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This issue begins with a tribute to Dr. Jenny Wade, an important participant in the publication of the *International Journal of Transpersonal Studies* (IJTS). This editorial recognition is part of an ongoing series of acknowledgments that highlight the careers and accomplishments of scholars who contribute in important ways to the development of transpersonal psychology and to the publication of this journal.

Though the transpersonal subfield is small, it has pioneered the psychological study of ideas and practices that are now mainstream: mindfulness and other meditation practices, the therapeutic potential of yoga, the healing properties of psychedelics, and spirituality as a human capacity that is separable from religion—to name a few. Yet psychological literature that references these early, ground-breaking contributions is rare. Those scholars who situate themselves in or near transpersonal psychology, therefore, are often individuals who place beneficial discovery above notoriety. We hope their acknowledgement in this series will bring their work more of the attention it deserves.

This is followed by a single article in our general section entitled, There's a Duwende on my shelf: "The Parapsychological Studies of Fr. Jaime C. Bulatao, SJ," by Carl Lorenz Cervantes. As an inter-national journal, it is always a pleasure to bring forward work on transpersonal topics by researchers and scholars around the world who

may not be well known within the transpersonal literature. Cervantes describes Fr. Bulatao's study of the paranormal experience that projects aspects of the psyche outward, resulting in the experience of "spirits," and considers their role in Filipino culture.

This issue's Special Topic is the third of four installments dedicated to Empirical Research in Transpersonal Psychology, and the section is introduced separately. The focus on empirical papers in Volumes 40 and 41 has been made possible by an increase in empirical submissions to IJTS.

The issue closes with a book review by Les Lancaster, who provides a rich account of Shoshona Fershtman's book, *The Mystical Exodus in Jungian Perspective: Transforming Trauma and the Wellsprings of Renewal*. From its roots in goddess worship to its impact on Western notions of selfhood, Lancaster does more than review—he employs Fershtman's book as a flashlight to cast illuminating beams onto landscapes with which he himself seems intimately familiar. The synergy between Lancaster and Fershtman makes for a review that punches above its weight.

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