



Lucy Holmes

Address from the President: SMP at Critical Juncture in Development and Direction

The Society of Modern Psychoanalysts has much to be proud of since New York passed the new law licensing the profession of psychoanalysis. In 2005, SMP was one of only two organizations recognized by Albany to register and certify psychoanalysts. This recognition has established SMP as a standard bearer in the profession. Now we must ask ourselves how we can best use our new role to protect and support the profession of psychoanalysis.

IN CONSIDERING THIS ISSUE, I find it helpful to study the history of another professional organization—the American Medical Association. Sometimes known as “the most elite union in the United States,” the AMA has had extraordinary success in representing and consolidating the profession of medicine. When it was established in 1848, medicine in the United States was a chaotic and disorganized practice. Anyone with a set of tools or a bag of herbal remedies could call himself a doctor. Medical schools were unregulated and unlicensed and anyone willing to brave the perils of an open market could open a school. Indeed most early physicians did not attend medical school but learned their trade by apprenticing.

THE AMA WAS FOUNDED to help regulate the practice of medicine. Its goals included scientific advancement, standardizing and improving medical education, developing a program of medical ethics and improving public health. At the association’s first meeting, it created the degree of MD and wrote the first codes of medical ethics, as well as standards for preliminary medical education. In 1883 with the appearance of JAMA, the journal of the AMA, the organization gained publicity and prestige. Disseminating scientific information to its members and health-related information to the public became a top priority. At the close of the nineteenth century, the AMA had embraced homeopaths and other healers creating a powerful and diverse organization capable of dictating standards to the public. *continued on page 2*

Academy of Clinical and Applied Psychoanalysis Moving Up

Sheila Zaretsky

INSTITUTE FEATURE

ACAP signed the lease on a new space on the second floor of a lovely suburban building with huge windows on four sides overlooking tranquil tree lined views. Our move-in date is June 1st, 2006. Much credit goes to Pat Bratt, who found the space and negotiated the lease. This attractive site doubles our space with sliding walls and bookcases to allow us to convert the library into a conference room with seating for a hundred people. The office will occupy a roomy corner space, and there is a comfortable space for student and faculty lounges with a kitchen complete with stove and refrigerator. The new facility and location are a perfect match for our growth in student population, and for ACAP’s many and diverse programs: Our **Certificate Program**; our **Master’s in Psychoanalysis** in conjunction with Centenary College; our treatment service, **The North Jersey Consultation Center**, and our **Applied Psychoanalysis Division** offering conferences, workshops and seminars for colleagues from all professions and the public. Our new site also greatly enhances ACAP’s visibility in the community, and our new Speaker’s Bureau is working hard to make this a priority. We have done workshops with school systems, the Division of Youth and Family Services, Child Life Specialists, school counselors, hospitals, and substance abuse programs. *continued pg. 3*



ACAP Directors sign for new facility in Livingston, NJ.
Left to right: Sheila Zaretsky, Josh Levering of Weichert Commercial, Vicki Semel, Pat Bratt, and Maurice Lovell.

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BY THE EARLY TWENTIETH CENTURY, the AMA represented the medical profession in affairs related to government health policy, taking an influential role in setting standards for licensing, medical schools and boards, hospital internship programs, and medical specialty training. More recently, the organization took on Congress to oppose Medicare and Medicaid, the American Bar Association on malpractice, and the tobacco companies. It lobbied and defeated President Clinton's health-care plan (which proposed guaranteed health insurance for all citizens.) In the 1990's, the association campaigned against domestic violence and child abuse, and supported a woman's right to an abortion. In 1999, the AMA attempted to form a physicians labor union to give doctors more power to negotiate with managed care. Recently, membership declined when many physicians objected to the AMA's political views, and its endorsement of health-care products in exchange for millions of dollars. Others left to join organizations in their specialty, such as the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. The AMA fought back by becoming more inclusive, and now has nine journals devoted to different medical specialties and now welcomes medical students into its membership.

What can the Society of Modern Psychoanalysts learn from a review of the history of the AMA? I believe we learn that our task is threefold. As a professional organization we have a duty to support and protect the profession we represent, our members, and the consumers who use our professional services. To provide this protection and support, we must establish and maintain a reputation for the highest standards in ethics and training practice. **We must work to position ourselves as an authority to our members, to the public and to the state.** This reputation is not a static thing; it is not something that is earned once, and forever after enjoyed. Rather, ethics, training practices and scientific rigor are organic concepts that are constantly evolving in a changing world."

