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NOTES FROM THE FOUNDATION

Staff Changes

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John A. Moran, Ph.D., has resigned his position as Associate Director of the Erickson Foundation to enter full-time private practice in Phoenix. He served as Associate Director for one year, and his efforts on behalf of the Foundation are appreciated.

Dr. and Mrs. Moran are expecting their first child in August, 1985. The Board of Directors and the staff of the Erickson Foundation wish the best to Dr. Moran and his family.

Barbara Bellamy, Administrative Assistant of the Foundation resigned her position to move to Texas to join her family. Ms. Bellamy has worked for the Erickson Foundation on both a part time and full time basis since early 1980.

It is difficult to express the magnitude of appreciation we have for the extraordinary contributions that Ms. Bellamy has made to the Foundation. She shall be dearly missed and our warmest wishes go with her.

Benefit Workshops

Stephen R. Lankton, M.S.W., led a four-day workshop on "A Systems Approach to Ericksonian Hypnosis and Family Therapy" at the Erickson Foundation in February, 1985. The workshop was well attended and well received. Mr. Lankton conducted this workshop as a benefit for the Erickson Foundation, and other than a modest honoraria accepted by Mr. Lankton, all proceeds went to the Foundation.

Betty Alice Erickson Elliott and Roxanna Erickson Klein sponsored a workshop in clinical hypnosis with Dr. Stephen Gilligan and Dr. Paul Carter in April, 1985 in Dallas, Texas. All profits from the workshop, which reached its capacity of 75 paid registrants, are being donated to The Milton H. Erickson Foundation. Dr. Carter and Dr. Gilligan agreed to donate a percentage of their fees to the Foundation. Additionally, all organizational efforts and incidental expenses were donated by Roxanna and Betty Alice. The Foundation will receive a complete set of Continued on Page 3

Editor's Notes

Welcome again to the newsletter. I ask any of you who have short case examples, short articles, book reviews or other material for the newsletter to send it along to me for consideration. Thanks to all of you who wrote with congratulations on my marriage. We had a wonderful honeymoon on Barbados and a "family honeymoon" in Hawaii.

A Special Thank You

The Foundation extends a special note of appreciation to J. Charles Theisen, J.D., who has been generous enough to donate numerous hours of legal consultations and support to the Foundation. We greatly appreciate this service and want to express our thanks to Mr. Theisen.

Bronze Bust of Milton H. Erickson, M.D. Donated to the Erickson Foundation

The Milton H. Erickson Foundation is the proud recipient of an outstanding bronze bust of the late Milton H. Erickson donated by Elizabeth M. Erickson. The bust is a duplicate of a terra cotta bust owned by the Erickson family.

The bust depicts Dr. Erickson in a typical pose resting his chin on his right hand and elegantly captures Erickson's focused

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The next issue of the newsletter will be expanded in size and number of copies especially for the Evolution of Psychotherapy Conference.

Business Matters: Closing date for submissions to the next Newsletter is August 1, 1985. All business and money matters, including subscriptions, should be addressed to the Foundation's offices in Phoenix.

The Evolution of Psychotherapy

December 11-15, 1985 Phoenix, Arizona

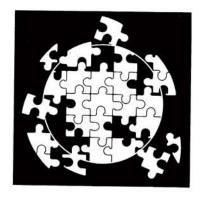
The Erickson Foundation is honored to announce that Aaron Beck and Salvador Minuchin have joined the faculty of The Evolution of Psychotherapy Conference.

Response to the Conference has been tremendous! We expect the meeting to be a sell out.

We want our Canadian, Australian and European readers to know that AIT, the official travel agent for the Conference, has contracted with several international air carriers to provide the lowest possible roundtrip air fares. Arrangements have already been made for a special group flight from Frankfurt, West Germany. If response from other countries is sufficient, AIT will endeavor to negotiate additional international contracts. For further information, contact AIT, 6900 East Camelback Road, Suite 330. Scottsdale, AZ, USA 85251, Phone 602/944-0333 (call collect), Telex number 4951101.

