innumerable lectures to policy-making groups and media groups, including THE TODAY SHOW, CBS MORNING NEWS, GOOD MORNING AMERICA, THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW, DATELINE, and ALL THINGS CONSIDERED. In 1984 ESQUIRE named him to one of the men and women who are "changing America." Presently, Gelles lives in Philadelphia with his wife Judy, a photographer.

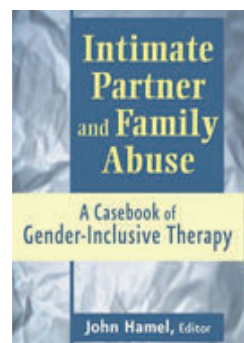
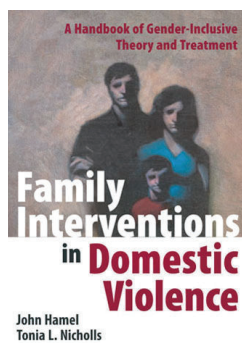
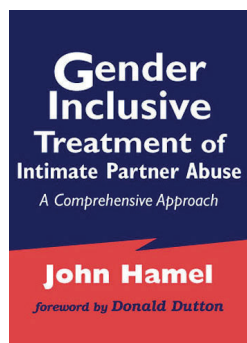
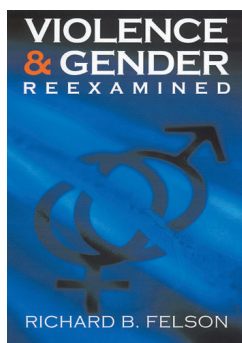
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**John Hamel, LCSW**, acquired both his B.A. in Psychology (1986) and Masters in Social Welfare (1988) from the University of California at Los Angeles, and was licensed as an LCSW (LCS 15194) in November, 1989. Since 1991, he has been Director of John Hamel & Associates, with offices in Walnut Creek, Berkeley and San Rafael, California. Mr. Hamel and his associates provide a wide range of clinical, consultation and training services. His areas of expertise are in the assessment and treatment of anger management and family violence, as well as substance abuse and co-dependency. Specialized clinical services include a substance abuse relapse prevention group, family violence assessments (including specialized assessments in disputed-child custody cases), victim services and advocacy (including victim support groups), and treatment programs for angry and violent men, women, couples, parents and teens. Although many of his clients are voluntary participants, many are referred from Family Court or Child Protective Services, or mandated by the courts to participate in either a batterer treatment program, or a parenting program.

Mr. Hamel has provided consultation and training for mental health professionals, batterer intervention providers, shelter workers and victim advocates, court mediators and evaluators, teachers, attorneys and law enforcement; and has spoken on family violence at a number of events. He is a pioneer in the development of the gender-inclusive approach to domestic violence, a newly-emerging, empirically-based model of research and treatment. His trainings been praised both for their innovative look at theory and policy, as well as their abundance of practical, hands-on intervention tools. Mr. Hamel has also served as an expert court witness on the subject of family violence, and has testified before the California Legislature on domestic violence public policy. His first book, *Gender-Inclusive Treatment of Intimate Partner Abuse: A Comprehensive Approach*, was published in 2005 by Springer Publishing. His second book, co-edited with Tonia Nicholls, PhD, is *Family Interventions in Domestic Violence: A Handbook of Gender-Inclusive Theory and Treatment* (Springer, 2007), and includes contributions from the most respected experts in the field. His most recent book, *Intimate partner and family abuse: A casebook of gender-inclusive therapy* (Springer, 2008), includes chapters by clinicians from the United States and several other countries, and is the first domestic violence casebook to include extensive case studies of both male and female perpetrators and victims. Mr. Hamel is a founding member of the Family Violence Treatment and Education Association ([www.FAVTEA.com](http://www.FAVTEA.com)), as well as the National Family Violence Legislative Resource Center ([www.NFVLRC.org](http://www.NFVLRC.org)).