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES do not have the knowledge or expertise to set standards for the professions they license. They turn to experts in each profession to guide them. Authority becomes reciprocal. Once governments designate the organizations that will advise them about a given profession, those organizations enjoy the authority to prescribe policy and legislation. This

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Award Winners Announced

The Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies and Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis are pleased to announce that **Claudia Sheftel Luiz** is the winner of the first annual Phyllis W. Meadow Award for Excellence in Psychoanalytic Writing. A psychoanalyst in Westwood, Massachusetts, Ms. Luiz won for her paper, "Pushing Through Boundaries of Inner Space: The Need for Analytic Transparency in the Treatment of a Juggler." Honorable Mention also goes to **Alina Schellekes** of Israel, "Writing As a Protective Shell; The Analysis of a Young Writer," **Patrick Lee Miller** of North Carolina, "Oedipus Rex Revisited," and New York's **Stephen R. Guttman**: "Is Hysteria Still Relevant?" All four papers will be published in the journal *Modern Psychoanalysis* next year. Given the quality and quantity of the thoughtful, interesting papers that came to our offices from Europe, Israel, and across the US, the judges would like to express their gratitude to all entrants and to encourage everyone to get going on next year's.

On Friday, June 23 from 5:30-8:00pm. CMPS will be throwing a party to celebrate the award winners and the thirtieth anniversary of the journal *Modern Psychoanalysis*. • You are invited. RSVP: 212.260.7050

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CMPS GALA ...A Triumph

Jennifer Lieber

Celebrating 35 years and honoring its first faculty, the CMPS Gala on December 11th, 2005 was an unquestionable success. Over 250 . . . people were present and emotions ran high as we paid tribute to our courageous and dedicated first faculty and raised funds to continue their legacy at the Center and at all Modern Psychoanalytic institutes.

The event was held at Pier Sixty on the Chelsea Piers. Guests were welcomed with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres in a beautiful sunlit room with a huge terrace with magnificent views of the Hudson River. Dr. Marshall's band "Oedipus Rex" (with a guest appearance by Steve Guttman on trumpet!) provided a jazzy backdrop as people mingled and bid on silent auction items. Then, the walls literally rose up and we were ushered into the adjacent dining room for a sumptuous lunch buffet.

Ted Laqueria, event chair, welcomed everyone and gave a heartfelt speech about the many lives that have been enriched through the work of these inspirational leaders and how their teaching continues to help students and patients throughout the world live more creative and enjoyable lives. Then Mimi Crowell and Faye Newsome presented the first faculty with plaques while thanking each for their unique contribution to the Center and to modern psychoanalysis. Honorees were: Evelyn Abrams, Arnold Bernstein, Harold Davis, Gerald Fishbein, Stanley Hayden, William Kirman, Evelyn Liegner, Leonard Liegner, Shirley Love, Gerald Lucas, Lou Ormont, Leslie Rosenthal, Avivah Sayres, Murray Sherman, Hyman Spotnitz, and Harold Stern.

As each honoree spoke about the early days of the Center and their emotional journey in modern analysis, an invigorating sense of commitment and purpose filled the room. These were strong and able shoulders that we subsequent generations have had the privilege to stand on! Their presence and the thoughts and memories they shared brought us all together.

The event continued with a live auction and dancing before it was time to say good-bye.

Ted Laqueria and the Gala committee would like to thank all those who donated auction items, attended the event, and then gave again to the Center when they bought items. It is this spirit of generosity and commitment that has enabled the Center to survive and thrive.



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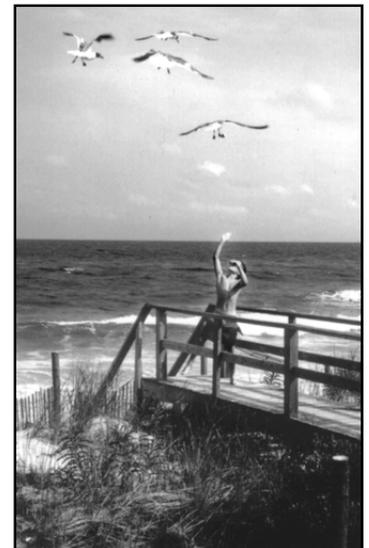
A committee of faculty, students, and community volunteers are now focused on fundraising to help with the serious need for funding as we make this important move. Be sure to visit: www.ACAP.cmarket.com from July 1 to July 31 for ACAP's **On-line Auction** to benefit ACAP and the Student Organization. Donations are now being accepted.