The second early registration deadline for both national and international registrations is being extended from July 31 to August 31, 1985. We hope this extension will enable those interested to take advantage of the registration fee discount. Join us in Phoenix for this extraordinary and historic meeting!

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Donated Bronze Bust

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intensity. He was 49 years old when the original mold was made.

Only two terra cotta busts were made from the original mold — one owned by the Erickson family and the other owned by David Cheek, M.D., a close friend of Dr. Erickson.

The artist was Charles B. Martin, a well-known Phoenix sculptor, artist and painter. Mr. Martin died several years ago.

Many months ago, Mrs. Erickson contacted the Martin family and asked them to locate the original mold and use it to cast an identical bust in bronze. Mrs. Martin and her youngest daughter, Susanne, have preserved Mr. Martin's studio, and after much effort located the mold in several segments. With the assistance of members of the artistic community in Sedona, Arizona, they were able to construct a second mold suitable for metal casting.

Two bronzes have been made from the second mold — one which Mrs. Erickson

purchased and donated to the Erickson Foundation, the other was purchased by Roxanne Erickson Klein for her collection. The mold has been retained by the Martin family and can be used in the future for additional castings.

The bust is on display at the Erickson Foundation.

Sherron S. Peters

Benefit Workshops

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video- and audiotapes of the workshop.

The Board of Directors of The Milton H. Erickson Foundation wishes to express its appreciation to Mr. Lankton, Dr. Gilligan, and Dr. Carter for their generous donation of time and energy on behalf of the Foundation. A note of special appreciation is extended to Roxanna Erickson Klein and Betty Alice Erickson Elliott for organizing and financing the Carter/Gilligan workshop, and for their continued support of The Milton H. Erickson Foundation.

DONATIONS

Since the Winter, 1985 issue of the Erickson Foundation's Newsletter, we have received \$4,036.34 in donations. We wish to express our appreciation to the following people for their support.

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Roxanna Erickson Klein, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Milton H. Erickson, became a Patron of The Milton H. Erickson Foundation in August, 1984. We are very honored to have Ms. Klein as a patron and wish to express our gratitude for her contributions and support.

The Board of Directors is extremely grateful to Ms. Shirley E. Bliss of the U.S. Foreign Service for her large donation to the Erickson Foundation. Ms. Bliss has been a long-time Patron of the Foundation and attends our Seminars and Congresses when possible.

The Patron's placque at the Erickson Foundation now reflects the names of Roxanna Erickson Klein as a new Patron and of Shirley E. Bliss as a continued Patron.

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NATIONAL

A Workshop on a Afro-Spiritist Trance Healing for Health Professionals, June 21, 1985, will be held in Miami, Florida. For further information contact M. Richeport, Ph.D., University of Miami, Dept. of Psychiatry (D-29), P.O. Box 016960, Miami, Florida 33101. Phone (305) 547-5644.

INTERNATIONAL

The Milton H. Erickson Foundation is a co-sponsor of the International Congress on Hypnosis and Family Therapy, October 16-20, 1985 in Rome, Italy. For further information contact Camillo Loriedo, M.D., Centro per la Psicoterapia della Coppia e della Famiglia, Viale Regina Margherita 37, Rome, Italy. Phone: 852006-852130.

Ongoing Training Programs

The Milton H. Erickson Institute of Chicago is presently organizing a one year training program. It will be a combination study group/training and will use participants to teach segments of the program. THERE IS NO FEE FOR THE PROGRAM, but participants must be screened before being accepted. Contact Phil Welches, Northside Clinic, 2723 N. Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60614.

Matthew Loscalzo, M.S.W., offers a course entitled "Psychobehavioral Interventions: An Integrated Psychodynamic and Behavioral Approach to Psychotherapy," which includes some Ericksonian influences. The course is offered twice a year. For more information contact Loscalzo at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (Pain Service), 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10021, (212) 794-7796.

MEDIA OF INTEREST

Three books on Erickson's work were published by Irvington in January 1985-Life Reframing in Hypnosis edited by Rossi and Ryan, The Wisdom of Milton H. Erickson by Ronald Havens and Ericksonian Hypnosis: A Handbook of Clinical Practice by Lee C. Overholser.

