For most of us, even those members of many years, it is hard to imagine an ACP annual meeting without Herman Staples having arranged it, checked out all of the details, and being there to greet us as we pick up our badges and tickets. Herman combined a sharp eye with keen judgement, both gained from many years' experience. Most of his hard work was unseen and preceded the meetings. What we always saw was a finely-tuned convention, orchestrated by a man who knew his field and who cared for the Association. He was always available for advice and problem-solving and he became a good friend to all who passed into and out of the executive committees and elected offices of the Association. For us he had become somewhat of an institution, with all of the stability and reliability that implies. His smiling face and cordial greetings to all will be sadly missed.

By this time you should have received your registration materials and we hope that you have selected your workshops, returned all the forms, and now are looking forward to another excellent scientific meeting. This year we are scheduling a buffet luncheon and the discussion groups immediately after the plenary session so as to encourage continuity between the presentations and discussions. This schedule also allows a sizable period of time to enjoy a very cosmopolitan Toronto.

I have asked Bob Galatzer-Levy to chair an ad hoc Committee on Scientific Activities. Many child analysts are strong contributors to the scientific literature. While many analytically-trained readers find our clinical and theoretical contributions useful, readers from other backgrounds sometimes are not impressed or convinced by our work. This may be because we often are unable to meet their standards regarding quantitative data and controlled experimental conditions. We should not fault ourselves for avoiding methodologies which do not suit our work, but at the same time we need to develop and use methodologies which are appropriate for us. Will such work validate or challenge our clinical formulations and theoretical constructions? Certainly the use of non-analytic data -- for example, the direct observation of infants and children a la Stern and Mahler -- has challenged established shibboleths and forced us to make some significant changes in our thinking. Can we as an Association give some support to research efforts which might enhance the scientific status of our field, in addition to the support we already give to support low-cost child analyses? Bob's committee will have a preliminary report for us in Toronto.

In the meantime Cliff Wilkerson and I continue to explore, with International Universities Press, the possibility of the ACP starting its own journal. This is a complex issue, involving national and international considerations of both financial and diplomatic kinds. At this point we are still a long way from presenting any proposal to the Executive Committee, but we want the membership to know about this possibility from the very beginning.

In my life as a forensic child psychoanalyst, I have testified in several well-publicized and somewhat notorious child sex abuse trials, the last being the so-called "Little Rascals" day care trial in Edenton, North Carolina. The Public Broadcasting System's Frontline recently produced two four-hour programs about the trial. Despite the even-handedness of the production, most viewers were appalled by the obvious miscarriage of justice. From my experience I am convinced that we are truly in the midst of an epidemic of mass hysteria about child sexual abuse. False allegations of sexual abuse are becoming less and less rare.

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in divorce and custody cases. Time and again I have reviewed the records and depositions of "therapists" whose clinical and theoretical convictions deny infantile sexuality, deny the role of sexual fantasies in preschoolers, and deny the ease with which preschoolers can be convinced that they have memories of sexual abuse. These "therapists," in their zeal to stamp out sex abuse, often take a position that children are always to be believed, that children would not lie about such matters, and that children's sexual play with sexually-explicit dolls is not play but is, rather, a re-enactment of events that actually occurred in reality. While all of this sounds naive to a child analyst, these are the mental health "experts" who testify and who are believed by judges and juries. Many innocent people have been jailed on the basis of such testimony; others have lost total access to their children. Fortunately a few such victims have had their convictions reversed on appeal.

In addition to these child mental health workers there is another group of "therapists" who treat adults and who are convinced within a few sessions that their patients' diagnoses and presenting problems are the result of childhood sexual abuse. These therapists then define the therapeutic task as "recovering" the memories of sexual abuse. This is followed by confrontation of the alleged perpetrator with the aim of getting him (often the father) to confess, or else to sue him for damages. What is frightening is that these therapists often proclaim their conviction about the reality of the sexual abuse in the initial sessions; their conclusions are not the result of an open-ended, open-minded exploration over time. As with the aforementioned child "therapists," there is little awareness of the ease with which such "recovered memories" can be suggested to and implanted in patients. A not-so-small cottage industry has developed in our field, fueled in part by some therapists' convictions that they are rooting out perpetrators and restoring vital memories to childhood victims. 

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therapists, less high-minded, simply are earning a good living. It is not uncommon that these "created realities" of memories of childhood sexual abuse result in the permanent severance of parent-child relations. The patients of these therapists, far from being helped, sometimes regress massively and dangerously.

In December of 1994 many hundreds of alleged "perpetrator" parents met at Johns Hopkins University for a conference sponsored by the False Memory Foundation; the topic was "Scientific, Clinical, and Legal Issues of False Memory Syndrome." The faculty consisted of an outstanding group of psychiatrists, psychoanalysts, research psychologists, and legal scholars. Many of the participants are active in the National Association for Consumer Protection in Mental Health Practices. This dedicated group is introducing legislation in state legislatures that would "require full disclosure of all the risks and hazards of psychotherapy before therapy begins." Included in the "informed consent" would be the fact that, as a result of treatment, one can become estranged from one's family, become suicidal, be hospitalized, et cetera. Another portion of the bill would ban governmental and health insurance coverage for psychotherapy procedures which do not meet stringent tests for both safety and effectiveness. The group also seeks to "ban pseudo-science testimony from courtrooms, including any psychotherapy procedure that has not been validated and accepted by a substantial majority of the scientific, not psychotherapy, community." There are three other aspects which deal directly and specifically with issues of memory retrieval.

There is no doubt that many innocent lives have been severely damaged -- sometimes irreparably so -- by incompetent, poorly trained, and over-zealous therapists. Unfortunately zealotry breeds zealotry. In an effort to right a wrong, I am afraid that the proposed legislation will affect not only those engaged in fraudulent "memory retrieval," but also skilled psychoanalysts. The actual wording of the legislation proposed in my home state of Missouri has yet to be published. There are, however, many people who have little use for analysis and for analysts. They, like Frederick Crews in the pages of The New York Review of Books, attack the concept of repression as totally lacking in validity. Because we analysts deal with memories, with defenses, and with the effects of repression, we are being linked with and regarded as identical to those who deal in the creation of false memories and in the "retrieval" of such "memories."

I would suggest that we examine any proposed state legislation regarding these matters very carefully. We will need to educate others as to who we are and who we are not, what we do and (in this case) what we do not do. Otherwise there is a danger that the proposed legislation may throw the baby out with the bath water.

Moisy Shopper's presidential message makes it clear that there are many issues bearing upon child analysis in these "interesting times." Moisy highlights the impact of some "therapists," who do not recognize or who misuse their powers of suggestion, upon the public perception of psychoanalysis. This problem crosses national boundaries; incidents in which well-intentioned professionals failed to recognize their limitations in eliciting "true" memories have received wide publicity in both the United Kingdom and the United States. In addition to the need to defend our work against legislative reactions to such misguided practice, this is a time when we need to offer our skills and knowledge in proactive ways -- by, for example, offering consultation to judges and legislators as they wrestle with very difficult situations in which the "truth" often is viewed "through a glass darkly."

Another issue of interest to many ACP members has to do with the current campaign for the Presidency of the International Psychoanalytical Association. The Dutch Psychoanalytical Society submitted a series of questions to both of the candidates -- Charles Hanly of Toronto and Otto Kernberg of New York. One of the four questions has special relevance to our members and field; it reads as follows:

Question 4. Do you think psychoanalytic experience with children is important for working with adults in psychoanalysis? If so, how would you foster the expertise of child analysis for (future) members of the IPA; and what are your ideas and plans to create a place in the IPA for child analysts, who are not trained in psychoanalysis with adults?

Dr. Kernberg replied:

I believe that psychoanalytic experience with children is very important in the learning process of all our candidates in understanding pathogenesis, in acquiring knowledge essential in
the conceptualization of reconstruction, and in the formulation of interpretations. As a minimum, the observation of mother-infant interaction, and wherever possible, the participation in seminars on child analysis should be a regular experience for all trainees, in addition to the standard seminars on normal and pathological child development. In my view, many psychoanalytic institutes are not optimally stimulating our candidates to consider specializing in Child Psychoanalysis and in facilitating this development. The opportunity to treat a child under supervision, whenever possible, should improve this situation and also significantly enrich our adult training programs.