ACAP Annual Summer Conference

takes place on sunny Long Beach Island, NJ, from August 6th through August 9th, 2006. This year's theme: "Emotional Resilience: Thriving and Surviving Life Challenges," features workshops on building and maintaining a strong sense of self. Attendees are mental health professionals, and many others from all walks of life who are interested in Modern Psychoanalytic theory and technique.

Participants of all ages are welcome. Indeed, we find adolescent attendees bring a unique point of view to discussions on family life, and development.

The fully air-conditioned conference setting is only a few feet from the white beach. Gatherings and activities round out our days and nights. Join us for learning, fun, and camaraderie.



Annual Summer Institute on Cape Cod:

"Psychoanalytic Training: Where are we and where are we going?"

Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis and the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies participate in this Inter-Institute Conference and Retreat, from . . . Saturday, July 29th through Friday August 4th.

Topics include:

- Effects of degree granting on training
- Psychoanalytic research
- Licensure Issues
- Process teaching: What are we teaching?
- Applied psychoanalysis
- Extra-analytic contact, other training analysis issues

For information: call Jill Solomon at BGSP: 617.277.3915.

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is where SMP finds itself today, and our focus should be on maintaining our authority and using it wisely to enhance the profession of psychoanalysis.

PSYCHOANALYSIS IN THE UNITED STATES, much like the profession of medicine, began as a largely unregulated practice. Anyone could open an analytic institute or call themselves a psychoanalyst. However, this open market changed irrevocably with the passage in 2005 of the mental health bill. The time is now for the Society of Modern Psychoanalysts to position itself to our members and to the public as an important voice in setting standards for the profession.

THE SOCIETY NOW OFFERS OUR MEMBERS: low cost malpractice insurance; we publish *the National Registry of Modern Psychoanalysts*, *The Analyst* newsletter and maintain a web site to disseminate information of interest and value to members and consumers; we hold annual scientific conferences and meetings where timely clinical and practical issues can be explored. And recently, we have been able to help psychoanalysts who qualify for grandfathering by endorsing them as registered and certified by the Society.

WE MUST NOW EXPAND AND EXPLORE our services to members to define our role. Analysts have many needs which the Society can address through consultation services. Help with the setting up and administering of private practices, legal services, and advice about managed care are but a few ways we can assist members. Another important direction for member advocacy includes lobbying to New York State and other states for legislation that is helpful to licensed psychoanalysts and their practice.

WE ALSO MUST FOCUS ON ANALYTIC TRAINING. The NYS Board of Mental Health is currently dealing with an overwhelming number of grandfathering applications, and has in fact, extended the grandfathering period. When this period ends, the Board in Albany will turn its attention to analytic institutes and training. SMP must take a vigorous leadership role in educating Albany about standards for psychoanalytic education. The idea currently on the table regarding students at institutes paying their fees for psychoanalysis to the institute rather than the analyst is only one example of government bureaucracy misunderstanding and interfering with the delicate analytic process. SMP serves its members and the consumers who work with them by taking strong objection to any regulation that corrupts the analytic process or compromises the rigorous standards for training and practice that the Society has always advocated.

• TO MAINTAIN THE GAINS WE MADE in 2005 when
• New York State recognized us as a certifying and regulating
• body, the Society must address the need to disseminate
• information to members and the public. The journal
• *Modern Psychoanalysis* has done and continues to do an
• excellent job of publishing articles on the cutting edge of
• Modern Analytic theory, which educate our members and
• keep them up to date on scientific theory. SMP needs to
• affiliate itself with the journal and support its mission of
• extending the theory and practice of psychoanalysis.

• On the consumer side, the Society needs to take an active
• interest in public relations, and in disseminating public
• health information about psychoanalysis to the layman.
• As the debate about whether Freud is dead or not contin-
• ues unabated, **the public needs to know what psychoan-**
• **alysis is and is not.** The whole concept of psychotherapy
• needs to be reframed as a process of prophylactic mental
• health, not something reserved for "crazy" people.

• IMPORTANT QUESTIONS REMAIN. We have seen the
• AMA's history is characterized by both exclusion and
• inclusion. Physicians gained prestige by being members of
• an "elite union" but the association had to diversify to
• survive. The question of whether SMP should restrict its
• membership to modern psychoanalysts or become more
• inclusive, accepting analysts of other persuasions, is yet to
• be settled. Should we see ourselves as similar to the Ameri-
• can College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and
• affiliate with organizations that have a broader member-
• ship or expand our perspective to compete with these
• organizations? This is one of many issues yet to be decided.

