



From the Chair

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Throughout the world, people are surviving a difficult economic situation even as violent conflicts rage in many regions. Nevertheless, as each year passes and a new one begins, I'm amazed at how the basic human encounter continues to be a reassurance and promise of the good, both of the moment and the potential to come.

In this newsletter, you'll read about several new developments and events and also of the passing of two beloved original proponents of person-centered ideas and initiatives.

Meanwhile, the board has sent invitational packets to many scholars and leaders in the person-centered and experiential communities in Latin America. We have also engaged in discussions about regional developments in other areas of the world historically under-represented in WAPCEPC.

We hope you'll enjoy reading this newsletter and look forward to connecting with you!

Jef Cornelius-White, Chair of WAPCEPC

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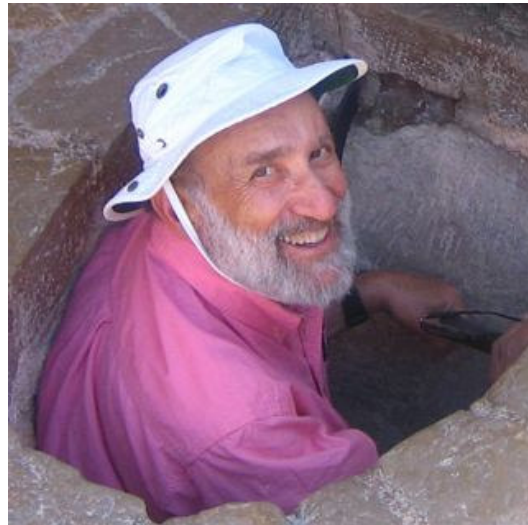
Ferdinand Van der Veen: A Reflection

Ferdinand Van der Veen died on January 7 from cancer. The diagnosis came as a result of testing done after Ferd had had a series of strokes in 2008. He was 79 years old.

Ferd and I first met at the ADPCA Conference held in Rustin, Louisiana, USA in the summer of 1999. We became fast friends. Ferd was the kind of person whom I could tell anything about myself and feel totally accepted and not judged. People like him, even in the Person Centered community, have been rare in my life.

Over the years Ferd and I became close friends and confidants. Ferd was always supportive and encouraging. He nominated me to become a member of the Center for Studies of the Person (CSP). The last time I saw him was at the December, 2008 CSP meeting in La Jolla, California. He seemed to be doing as well as could be expected.

I grew to love Ferd, with all of his little quirks and idiosyncrasies. To me, he was a rock: someone that I could always count on to be there when I needed him. So, for me, another rock has "washed" away from the banks of my life. I am down to very few rocks. I guess I have to become my own rock.



Many people will miss Ferd. I am one of them. The next time I go to a CSP meeting, to Warm Springs, to ADPCA or to PCE, it will be hard to not have him around. I will miss the long walks, talking about whatever, or just being in silence together.

Ferd's death has left a profound hole in me. Thank goodness for friends who are here to support and sustain me. But he will live on in me and the beings of many others throughout the world.

J. Wade Hannon, Ed.D.

Bühler Award for Dave Mearns and Strathclyde Counselling Unit

Congratulations to Dave Mearns and the staff of the Counselling Unit of Strathclyde University in Glasgow, Scotland. Division 32 of the American Psychological Association has announced that they are to be the recipients of the 2010 Charlotte and Karl Bühler Award.

The award is presented to an institution, and an

individual associated with the institution, that has made an outstanding and lasting contribution to humanistic psychology. This is the first time the award has been given to an institution outside of North America.

Dave Mearns will accept the award in August 2010 at the APA meeting in San Diego.

The PCE Track at the 5th World Congress for Psychotherapy, Beijing, Oct. 2008

On behalf of the WAPCEPC, Margaret Warner and Jin Wu organized the PCE track at the 5th World Congress for Psychotherapy. The track provided a set of colorful programs, including:

- Three conference-wide presentations: one "State-of-the-Art" keynote speech by Margaret Warner and two "Open Lectures" by Peter Schmid and Mick Cooper. The text of these presentations, both in English and Chinese, will be soon available on Peter Schmid's website.
- Two pre-conference workshops, one on client-centered therapy and one on focusing;
- A total of 8 symposia with 25 presentations in various aspects of the person-centered approach, such as cross-cultural issues, relationships, applications to focusing, mind-body connection, research, and severe disturbances; and
- A daily 2.5-hour encounter group in each evening throughout of the 4-day conference.