Henry T. Close had an article entitled "Metaphor in Pastoral Care," published in the Journal of Pastoral Care, Vol. 38, #4, December 1984, pp. 298-305.

CONTACT/EXCHANGE

Bill O'Hanlon will be in the British Isles from September 9 to September 22 (9/13-15 already booked). Anyone interested in arranging a talk, presentation, workshop or private sessions with him should contact The Therapeutic Learning Center, P.O. Box 24471, Omaha, NE 68124. Telephone number from outside U.S. (0101) 402-391-4223.

Dr. Jan Swets, M.D., psychiatrist from the Netherlands, will be in the U.S. from June 15 to mid-July, 1985. He will be speaking to numerous organizations on topics such as:

- Inegration of hypnosis with other therapies.
- 2. Use of hypnosis with psychosomatic complaints.
- Relapse prevention and motivating techniques for manic-depressive
- Language and trance: on phrasing of suggestions at symbolic level and symptom level.
- Use of hypnosis in organic pain.

Dr. Swets is on the Board of Directors of the Netherlands Society of Hypnotherapy, directs their training program and supervises trainees. He heads the outpatient department of a large psychiatric hospital in Delft. His work includes individual therapy, systems therapy for couples and families, and an adolescent unit.

Anyone interested in having Dr. Swets address their group, please contact Dr. Kay Thompson, 24 Swallow Hill Rd., Carnegie, PA 15106, (412) 279-7265.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Finnish Association of Mental Health is starting a new journal, The Finnish Journal of Family Therapy (Perhe Terapia). They are seeking papers on Ericksonian approaches and techniques, as well as other topics in family therapy. They are happy to accept papers which have previously been published in English in another journal as long as copyright questions are in order. Contact Ben Furman, M.D., Editor, Maskuntie 7 A1, 00280 Helsinki, Finland.





THE WORKSHOPS

Ernest Rossi, Ph.D. • July 13-14

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John Weakland, C.H.E. • July 16-17

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Joseph Barber, Ph.D. • July 19-20

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If you have any inquiries, or if you wish to register, please contact: Stephen H. Wolinsky, M.S., Individual Family Counseling 122 Dartmouth South East, Albuquerque New Mexico 87106 (505) 265-0607 / (505) 255-3770

REGISTRATION

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The Registration Fee is: Before June 15, \$425; after June 15, \$475; Canadians \$375 U.S. Please make checks payable to: Stephen H. Wolinsky, MS/Master Therapists Workshop. Since the workshop has a limited participation, the first preference will be given to those who desire to attend the entire workshop series. \$25 of the registration fee is a non-refundable processing fee.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Clinical Hypnosis Inc. is in the process of interviewing therapists interested in either parttime or full-time positions on our staff in the Chicago area. Applicants should be familiar with Ericksonian approaches to hypnotherapy, psychotherapy, have at least a Masters degree and have training in psychodynamic theory. Resumes should include any information regarding training in both of these orientations. In addition, a 300-500 word essay regarding professional intent and goals should be included. Forward all of the above to: Molly E. Bey, Psy.D. Candidate, Clinical Hypnosis, Inc. 1375 Remington, Suite K, Schaumburg, IL 60195.



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NEWS OF INTEREST

The San Diego Conference on Hypnotic and Strategic Interventions, organized by Dr. Michael Yapko, took place February 8-10, 1985, and was well-received. The featured speakers were Zeig, Rossi and Carter. Papers, workshops and demonstrations were also given by 17 other faculty members. Planning is already underway for the next conference in March 1986.

R. Reid Wilson, Ph.D. recently presented a 3-hour workshop on "Ericksonian Hypnosis within Phobia Treatment" at the 5th Annual

TRAINING PROGRAM AT THE FOUNDATION

A 2-Day Workshop with Bill O'Hanlon, M.S. on

BRIEF THERAPY WITH COUPLES: A Directive Ericksonian Approach

The workshop will be held at the Milton H. Erickson Foundation in Phoenix on Saturday and Sunday, August 24 and 25, 1985 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The workshop will offer a model for working with couple and marital problems using directive (non-hypnotic) Ericksonian and strategic methods.