• ANY DEBATE SHOULD TAKE PLACE in the spirit of
• service to the profession of psychoanalysis, and to the
• people who practice and receive analytic services ■

The Annual Meeting of the Society of Modern Psychoanalysts, usually held in the spring, has been postponed until fall, 2006.

A discussion of issues raised in the above article will be encouraged at the meeting, and a question and answer period will be scheduled.

Any comments or questions that readers have now can be addressed to Dr. Lucy Holmes at lucyholmes@nyc.rr.com.



Calendar Spring-Summer-Fall 2006

Institute full name and address is listed with first entry only. Please submit all calendar dates for *The Analyst* to Charlotte Melnik at Melnikcs@hotmail.com. No ads will be taken.

Sunday, May 21st

Brooklyn Seminars in Modern Psychoanalysis Brunch Series. "Getting What You Want." Final program in the series: Panel discussion lead by Ernest Brod, Michaela Schaeffer & Elliott Schuman. Call BSMP: 212.508.3438.

Sunday, May 21st & June 11th, 12-1pm

CZMI Information Session: Join us for questions about the Doctoral Program in Psychoanalysis. CZMI campus, 40 Tucker Reed Road, Dummerston, VT. Information: call: 802-257-0919 or 617-277-3915.

Tuesday, May 23rd. 7-8:30 PM

CMPS Second Annual Reading of Autobiographical Writing. Join us for an intimate experience as writers read their poetry, essays and stories. CMPS, 16 West 10th Street, NYC 10011. Call: 212.260.7050/www.cmeps.edu.

Tuesday, May 30th 1-2pm

CMPS Open House: Learn about CMPS and how our program in psychoanalysis can meet your needs. CMPS: Call for summer dates: 212.260-7050/www.cmeps.edu.

Thursday, June 1, 2006 (on or about)

ACAP: The Academy of Clinical and Applied Psychoanalysis is Moving from 769 Northfield Avenue, West Orange, NJ 07052 to 301 South Livingston Avenue, Livingston, NJ 07039. For information call ACAP: 973.736.7600 or visit our web site: acap-online.org.

Extensions Division June Workshops begin

June 5th at CMPS: 212.260.7050/www.cmeps.edu.

- Mondays: June 5. 12. 19. 26, 6-7:30 PM •

Supervision: Difficult Cases and Situations, *Faye Newsome*.

- Tuesdays: June 6. 13. 20. 27, 5:30-7 PM •

The Analytic Frame: Rationale/Applications, *Rory Rothman*.

- Wednesdays: June 7. 14. 21. 28, 7:10-8:40 PM •

Freud's Case Studies: The Psychotic Dr. Schreber, *Steve Poser*.

- Thursdays: June 8. 15. 22. 29, 5:30-7 PM •

The Battle Within: Unconscious Conflict, Anxiety, and Symptom Formation. *Lucy Holmes*.

- Thursdays: June 8. 22, 5:30-7 PM •

Lost Cases: What We Can Learn from Our Work with Patients Who Terminate Prematurely. *Theodore Laqueria*.

Friday June 9th, 7:30-9:30pm

CMPS Special Event: Hyman Spotnitz Lecture Series. Final in filmed lectures by the founder of Modern Psychoanalysis. Fee: \$20/lecture; students/\$10. Discussion/refreshments follow; CMPS. Please RSVP: 212.260.7050.

FREE Film—Friday, June 16. 7-9:30 PM

"Young Dr. Freud" PBS documentary; early development, Fliess correspondence; seduction theory, *The Interpretation of Dreams*; formulation of Oedipus complex. No charge. Discussion/refreshments. CMPS. 212.260.7050.

Tuesdays, June 20th & 27th

ACAP Workshop: "Adolescence: A Seminar in 2 parts" with Sheila Zaretsky, at ACAP, Call: 973.736.7600.

Wednesday, June 21st

ACAP Workshop: "Making the Tough Times a Little Easier," 12-4pm; Pat Bratt & Vicki Semel. ACAP: 973-936-7600.

Friday, June 23rd, 5:30-6:30pm

BGSP Information Session: BGSP Brookline Campus. 1581 Beacon St., Brookline MA 02446. Information: BGSP. 617.277.3915/www.bgsp.edu.