Eighteen person-centered people from ten countries (Australia, Austria, Canada, China, Germany, Japan, Swaziland, the UK, and the US) in four continents, presented at the conference, plus one person provided a video presentation due to visa problem. At the end of the conference, somebody commented, "the PCE community was well represented."

The organizing process was long and daunting. We had to make major changes 4 times after we thought we were almost done with it. Although communication difficulties did occur, we were very grateful to the conference organizers at Peking University, who were mainly a group of psychology graduate students led by the vice president of the WPC, Dr. Mingyi Qian. They really tried very hard to be open and accommodating.

Carl Rogers has been known in China for over two decades. Humanistic psychology was introduced to China in 1980s, along with other contemporary schools of psychology. When psychotherapy was



PCE track social gathering in a teahouse. From the left: Astrid, Reta, Margaret, Mick, Jin (in the back), Pat, Lucy, Tim, Doralee, Emilie.

developed into a profession in the 1980s and 1990s, more and more people became interested in the person-centered approach, for various reasons. Some liked its view of human beings, some thought it was "easier" than the tricky psychoanalytical thinking. But professional training in this area is still very limited. Chinese American psychologists Cyrus and Magdalena Lee, have been teaching humanistic and transpersonal psychology in China since the late 1990s. Cyrus had four of Rogers' books (*On Becoming a Person*; *The Carl Rogers Reader*; *Client-Centered Therapy*; *Carl Rogers on Encounter Groups*) translated into Chinese, and is working on the translation of the fifth (*A Way of Being*). Some other books about Rogers' work, such as *The Psychotherapy of Carl Rogers*, and quite a few of the books by Richard Bryant-Jeffrey, have also been translated. Also in the mid to late 1990s, psychologist Dr. Mengping Lin in Hong Kong offered in-depth person-centered training to a cohort of Ph.D. students and a cohort of Master's students. Dr.

Lin was trained by Dr. C. H. Patterson at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in the late 1980s. Now, most of Dr. Lin's students have become well-established psychologists, many university faculty members. They are in the process of organizing the humanistic wing of psychology and psychotherapy in China. During the conference, we met some of them. PCCS Books sent dozens of books with us to sell during the conference, and we donated them to this group. Jin will continue to work with them in developing person-centered training in China. The daily encounter group was one of the highlights during the conference. It turned out to be the only free event in the evenings, so over 100 people attended each session (near 200 for the first one), most of whom were Chinese. They appreciated tremendously that "the humanists", as they called us, were so generous, while other approaches only offered paid workshops in these time slots. At the beginning of each session, we, as the facilitators, were bombarded by questions on clinical issues and techniques, but before they noticed, people started shared deep feelings and thoughts, and started intending to hear each other. Jin interpreted (translated) for the group between English and Chinese.

A number of other PCE related activities also took place before, during, and after the conference. Here are some that we know of; there must have been other ones that we are not



A group photo at the end of a 3-day workshop conducted by Margaret Warner and Jin Wu. The text on the banner is "Workshop on the Person-Centered Approach".

aware of:

- Margaret and Jin conducted three workshops on client-centered therapy, one of them was for 3 days, the other two were day-long;
- Campbell Purton provided focusing training workshops in Shanghai;
- Godfrey Barrett-Lennard paid a visit to the psychology department of Peking University, and donated two of his books;
- And Jin and a few other people conducted workshops and offered lectures on LGBT issues in various places in Beijing.

Humanistic psychology is gaining momentum in China, and the interest in the person-centered approach is increasing there. We hope that the PCE people in the rest of the world will get to know their colleagues in China, and help advance the profession there.

Jin Wu & Margaret Warner

WORLD DREAMING: World Congress for Psychotherapy 2011

The next World Congress for Psychotherapy (WCP2011) will be held in Sydney, Australia from 24-28 August 2011.

Australian members of WAPCEPC have expressed interest in coordinating a PCE track.

For more information about WCP 2011: <http://www.wcp2011.org>

Letter from Moscow

Dear friends and colleagues!

I want to inform you that a group of colleagues at Moscow Municipal University of Psychology and Education (Moscow, Russia) has started to work on establishing an international 2 or 3-year post-diploma Program on Client-Centered Therapy/Person-Centered Approach (CCT/PCA).