Topics to be included: Assessment; How to avoid unproductive arguments in the session; Task assignment; Reframing; Metaphors for couples; Pattern intervention.

Attendance at the workshop will be limited to 30 participants. The registration deadline is August 5, 1985.

Regular Registration Fee: \$120.00 Student Registration Fee: \$95.00

Bill O'Hanlon is the founding editor of the Erickson Foundation's newsletter. He coauthored with James Wilk a volume entitled Shifting Contexts: The Generation of Effective Psychotherapy, (Guilford, in Press). He was the organizer of the 1983 Pre-Congress Institute, sponsored by the Erickson Foundation.

Eligibility: The workshop is open to professionals in health related fields including physicians, doctoral level psychologists and dentists who are qualified for membership in, or are members of, their respective professional organizations (e.g. AMA, APA, ADA). The program is also open to professionals with mental health related graduate degrees (e.g., MSW, MSN, MA or MS) from accredited institutions. Applications from full-time graduate students in accredited programs in the above fields will be accepted if they supply a letter certifying their student status.

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August 5, 1985. No refunds will be made after that date.

National Phobia Conference in Washington, D.C. All the proceedings of the Conference are available on audiotape. If any readers are interested in obtaining the 2-cassette set from Dr. Wilson's workshop, they may send \$18 to: Phobia Society of America, 5820 Hubbard Dr., Rockville, MD 20852.

The 11th Annual Workshops of the Southern California Society of Clinical Hypnosis included a panel discussion on Erickson's work with presentations by Carol Erickson, Ernest Rossi, Len Bergantino, John Hedenberg and T.E.A. Von Dedenroth. Tapes of the conference are available. Contact the SCSCH, 5301 Laurel Canyon Blvd., Suite 219, N. Hollywood, CA 91607.

Herb Lustig reports that he is completing a book, co-authored with one of his patients, called *Tea with Demons: A Personal Triumph*. It is expected to be published by William Morrow and Company this August.

The University of Dayton is offering advanced and practicum courses in Ericksonian approaches. The courses, "Advanced Uncommon Counseling Techniques" and "Application of Uncommon Counseling Techniques" are taught by Thomas South, M.A.

Dr. Kay Thompson was elected Secretary of the PA Dental Association in May, 1984. Also that month, she participated in the Eruopean Hypnosis Congress in Padova, Italy. Dr. Thompson has presented courses during the past year for the Utah Society of Clinical Hypnosis, Ohio State University, the University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburgh, University of West Virginia, University of Minnesota and the Italian Medical Association for the Study of Hypnosis, where she received honorary membership.



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There is a \$10.00 charge per entry on the Workshop Calendar. A brochure containing eligibility must be submitted for all workshop entries. The Erickson Foundation in no manner, shape or form endorses these workshops. The Workshop Calendar is meant only to inform our readers of available offerings.

DATE	TITLE/LOCATION/LEADER	CONTACT
5/17-18	Trance Phenomena, Ashville, NC, Wilson	1
5/17-18	Intro. Ericksonian Hypnotherapy London, Members of London Society.	
5/18-19	Ericksonian Hypnosis, Omaha, NE, O'Hanlon	2
5/24-27	Ericksonian Hypn. and Metaphor, Chicago area, Freedman/Combs	3
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BOOK REVIEWS

Keys to Solution in Brief Therapy by Steve de Shazer \$18.50, 188 pp., Norton, April 1985

Steve de Shazer's second book (following Patterns of Brief Family Therapy, 1982) is a practical guidebook to doing brief therapy that contains some innovative conceptions about how to do therapy. It is firmly grounded in the work of Erickson, family therapy and interactional therapy, but goes beyond each of these approaches to provide a new framework for doing therapy.