I am planning to propose, if elected, the development of a special section on Child Psychoanalysis as a regular structure of the IPA, in parallel to the already existing section on Psychoanalytic Research. It would have the task of coordinating and stimulating the thrust in child psychoanalysis in our Component Societies in order to develop further our knowledge, expertise, and facilities for clinical practice and education in that area. Dr. Robert Tyson, my secretary designate, is a distinguished child analyst, training and supervising psychoanalyst at the San Diego Institute, regional child supervising analyst at the Denver Psychoanalytic Institute, and formerly training and research analyst at the Hampstead Clinic, now the Anna Freud Centre. His [past] election [and service] as president of the Association for Child Psychoanalysis signals his recognition as a leader in his field, and my selection of Bob Tyson as my teammate in the present election signals my recognition of the importance and commitment to strengthening the presence of Child Psychoanalysis in the IPA.

I am aware of the complex relationship of the many child analysts not trained in adult psychoanalysis with the IPA. If elected, I would work towards creating a special category of affiliation for these colleagues and to acknowledge their importance, keeping in mind the need to resolve the problem of two kinds of child analysts accepted by the IPA. I trust that a formula can be found that recognizes these colleagues and does not threaten the particular qualification of members trained in both Child and Adult Psychoanalysis. In the long run, I believe we shall find ways to integrate all child analytic training programs in ways that protect the boundaries of child analysis, assure the highest standards of training, and strengthen significantly the presence of Child Psychoanalysis at the IPA.

In his reply to the same question Dr. Hanly wrote:

The analysis of children is different from the analysis of adults, having its own value and making its own contribution to psychoanalytic knowledge. Insights gained from the analysis of children have informed the psychoanalytic treatment of adult patients as many adults can only be adequately analysed when the analyst is able to imagine, affectively understand and interpret the meaning of pathogenic experiences of early childhood. To this the analysis of children has contributed a great deal.

Personal analytic experience in the treatment of children might well advance the capacity of analysts to conduct the analyses of adult patients. This is an area in which the IPA could foster research. It is a question that the IPA Committee on Psychoanalytic Education could well take up with the collaboration of members of the Dutch Society and other Component Societies.

Psychoanalysis and the IPA have changed since Anna Freud’s effort to secure the recognition of child psychoanalysis at the Vienna Congress. As President, I would welcome a proposal to extend membership in the IPA to qualified child psychoanalysts. I can assure you that such a proposal would be given thorough study and thoughtful deliberation leading to a decision. I do not know whether or not the membership is ready for such a change and I cannot guarantee the outcome of such an initiative. I do think, however, that it is time for the issue to be given the most careful and serious consideration.

In keeping with my proposals for democratization of the IPA I would ensure that a proposal to extend membership in the IPA to qualified child psychoanalysts would be circulated to the Component Societies for discussion so that all members could debate the issue, develop informed opinions and have an influence on the determination of IPA policy.

It is hard to know how such statements might translate into action; they are, after all, campaign promises. At the same time it is heartening to know that child analysis has a place on the agenda of each candidate. Those members of the ACP who are also members of the IPA may be able, in this election, to help bring closure to some of the issues which -- years ago -- led to the establishment of the ACP. It would be nice to think that the non-medical child analysts who were a major sticking point back when Anna Freud and Marianne Kris were working towards the integration of

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child analysts into the American and the International would finally be seen as the asset to psychoanalysis that they are.

This leads into a third topic: The establishment of a journal devoted to child and adolescent psychoanalysis. Cliff Wilkerson describes some of the discussions about this topic in the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting which are contained in this issue of the Newsletter. Certainly our field has the maturity and the breadth to support such a venture; but only if we are able to work together, allowing for the diversity which characterizes our field. This implies a truly international publication, one which might be able to draw upon the special strengths represented by centers of child analytic activity (e.g., London, Cleveland, Ann Arbor, and so on) while remaining open to contributions from the broad range of child analysts who work outside such areas. A successful journal which could fairly claim to represent the best of child and adolescent psychoanalysis world-wide would strengthen our Association and our field; a weak journal would be worse than nothing as it would drain our resources and offer little gain. [Some readers may be familiar with the Psychology Today debacle which cost the American Psychological Association many millions of dollars before they finally liquidated it.]

My fourth topic for these pages has to do with the potential of the Internet for our members and for child analysis. Many of you have, no doubt, tired of hearing about "cyberspace" and the joys of "surfing the Net." It is worthwhile noting, however, that both candidates for the IPA presidency mention the fact that this mode of communication has some special appeal for our very international community. Couple this with Lilo Plaschkes' efforts to provide supervision via mail for mental health professionals in Eastern Europe (see her report in the minutes of the Executive Committee) and the fact that email is perhaps the most reliable -- and certainly one of the quickest -- forms of international communication in many parts of the "developing" and "under-developed" countries of the world. The Internet offers the possibility of easy, cheap, relatively informal communication amongst people with shared interests; this communication occurs without any geographical boundaries or limitations. Within a year or two it is quite likely that analysts around the world will be able to access, via the Internet, the full text of major psychoanalytic references (including, we hope, Strachey's Standard Edition, the International Journal of Psychoanalysis, the Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association, and so on). This development, together with the rapid dissemination of CD-ROM technology (which will soon revolutionize psychoanalytic scholarship, as it has done for other fields already), means that many people who in the past could only have dreamed of access to substantial psychoanalytic libraries and to large numbers of like-minded students and colleagues, will be "on line." We will need to find ways of melding the insights gained via book learning with those gained in the consultation room and from our own analyses. Truly a brave new world.

Given all of this ferment and the possibilities represented therein I find myself somewhat discouraged by the fact that relatively few ACP members have taken up their pens, turned to their keyboards, or switched on their modems to send items describing their own activities and interests to our Newsletter. While a few ACP members have joined Bob Galatzer-Levy's "virtual bulletin board" on CompuServe (where all ACP members are welcome -- Bob's address is 72255,1101), we have not yet achieved the "critical mass" necessary to make this medium the tool it can be. So, until the next generation of analysts emerges, laptops in hand, we must rely on the "old" way of doing things . . . which includes our Newsletter. If I have put off some potential contributors by emphasizing my preference for contributions submitted on disk or electronically, let me reassure you that written or typed materials are still welcome.

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MINUTES of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Friday, December 16, 1994  Waldorf-Astoria Hotel  New York, NY

PRESENT:
Moisy Shopper, M.D., President; D. Cliff Wilkerson, M.D., Secretary; Samuel Weiss, M.D., Treasurer; Theodore Jacobs, M.D., President-Elect; Eva Landauer; Lilo Plaschkes, M.S.W.; Jules Glenn, M.D.; Peter Blos, Jr., M.D.; Maurice Apprey, Ph.D.; Robert Furman, M.D.; Erna Furman; Roy Aruffo, M.D.; Stephanie Smith; Julio Morales, M.D.; Thomas Barrett, Ph.D.; Laurie Levinson, Ph.D.; Janet Shein Szydlo; Antoine Hani, M.D.; Robert Galatzer-Levy, M.D.; Elizabeth Tuters; Leon Hoffman, M.D.; Nancy Hall, Administrative Assistant.

WELCOME AND REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:
President Moisy Shopper, M.D., welcomed everyone and announced the changes in the central office. Rachel May will now be assisted in the administrative duties by Nancy Hall. Rachel has been a valued part of ACP and has done a marvelous job of holding it all together for us. She requested a reduced workload because of the personal obligations of a growing family. President Shopper urged everyone to acquaint themselves with Nancy Hall, who has previously assisted at ACP conferences, and to avail themselves of this office. The central office has just purchased a state of the art computer which should greatly enhance the workings of the ACP.

MINUTES:
It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes as presented from the previous Executive Committee meeting held March 18, 1994, in Washington D.C.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY:
submitted by D. Cliff Wilkerson, M.D.

A moment of silence was held for those members deceased since the last meeting.
Muriel Winestine, Ph.D. (New York, NY)
John A. Hadden, Jr., M.D. (Cleveland, OH)
Lottie Newman (Woodbridge, CT)
Anny Katan, M.D. (Cleveland Heights, OH)
Eleanor Fiedler (Cleveland Heights, OH)
Peter Blos, Jr., M.D.; Maurice Apprey, Ph.D.; Robert Furman, M.D.; Erna Furman; Roy Aruffo, M.D.; Stephanie Smith; Julio Morales, M.D.; Thomas Barrett, Ph.D.; Laurie Levinson, Ph.D.; Janet Shein Szydlo; Antoine Hani, M.D.; Robert Galatzer-Levy, M.D.; Elizabeth Tuters; Leon Hoffman, M.D.; Nancy Hall, Administrative Assistant.