As we see it, there exists a deep-intrinsic-accord between PCA and Russian psychological tradition. Both of them are oriented to "topmost" psychology, aiming to the person's "possible" integration, development and actualization. Russian psychology is firmly based on the principles of the cultural-historical psychology of Lev Vygotsky and the dialogic principles of the famous Russian linguist Mikhail Bakhtin. That explains the enthusiasm and acceptance of the ideas of Carl Rogers in Russia, for example in the research of dialogue and the development of the person by Adolf Harash and Larissa Petrovskaya, and the study of the development of the person in dialogue by Alexei and Dmitry Leontyev. Abundantly evident is Carl Rogers's deep influence on the efforts of the well-known Russian psychologist and Dean of our Department of Moscow Municipal University of Psychology and Education, Fyodor Vasilyuk, who has created an original approach in psychotherapy called "understanding psychotherapy". Therefore the opportunity for mutual addition, mutual stimulation and development of Russian psychology and the PCA approach is natural.

I and my colleagues believe that the coming Program will be a great step in promoting and developing PCA in Russia. I myself am deeply convinced that CCT is the best kind of psychotherapy and that PCA has a great potential for personal growth and improving the way people relate to each other. We want the following from the coming Program:

1. High quality and rigorous education in CCT/PCA, so we hope that the most qualified and experienced contemporary CCT/PCA practitioners and educators will agree to participate in the program as professors and instructors.
2. International recognition and certification from International PCA organizations.
3. A possibility to repeat and reproduce the program later by the Russian faculty.
4. Access for the students of the program to CCT/PCA texts and other materials.

We have studied a number of educational programs on counseling and psychotherapy in different universities across the world. As we see it, our Program should enable participants to learn a high degree of competence in addressing theoretical and practical tasks in CCT/PCA through the use of well-designed educational formats such as theoretical lecturing, discussions and seminars, reading and discussing the history, modern state and development of the theory and practice of CCT/PCA, training, practicum, practice, internship and supervision. We see as an important part of the design of the Program the personal growth of students, which should be facilitated by creating core conditions for personal growth and personal learning: a student-centered type of education, creating system of relationships among students and instructors which supports such growth. A system of estimation and evaluation of academic achievements coherent with PCA is planned. We also intend that students will carry out a research project on CCT/PCA and its applications and should defend a thesis at the end of the Program.

We see the participants of the Program as people with a psychological or related humanities education with a Bachelor, Specialist (a degree awarded up to now in most of Russian Universities after 5-

years education), Master's or Doctoral degree. As many of these participants will be people who already work and as many of the instructors will come from abroad, we suggest that the Program will consist of several sessions a year of active teaching/instructing, with time for homework, self-learning, practice and research conducted by students in between the sessions.

Also, we view participation of the students in the XI International PCA Forum as an important part of the Program. The Forum will be held in Russia in 2010 (for more details look at www.pca2010.org).

We face, realize and must resolve financial issues around the Program. On one hand, Moscow City University for Psychology and Education is ready to support the Program; students will pay

their fees; we intend to apply for some grants in Russia to support the program. On the other hand, we are looking for ways to get support for the Program from international grants and sponsors. Some colleagues from WAPCEPC and the international PCA community have already expressed their interest and support for our Program.

We would greatly appreciate your ideas and suggestions - on content, organization or finances - which might be useful for establishing and developing our program. You may contact us on venyak@mail.ru and venyak@gmail.com or by telephone: +7-499-7258034 and +7-926-5302541

Sincerely, Veniamin Kolpachnikov, Ph.D.

Strengthening PCE at a Regional Level

The PCE approach is widely supported in different parts of the world and in different countries and cultures. In recognition of the unique development and status of the person-centred and experiential approaches in different regions, the WA sought ways to support the activities of organisational and individual members on a regional basis. The proposal for the formation of Chapters was accepted at the General Assembly in Potsdam (2006). The WA board then considered how the idea could be implemented in practice. After consultation with members a structure for Chapters and the process of forming a chapter was put forward at the General Assembly in Norwich (2008). This proposal was accepted.

It is anticipated that the formation of regional Chapters will facilitate and promote the PCE paradigm in ways that are relevant to the needs of different regions of the world. The intention is that chapters will be of mutual benefit to the partici-



pating organisational or individual members and the WA. It is envisaged that they will stimulate the development of the PCE approach on a regional level, and that the WA as a whole, will in turn, benefit from the contribution from regional Chapters to the development of theory, research and practice across many cultures and areas of the world. The following are the by-laws that govern the formation of a chapter and can be found on the WA website.