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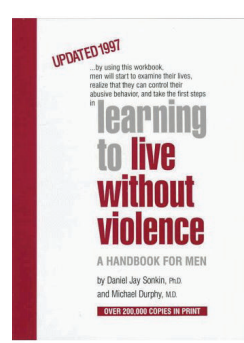
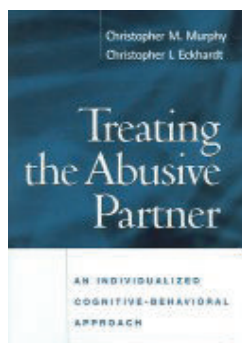
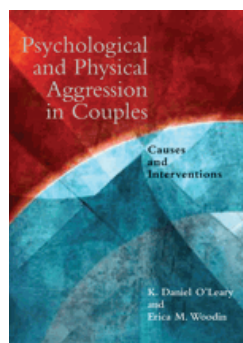
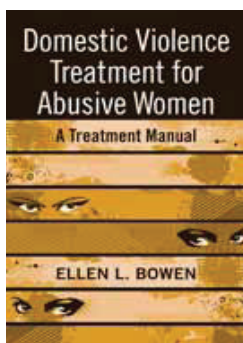


**Lonnie Hazelwood, M.S.H.P., L.C.D.C., C.C.C.J.S.** is a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor in the state of Texas and a Certified Clinical Criminal Justice Specialist. He has thirty years experience in the substance abuse field and for the past twenty-five years has also worked in the domestic violence field. He has worked on community task forces on domestic violence, helped to developed criminal justice interventions and policies, directed the Family Violence Diversion Network (1982-87), developed a number of violence prevention programs (Austin Stress Clinic 1980-2002) and conducted research on both substance abuse and family violence. He is currently the Director of the Domestic Violence Threat Containment Intensive Treatment Program for the most serious domestic violence offenders. Lonnie has co-authored two pioneering books on domestic violence: *Violent Men, Violent Couples* (1984) and *The Violent Couple* (1992), and has collaborated on several articles on this population. His paper, "Systems considerations in working with court-ordered domestic violence offenders," was included as a chapter contribution to the book, *Family interventions in domestic violence, A handbook of gender-inclusive theory and treatment*, edited by John Hamel and Tonia Nicholls (Springer, 2007). Lonnie has consulted on research on the fathering of domestic violence offenders conducted by George Holden, Ph.D. at the University of Texas at Austin. He has consulted with the Bastrop Federal Correctional Facility and presented training on Anger Management and Risk Assessment to Texas Community Supervision Officers and others dealing with domestic violence. He also served on a National Consensus Panel to develop a Treatment Improvement Protocol for the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (TIP #25, Substance Abuse and Domestic Violence). Lonnie is a current member of the Austin Travis County Family Violence Task Force-Batterers Intervention Subcommittee.



**Denise A. Hines** is a research assistant professor in the Department of Psychology at Clark University and a research associate at the Family Research Laboratory and Crimes Against Children Research Center at the University of New Hampshire. Trained as a developmental psychologist, her interests lie mainly in issues of family violence. She has earned grants from the NIMH to study genetic and environmental influences on family violence and men who sustain partner violence. She also has a strong interest in cultural influences on family violence. She has coauthored two books on issues of family violence: *Family Violence in the United States* (2005) and *Family Violence in a Cultural Perspective* (2004), both with Kathleen Malley-Morrison. In addition, she has published numerous journal articles and book chapters on issues related to family violence. She can be reached at [dhines@clarku.edu](mailto:dhines@clarku.edu).

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**Jodi Klugman-Rabb** is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist with a private practice in Marin County, north of San Francisco. Using a combination of Family Systems, Cognitive-Behavioral and Attachment Theories Jodi blends a supportive and practical approach to therapy. Jodi practices a variety of specialties including anger management, grief and loss, trauma and EMDR, general life transitions for individuals and families, parenting and a new concept, wedding coaching, designed to address high conflict in families during the planning stages of weddings. Anger management, conflict resolution and domestic violence comprise the bulk of Jodi's practice. Working in conjunction with the Marin County Family Violence Court, Jodi practices psychotherapy with court-ordered offenders to address a range of issues manifesting in violence within the family. The Family Systems orientation Jodi employs allows her to teach the offenders about the influences of generations on current behaviors. Jodi enjoys speaking publicly about her field and makes regular presentations to local agencies and public forums on effective parenting and emotional health and violence in families. She has discussed the effects of unresolved anger and emotional coping with substance use on *The Recovery Station*, a local cable channel, and contributed a chapter to *Intimate Partner and Family Abuse: A Casebook of Gender-Inclusive Therapy* published by Springer Publications in 2008.