ACP Membership: Current Status
Voting Members 513 (422 US, 91 International)
Candidate members 78 (75 US, 3 International)
Total Membership 591

Interesting statistics regarding international membership:
Argentina (1), Australia (1), Austria (3), Canada (4), Denmark (1), England (33), Finland (11), France (3), Germany (9), Italy (3), Israel (1), Mexico (1), Netherlands (1), Norway (1), Sweden (1), Switzerland (5), Netherlands (13), West Indies (1).

It is interesting to note 25% of total membership is 70+ years and are exempt from paying dues (124 US/70+, 22 International/70+). Since the Executive Committee meeting on March 20, 1994, 11 new members and 14 candidate members have been added.

New Members
Christal Airas-Ehrnrooth (Finland)
Kaarina Brummer (Finland)
Vilma Korkee (Finland)
Riitta Lahtinen (Finland)
Helena Parland (Finland)

Matt Brummer, M.D. (Finland)
Elizabeth Hofmann Stocker (Switzerland)
Robert Muellner, M.D. (Boston, MA)
E. Kirsten Dahl, Ph.D. (New Haven, CT)
David M. Abrams, Ph.D. (New Rochelle, NY)

New Candidate Members
Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis
Colin Weber, M.S.W.
Baltimore-Washington Institute for Psychoanalysis
Silvia M. Bell, Ph.D.
Tarpley Long, M.S.W.
Randi Finger, Ph.D.
Alicia Guttman, M.D.
Denise Fort, Ph.D.
Charles L. Ragan, II, M.D.
Beatrice Smirnow, Ph.D.
New York Freudian Society
Barbara Rothbart, M.S.W.
Michael Navas, M.S.W.
Barbara Sonlo, C.S.W.

Anna Freud Centre
Karen Weise

REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE:
submitted by Nancy Hall and Rachel May

The Administration of the ACP has embarked on a new phase. As the Association matures and its founding members turn their growing volunteer duties over to the administrative office to handle in an official and continuous capacity, the scope of the job has grown considerably. Since Rachel May was employed eight years ago as the sole employee on a part-time basis, the size of her family also grew to three children in five years. Added to the constant everyday responsibilities of small children was the stress and concern of the youngest child, Michael, who has multiple handicaps.

Recognizing the office now required the work of one and a half people, the officers of ACP contracted with Nancy Hall in September. Nancy and Rachel set about making the transition, with Nancy doing the major clerical duties and Rachel serving in a supervisory capacity.

The fact that the two of them live 200 miles apart in different states has not hampered the transition. Rachel drew up a plan outlining the duties month by month. The electronic age serves to maintain excellent communication by telephone and fax.

The fact that the two are closely related (mother and daughter) has not hampered either. There is a mutual respect for the professional qualities of each. Indeed, communication is enhanced because of it. There is joy in working together.

The office in New Jersey will have a state of the art computer which will greatly facilitate the administration of the ACP. Communication will be increased on this electronic highway. This is especially important as the ACP strengthens its international character.

During the last few months this office has begun preparations for the Thirtieth Annual Meeting to be held April 7-9, 1995 in Toronto. This was done by sending out notices to the membership and contacting the Four Seasons Hotel for arrangements. The Administrative office will be working closely with the very active local Arrangements Committee, chaired by Elizabeth Tuters.

Letters were sent to Institutes requesting an update of their candidates. We have worked closely with the officers in preparation for the Executive Meeting and with Laurie Levinson and Janet Szydlo, co-chairs of the Program Committee. The revised Bylaws have been printed and a form for guidelines for sponsors has been developed and printed.

The coming year of preparing for the Thirtieth Annual Meeting, the first one outside the United States, will be a busy — and exciting -- time. This office welcomes the challenge.

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER:
submitted by Samuel Weiss, M.D., Treasurer

This is necessarily an interim report since the final figures for the year are not in but are being estimated.

We started out the year very well. Our total financial assets as of 12-31-93 were $132,446. Our income for the year, as of 9-27-94, was $72,584, a $4,500 increase over the previous year. There was a decrease in dues and donations, a decrease in investment earnings, but a sharp increase in our annual meeting income. Our expenses up to that point approximately matched the expenses of the previous year, which left us with a potential surplus. Unfortunately, we have had to hire two secretaries in the past 3 months and that has accelerated our costs greatly. We are in the process of buying equipment for the additional secretary, and that cost will exceed $5,000. Our secretarial costs, last year at almost $22,000, are projected this year to be about $27,000. Our expenses for the year are now projected at $82,000, which would put us at a deficit of $10,000. Some of our expenses are non-recurring, like equipment, or the printing of the roster. But our secretarial costs have escalated significantly. Our other costs seem to be stable. We will have to examine our expenses closely and see how we can cut them.

On the bright side, we did finally set up our Endowment Fund, with Joel Mangham's guidance and assistance. We put $30,000 in as a starting point. Although this has generally been a bad year for investments, we have made modest gains in this turbulent down investment market. As of 10-31-94, our endowment assets were worth $31,716. The policy that we passed and that guides these assets is as follows: 1. Funds may be transferred from our Operating Funds to our Endowment Funds only if our total net worth of the Operating Fund exceeds its annual expenses. Our projected annual expenses should be about $82,000. We will, therefore, be in a position to add to our Endowment Funds. The Executive Committee should make such a determination at the December meeting. 2. Spending and transfers from the Endowment Funds should be limited at this time to a maximum of $1500.

At this time we don't know how many Grants Applications we will get. We have already had applications for one grant from Cleveland and two from the Anna Freud Centre. Monies that had been specifically designated for grants by donors now total about $2700. We may choose to use only that money, to add monies from our Endowment Funds (up to $1500), or apply monies from our Operating Fund for such purposes (rather than adding money, or adding less money to our Endowment Funds). The Executive Committee will have to act on that issue, too.

The European dues issue has still not been resolved. We apparently have someone at the Anna Freud Centre who will act as our European Treasurer, to collect monies and then transmit them to the U.S. Our secretarial costs have escalated significantly. Our other costs seem to be stable. We will have to examine our expenses closely and see how we can cut them.

DISCUSSION

A discussion was held concerning paying the expenses of a guest speaker and awarding an honorarium. It was agreed that no honorarium would be given, but that there was a need for establishing guidelines. In the absence of definitive guidelines, a motion was made to grant, on an ad hoc basis, the payment of the round trip airfare for Audrey Gavinson as a guest speaker at the Annual Meeting in Toronto April 7-9, 1995. Vote was favorable. Accordingly a form will be sent with the dues notice to members requesting their contributions to the Travel Assistance Fund. A subcommittee will be formed to assess travel assistance requests and to set up guidelines for allocations of expenses.

A detailed financial report as of 10/31/94 was distributed to the councilors and committee chairs at the meeting. The Chart of Accounts outlined the assets, liabilities, income, expenses, and net worth. The totals in each category are listed below:

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See enclosures for details regarding:
1. Chart of ACP Accounts

GRANTS

Grant applications have been received from
1. The Cleveland Center for Research in Child Development
2. The Anna Freud Centre (2)
3. The New York Freudian Society

DISCUSSION

It is noted that the number of applications has increased. Proposal: Increase Grant Allocation Fund to $4,000; a limit of $1,000 per grantee. Vote was favorable.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Submitted by Robert Furman, M.D.

Since the last Annual Meeting the Membership Committee has approved the sponsorships of seven new members:

Candidate Members: Laura Kleinerman, Roda Neugebauer, Andrea Weiss, and Jack Pelaccio.

Regular Members: Michael Colman, Stanley Leiken, and Marlene Robinson.

In regard to one of the above we had the situation, for the first time in the experience of the Chair, of a request to reinstate a lapsed membership. This was managed on an ad hoc basis by having the person be sponsored as if applying de novo for Regular Membership. A policy regarding such a situation would be for the Executive Committee to decide or formulate. We might suggest simply having two Regular Members request the reinstatement of membership; two because we have two for all membership sponsorships; this simple a procedure because credentials of training would have been managed before. The reinstatement letter might perhaps best be sent to the Membership Committee because it seems all questions about membership head there first anyway. But we leave this question to the wisdom of the Executive Committee, our task being to raise the issue.