Friday, June 23, 5:30-8pm.

A Celebration at CMPS honoring the first annual Phyllis W. Meadow Award Winners and the 30th anniversary of the journal, *Modern Psychoanalysis*. RSVP: 212.260.7050.

July 1 through July 31, 2006

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Institute Conferences

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"Psychoanalytic Education: Where are we and where are we going?" Conference information call: Jill Solomon, BGSP: 617.277.3915/updates also at: www.bgsp.edu

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- ACAP Annual Summer Conference •

Emotional Resilience, Thriving & Surviving Life Challenges. Long Beach Island, First United Methodist Church, 101 East New Jersey Avenue, Beach Haven Terrace, NJ 08008. Contact: ACAP at 973-736-7600/acap-online.org

Saturday, November 11, 2006

- CMPS Annual Scientific Conference •

Haft Auditorium, FIT Campus in New York City. Featured speaker: Jaak Panksepp, PhD. Mark your Calendar. Look for details soon on topic and speakers. Call: 212.260.7050; for updates also check: www.cmeps.edu.

BGSP Awards First Doctorates

by Jane Snyder



On April 9, 2006 at a landmark ceremony at the Copley Plaza Hotel in Boston, the first doctorates of psychoanalysis were awarded by the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis. Four graduates were awarded the Doctor of Psychoanalysis in the Study of Violence: Eliana Calligaris, Michal Ginach, Robin Gomolin and Miriam Riss. Four doctorates were granted from the Cyril Z. Meadow Institute in Vermont, a branch of the Boston Graduate School: Rodrigo Barahona, Dan Gilhooley, Gohar Homayanpour and Joan White and an honorary doctorate was awarded posthumously to Dr. Phyllis Meadow. Five Master's degrees were also conferred to Orna Schachar, Julide Lauck, Andrew Ferrante, Astrid Hildebrandt, and Jennifer Alonso. Dr. Stephen Hayes, Chair of the Board of Trustees, gave the graduation address.

Certified Psychoanalysts for BGSP two-year Psyad apply now

A message from Jane Snyder, Provost, BGSP:

Certified psychoanalysts who wish to earn the **Doctor of Psychoanalysis degree** at the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis in a special two-year, half-time program **must apply and begin by the fall 2006 semester**. For information and application information please call: 617-277-3915.

Fourth Doctoral Defense at CZMI

By Stephen Soldz



The Cyril Z. Meadow Institute, BGSP's Vermont Branch, had its fourth doctoral dissertation defense in February.

Gohar Homayounpour defended her paper entitled—

"The Transferential Nature of Language in the Analytic Situation: Can One be in Analysis in the Wrong Language?"

Dr. Homayounpour's study examined patients who were undergoing psychoanalysis in a language that was not their native tongue. She found that the language issue became a resistance patients used to express their feeling that the analyst could never really understand their true nature. As she expresses it in her abstract: "The data point to a number of common fantasies that the participants attach to their mother tongue. These fantasies all tend to be emotionally loaded, speaking to the affective nature of the mother tongue. In the analysands' reported desire for a particular language in analysis, we hear their transference communications about their analysts, including their fantasies about the pre-oedipal mother, as well as their infantile longings. Dr. Homayounpour's committee was chaired by Siamak Movahedi of BGSP and CZMI. Also on her committee were Joan White of BGSP and CZMI, and Fred Busch of the Psychoanalytic Institute of New England, East (PINE).

Spotnitz Series, "Live," on DVD at CMPS Lecture Hall

Ron O. Lieber

"Spotnitz on DVD" lectures are being held once a month at CMPS for four consecutive months starting in March (*see Calendar pg. 5*) and they have been tremendously successful. Alumni, students and friends have filled the classrooms and sat in rapt attention as Spotnitz jokes, cajoles, and illuminates in plain talk the concepts and history of modern psychoanalysis. Afterwards everybody enjoys fine hors d'oeuvres, good libations, and each other. It is a wonderful event. If you missed all or any of the first three, **there is one more Friday, June 9th, 7:30-9:30pm**. Don't miss it but please do register: 212.260.7050 because as always, Spotnitz fills the house.

