



# INS Newsletter: Where the World Meets

## International Neuropsychological Society

### Member Newsletter – January 2019

As a new year begins, we would like to highlight the latest updates and information concerning upcoming conferences, events, and announcements that may be of interest to the members of our society. We hope that you plan to attend the February New York meeting and submit to and attend the Rio de Janeiro meeting in July! We also hope that you continue to enjoy the science and clinical sections that are a mainstay of our newsletter and consider submitting cases to our clinical co-editors. We continue to welcome your input concerning the contents of the newsletter and invite members to propose features for upcoming issues. Over the last several years I have enjoyed getting this newsletter off the ground; I look forward to assisting the next editor, **Cady Block**, as she continues to work toward our goal of having this newsletter be an interactive and engaging platform for sharing ideas and knowledge.

Rosemary Fama, Editor, & INS Newsletter Editorial Team





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## **Special Features**

### **Science in Action: Michael Parsons, PhD**

Neuropsychologists inform treatment and follow-up care for individuals with brain tumors: An Interview with Michael W. Parsons, PhD

#### **Michael Parsons, PhD**

Neuropsychologists play an important and unique role in the evaluation and treatment recommendations for patients with brain tumors, according to Dr. Michael W. Parsons, a faculty member of Harvard Medical School/Massachusetts General Hospital in the Pappas Neuro-Oncology Center and Department of Psychiatry. A neuropsychologist's involvement can occur at different stages of the patient's process from initial evaluation and identification of deficits, which can have a bearing on surgical decision making, to follow-up evaluation and consultation after the completion of treatment which



click [here](#) to hear to the audio interview, click [here](#).

## **Clinical Case Series: ASD in Older Adults**

A Case of Autism Spectrum Disorder Comorbidity in an Older Adult Being Assessed for Cognitive Impairment

### **P. Amanda Niu (M.ClinNeuro)**

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a lifelong neurodevelopmental condition which was catapulted into public awareness following its first inclusion into the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Third Edition (DSM-III) in 1980. Currently, the DSM is in its fifth iteration with recent changes in 2013 causing a wave of controversy, particularly, with Asperger Syndrome now being subsumed under the broad category of autism spectrum disorder. However, what has remained consistent, without debate, throughout the past 30 years is the notion of autism spectrum disorder being inherently developmental. Herein, lies the difficulty when diagnosing autism spectrum disorder in an older adult population.

To read more about this case, click [here](#).

## **International Features:**

Summit on Population Health Solutions for  
**Assessing Cognitive Impairment in Geriatric Patients**

Dr. Joel Kramer, Professor of Neuropsychology in Neurology at the University of California, San Francisco, represented INS at an interorganizational Summit on Population Health Solutions for Assessing Cognitive Impairment in Geriatric Patients convened by the National Academy of Neuropsychology (NAN) in December 2017. The findings and recommendations of the Summit have now been published and are available for free download. Click [here](#) to find out more.

### **Charles G. Matthews International Neuropsychological Development Fund**

### **Brenda Milner on her 100th birthday: a lifetime of 'good ideas'**

Brenda Milner, CC GOQ FRS FRSC is a British-Canadian neuropsychologist who has contributed extensively to the research literature on various topics in the field of clinical neuropsychology, sometimes referred to as “the founder of neuropsychology”

Miriam Beauchamp Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Montreal Researcher, Ste-Justine Hospital Montreal, Canada Adjunct Professor, Department of Neurology & Neurosurgery, McGill University

On October 5th 2018, I had the unique experience of sitting down to chat with Dr. Brenda Milner, Dorothy J. Killam Professor of Psychology and Professor in the Department of Neurology &

...and recollections from generations of graduate students and post-doctoral fellows. Though I did not have the opportunity to work with Dr. Milner myself, my PhD supervisor (Dr. Julien Doyon) was one of her PhD students, and I worked as a research assistant for another of her trainees (Virginia Frisk) at the Toronto Sick Kids Hospital between my Bachelor's and Master's degrees. I conducted a portion of my own PhD research in the neuroimaging center at The Neuro and now hold a faculty position at the Université de Montréal, where Dr. Milner was first hired to teach when she came to Montreal in 1944. I can only hope that even a fraction of Dr. Milner's curiosity, diligence, and zest for life have indirectly been passed down to me through this scientific lineage!

Click [here](#) to watch her video interview.

Reference for additional reading: Brain article:  
Brenda Milner on her 100th birthday: A Lifetime of 'Good Ideas'

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## **Student Liaison Committee: Navigating Neuropsychology Podcast**

The Student Liaison Committee (SLC) is committed to the development of trainees in neuropsychology. One great new resource for trainees is Navigating Neuropsychology, a podcast that explores various topics in the field of neuropsychology. We recently sat down with the founders of the podcast, John Bellone, Ph.D. and Ryan Van Patten, Ph.D., for a discussion on what they hope to accomplish with the podcast, upcoming episodes, and more. Click [here](#) to read the full interview, and be sure to check out the latest episode of the podcast, which answers some frequently asked questions about the internship application process!

