

## **MTPA SPRING MEETING**

**Middle Tennessee State University - State Farm Lecture Hall**  
April 2000

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Douglas Bernstein

"Disappointing P.T. Barnum: The Psychology Major as a Stimulus for Critical Thinking"

### **POSTERS:**

#### **Identification and Reinforcement: Choosing Celebrities as Role Models**

Kimberly M. Cabany  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaupt

#### **College Student Satisfaction as a Function of Self Concept and Perceived Family Cohesiveness**

Laquore J. Smith  
Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Elliott Hammer

#### **Does Studying Psychology Make You More Liberal? A Comparative Survey of Psychology**

**and Non-Psychology Graduates of Covenant College**  
Laura Rodriguez, Sarah Paulk, Elizabaeth Marr, Melissa J. Dyches, & Mallory Dean  
Covenant College  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael J. Rulon

#### **The Relationship Between Fee Payment and Perceptions of Successful Therapy**

Nathaniel Prentice Mills  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaupt

#### **A Qualitative Study of Melticultural Training in Counseling Psychology Programs in Tennessee**

Carol Hughes Gipson, M.A.  
Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michelle Thomas

#### **Going With the Flow**

Andrea Perry  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaupt

**How Close is Too Close?**

Jennifer Neal, Ashley Williamson, & William Mann  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stuart Bernstein

**Judgments of Guilt: The Effects of Stereotypes and Seriousness of Responses**

Crystal McGee, Julie Robinson, Anna Bracken, & Robyn Brown  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stuart Bernstein

**Shopper Discrimination**

Shona Burns, Kelly Nadjkovic, & Ashley Williams  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stuart Bernstein

**Back That Thang Up: Territoriality and Parking Spaces**

Melody Haley, Kai-lin Garner, Troy Gilmore, April Allred, & Yvette Robie  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston

**Oh Canada or Happy Birthday: Interpersonal Touch and the Pique Technique**

Breck Douglas & Heather Lanier  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston

**Persuasion via the Pique Technique: Do We Get What We Ask For?**

Chip Baker, Heather Coghlan, Christopher Jaco, Kathryn Keels, & Andrea Wideman  
Middle Tennessee State University.  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Pennington

**Persuasion via the Pique Technique: The Stronger the Better?**

Lori Bland & Molly McPeak  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Pennington

**Persuasion via the Pique Technique: Increasing Interest in Free Services**

Melissa Lawson, Kelly LeBel, & Brian Roberts  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Pennington

**The Role of Maternal Instinct in Female Territoriality: Where's Junior?**

Peggy Beasley, Michelle Head, Christina Merrill, & Charmaine Woods  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Pennington

**The Effects of a Need for Approval and Socially Desirable Instructions on a Visual Search Task**

Joshua Petersen

Belmont University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lonnie Yandell, Ph.D.

**How False Memory Recall is Influenced by Color Distinctiveness**

Tori L. Baker, Sara D. Nichols, & Stephen R. Schmidt

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stephen R. Schmidt

**Through Rose-Colored Glasses**

Patricia Parker

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaup

**The Effect of Aromatherapy on Math Performance**

Ginger Johnston, Christy Anderson, & Terri McMillin

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stuart Bernstein

**The Effect of Hand Gesturing on Free Recall**

Chad Hughes & Dawn Little

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston

**The Effect of Violating Orientational Metaphors on Reading Time**

Leigh Anne Dempsey

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston

**Peer Religion Effects on the Intergenerational Transmission of Religious Affiliation**

Erin E. Gowan

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaup

**Religious Involvement, Well-Being, and Mortality Salience**

Marianne D. Bush

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaup

**Time Perspectives in Worship Services**

Carlos Canales Julca & Elizabeth Marr

Covenant College

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael J. Rulon

**Racial Differences in religious Participation and Its Effect on Emotional Well-Being**

Ruthea Walker

Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Peter Millet, Ph.D.

**Attitudes Toward Marriage and Motherhood for Women With and Without Down Syndrome**

Jean M. Anderson

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Mary Ellen Fromuth

**The Mask of Divorce**

Angela Moffitt

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaup

**The Effect of Parental Marital Status on married and Single Students' Expectations for Marriage and Divorce**

Angie Perkey & Michelle Boyer-Pennington

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michelle Boyer-Pennington

**The Stress of Pet Ownership**

Anna Thacker & Scott Hennessee

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston

**A Component Analysis of Stress Coping Interventions**

Jill Perrin

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kimberly Ujcich

**The Effects of College Stress on the Positive and Negative Dimensions of Relationships**

Tiffany Wilson

Western Kentucky University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jacqueline Pope-Tarrence

**Who Deserves to Be Unished for Actions They May Not Be Able to Control?**

Deborah Owen

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaup

**The Relationship Between Death Anxiety and Terror Management to Optimism**

Melissa Foster

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaupt

**Depressed? Take Control**

Eric Gauen & George Carlson

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston

**Positive and Negative Perfectionism: Relationships to Anxiety and Obsessive**

**Compulsive Behavior**

Rose Brummett

Belmont University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lonnie Yandell, Ph. D.

**A Qualitative Study: Interviewing the Experts on Positive Coping in Relation to Resiliency and Emotional Intelligence**

Tamela Sandler

Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michelle Thomas

**Male and Female Perceptions of Desirable Male Body Shape**

Eva Smejkal-Smith, Chris C. Newton, LeVaun Kelley, Frederick C. Grieve, and Cheryl Ludwig

Austin Peay State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Frederick C. Grieve

**Gender Differences Among College Studnets' Drinking Habits in Relation to Peer Pressure, Parental Alcohol Abuse, and Self-Esteem**

Amy Lynn Hil

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaupt

**Automobile Repair Costs and Gender Discrimination**

Christine Roberts, April Goodman, & Randy Word

Middle Tennessee State University

Facutly Sponsor: Dr. Stuart Bernstein

**Reciprocity in Greeting Behaviors Across Genders**

Andrea Perry, Amy Hill, Marianne Bush, Kari Davis, & Erin Gowan

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaupt

**The Effects of Gender, Mood, and PERSpective-Taking on Empathy-Induced Altruism**

Kari Davis

Middle Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas M. Brinthaup

**PAPERS:**

**Locus of Control and Job Satisfaction**

Biljana Khan

Trevecca Nazarene University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Terry Pruitt

**The Effects of Stereotype Primes on Attributions of Responsibility of Stereotyped Group Members**

Natasha D. Watkins

Tennessee State University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Elliott Hammer

**Leaader Behavior and Job satisfaciton as Perceived by Working Adults**

Biljana Khan

Trevecca Nazarene University

Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Randy Carden

MTPA Thanks Glen Garrett of Houghton Mifflin for sponsoring the guest speaker.

MTPA also thanks Mark Francisco of

Wadsworth/Thomson Learning for sponsoring the conference. Thanks also to all of the faculty sponsors who Supervised

students in the research projects presented at the 2000 meeting.