New Jersey Center for Modern Psychoanalysis

Demetria De Lia

The Spring 2006 semester at The New Jersey Center for Modern Psychoanalysis began with a panel discussion on "The Effect of the Analyst's Life Experience and Personality on the Treatment: Variations on the Aging Analyst and The Meshugana Factor." The topic drew the largest crowd in recent years, bringing together gerontologists, senior citizens, and therapists who were intrigued by the title. While modern analysts recognize the influence of subjective countertransference, this presentation concentrated on the experiences of therapists that define their lives in spite of their attempts to resolve them. Maurice Lovell openly discussed his childhood illness that necessitated a long period of hospitalization. Like Freud, Dr. Lovell suffered from the repercussions of the death of a sibling. Stanley Hayden presented the case of a senior analyst who suffered from a physical illness and how her patients rallied to provide medical information, referrals and food to help her recover. The analyst was eventually able to return to her office and her patients benefited from the continuation of their treatment. Demetria DeLia, moderator of the panel, spoke about the difficulty of treating the daughter of a diplomat who was involved in the expulsion of DeLia's own family from Turkey, which resulted in the death of her grandmother's mother, brothers, and most members of her village.

Our course offerings for this semester concentrated on clinical issues in response to the needs of mental health professionals. Kenneth Cappuccio taught "Strategies for Treating Children and Their Parents," Audrey Goldrich offered "Managing Therapeutic Groups," Demetria DeLia introduced "Psychoanalytic Diagnosis and Treatment" and Stanley Hayden presented "Approaches to Working with Borderline Patients."

On March 8, 2006 Stanley Hayden appeared before the Certified Psychoanalysts Advisory committee to describe the course of study at NJCMP. Demetria DeLia, NJCMP's first graduate, also attended the meeting and explained the benefits of the training from the perspective of a candidate who had completed the program.

Thoughts on the CMPS Successful One Year Program



Delores Welber

THE ONE-YEAR PROGRAM is an "experience" for instructor and students alike. I believe that is the goal of the program as designed by Rose McAloon and Faye Newsome. From my perspective it harks back to our early years at CMPS when classes were process—that is, we learned experientially.

I'm glad to report that the students in this program seem to have been able to take in this experience and connect with each other in the class in some similar ways to what we did in the early 70's. In fact, though they come from varying backgrounds and experience, there seems to be a desire to develop their connections beyond the class. They decided to pass around a sheet of paper with their names and phone numbers should they want to contact each other. I'm very impressed with the reverberations of their learning experience from class to their personal and work life.

This is a special experience for me and so I decided to get some input from the students to hear what they had to say. I told them I had been asked to write about this program for the newsletter of the Society of Modern Psychoanalysts.

Following is what students had to say:

"It's an innovative program bringing students from differing backgrounds and giving them an opportunity to be exposed to modern psychoanalysis."

"This program whets your appetite. It's just about the right amount of time."

"There's a good mix of process and didactic."

"I'm very taken with the experience of the teachers modeling ways of being with patients."

"I feel more confident about building my practice."

"The brochure sold me on the program."

"This is a wonderful opportunity for self-exploration."

"Nothing else quite does what this does."

It is very gratifying that our one year program has been meaningful and useful to people from so many walks of life.

“The American Invasion”

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William Sharp

Forty years after the British Invasion, BGSP’s Student Association answered with our own “American Invasion” of sorts. Twenty students, faculty and guests from BGSP’s various programs traveled “across the pond” to participate in the International Association for Forensic Psychotherapy’s (IAFP) annual conference in Oxford, England. We spent our first four days in London exploring and networking with the psychoanalytic community guided by psychoanalytic psychotherapist Paul Shield of the Portman Clinic. Jeff Madonna, Student Association ISV representative, and trip organizer, helped arrange meetings at the Portman Clinic which treats sexual and violent offenders with psychoanalytic therapy for the National Health Service, England’s national health care agency.

We also had the unique opportunity of attending a group supervision at the Tavistock clinic where the group leader solicited impressions and thoughts from students and faculty in attendance. BGSP and Tavistock students enjoyed a lively exchange discussing the ways in which modern analysts and those trained in the Tavistock model work with groups. Brett Kahr, of BBC fame, was keynote speaker at a banquet held for BGSP at the Royal Overseas Club in London. Mr. Kahr read a paper entitled “Why Freud refused an extraordinarily high fee to be an expert witness at a murder trial in Chicago” which enthralled the group. In the discussion that followed, BGSP Faculty members, Elizabeth Dorsey and Jane Snyder contributed their own ideas to the paper.

In addition to meeting members of London’s analytic community, the group traveled to the Freud Museum, and as “tourists,” included visits to Buckingham Palace, The Royal Mews, Big Ben, and Tower of London.