It takes a long time to complete the sponsorship process for a number of reasons and this has distressed a number of people, certain their sponsor has fallen through the cracks somewhere. Two suggestions on how to accelerate the process — or at least better familiarize people with the process — would be:

1. Instead of an expensive mailing to all the membership to approve those who have passed muster with the Membership Committee, perhaps each issue of the Newsletter, which now is published three times each year, could have a list both of new members but also a list of those whose names must be circulated for approval. People thus would know the status of the process.

2. For information’s sake there should be a box in each issue of Newsletter that states: Membership in the Association for Child Psychoanalysis is by sponsorship only. Two sponsors who are Regular (Continued on page 8)
Members are required for all sponsorships. There are three types of Members: Candidate, Regular, and Colleague. For Candidate and Regular members there is a Sponsorship Form available from the Association office (210-825-3138 phone/fax) which can greatly facilitate the sponsorship process. Colleague members are those who, for reasons beyond their control, could not complete a training in child analysis that would meet Association standards but are dedicated supporters of, leaders of, practitioners of child analysis - usually contributions to support child analysis. Regular Members simply write to the Executive Committee in care of the Association Office, explaining why they are proposing someone to become a Colleague of the ACP.

The content of such a box would be left to the judgment of the Newsletter Editor but the above facts would be necessary. It would facilitate the process — now sometimes delayed by the exchange of letters — explaining what the procedure actually is.

DISCUSSION:
It was agreed that information on sponsorship should be highlighted in the Newsletter. The names of the proposed members will continue to be circulated to the members, combining the list with other information mailed when possible. The Membership Chair will send a letter to the sponsor of the proposed nominee concerning the status of the application.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE
submitted by Dr. Laurie Levinson and Mrs. Janet Shein Szydlo

THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING OF THE ACP
April 7 - 9, 1995 will be held at the Four Seasons Hotel Toronto
The topic is "OVERSTIMULATION"

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 1995

8:30 - 11:30 AM OPEN DISCUSSION FOR ACP MEMBERS
Sponsored by the Executive Committee
(Continental breakfast)

12:00 - 3:30 PM Luncheon Meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
From 12:00 NOON REGISTRATION (Tea & Coffee available after 3 p.m.)

4:00 - 6:00 PM WORKSHOPS (Choose one of the following eight)

A. The Vulnerable Child Workshop
"Narcissistic and Traumatic Pathology in Children"
Chair: Theodore Cohen, M.D.
Presenter: Dale Meers, D.S.W.
Discussants: Roy Aruffo, M.D.
Reporter: M. Hossein Etezady, M.D.

B. President's Workshop
"Medical Procedures as Sources of Trauma/Overstimulation"
Presenter: Moisy Shopper, M.D.
Reporter: Aimee Nover, D.S.W.

C. Workshop in Applied Child Analysis
"Infant-Parent Therapy - Early Intervention: Video Presentation"
of an Infant and her Family (with Follow-Up)
Chair: Liuka Croydon, M.Ed.
Presenter: Elizabeth Tuters, M.S.W.
Discussant: Margaret Hurstby, M.B.
Reporter: Sally Douls, M.S.W.

D. Workshop on Applied Child Analysis
"On Working with and through the Parents in Child Therapy"

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E. Workshop on a Clinical Issue
"Unbearable States: An Atypical Child's Response to Overstimulation"
Chair: Thomas Barrett, Ph.D.
Presenter: Lorraine Hoffman Weisman
Reporter: Janet Morrison, M. A.

F. Workshop on a Clinical Issue
"The Opening Phase in the Analysis of an Adopted Four Year Old Girl"
Chair: Laurie Levinson, Ph.D.
Presenter: Sylvia Welsh, Ph.D.
Reporter: Ilene Young, Ed.D.

G. Workshop on a Clinical and Theoretical Issue
The Analysis of an Overstimulated Four Year Old Girl:
Reconsiderations of Ernest Jones' (1933) 'The Phallic Phase"
Chair: Donald Cohen, M.D.
Presenter: Leon Hoffman, M.D.
Reporter: Karen Chapin, Ph.D.

H. Workshop on a Clinical and Theoretical Issue
"The Analysis of Pre-Genital Masturbatory Fantasies in a Pre-Latency Girl"
Chair: Phyllis Tyson, Ph.D.
Presenter: Jack Pelaccio, M.D.
Reporter: Robin Holloway, Ph.D.

6:30 PM COCKTAILS AND DINNER — FOUR SEASONS HOTEL
Dinner $60 per person, cash bar.
"To See or Not to See: Movies that Overstimulate Children"
Presenters: Baltimore-Washington Institute for Psychoanalysis
Dr. Joseph Bieman
Dr. Alan Gold
Dr. Robert Lessey
Dr. William Wimmer

SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 1995

7:30 - 8:30 AM Breakfast Workshop
"Building a Child Analytic Practice"
Participants:
(Continental Breakfast)

7:30 - 8:30 AM Meeting of the Membership Committee
(Continental Breakfast)

9:00 - 12:00 AM Plenary Session: Two Clinical Presentations
Moderator: Jack Novick, Ph.D.
Presenters: Audrey Gavshon, M.S.W.
Claudia Lament, C.S.W.
Discussant: Donald Rosenblitt, M.D.
Reporter: Steven Shulruff, M.D.

10:15 AM Coffee Break

12:00 - 12:30 PM Deli Lunch Buffet
(Buffet set up 12:00 - 1:00 — Included in registration)

12:30 - 2:00 PM DISCUSSION GROUPS (Alphabetical Assignments)
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SATURDAY AFTERNOON AT YOUR LEISURE

6:30 PM  Cocktail Reception at Four Seasons Hotel
         (No charge except cash bar)
         Sponsored by the Toronto Child Psychotherapy Program,
         the Toronto Psychoanalytic Society,
         and the Canadian Association of Psychoanalytic Child Therapists
         Dinner on your own: Choose from Restaurant List
         Members will sign up for the restaurant of their choice from a list of
         "Toronto's Most Interesting Restaurants" selected by the Arrangements
         Committee in Toronto.

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 1995

7:30 - 9:00 AM  Breakfast Meeting of the PROGRAM COMMITTEE

9:00 -10:00 AM  ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING OF THE ACP
                  (Members Only)

10:00-12:00 PM  Marianne Kris Memorial Award and Lecture
                  "Journal Keeping Viewed Developmentally:
                  Anne Frank's Early Childhood Examined"
                  Heiman van Dam, M.D.

12:00 NOON     Adjournment

REPORT OF THE ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE
 submitted by Rachel May

I feel very sad in writing this report. I am honored to have known
Herman Staples, and I was delighted we had so much fun while he taught
me the ways of hotels, meetings, conference rooms, and continental
cuisine. There is no way I could ever fill Herman Staples’ shoes, but I will
try to follow in his footsteps in planning and organizing the 30th Annual
Scientific Meeting of the ACP.

Toronto: It seemed that Herman meant all along for us to stay at the
Four Seasons Hotel Toronto, in the Yorkville district (rather than the Four
Seasons Inn on the Park, located in the suburbs). This hotel is centrally
located, for enjoying Toronto and its acclaimed art museum. (The January
registration mailing will have explicit hotel information, but FYI, the
hotel’s address, etc.:
21 Avenue Rd. Toronto M5R 2G1, Ontario, Canada
416-964-0411 fax: 416-964-2301 toll free: 800-332-3442)
I have communicated with the hotel sales office. I should be
receiving very shortly a copy of the contract that Herman negotiated, along
with other hotel information. The hotel will provide us with a brochure to
include in the January registration mailing.

Elizabeth Tuters (Member, ACP, and President, Toronto Child
Psychotherapy Program) is chair of the local Toronto Arrangements
Committee. She will be assisted by Harvey Golombek (Board Member,
Toronto Psychoanalytic Society); Janet Morrison (President, Canadian
Association of Psychoanalytic Child Therapists); Lilka Croydon (Member,
ACP); and Sally Doulos (Board Member TCPP). Along with TCPP
members, Tuters has asked that the Canadian Psychoanalytic Society
(Quebec English), the Société Psychanalytique de Quebec (Quebec
French), and the Group for Child Psychoanalysis receive registration
materials.

The Toronto Arrangements Committee will host a dinner party (by
invitation only) at the home of Elizabeth Tuters on the evening of
Thursday, April 6th. The local institute and the Toronto Child
Psychotherapy Program will sponsor (and pay for) a cocktail party at the
hotel on Saturday evening, April 8th (with due credit noted in the printed
program). The local committee is also arranging Saturday afternoon’s free
time activities, such as a special art museum tour (more details on that in
the January registration materials).