Podcast by  
John Bellone, Ph.D.  
Ryan Van Patten, Ph.D.

## **Cady Block, PhD**

Want to submit something for @INSneuro? Just email it to the INS social media editor: [socialmedia@the-ins.org](mailto:socialmedia@the-ins.org), but please note that all submissions are subject to review and verification before posting. Send away!

## **Meeting Announcements**

**North American Meeting: New York City, USA**

**Mike Kirkwood, Program Chair**

*Embracing the Biopsychosocial Melting Pot*

Please join us for the **47th Annual INS Meeting** at the Marriott Marquis Times Square in New York City, NY, USA, February 20th to 23rd, 2019. Featuring an impressive lineup of prestigious

Our keynote speakers include INS President **Keith Yeates, Paul Bloom, Tim Hohman, Judy Illes, Adrian Owen, Rebecca Saxe**, and **Sandrine Thuret**. Invited symposia will be chaired by **Deborah Koltai Attix, Judy Illes**, and **Robin Peterson**. We will also feature a scientific debate on the neurocognitive effects of cannabis featuring **Igor Grant** and **Krista Lisdahl** (moderated by **Raul Gonzalez**). Click [here](#) for additional information.

### **Media Panel:**

#### **Don't forget to stick around through Saturday for:**

Concussion Science and the Media: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

Saturday, 9:00-10:00 AM, Broadway Ballroom North

Moderator: Keith Yeates, PhD

Presenters: William B. Barr, PhD, Karen Postal, PhD, Jason Chung, JD, Daniel Engber

Click [here](#) to get the

*New York Insider's Guide*

*Online registration ends on February 13th 2019. Click [here](#) to register now!*

## **Services for New York 2019 and Future Meetings**

### **Child Care Survey for Upcoming INS Meetings**

INS is exploring the feasibility of offering professional child care services during its two yearly meetings, when such services are available from certified, insured contractors in meeting cities. Even with significant financial supplementation by INS, individual members are still likely to incur some costs. Because the costs will depend in part on usage by members, we would like to better understand the potential demand for these services from our members.

Click [here](#) to complete the survey and weigh in.

## **Meeting**

Would you like to collaborate with other parents attending the 2019 INS New York Meeting? This group was created for you as a place to discuss play-date options, sharing child care resources, and anything else that might be helpful to discuss with other parents.

Click [here](#) for more information

## **Happy New Year & Welcome to 2019!**

### **NS 2018 Raffle Winner – Sandra Shaheen**

As she (uncharacteristically) registered early for the 2019 conference in NYC, she considered the odds of getting tickets to Hamilton directly, and thought, why not? When you live in Boston, NYC means going south for New Years. Maybe it is warmer there.

INS meetings set the tone for the future of neuropsychology. Thanks to the leadership of the Society for new directions and keeping relevant in our changing field.

## **Marriott Times Square 2019 Promotion**

For 2019, “The Ultimate Times Square Signature Experience for New Year’s Eve”:

Winner will receive two tickets to the New Year’s Eve Gala on Times Square at the beautiful New York Marriott Marquis. This includes a reception and dinner, open bar, premium live entertainment, VIP street access to the Ball Drop for countdown, and breakfast the following morning. We would be honored to offer complimentary quest room accommodations

Marquis Times Square.

The winner will be announced at the end of the New York Meeting

***All prizes are non-transferable. Winner must personally accept and use all prizes, and agrees to be a featured in our INS Member Spotlight.***

***\*\*Current INS board, committee and staff members are not eligible for these special packages.***

## **Back to the Roots of Neuropsychology Society Announcement**

### **INS Video Archive is LIVE!!**

The INS Video Archive is live on the INS Website. INS Members can now enjoy access to 26 current videos on-demand by simply logging into their account and visiting either the Membership or Education tab. Non-Members can also view up to two pre-selected videos per month by logging in as “Visitor” under the Education tab. Educators who wish to use these videos for instructional purposes can request access to specific videos by contacting the INS Office. For more information click [here](#).

Click [here](#) to visit the archive.

### **Special Interest Groups (SIGs):**

Special interest groups, or SIGs, provide an opportunity for individuals with similar interests to build collaborative relationships, create international communities, and work together to further science. The SIGs conduct meetings at conferences, have list serves, engage in social media, and maintain an active communication

neuropsychology. Fortunately, INS is accepting applications for new SIGs in an ongoing manner with no set deadline for submission. Applications do require 20 interested INS members and because it can be difficult for some people to locate individuals with the same research interest we are in the process of setting up an INS SIG Facebook account.

This month we are highlighting our Cultural Neuropsychology SIG founded by

Drs. Monica Rivera Mindt, Jennifer Manly, April Thames, and Aparna Dutt. Drs. Thames and Dutt are the co-chairs. We interviewed Dr. Thames to learn more about the SIG. [Read more](#)

## **Member Resources**

### **INS Jobs Board: Position Announcements**