Leaving London, we traveled to St. Catherine’s College—one of the 35 colleges of Oxford University—for the “university” treatment. There our group joined the IAFP for its annual conference: “Justice, Revenge and Treatment: Forensic Psychotherapy and the Criminal Law.” We attended plenary sessions, workshops, and dinners. Jane Snyder, Jeff Madonna, and Joan White were presenters at the conference. In addition to being fed à la Hogwarts “Harry Potter” style at the long tables of the campus dining hall, the group enjoyed exploring the historic city of Oxford, especially its pubs!

Our one-week tour was a great success and we hope others like it will be planned. Our thanks to Jeff Madonna, and his UK contact, Paul Shield for their outstanding work and preparations. Max Cavallero, International Liaison for the Student Association, and William Sharp co-chair of the Association also assisted in the planning of the tour.

Modern Psychoanalysis in Russia: Another Home for The “Red Book”

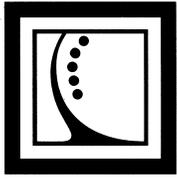
Harold R. Stern

I FIRST CAME TO RUSSIA—where until 1992, psychoanalytic psychotherapy was practically non-existent—to lecture on modern psychoanalysis at the Behkterev Institute in St. Petersburg. This led to my analyzing, teaching and supervising at the East European Institute of Psychoanalysis (EEIP). In 1997, I moved to Russia with my Russian wife, and two daughters to live and teach for a year at the East European Psychoanalytic Institute—the only official psychoanalytic teaching institute in Eastern Europe. I have since returned every year.

FOR 35 YEARS, I have treated and taught basic theories and techniques for the treatment of schizophrenia and other pre-oedipal disorders. My interest in working with these problems was greatly enhanced by my training and study with Hyman Spotnitz. In Russia professional people are eager to learn and use modern psychoanalytic approaches. However the economic, social, and political climate requires them to function in unique ways. Drugs used in the US to treat psychosis and other serious disorders are too expensive, and used sparingly or not at all. Huge amounts of less expensive homeopathic medicines are prescribed. Psychiatrists in mental hospitals earn about \$400 a month and twenty dollars for a treatment hour is more than most can afford to pay

THE BRIGHT SPOT in the picture is the East European Institute of Psychoanalysis where I teach. It is housed in a former mansion with many huge rooms including a clinic, a large group room, and seven individual therapy rooms. EEIP has a four-year comprehensive psychoanalytic training program with three categories. The first is for doctors wishing to get a Certificate of Psychotherapy. The second for those who wish only to learn psychoanalysis. The third for those wishing to become certified as psychoanalysts. (450 students are presently enrolled.) A primary level with evening courses is designed for students who are residents of St. Petersburg. A secondary level is for those from other parts of Russia and includes many students from other East European countries.

ON MY TWO OR THREE YEARLY VISITS I have taught modern psychoanalytic teachings all over Eastern Europe. Hyman Spotnitz’s *Red Book* “Modern Psychoanalysis of the Schizophrenic Patient,” (now in Russian as is my book “The Couch”) is known to most students. It is likely that Spotnitz’s writings are better known in Russia than in the US. Students are familiar with the narcissistic transference, joining techniques, the role of aggression and more...I am happy to have been the “Johnny Appleseed” of Modern Psychoanalysis in Russia.



“Psychoanalysis: Art, Literature, and Music” Fills the Center Hall

FRIDAY EVENING, March 3rd, Steven Poser presented “The Life and Death of the Unconscious in Modern and Contemporary Art.” drawing a large audience of students, faculty, and guests to CMPS and inaugurating the series on Psychoanalysis: Art, Literature, and Music organized by Sara Sheftel. Poser outlined two strands in the psychoanalytic conception of the unconscious—the unconscious as a source of imagery and the unconscious as rooted in the body—and showed how these ideas informed the making of modern art from the Surrealists to the Abstract Expressionists. He then traced a progressive repudiation of unconscious processes in the making of Pop, Minimal, and Conceptual Art. The talk was illustrated by works of DeChirico, Dali, Ernst, Magritte, Miro, Gorky, Rothko, Pollock, DeKooning, Rauschenberg, Johns, Rosenquist, Lichtenstein, Warhol, Stella, and Richter and is published in the most recent volume of the journal *Art Criticism*. Copies of the text are available at CMPS library. (See librarian, Ms. Covino)

THE SECOND LECTURE, “Whispers Not from Heaven: The Alterity of a Notional Unconscious in Romantic and Modernist Poetic Theory” was presented on March 31st by Amanda Harris. Harris led thirty audience members in exploring “the alterity of a mind glimpsing its own depths as formalized in the theories of Romantic Expressivism evident in Coleridge’s *Biographia Literaria* and its inheritor, the modernism of T.S. Eliot.” Harris proposed that expressivist thinking about poetry is best described by the Medieval Latin word *expressare* [to press out], and then explored who or what is applying the pressure, and how such considerations dominated poetics right up to the margins of the Freudian consciousness.

