

# MEET THE LIFE MEMBERS

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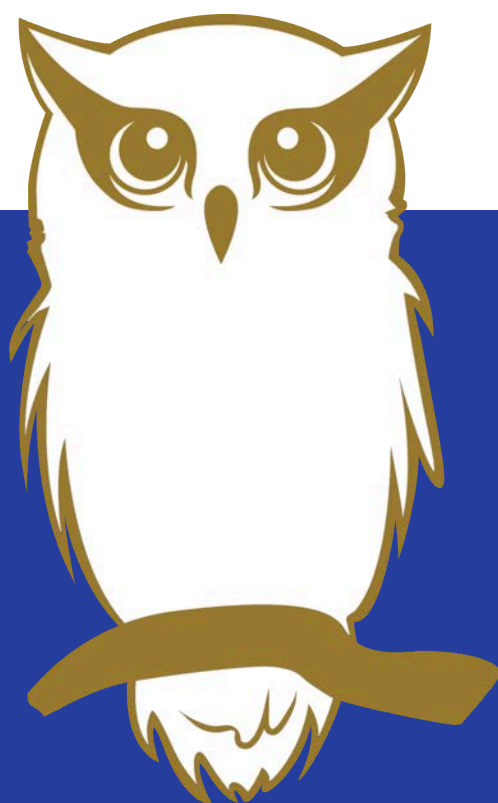
**Wednesday, April 22, 2026**  
**from 8-9:30 PM Eastern**



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## FOR:

- Medical Students
- General Psychiatry Residents
- Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Fellows



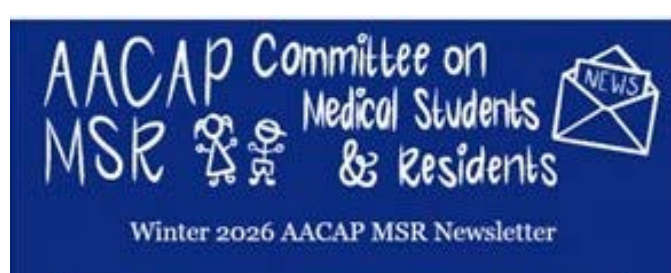
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This program allows mentees to expand their professional networks, gain meaningful perspectives and insights into diverse career trajectories within child and adolescent psychiatry, and consider pathways to active involvement in AACAP.



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**School/Facility/Program:** Consultant and private practitioner

**Selected Interests/Activities:** Child maltreatment, foster care, adoption, bipolar in youth, systems consulting in behavioral health

**AACAP:** AACAP Past President (2001-2003); Greater Washington Society Member; Past AACAP Life Members Committee Co-Chair; first Chair of AACAP's Child Abuse Committee; AACAP Jeanne Spurlock, MD, Lecture and Award for Diversity and Culture (2011); AACAP Catchers in the Rye Award (2014) as part of the AACAP Task Force on the Relationship Between AACAP and the Biomedical Industry; Virginia Q. Anthony Outstanding Woman Leader Award (2014); AACAP's Marilyn B. Benoit, MD, Child Maltreatment Mentorship Award launched in 2018 in honor of Dr. Benoit's exemplary leadership



**Peter R. Cohen MD | [prcohenmd@gmail.com](mailto:prcohenmd@gmail.com) | Rockville, MD**

**School/Facility/Program:** Retired. CWRU Medical School, 1976. Combined General Psychiatry, CAP, and Chief Residency in Community Psychiatry at WPIC (U Pittsburgh). Former behavioral medical director for 1) Montgomery County MD and 2) Maryland's Drug and Alcohol Abuse Administration (now the BHA). Certified in Addiction Medicine. Certified in Gestalt Therapy (Cleveland)

**Selected Interests/Activities:** Community psychiatry, co-occurring psychiatric/SUD disorders, psychotherapies, psychopharmacology, systems of care, advocacy and legislative action through medical societies

**AACAP:** Past member of committees (Community Psychiatry, Substance Abuse); Life Member; AACAP Mentor for Medical Students, Residents, and Early Career Psychiatrists; Annual Advocacy Day participant on Capitol Hill