All in all, the 30th Annual Scientific Meeting is really shaping up.

Laurie Levinson and Janet Shein Szydlo, Co-chairs of the Program
Committee, have put a great program into place and made a few wise
schedule changes. I know Toronto will be a super place to hold the spring
meeting.

On to 1996. I have been thinking a great deal about Mexico in 1996.
There is much more to planning, organizing, and arranging the Annual
Meeting in a foreign country than I had thought. It will take more than the
usual one year advance planning to put together a meeting that meets the
ACP’s (and Herman’s) standards. I think the Executive Committee should
examine the attendance demographics and the financial fallout from the
Toronto meeting before becoming wedded to Mexico in 1996.

Herman had often talked of holding a meeting in Nashville. His
wife, Mary, is now settled there. I know Mary would love to participate
with a local Nashville Arrangements Committee.

I propose that the ACP hold the 1996 Annual Meeting in Nashville
and discuss holding the 1997 Annual Meeting in Mexico.

DISCUSSION

Since a special dinner party on the eve of the conference would
entail complexities and additional expenses for the ACP, it was decided not
to hold it.

It was also decided to extend invitations, and to waive the
registration fee, to a Board member from the Toronto Child Psychotherapy
Program, from the Toronto Psychoanalytic Society, and from the Canadian
Association of Psychoanalytic Child Therapists.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
 submitted by Jules Glenn, M.D.

Jules Glenn, M.D., Chair, reported that the Nominating Committee
finalized its business via telephone conference call. On behalf of the
committee the following slate of Councillors is presented for the ballot in
January.

Judith Yanof, M.D.  Carla J. Elliott-Neely, Ph.D.
Anita Schmukler, D.O.  Alan R. Gurwitt, M.D.
Marianne Parsons  Jill Miller, Ph.D.

A mail ballot with mini-biographies of the candidates will be sent to
all the Regular Members for voting. The results will be announced at the
Annual Meeting.

REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE OF CME/CE/STUDY GROUPS:
 submitted by Julio Morales, M.D.

On August 5, 1994 the American Psychoanalytic Association
approved the interim report to continue as sponsors for CE credit. Mrs. Rachel
May has been very helpful in gathering all the extensive
information this committee required.

I am looking forward to having an Ph.D. psychologist join the
Committee with involvement for the maintenance of CE accreditation.

I would like to obtain the approval of the Executive Committee to
request that presenters of the program provide brief information on their
presentations to the CE/CME/Study Group Committee. This information
will be needed to facilitate the elaboration of the CME form and to fulfill
requirements for CME sponsors. The Accreditation Council for CME is in
the process of implementing a random monitoring process for accredited
sponsors.

It will be also required that the Program Committee send a copy of
the final Program to the Accreditation Council as soon as it is completed.

There was a delay in Central office regarding the issuance of CME
certificates to members of Cleveland Study Group. A report of Study
Groups of the Midwest — Chicago and St. Louis — appeared in the
October 1994 issue of the ACP Newsletter.

DISCUSSION

The merits of providing Continuing Education credits for Ph.D.
psychologists was discussed. Dr. Morales will explore this issue further.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO COORDINATE ASSISTANCE TO CHILD ANALYSIS IN EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

submitted by Lilo Plaschkes, M.S.W.

Committee Composition and Activity

Following the ACP meeting in March in Washington, D.C., a number of people expressed interest in participating in the work of the committee. In thinking about what I have seen, heard, and observed, I thought of the following suggestions which I communicated to Dr. Moisy Shopper, the new ACP President.

1. Money for two people from Eastern Europe to attend the ACP annual meetings. The advantage of this would be that people would make personal connections for further communications, either written or by visits to those countries.

2. Money for two people from Eastern Europe to visit therapeutic nurseries such as the Hanna Perkins School or the Lucy Daniels School.

3. Include accounts in our ACP Newsletter of the therapeutic work and activities on behalf of children done by various people in their various homes. I discussed this with Paul Brinch and also with Lydia Tischler in London.

4. Set up teams of four or five people or more for each country; this to provide a continuous teaching, consulting, or supervisory program. For example, if one or two people out of each team visited their specific country once a year, that country could have up to three visits a year. This would be on a continuous, coordinated basis. If someone wanted to go just once, they could be linked up with "the team" and hence coordinate with the work being done in that country. Anna Czownicka said she was interested in doing this for Poland and said she could send me their curriculum needs and I have asked others in other countries to do the same. I will be glad to coordinate and pursue this further. In addition, I have through my visits made contacts with people in Prague and thus could be responsible for that area in addition. Lilka Croydon in Toronto would be glad and interested in being a team leader for Poland. Elizabeth Tuters, whose husband, Dr. Tuters, has been very active working in Riga and who were organizers for a conference for WAIMH, the infant organization, this summer, agreed to be responsible for coordination of work in the Baltic states.

Dr. Shopper agreed that a copy of this letter sent to him would also be sent to Dr. John Kafka and Dr. Groen Prakken, co-chairs of the IPA Eastern European Committee. Since Dr. Peter Blos, Jr., is now on this committee, I have also kept him informed of all our activities and ideas. Dr. Shopper is in the process of appointing new members to my present committee.

In response to the letter sent, Dr. Kafka and Dr. Sachs responded by suggesting a joint meeting in Philadelphia at the time of the meetings of the American Psychoanalytic Association. I met with them and at that meeting I became more familiar with the work of the IPA in Eastern European countries. Dr. Sebek had asked me to come to Prague this September. In our discussions, it became clear that a contribution that would be most useful was the discussion as to how the knowledge of child development and child psychoanalytic work is useful in work with adult analytic patients. Dr. Kafka suggested that I get in touch with Dr. Eickhoff in Tubingen, Germany. I did this and as a result I spent a very interesting evening with Dr. Eickhoff in Tubingen in August. He is one of the members of the sponsoring committee of the IPA for Prague and he thought that we should coordinate our efforts. Since my workshop in Prague was before his visit and after his previous visit, he suggested I send him a report of the three-day workshop I was to conduct in the beginning of September in Prague. I did this and also sent copies to Drs. Shopper, Blos, and Kafka.

In November of 1994 I had a very interesting meeting again with Lydia Tischler in London, which I will address later in this report.

Books

In July I decided to send to Prague and to the library in Vilnius and to Anna Czownicka or people that I had had contact with some lists of books on child development and child therapeutic and analytic work, asking them to mark or return a list of books that would be useful to them in their various countries. I thought this could be helpful since some people may have one or two or three books, in other words, a small amount, where shipping would not be a problem that they could send to the countries, especially if they specified which ones they would like or need. The list I sent was of those books that had been distributed at the ACP meeting in Washington, D.C., and also the list of those published by the Cleveland Center for Child Development. I also cut out a list of some books advertised in a catalogue by Jason Aronson, the publishers. Dr. Crow of the New York Psychoanalytic Institute is involved in a library project. The Brill Library, in full partnership with the Cornell Medical College Library and its information sciences department, is developing an academic on-line service — the first of its kind to distribute mental health information to a world-wide network of interested subscribers, with the mental health community of the new independent states of the former Soviet Union recognized as the primary client base.

I am working with the librarian of the Brill Library of the New York Psychoanalytic Institute, also informed him of the work of the ACP and gave him my name and phone number if Dr. Crow would like to get in touch with me or anybody else at the ACP. I have a further information leaflet on this project.

Most recently, I heard from Dr. Arlene Richards in New York that a library is being set up in Rostov, Russia, and that the books of Muriel Winestine will be sent to that library as a memorial for her. In speaking with Dr. Richards, she thinks that it would be possible for others who have books to include them in that shipping, for which there would be no extra costs since the costs are covered for Dr. Winestine's library. Hence, anybody who has books they would like to ship with this collection, please call Dr. Arlene Richards in New York.

Work in Prague

I have already said that I was asked to conduct a workshop in Prague. In July I received case material from an analyst in Prague and a notification that the topic had been changed to anorexia nervosa and that 50 people had registered for this workshop, to my surprise, as I had not discussed this and this was a change of topic from what had originally been planned. I did communicate to Dr. Sebek that this was not an area of my expertise and that I had not worked analytically with anorexic patients. However, he felt he would like to proceed with this topic. Hence I went to Prague and did a three-day workshop based on some of the case material. I was able to use material on anorexia by Dr. C. Philip Wilson and also by Dr. John Sours. We had discussion on theoretical aspects, developmental aspects, and treatment technique with these very difficult patients. Five therapists, two of whom were possible training in child therapy and child psychoanalysis, took part in these meetings. Several people are possibly going to the Anna Freud Center for the AFC’s three-month program in observation theoretical work. They did ask for supervision by mail, which I agreed to do. I emphasized that this would be a way of getting to know their work and their experience and to maintain contact with them but that hopefully eventually supervisory seminars on their ongoing work with their cases would be available.