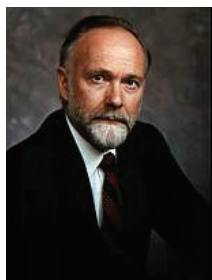
**Christopher D. Maxwell, Ph.D.** is Associate Dean for Research in the College of Social Science and Associate Professor in the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University (MSU), and he is Associate Research Scientist in the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research at the University of Michigan. He holds bachelor's degrees in sociology, criminal justice and psychology from Indiana University-Bloomington, and a master's degree and Ph.D. in criminal justice from Rutgers University. Dr. Maxwell's research interests include testing for the benefits and costs of sanctions and therapeutic treatments for spouse abusers, the impacts of police and court services on victims of domestic violence, the epidemiology of violence against women by intimates, and the extent and correlates of sexual assault by and against adolescents. His current focus is assessing the extent to which intimate partner violence offenders are prosecuted and whether more prosecution and sanctions lead to less subsequently violence. He has published numerous articles in journals, including *Criminology*, *Criminology and Public Policy*, *Justice Quarterly*, and *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*.



**Eric E. McCollum, Ph.D.** is Professor and Director of the Marriage and Family Therapy Program at Virginia Tech's Northern Virginia Center in the DC metro area. He holds LMFT and LCSW licenses Virginia. He has worked with colleagues Sandra Stith and Karen Rosen to develop and test a couples treatment model for domestic violence, work initially funded by NIMH. He is also interested in the family treatment of substance abuse and in the application of mindfulness meditation both in therapy and in the training of psychotherapists. He has published widely, and regularly presents nationally and internationally.



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**K. Daniel O'Leary** is a Distinguished Professor of Psychology and Director of Clinical Training at Stony Brook University. O'Leary was among the top 100 cited psychologists in the English-speaking world (*American Psychologist*, December, 1978). He received the Distinguished Scientist Award from the clinical division of the American Psychological Association in 1985, and he was installed to the National Academies of Practice in Psychology in 1986. He has over 230 publications, and he is the author or co-author of twelve books. The most recent include: *The Couples Psychotherapy Treatment Planner* with R. E. Heyman and A. E. Jongsma (1998), *Psychological Abuse in Violent Domestic Relations* (with R.D. Maiuro, 2001); *Understanding psychological and physical aggression in couples: Existing evidence and clinical implications* (with Erica Woodin, 2009). His research focuses on the etiology and treatment of partner aggression, and the marital discord/depression link.



**Erin Pizzey** was born 1939 in China. After being captured by the Japanese, she left with her family on the last boat out of China in 1942 and lived in the Middle East prior to her arrival in England in 1946. In 1971, Erin opened first refuge specifically dealing with all victims of domestic violence. She is the author of *Scream Quietly or the Neighbours Will Hear*, the first book on domestic violence, published in 1974. In 1979, she came to the United States at the invitation of the US government and embarked on a Salvation Army sponsored tour of 21 cities to help set up shelters for victims of domestic violence. Erin moved to the United States in 1982, to open a shelter and lecture on the subject of family violence. During this time, she also wrote and published novels. She continued to work with domestic violence victims when she moved to Italy in 1987 and was the Guest of Honour at the 1994 Rome International Conference of Supreme Court Judges. In 1997 Erin returned to England and continued her career as a journalist and novelist, and more importantly to work for victims of domestic violence. That same year, she was the honoured guest at a luncheon on Capital Hill in Washington, DC, sponsored by Congresswoman Lindy Boggs. Erin has spoken to numerous men's domestic violence victim groups. More recently, in March 2007, Erin opened first Arab refuge for victims of domestic violence in Bahrain.