Brunch with BSMP

Ernest Brod

IN OUR 21ST YEAR, Brooklyn Seminars in Modern Psychoanalysis is presenting “How to Find What You’re Looking For” in its brunch series. The final program, Sunday, May 21, will address “Getting What You Want” with a panel led by Ernest Brod, Michaela Schaeffer, and Elliott Schuman. In November, Brod introduced the series with: “Achieving Your Goals,” exploring how difficult it is to figure out what we’re looking for, and avoid the repetitions preventing us from appreciating what we have and stopping our progress. In January, Schuman explored unexpected issues arising during our quest under the heading of “Be Careful What You Wish For.” He raised the questions: Am I entitled to get what I want? Will I be better off if I find it? Do I fully appreciate what I already have? At our March program Schaeffer addressed “Choosing a New Path,” pointing out how hard it is to say, “I want,” the difficulty of breaking from choices that others have made for us, and the powerful, comfortable feeling of repetition as a resistance to forging ahead. The ultimate multi-tasker, Michaela Schaeffer also cooks the delicious dishes for our sumptuous brunches, and generously makes her classic “old-Brooklyn” house at 170 Rugby Road available for the approximately 30 attendees at each event.

BSMP’s brunch programs appeal to both the professional and lay communities and have introduced Modern Psychoanalysis to more than 1,000 Brooklyn residents, many of whom report significant improvements in family interaction, social life, and workplace issues. BSMP: 212-807-0344, or elg4321@aol.com.



News Briefs:

CMPS: A NYS licensure qualifying training institute

CMPS received word that our application to become a licensure qualifying training institute was approved by the State of New York. This means that our graduates are eligible to apply for a license. One cannot sit for the exam unless he or she has graduated from a licensure-qualifying institute.

Group Journal focuses on Modern Group Analytic Practice

Phyllis F. Cohen

Modern Group Analytic Practice is the focus of an upcoming issue of the journal, *Group*, to be published in 2006. Guest editor is Phyllis Cohen, with an introduction by Michael Brook, and articles by Lou Ormont, (Keeping the Group Flourishing: The Crisis); Leslie Rosenthal, (The Reenactment of Familial Roles as Resistance in Group Psychotherapy); Toby Chuah Feinson (Detecting Ghosts in the Classroom: A Modern Group Approach to Consultation Groups in Schools), Janet Resnick, (When Advice Giving is a Resistance to “The Basic Rule” in Analytic Group Therapy); and Ellen Wright and Phyllis Cohen, (Bridging the Gender Gap: Men and Women in Group). The journal is an exciting compendium of the variety of ways in which Modern Psychoanalytic theory, exemplified by specific techniques, is both useful and successful in group practice.

SMP Legislative Update

The New York Mental Health Board began granting licenses to psychoanalysts in January, 2006. If you submitted your application for grandparenting before the December 31, 2005 deadline, you can now check the Office of Professions website at www.op.nysed.gov/opsearches.htm to see if your license has been granted. Go to "search by name within a profession," scroll to "psychoanalysis" and click and type in name. The website is ahead of mailings by about a week. The Society of Modern Psychoanalysts proudly announces that the following members have been licensed as of 4/11/06 with more coming every day.

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Stanley Hayden
Benito M. Perri
Ellen M. Barz
Patricia Harte Bratt
Lucy Holmes
Steven Poser
Phyllis Beck
Elaine Hurst
Steven C. Price
Linda Becker
William Hurst
Robert M. Quackenbush
David Belgray
Joan Israel
Leslie Quinn
Robin Benjamin
Kathleen Joyce

Phyllis Rauch
June Bernstein
Eugene B. Kalin
Jane Hines Reis
Marge Blaine
Nancy Kaufmann
Maria Rezak
Susan R. Blumenson
Jodi M. Kosofsky
Miriam Riss
Theodore Laquercia
Janet C. Rotter
Marsha Bretiman
Lynn Laub
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