In relation to this, Lydia Tischler informed me that she would most probably be working in Prague organizing some basic training models based on the Tavistock Clinic model dealing with child development and basic treatment skills. It would seem that some training in the context of an appropriate organization would provide a screening potential for those wishing to become trained in doing psychoanalysis. It would also be possible for us to coordinate work from a long distance with Lydia Tischler’s program and/or the IPA program.

Responses

The response with regard to the books for Prague was that they would prefer at this point to receive video tapes, such as the Mahler films or any other video tape material that they could use. They were interested in this because it would illustrate for them some of the readings that they have done theoretically and would provide a means for training and discussing. Dr. Sebek felt this would be useful as part of their training programs of various kinds. From Vilnius we had a response from Dr. Augis, who is training as an analyst in Finland but also is in touch with the Lithuanian group. He sent the following information: "At present there are seven child psychotherapists in the Lithuanian Society for the Application of Psychoanalysis, six psychologists and one M.D. All of them have had at
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least five years of clinical experience. Theoretical and clinical seminars are held in this group continuously; at present, two of them have gotten a scholarship for three-month courses at the Anna Freud Center. The topics of seminars and workshops they are interested in are the following:

1) contact with a child in therapy, especially when the resistance is great, and a case of some specific disturbances (e.g., autism, mutism);
2) using the child's material in therapy—when, when, and how should be interpreted and what not;
3) the contact with parents;
4) supervision of cases in the group led by visitors—training analysts would be of greatest interest."

Dr. Augis also sent a list of books that would be appreciated by the Lithuanian Society for the Application of Psychoanalysis and the list of books is:

E. Furman, Toddlers and their Mothers
E. Furman, Helping Your Children Grow—1 I Never Knew Parents Did So Much
Greenspan, Infancy and Early Childhood
Furman & Katlin. The Therapeutic Nursery School
A. Schmukler (ed.), Saying Good-bye
J. Glenn (ed.), Child Analysis and Therapy
Green, Child Maltreatment
Siskind, The Child Patient and the Therapeutic Process

Child Analysis: Clinical, Theoretical, and Applied, Vol. 1-5 (from the Cleveland Center for Child Development)

Dr. Peter Blos, Jr., has some of these books and is sending them to the library in Vilnius.

I did receive one protocol of an adolescent treatment from a woman in Prague. It was a 14-year-old girl and she was hoping to increase the number of sessions. At this point it was very difficult to get four times a week. However, it was typed in English, a five-page protocol, with great detail, and I responded to it in equal detail. She had also sent a photograph of herself and some of her background, which I had asked them to do since I did not know that I would remember each one of the five, having met them only once. So I hope that this new venture of written supervision will continue and will also stimulate others to do this. I have told the group that there were other people who were interested, willing, and well able to do this but they felt they wanted to begin with me since they had already met me, so that was one reason I suggested that we make an attempt to invite some people to our meetings as well as have people actually visit other countries, because the personal connection makes the venture more alive and interesting and exciting for both parties.

REPORT ON THE NEWSLETTER
submitted by Paul Brinich, Ph.D., Editor

This year has seen the publication and distribution of three issues of the Newsletter. While printing and production costs remain remarkably low (amounting to less than $0.03 per printed page), postage adds a substantial amount and cannot be reduced without significant delays in delivery time. Unfortunately it appears very likely that there will be an increase in postal rates within the coming year, so this expense will grow. This year we printed 1200 copies of each issue; since our total page count for the year was 20 + 36 (abstract issue) + 22 = 78, our total comes to 93,600 pages.

The Newsletter is now registered as a periodical with the National Serials Data Program of the Library of Congress (ISSN 1077-0305). There is no charge for this registration. It is useful mainly for bibliographic cross-referencing, should the Newsletter be included in any library collections.

I was surprised to see that the October issue of the Newsletter was not spine-stapled. The printer did not let me know about this; apparently it was occasioned by the fact that our page count (22) was not an even multiple of 4; this meant that a half-sheet (two pages) was added in the center and could not be stapled. I personally prefer the look and handling of the spine-stapled version and will try to see that we don’t run into this issue again.

The “Abstracts Issue” of the Newsletter appeared to be a nice addition to our work. Working together, Kent Hart and I managed to get all of the reporters (save one) to send us their work by some time in June. We welcome your suggestions on how we might improve this annual issue.

I have continued trying to develop contributions from our members regarding child analysis in their own geographical areas . . . but without great success. Suggestions and volunteers are most welcome. We did receive a short contribution from Prof. Lebovici this time ‘round and are hoping for further contributions from France. I have written to Alex Holder -- the newsletter editor for the European Association for Adolescent Psychoanalysis -- suggesting that we might “share” some items.

Changes in administration bring some opportunities. I expect that one development over the coming year will be the creation of a good, integrated database of ACP members and others which will simplify the preparation of mailing labels for our newsletters and other mailings. We can save some money by pre-sorting and bar-coding our labels -- a trivial chore with most “integrated” packages these days. The mailing service we use for the Newsletter can actually produce bar-coded labels from a data file on a floppy disk at less cost than we can produce them ourselves. I am also hoping that Nancy Hall will be e-mail-connected shortly so that we can quickly and easily send data files back and forth. The addition of desktop publishing capabilities to the ACP administrative office will simplify the preparation of membership rosters, meeting notices, brochures, and so forth.

While I have solicited suggestions regarding a package of membership management software, I haven’t heard much in response. There is a medium-level DOS-based package called Membership Plus Deluxe 2.0, available through Parsons Technology for $149, which would do most everything which the Association might need; one drawback is that it is not a Windows application and thus does not have easy access to the nicer printing options available from within Windows. It is (fortunately) a far cry from the expense involved in the purchase of a system like imIS (>$7000); to my mind, the relative simplicity of something like Membership Plus is a virtue rather than a drawback. Returning to the Newsletter, I am hopeful that amongst other chores we will be able to add to the mailing list (which now includes almost 1100 people) the library and/or training director of every training institute listed in the IPA directory. This would increase the ACP’s visibility at very little cost.

REPORT OF THE LIAISONS TO THE IPA CONGRESS
submitted by Peter Blos, Jr., M.D.

I think we have an excellent group of participants for each of the half day panels in San Francisco this coming summer and I think the two events will prove both exciting and rewarding. The Child Psychoanalysis Panel will not have simultaneous translation available and all presentations will be in English. The Adolescent Psychoanalysis Panel will have simultaneous translation in the four official languages. There will be no official breaks during either panel.

The titles and participants for each panel are listed below:

PSYCHOANALYSIS OF THE CHILD: PSYCHIC REALITY OF THE PATIENT AND THE ANALYST

Welcome Coordinator - Peter Blos, Jr. 5 minutes
(Ann Arbor, USA)
Introduction Moderator - Johan Norman 1 5 minutes
(Bromma, Sweden)

Case 1 Presenter - Tessa Baradon 30 minutes
[Anna Freud Centre, London]
"Michael's Journey From the Physical to the Mental Realm: The Role of the Analyst's Psychic Reality in Constructing the Child's Psychological World"

Panel Discussant - Michael Vincent 10 minutes
(Paris)

Panel and Audience 30 minutes

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Case II Presenter - Thomas Barrett 3 0 minutes
(Cleveland, USA)
"Knowing and Not Knowing - Defensive Isolation and Denial in a Latency Child with a Soiling Problem"

Formal Discussant - Terttu Eskeline de Folch 10 minutes
(Barcelona)
Panel and Audience 30 minutes
General Discussion Panel and Audience 50 minutes

PSYCHIC REALITY AND THE PSYCHOANALYSIS OF THE ADOLESCENT

Welcome Coordinator - Peter Blos, Jr. 5 minutes
(Ann Arbor, USA)
Introduction Moderator - Theodore Jacobs 15 minutes
(New York)

Case I Presenter - Asbed Aryan 30 minutes
(Buenos Aires)
"Psychic Reality and the Psychoanalytic Process: The Opening Phase"

Formal Discussant - Raymond Cahn 10 minutes
(Paris)
Panel and Audience 30 minutes

Case II Presenter - Marietta Zeug 30 minutes
(Vienna)
No title submitted yet

Formal Discussant - Rena Moses-Hrushovski 10 minutes
(Jerusalem)
Panel and Audience 30 minutes
General Discussion Panel and Audience 50 minutes

REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS
submitted by Peter Blos, Jr., M.D., chair

Ad Hoc Committee on Government Affairs has the following members: Tom Barrett, Ph.D., Jim Hutchinson, M.D., Michael Jansow, Ph.D., Kerry Kelly Novick, Ava Bry Penman, Ph.D., Moisy Shopper, M.D. (ex-officio), Mr. Buzz Bailey (ex-officio, pro bono legal and legislative consultant), and two recently appointed members, Alan Zients, M.D. and Lynne Moritz, M.D.