**The First Refuge, Chiswick  
The Early Days**

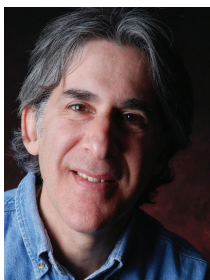


**Pizzey in Chiswick  
The Early Days**



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**Daniel Jay Sonkin, Ph.D.** is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist in an independent practice in Sausalito, California. His work focuses on the treatment of individuals and couples facing a variety interpersonal problems, including domestic violence and child abuse. For the past fifteen years he has been integrating attachment theory and recent findings in the cognitive neurosciences in his clinical work with perpetrators and victims of violence. In addition to his clinical experience, he has testified as an expert witness since 1977 in criminal cases where domestic violence is an issue. He has also evaluates defendants facing the death penalty, conducting social histories with a focus on their childhood abuse and its impact on adult criminal behavior. He has also testifies as an expert witness in malpractice cases and licensing actions. As one of the early investigators and specialists in the field of family violence, Dr. Sonkin has developed a widely used protocol for treating male batterers. His book, *Learning to Live Without Violence: A Handbook for Men* has been published in English, Spanish and Japanese and is utilized by treatment programs around the world. He is also the author of numerous articles and books on domestic violence and child abuse. He has recently co-edited a book with Don Dutton entitled *Intimate Violence: Contemporary Treatment Innovations*, published by Haworth Trauma and Maltreatment Press. He has also written software for assessing domestic violence, which is included in his book, *Domestic Violence: The Court-Mandated Perpetrator Assessment and Treatment Handbook* (self published).

In addition to his clinical practice, he was an adjunct faculty member in the Department of Counseling at Sonoma State University (1994-2005), a former member of the Ethics Committee (1989-1998) and is a former member of the Board of Directors (1998-2000) of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists. He was the recipient of the 1989 Clark Vincent Award for Literary Contribution to the field of Marriage and Family Therapy, and the 2000 recipient of the Distinguished Clinical Member Award from the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists.



**Dr. Sandra Stith** is a Professor and director of the Marriage and Family Therapy program, Her primary research interest is in understanding and treating intimate partner violence. She has edited three books on intimate partner violence including *Understanding Partner Violence: Prevalence, Causes, Consequences and Solutions* co-edited with Dr. Murray Straus, and *Prevention of Intimate Partner Violence* published by Haworth Press. She is author of over 60 articles and book chapters and has received funding from NIH to develop and test a couple's treatment program for intimate partner violence. Dr. Stith has been working with the USAF Family Advocacy Program since 1998 managing and conducting a variety of family violence-related research projects. In 2004 Dr. Stith received the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy's Outstanding Contribution to Marriage and Family Therapy Award and in 2007 she received the American Family Therapy Association's Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research Award and Kansas State University's Distinguished Alumni Award.



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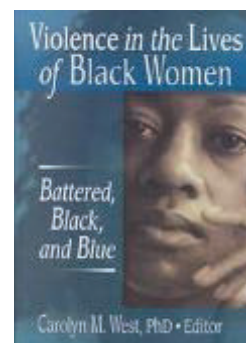
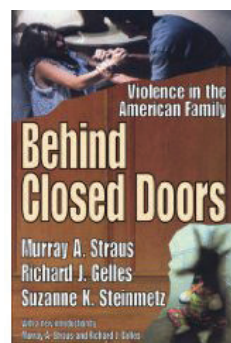
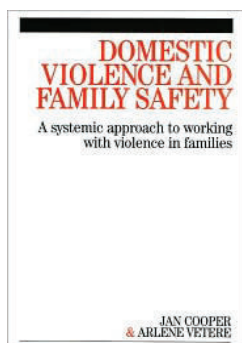
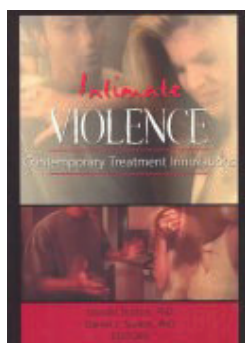
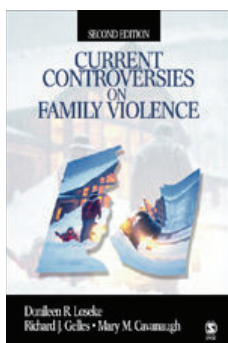