**Martin J. Drell, MD | [mdrell@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:mdrell@lsuhsc.edu) | New Orleans, LA**

**School/Facility/Program:** Former Training Director and Head of CAP at LSU Medical School in New Orleans

**Selected Interests/Activities:** The preservation of therapy, especially psychodynamic therapy in CAP training, infant psychiatry, C/L, anxiety disorders, training, administration, use of humor in therapy, writing about clinical work, systems of care, and mentoring

**AACAP:** ROCAP President, Past Assembly Chair, Member of Council, Chair of Infant Committee, Newsletter editor. Treasurer (times 2), President, Owl's News editor, Life Members Committee, On Leadership Team of Leatherman-Drell-Ritvo Fund for Psychodynamic Psychotherapy



**Randall Gurak, MD | [rgurak@aol.com](mailto:rgurak@aol.com) | Philadelphia, PA**

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**Selected Interests/Activities:** Psychodynamics, advocacy, community service

**AACAP:** Assembly Representative, Chair of Membership Committee, past member of Advocacy Committee



**Antoinette Jakobi, MD | [antoinette\\_jakobi@urmc.rochester.edu](mailto:antoinette_jakobi@urmc.rochester.edu) | Rochester, NY**

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**Selected Interests/Activities:** Teaching, arts and humanities

**AACAP:** Western New York Council; Art Committee; Presented workshops and wellness programs



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**Selected Interests/Activities:** Outpatient treatment, forensic evaluation

**AACAP:** Life Members Committee; Local Arrangements Chair; former Assembly Delegate Illinois

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**Charles R. Joy, MD | [crjoy1@gmail.com](mailto:crjoy1@gmail.com) | Erie, PA**

**School/Facility/Program:** Deerfield Behavioral Health, clinically retired

**Selected Interests/Activities:** Community child psychiatry, poetry

**AACAP:** Past Poetry Editor, AACAP News, Past co-chair Art Committee



**Norman Ladov, MD | [nladovmd@aol.com](mailto:nladovmd@aol.com) | Montclair, NJ**

**School/Facility/Program:** Retired

**Selected Interests/Activities:** Direct clinical services including Medication management, therapy (including family therapy and CBT), and team leading and consultation, both inpatient and school

**AACAP:** Distinguished Fellow



**Kim J. Masters, MD | [kmaster105@gmail.com](mailto:kmaster105@gmail.com) | Asheville, NC**

**School/Facility/Program:** Mostly retired, current faculty of MUSC program in PA studies

**Selected Interests/Activities:** Seclusion and Restraint, Conversion Disorder, Physician Assistant Education; Residential and Inpatient Treatment, Egyptology

**AACAP:** Inpatient Committee Member, North Carolina ROCAP Member, Writer for AACAP News, Screener for AACAP News' Acute Care column, Author Articles, JAACAP Connect, and JAACAP



**Howard Rudominer, MD | [hрудmd@gmail.com](mailto:hрудmd@gmail.com) | Livingston, NJ**

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**Selected Interests/Activities:** Direct clinical services

**AACAP:** New Jersey Regional Council



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**School/Facility/Program:** Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Perelman School of Medicine, Univ of Penn; Emeritus Professor, Temple University

**Selected Interests/Activities:** Co-authored CAP textbook for medical students; forensic issues; IMG mentorship

**AACAP:** Eastern PA and Southern NJ ROCAP Member and a Past President; AACAP's Assembly Executive Committee Past Member; Life Members Co-Chair; Medical Students, Residents, and Fellows: Meet Life Member Mentors at the AACAP Annual Meeting



**Carrie Sylvester, MD, MPH | [carriesylvester@outlook.com](mailto:carriesylvester@outlook.com) | Seattle, WA**

**School/Facility/Program:** Professor, Department Psychiatry, Behavioral Science, Pediatrics, Northwestern U SOM emeritus, Training Director CAP, locum tenens as a semi-retired physician

**Selected Interests/Activities:** Anxiety and Mood Disorders

**AACAP:** Past President Illinois Council CA Psychiatry, Currently Washington (state) Council CA Psychiatry