In October I sent my first memo to each of the Committee members which contained the following statement:

The arena of Health Care legislation regarding mental health care for children and adolescents has charted an extraordinary course. It is hard to recall the avid centrality of interest and concern which so many of us felt at the time of our last annual meeting in Washington. Watching the relentless downward spiral of this legislation and subject has, I am afraid, contributed to my paralysis in getting this memo out to you.

We know the membership of the ACP has considerable expertise and understanding of how children, adolescents and parents feel, think and cope with emotional stress and trauma. But we have been unsure of how and in what ways to deploy our knowledge in constructive ways as the national health care debate unfolded.

I requested "Ad Hoc" status for this Committee as we began our work, because it seemed to me that the ACP is an international organization, small in numbers and lean in finances. I think we first need to articulate our task(s) and capabilities, focusing clearly upon what we can do ourselves as an organization, and perhaps just as importantly, what we can not do. Perhaps now, during this uneasy lull around national health care policy, is a good time for us to define our role.

When the Committee has developed a statement of purpose and means we will present it to the Executive Committee. I would hope we can do this at our meeting in Toronto.

In the meantime I have contacted Art Farley, M.D., the new chair of the Government Relations Committee of the American. I asked if I, or someone on our Committee, could become a liaison member to the American's Committee. The function would not only be to keep the two committees in touch but, and perhaps this is more important, to be the focal voice of concern regarding the interests of the child on the American's Committee. He was enthusiastic and indicated that he would contact the president of the American, Judy Schacter, M.D. He invited me to attend the next meeting of his Committee in December but I could not make the time. I was invited and do expect to attend part of the Joint Meeting of Government Relations and Insurance Network and Public Information. I also have spoken with Marvin Margolis, M.D., who is enthusiastic and supportive of the idea.

When I was president of the ACP I lobbied with the recent presidents of the American and Drew Clemens, prior chair of their Government Relations Committee, for ACP representation on the Consortium for Psychoanalysis. I was told that the American supported this idea and presented it to the Consortium. Unfortunately some felt it was inappropriate since the ACP does not represent a professional discipline. In a recent talk with Marvin Margolis I received encouragement that the Consortium will recognize the validity of having someone represent the interests of the child. Should this come through, I would suggest that someone from our Committee be the liaison representative.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to come before the committee.

NEW BUSINESS

submitted by D. Cliff Wilkerson, M.D.

I have made a limited and preliminary investigation to determine the feasibility of our starting an ACP Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychoanalysis. I interviewed in person or by phone the following members of the ACP: Peter Blos, Jr., Robert Tyson, Sam Weiss, Tom Barrett, Robert Galatzer-Levy, Robert Furman, Art Rosenbaum and Paul Brinich. I also corresponded with Ann Hurry. I spoke with Arnold Goldberg, an analyst here in Chicago, who was editor of the Chicago institute's Annual, about the various Presses and what his experience with them were. I also spoke with a representative from International Universities Press. The following is a summary of what I found.

Almost all the people I spoke with felt there needed to be a publication devoted to clinical child and adolescent psychoanalysis that would have a broad appeal, nationally and internationally, and that would cut across theoretical boundaries. A range of theoretical ideas and practices should be represented but the papers must be of high quality, otherwise they would not appeal to the journal's targeted readership. This would require a refereed journal. The journal should stand in relation to the rest of the world as the JIP now does, thus giving the readers a sense of what is going on internationally.

That such an undertaking would be a tremendous job and require considerable manpower was a frequent cautionary declaration. There was some reservation about the ability of our membership to come up with a sufficient number of quality papers to sustain this enterprise. The problems we had in trying to get our 20th anniversary volume put together was put forth as an argument for not attempting a more ambitious project. The importance of selecting an editor willing and able to undertake this monumental task was stressed. It would have to be a labor of dedication and love.

A very large problem lies in the belief by all those I spoke with that the circulation of journals put out by Cleveland and the Anna Freud Centre would be severely harmed by the introduction of another C/A journal. The Cleveland journal in particular is dependent on the ACP membership who make up a sizable number of their subscribers. One suggestion as to how to avoid this was to have these separate organizations collaborate in some manner, i.e. letting each group put out at least one issue under their name. However, it was the opinion of those people who had been involved with publishing in the past that publishers would not easily accept having to deal with separate entities on the same enterprise.

In addition to the AFC journal, there is another publication, The Journal of Psychotherapy, in which many of the child and adolescent analysts publish. It is questionable that there would be any need at present for a third journal in Great Britain. Moisy has recently been to Great Britain where he spoke further with analysts there and received a different impression than that first given to me.

There are a number of other issues that would have to be addressed.
Herman Staples, M.D.
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[The following comments were contributed by our colleague and fellow member, J. Alexis Burland, M.D., President of the Philadelphia Psychoanalytic Institute. Dr. Burland originally read this at the Scientific Session of the Philadelphia Psychoanalytic Society on Wednesday, October 19, 1994 and Mary Staples thought it would be most appropriate for publication in our Newsletter.]

It is with great sadness that I speak about the death five days ago of one of our most beloved and respected members, Herman Staples.

Herm was born in April of 1918; he was 76 when he died. He graduated from Hahnemann Medical School in 1943. After interning at Mt. Sinai, he had his general psychiatry residency at Coatesville and his child psychiatry residency at the Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic, then in its heyday. He took his general and child psychoanalytic training with the Philadelphia Psychoanalytic Institute, graduating, respectively, in 1962 and 1965. He was affiliated with Hahnemann Hospital, Philadelphia Psychiatric Center (now Belmont Center), Crozier-Chester Hospital and Riddle Memorial Hospital. He engaged in a busy practice of adult and child psychotherapy and psychoanalysis. He made many contributions to the literature, including a chapter on adolescence for the prestigious series, The Course of Life. He was a regular attendee at our scientific sessions and the dinners that preceded them.

Many of us will remember Herm especially for his being in charge of arrangements for many organizations, planning dinner-dances and conferences all around the world. There are probably few psychoanalysts who have as many friends from so many parts of the world, east and west; and surely there are none who know as many hotel and conference center people. He — and his wife Mary, his co-worker in this — planned meetings for our Society, for the Association for Child Psychoanalysis, for the American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry (he was a founder and past president of ASAP), for the International Association for Adolescent Psychiatry (he was a founder and ISAP’s Treasurer), for the World Association of Infant Mental Health (Herm was WAIMH’s Secretary), for the Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and its local chapter, the Regional Council of Child Psychiatry, and for the International Symposia of the Margaret S. Mahler Psychiatric Research Foundation, on whose board he also served. We have all had many great times thanks to Herm and Mary and the gracious ambiance they always created with such apparent ease.

We also remember his dancing. Herm and Mary took dancing lessons as a hobby, and they were the closest thing I have ever seen to those professional ball room dancers you see on television. Watching them was always a pleasure, a highlight of every dinner dance they planned. Herm and Mary met in elementary school; a few days ago Herm told me that as he was shy, he had to ask their teacher to introduce him to her. I think they must have done a lot of dancing together, for well over half a century.

Herm and Mary only recently had decided to leave this area where they had lived all their lives and move to Nashville, Tennessee, the home of Laura, their daughter, and her family. (There is also a son who is a teacher in Switzerland.) They had visited Nashville often — in fact, they once planned a convention there, it should come as no surprise — and they had already made friends. Herm was planning to continue his practice — he even had his first patient scheduled. They spent the past few months packing up their life-time accumulation of belongings. They had sold their house here and bought one in Nashville. This past Thursday they had had to spend a night at their neighbors as their house was bare, and then, after the next night, Friday, at the airport hotel, were prepared for Mary to fly on Saturday to Nashville while Herm and one of his grandsons were to drive their two cars to Tennessee. But on Friday, at settlement, Herman collapsed and was declared dead shortly thereafter at the hospital. I believe they thought it was a heart attack. Only two weeks before, Herm had told me it was the 18th anniversary of his first heart attack — which he suffered in Washington, DC, while he was running to catch a train at Union Station after, of course, making arrangements for a conference.