**Murray Straus, Ph.D.** is the Professor of Sociology and founder and Co-Director of the Family Research Laboratory, University of New Hampshire (since 1968). He has previously taught at the Universities of Minnesota, Cornell, Wisconsin, Washington State, York (England) Bombay (India), and the University of Ceylon (now Sri Lanka). Dr Straus received his Ph.D. in Sociology at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, 1956. Dr. Straus is the author or co-author of more than 200 publications on family violence. He has held office in several scientific societies, including President, Society For the Study of Social Problems (1989-90); President, Eastern Sociological Society (1991-92. and Vice President 1976-77); President, National Council on Family Relations (1972-3); Member of the Council of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (1971-73); Chairperson of the Task Force on Corporal Punishment of the American Psychological Association Division 37, 1992-94. Dr. Straus has been honored with the Ernest W. Burgess Award of the National Council of Family Relations for outstanding research on the family in 1977; American Sociological Association award for contributions to undergraduate teaching in 1979; Distinguished Contribution Award, New Hampshire Psychological Society, 1992; Citizen Of The Year, National Association of Social Workers, NH chapter, 1994; and Research Career Achievement Award, American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children, 1994. Dr. Straus is also the author or co-author of over 200 articles on the family, research methods, and South Asia; and fifteen books. Among the most well-known of his books are: *Beating the Devil Out of Them: Corporal Punishment In American Families* (Lexington/Jossey-Bass, 1994); *Physical Violence in American Families: Risk Factors and Adaptations to Violence in 8,1145 Families* (Transaction Press, 1990); *The Dark Side of Families: Current Family Violence Research* (Sage, 1983); and *Behind Closed Doors: Violence in the American Family* (Doubleday, 1980).



**Arlene Vetere** is codirector of Reading Safer Families, a world-renowned, innovative assessment and therapeutic service for both victims and perpetrators of family violence in UK. With her colleague, Jan Cooper, she has published extensively about their work at this agency. She has written chapters for two books edited by John Hamel, LCSW: *Family Interventions in Domestic Violence* (Springer, 2007), and *Intimate Partner and Family Abuse: A Casebook of Gender Inclusive Therapy* (Springer, 2008); and in 2005 published the book *Domestic Violence and Family Safety: Working Systemically With Family Violence*. She is a UKCP-registered family therapists, as well as an academic and clinical psychologist, based at the University of Surrey, UK.

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**Dr. Carolyn West** is Associate Professor of Psychology at the University of Washington, where she teaches courses on Family Violence and Human Sexuality. She writes, trains, consults, and lectures internationally on interpersonal violence and sexual assault, with a special focus on African American women. She has developed culturally sensitive domestic violence/sexual assault training material for a variety of organizations, including the Supreme Court of Ohio and City of Seattle Human Services Division. Dr. West frequently delivers keynote addresses and workshops for State Coalitions Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (California, Maryland, Oregon, Washington, Wisconsin). Dr. West has lectured internationally and conducted workshops and presented papers at more than 100 conferences, including those of the American Psychological Association. She has given invited presentations at universities around the country, including Harvard University, Howard University School of Divinity, and Columbia University Law School. Dr. West also has given television, radio, newspaper, and magazine interviews (*Essence*, *Washington Post*, *National Public Radio*). She has served as an expert witness in domestic violence cases involving victim-defendants (women who use violence in self-defense) and testified at Congressional Briefings in Washington, DC.

As an award-winning scholar, Dr. West has authored or co-authored more than 40 journal articles and book chapters. She is editor/contributor of *Violence in the Lives of Black Women: Battered, Black, and Blue* which was published by Haworth Press in 2002 (winner of the 2004 Carolyn Payton Early Career Award). In recognition of her scholarship, she received the *Outstanding Research Award in the Field of Domestic Violence in the African American Community* from the University of Minnesota's Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community (2000). In 2005, she was honored as the first holder of the Bartley Dobb Professorship for the Study and Prevention of Violence. Dr. West also is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association.



**David L. Woods** was born and raised in Sacramento, CA. Woods received an Honorable Discharge from the United States Marine Corps in 1975. He worked to help support his parents, both of whom suffered from heart conditions, even as he attended Central Missouri State University (now the Univ. of Central Missouri) where he pursued a double major of History/Political Science. After marrying in 1981, Woods was an active game designer and writer in the 80's and 90's, working at home in order to be the primary caregiver to his two daughters. David is a male survivor of Domestic Violence and was the lead plaintiff in the historic *Woods v. Shewry lawsuit*, which sought to provide equal protection for all domestic violence victims under California's domestic violence laws. David and his wife appeared on the *John Walsh Show*, *Angry Women: When Violence Takes Over*, and their story was included as a case study on the dynamics of family violence in Linda Mills' new book, *Violent Partners: Breakthrough Plan for Ending the Cycle of Abuse*. Woods is currently serving CAFC as Research Coordinator, doing background work on a number of issues that affect families and family life.

