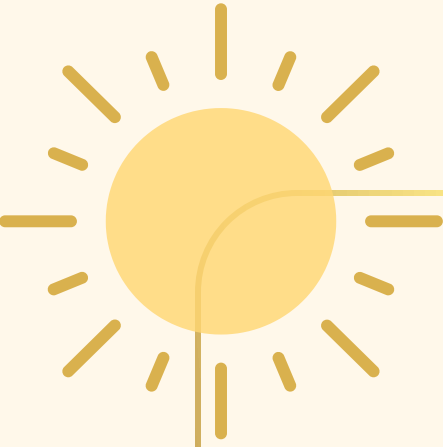




**In honor of Women's History Month,
join us in celebrating these
wonderful women who have served as
Pennsylvania Psychiatric Society Presidents!**

swipe to see them all!



**These talented physicians have provided
their expertise to PaPS, paving the way for
future psychiatrists. They have continued
to serve in various leadership roles in their
professional careers, their strength and
dedication unwavering. We are
grateful to each for their unique
contributions and service to PaPS.**



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Kavita Fischer, MD, DFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2025-26



Favorite Quote:
***“Growth is never by mere chance; it is
the result of forces working together.”***
- James Cash Penney

Hope S. Selarnick, MD, DLFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2022-23



Favorite Quote:
***"Growth and comfort do
not coexist."***
- Ginni Rometty

Dhanalakshmi Ramasamy, MD, DFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2021-22



Favorite Quote:

***"I can do things you cannot, you can
do things I cannot; together we can
do great things."***
- Mother Teresa

Gail A. Edelson, MD, DLFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2017-18



Favorite Quote:

"You must never feel badly about making mistakes ... as long as you take the trouble to learn from them. For you often learn more by being wrong for the right reasons than you do by being right for the wrong reasons."

- Norton Juster, *The Phantom Tollbooth*

Kathleen C. Dougherty, MD, DLFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2013-14



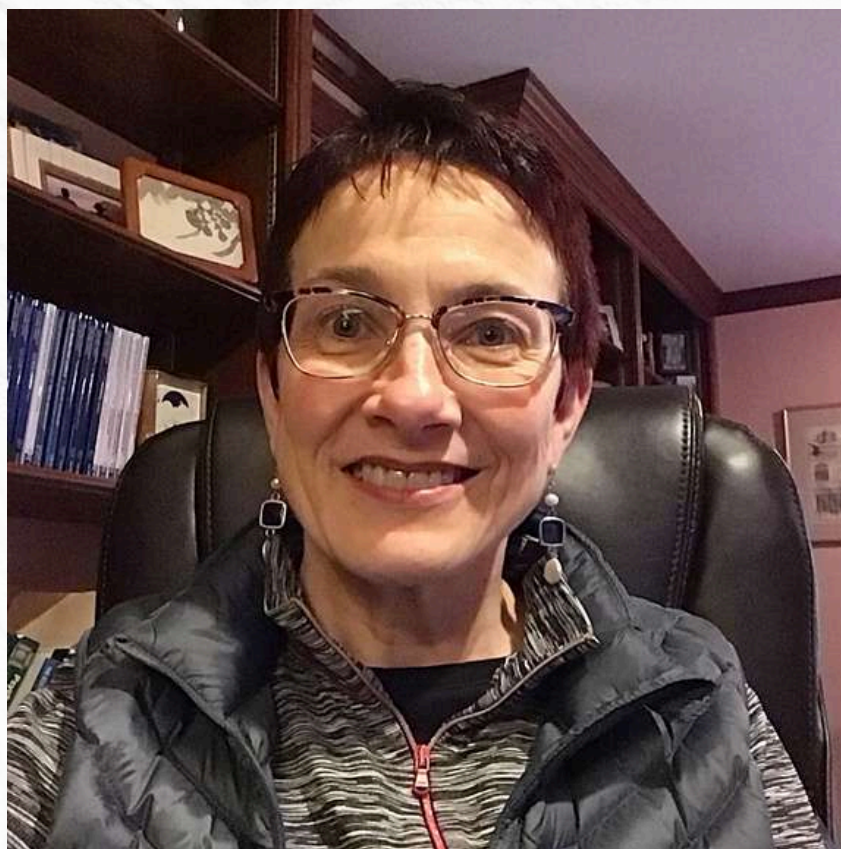
Favorite Quote:
***“Shared joy is a double joy; shared
sorrow is half a sorrow.”***

**Mary Anne Delaney, MD, Life Member, APA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2011-12**



“As a leader and former Associate Director of ELAM, I worked to advance the careers of women in medicine. In particular, I provided other women the skills needed to manage the fiscal aspects of large organizations.”

Mary Anne Albaugh, MD, DLFAPA PaPS Presidential Term: 2008-09



**“I like this grounding mantra from my father,
“*leave things better than you found them,*”
and my parents’ example of gratitude in
their day to day living. And the critical
importance of hope: “*We must accept finite
disappointment, but never lose infinite
hope.*” - Martin Luther King Jr. ”**

Kimberly R. Best, MD, DLFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2007-08



Favorite Quote:

"The medium is the message," by Marshall McLuhan. I like this quote because it reminds me that the integrity of ourselves and our organizations speaks louder than anything we actually say."

Jyoti R. Shah, MD, DLFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2005-06



Dr. Shah has served in various leadership roles throughout her career. She was Chief of the Behavioral Health Service at the Wilkes Barre VA; Chair, NAMI (Keystone) PA; Medical Director, Behavioral Health Services, Commonwealth Health First Hospital in Kingston, PA; among other positions.

Maria Ruiza Yee, MD, DLFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 2004-05



Dr. Yee served as Medical Director of the Partial Program at Reading Hospital. As first in the region to establish a Clozaril Clinic, she also served as Medical Director. In addition, she served as Medical Director of the ACT Program, and as CME Coordinator for Reading Hospital's Dept. of Psychiatry.

Sheila Judge, MD, DLFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 1998-99



Favorite Quote:

***"I took the one less traveled by. And
that has made all the difference."***

-Robert Frost, The Road Not Taken

Helen S. Wagenheim, MD
PaPS Presidential Term: 1986-87



**In memory of Dr. Wagenheim, who
served as PaPS President from 1986-87,
and chaired the Ethics Committee for
many years. She was also former
president of the Philadelphia
Psychoanalytic Society from 1984-86.**

**Marjorie TaVoularis, MD, DLFAPA
PaPS Presidential Term: 1985-86**



**“I loved serving the PA Psychiatric Society.
I took a job with the California
Department of Corrections at the end of
1985. I happily returned to live again in PA
after retirement.”**

Carmela F. DeRivas, MD
PaPS Presidential Term: 1978-79



**In memory of Dr. DeRivas, who served as
PaPS President from 1978-79, and was a
renowned psychiatrist in Pennsylvania over
her long career. She was the first female
PaPS president, and first female
superintendent of Norristown State Hospital.**