Tonight’s Society Scientific Session would have been the first Herm missed because of the move to Nashville.

Last month, Herm’s and Mary’s friends gave them a farewell party — a gala tribute, really. There were about 150 people, many from out of town. Reminiscences were shared, honors were bestowed. It was a truly lovely affair — even though it was one of the few Herm and Mary had not arranged themselves! The out-pouring of love for them was remarkable. When Herm and Mary commented how moved they were, they were told that if they changed their minds and decided to stay, they would be given an even bigger party. That says as well as it can be said how we all feel about them.

Those of us who were at the party — already saddened by their departure from this area — had no idea how soon we would feel even greater sorrow. Let us have a moment of silence in which to remember Herm and to think of Mary.
The Master of Science course in Psychoanalytic Developmental Psychology is a joint venture between the Anna Freud Centre and the Department of Psychology, Faculty of Life Sciences, at University College London. The course, which runs for 12 months, has subsumed and extended upon the pre-clinical year of the Centre’s four-year training in child psychoanalysis. The purpose of the course is to provide a foundation for individuals who are interested in the fields of child development, developmental psychopathology, and psychoanalytic theory and research. The course provides a grounding in psychoanalytic theory; extensive training and experience in observing infants, toddlers, and nursery school children; and supervision in the design and implementation of a research project. Students are evaluated by written papers, exams, and a dissertation.

The teaching of psychoanalytic theory is covered by two courses. The first is convened by Marion Burgner (former Course Tutor of the AFC), who has enlisted the involvement of senior analysts from the Anna Freud Centre and the British Psychoanalytical Society who lecture on a full range of psychoanalytic perspectives. Beginning with a full term on the writings of Freud, two further terms cover the contributions of Anna Freud, Melanie Klein, the American ego psychologists, and the British independent school. These lectures are complemented by a parallel set of tutorials on the nuances of psychoanalysis taught by Professor Joseph Sandler. The second theory course, convened by Tessa Baradon, covers child development from birth through adolescence, encompassing central psychoanalytic perspectives and contemporary issues and methods in developmental psychology. Specific topics include phases of development, environmental influences, development of self and object relations, psychic organization, cognitive development, and moral development.

The observation courses are designed to help students integrate theory with clinical observations of young children in three different contexts: mother-infant, mother-toddler, and nursery school. With the help of their seminar leader students recruit a mother and newly-born infant for weekly observation and group discussion. Students participate in the weekly mother-toddler groups that run as part of the Anna Freud Centre’s clinical services. Weekly observation seminars provide the context for discussing the students’ observations. The Anna Freud Centre Nursery is one of a series of nurseries where the students observe children between the ages of 3-5 and again weekly seminars are held to facilitate observational skills.

The third component of the course is the research module. The students are required to submit a report which affords evidence of the ability to apply empirical methodology to issues relevant to psychoanalytic theories of development. During the first term, students participate in a series of seminars led by the Anna Freud Centre’s core research staff. During the second and third terms, students carry out and write up a research dissertation.

Examples of research undertaken by students include: Assessment of treatment recommendations in a retrospective data set of clinical cases (N = 777); assessment of referral symptoms in the under-five patient group; treatment processes and outcome measures in borderline children; a single-case study of therapeutic processes in a child with autism; father-infant relationship patterns; attachment history and life events of parents of children rated “insecure-disorganized” in Ainsworth’s Strange Situation paradigm.

Despite still being in its “infancy” stage, the course has grown from an initial cohort of 7 students to 18 this year and we are planning to further enlarge the student group to 20-25 for next year. Students come from diverse undergraduate disciplines but leave with a shared appreciation for the historical and scientific importance of psychoanalysis and of The Anna Freud Centre. At the same time, Centre staff (after some initial teething difficulties) feel the benefits of housing an academic program of study which inevitably brings new recruits to our clinical training and also helps to promote child psychoanalysis.

"SOMETHING MISSING" — THE ATYPICAL CHILD
A Workshop Focusing on Developmental, Cognitive, and Emotional Factors

The Summer term of this continuing workshop runs from April 24 to May 22 and from June 5 to July 2, meeting on Monday evenings from 6.15 pm to 7.45 pm. The Workshop conveners are Anne Alvarez of the Tavistock Clinic and Viviane Green of The Anna Freud Centre.

These workshops explore the clinical, diagnostic and theoretical issues in working with atypical children. We focus on children who are puzzling or who defy easy categorisation. The children may well have a deficit and have features of borderline, psychotic, perverse or psychopathic functioning. The approach is psychodynamic. We welcome participants from a variety of professional backgrounds. Enquiries should be addressed to Janice Lucraft, The Anna Freud Centre, 21 Maresfield Gardens, London NW3 5SH UK.

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Calendar of Events

March 9-12, 1995
American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry
Annual Meeting
Sarasota, Florida, USA
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4330 East-West Highway, Suite 1117
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April 7-9, 1995
30th Annual Meeting of the Association for
Child Psychoanalysis
Overtimulation
Toronto, Ontario, CANADA
For further information contact
Mrs. Nancy Hall, Administrative Assistant
P.O. Box 253
Ramsey, New Jersey 07446 USA
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April 21-23, 1995
World Association for Infant Mental Health
The Baby, Family, and Culture —
Challenges of Infancy Research and
Clinical Work
Sydney, AUSTRALIA
For further information contact
WAIMH Meeting
PO Box 214
Brunswick East
Melbourne, Victoria 3057 AUSTRALIA
☎/FAX 011-61-3 380-1429

April 27, 1995
Annual Sigmund Freud Lecture
Has Sexuality Anything To Do With
Psychoanalysis?
Professor Andre Green, Paris
Discussant: Dr. Riccardo Steiner.
Edward Lewis Theatre, Middlesex Hospital
Medical School, Windeyer Building
46 Cleveland Street
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May 26, 1995
26th Annual Margaret S. Mahler Symposium
on Child Development
Intimacy and Infidelity
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA
For further information contact
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1201 Chestnut Street, 14th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19107 USA
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June 5, 1995
Anna Freud Centenary Lecture
Some Developmental Perspectives on
Child Maltreatment
Professor Dante Cicchetti
Edward Lewis Theatre, Middlesex Hospital
Medical School, Windeyer Building
46 Cleveland Street
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June 30 - July 1, 1995
Anna Freud Centre/Psychoanalysis Unit,
University College London
Clinical Implications of Attachment
Theory: The Work of Mary Main
London, UK
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July 5-8, 1995
Fourth Congress, International Society for
Adolescent Psychiatry
Trauma in Adolescence
Athens, GREECE
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610 Timber Lane
Nashville, Tennessee 37215 USA
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July 28-29, 1995
Seattle Institute for Psychoanalysis
Infant Psychotherapy: An Overview and a
Unifying View, with Daniel Stern, M.D.
Seattle, Washington, USA
For further information contact
Seattle Institute for Psychoanalysis
4020 East Madison Street
Seattle, Washington 98112 USA
☎ (206) 328-5315

July 30 - August 4, 1995
39th International Psychoanalytical Congress
Psychic Reality: Its Impact on the Patient
and the Analyst Today
San Francisco, California, USA
For further information contact
International Psychoanalytical Association
“Broomhills”
Woodside Lane
London N12 8UD UK
☎ 011-44-81 446-8324
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August 30 - September 1, 1995
International Conference
Understanding Youth Suicide: A Meeting
of Different Perspectives
Tel Aviv, Israel
For further information contact
ISAS International Seminars
P.O. Box 574
Jerusalem 91004 ISRAEL
☎ 011-972-2-666156
FAX 011-972-2-666154

November 30, 1995
Anna Freud Centenary Lecture
The Role of Parents in Early Childhood
Lecture by Penelope Leach
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Medical School, Windeyer Building
46 Cleveland Street
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March 29-31, 1996
Association for Child Psychoanalysis
Annual Meeting
Mexico [location to be decided]
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July 25-28, 1996
Sixth World Congress, World Association
for Infant Mental Health
Early Intervention and Infant Research:
Evaluating Outcomes
Lahti, FINLAND
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