The book contains both general conceptions of therapy and specific techniques. There are case examples aplenty for those who like that sort of thing. The case examples at times read like well-written detective stories, as Erickson's often did, that seem delightfully simple and obvious after one learns the

There are several startling new ideas in this book. Sure to be one of the most controversial is the emphasis on "skeleton-key" interventions, i.e., general intervention techniques that can be used with a wide variety of different problems. At first blush, this seems antithetical to Erickson's individualized approach, but more careful consideration of these 'invariant prescriptions' (which Selvini Palazzola and Prata in Italy are now using as well) point out a new emphasis that is emerging from the brief/systemic approach. The emphasis is moving away from the nature of presenting problems and being focused more and more on the nature of solutions.

In fact, de Shazer told me recently that the book could be viewed as an attempt to reframe all of brief therapy as a variation on Erickson's famous 'crystal ball technique," which involves getting people to generate their own solutions to problems by focusing on the desired result of therapy. De Shazer's point here is that too much time and emphasis in the past has been put on the origin and maintenance of problems, when all that may be necessary is

to find a solution that fits the situation.

The book is short and well-written. About the only thing I didn't enjoy thoroughly was one very theoretical chapter about binds and loops that I could hardly make heads or tails of. Otherwise, I'd recommend this to you highly as one of the best clinical books I've read in years.

-Reviewed by Bill O'Hanlon

Self-Hypnosis, A Complete Manual for Health and Self-Change by Brian M. Alman with Peter T. Lambrou

The book is divided into two sections. The first section deals with learn-

ing how to do self-hypnosis.

In Section I, the authors offer first a general understanding of self-hypnosis dealing with common misconception and fears that the novice self-hypnotist might have. They contend that there are very few limitations for self-hypnosis. Curiously, they cite age regression as the one trance phenomena that is not

accessible by self-hypnosis, when this reviewer has used self-hypnosis for that very purpose. After offering suggestions about relaxation, managing distractions, imagery, and post-hypnotic cues, Alman and Lambrou describe and give examples of seven methods of self-hypnosis. These techniques are progressive relaxation; the indirect language method; the eye-fixation method; guided imagery; the direct language method; the "Milton Erickson handshake technique;" and self-hypnosis with music.

The second section of Self-Hypnosis deals with using self-hypnosis for a

wide variety of personal growth issues as well as the control of habits and physical symptoms. Growth issues cover such areas as decision making, stress management, assertiveness, fears, phobias, self-confidence and career success. The techniques for managing physical symptoms covered skin difficulties, asthma and allergies, jaw difficulties, and pain control. Habit control areas focus on smoking cessation and weight control. There were also chapters dealing with performance in sports, sex, and sleeping difficulties.

The book has a very clear writing style and there are useful summaries

at the end of the chapters.

Dr. Erickson is frequently cited in the book and there seems to be a preference for indirect, personalized techniques. Dr. Erickson's techniques with sleeping problems are somewhat misrepresented. For example, it was said that when the insomniac could not sleep he was to get up and do something he "really disliked" (p. 241). This is not exactly a self-hypnosis technique and would probably not be as effective if not arranged within an interpersonal therapeutic setting. The emphasis on the "ordeal" aspect is also unfortunate; positive tasks also can be used. Recall the story of the insomniac lawyer who had always wanted to read the classics. Dr. Erickson gave the task of reading the classics when he couldn't sleep, a task the lawyer really liked. Also, Erickson's handshake induction was not a self-hypnotic technique; in fact, it is not clear whether Erickson ever taught his patients self-hypnosis, as he mainly relied on interpersonal influence techniques, not teaching, for hypnosis and therapy.

I sometimes felt that there was an attempt to get two books into one: one for professional and teachers of self-hypnosis, and one for people who wanted to learn self-hypnosis for the first time. If I were a beginning student of selfhypnosis, I suspect that having seven choices of ways to go into trance would seem like a novice cook being told there are seven ways to scramble eggs. I would anticipate a hasty retreat from the kitchen for all but the most courageous. As someone who has been teaching patients self-hypnosis for many years, I would not be eager to hand this to my patients, but I found it useful as a reminder of the many ways to utilize this technique with my

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