Formation of regional chapters:

- A region is defined as a part of the world where there is a distinct tradition or current development of the PCE approaches.
- A Regional Chapter can be normally formed by a minimum of 10 organizational and/or individual members in a region. The Chapter should be representative of the variety of Organizational and/or Individual Members of the WA in its region.
- Members of Chapters will also be members of the WA. Each Member of the Chapter will pay membership dues to the WA.
- The chapter is responsible for its own finance and administration; the relationship between the WA and Chapter will be financially neutral in respect of all administrative matters.
- Arrangements may be made between a Chapter and the WA regarding the provision or sharing of specific services and resources.
- Members of the WA in a region are free to choose whether they want to be a member of the Regional Chapter.
- A Chapter is autonomous in its decisions and free in defining its regulations as long as they are in line with the Principles, Statutes and Bylaws of the Association. The Chapter maintains its own procedures for admissions to its membership and continues to have responsibility for the organization of their meetings and events.
- The Chapter will agree to report annually to the WA board on their activities and will inform the WA membership through regular contributions to the WA newsletter.
- To form a Regional Chapter, a proposal must

be made to the WA Board. The proposal statement includes:

The names of the founding members

The name of the Chapter

Its goals, including plans for the development of PCE approaches in its region

The structure of its (organisational and/or individual) membership

How its formation could benefit the WA and how the WA could support the Chapter

The terms of the relationship between Chapter and WA, practical arrangements, rights and mutual responsibilities will be agreed in negotiation, taking into account specific factors related to the Chapter's regional and economic context.

- The board will consult with organisational and individual members in the region.
- The dissolution of a Chapter can be done by the members of a Chapter, in accordance with its regulations, or by the GA of the WAPCEPC if a Chapter violates the Principles of the Association or its agreements with the WA.
- In exceptional circumstances, the WA may suspend a chapter until the next GA

It is realised that the formation of a chapter may not be the way forward for some organisations and/or individuals and the board is always very happy to discuss any alternative ideas of cooperation. However we think that this could be a very useful development for a number of areas and people. If you would like to consider forming a Chapter, please contact Sheila Haugh, sheila.haugh@pce-world.org .

Sheila Haugh, Secretary of WAPCEPC

OUR OWN IOULIOS IOSSIFIDES

He had his 80th birthday on Good Friday. On the 18th of July he left us. Michalis said that he was gone without getting old. Full of dreams, plans, ebullience of youth, activity, discretion, humor. He left peacefully, in the arms of his beloved Polly, without suffering, just the way he wanted to. And he left us behind, trying to digest his loss and decide what to do from now on, without him.

He was born in Salonika, studied there Medicine and then went to the States for his Ph.D. He was about to return to Greece, but the overthrow of the democratic regime and the establishment of the military Junta deterred him. He stayed in the States as a University Professor and at the same time he was actively involved in the struggle against the Greek dictatorship, working together with well-known politicians like Andreas Papandreou, Melina Merkouri, Carolos Papoulias and others. After the overthrow of the Junta he returned to Greece, taking the place of Professor Emeritus in the Medical School of the University of Athens. He was married more than 50 years to Polly Iossifides, his valuable friend and companion since their youth, and the two of them shared ideals and struggles, walking together a difficult road without ever losing their joy of life. Together they had a daughter, Marina.

When they returned to Greece, Polly, working till then as a systemic psychologist, encountered Person-Centered Approach and fell for it. She was trained as a person-centered therapist and trainer by the late Chuck Devonshire (Rogers' close associate) and then she initiated Ioulios to the PC Approach. Together they established the Training Center for the Person-Centered Approach (called ICPS now). Both of them were amongst the prime movers of Counselling in Greece and Ioulios was



also President of the European Association of Counselling (EAC). These last years, Ioulios was fully dedicated to the Centre and the cause of Counselling in Greece. He trained a lot of us in the Person-Centered Counselling and Supervision and influenced everyone deeply and in a unique way.

For me, Ioulios was a person of substance, not one of superficiality, true and beautiful inside and out. An eternal student. Generous, full from life and full of life. I always felt that he enjoyed living immensely. He was one of the few people that I was not afraid to confront; a conflict with him had no side effects and no debits. And at the same time, I was not afraid to be vulnerable with him, to accept my mistakes, my flaws and my fears. He also helped me to be more true to myself, more congruent. He made me want to live and grow like him. He trusted and supported me. I can still see him with his snow-white hair and

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beard (just like Santa) and a mischievous, childish look, a half-hidden smile at the edge of his lips, ready to tease us and then start his next adventure; ready to write finally that book on psychophysiology; to organize a world conference; to run a new programme; to share his knowledge and experiences with everyone interested; to inspire... and I am filled with love and hope but I also have a lump in my throat, my eyes

are blurred because I miss him, and I will miss him even though I carry him in my heart. How lucky was I to know you.

Have a nice faring and farewell until we meet again our beloved Ioulios.

Ruby Vasilopoulou, Person-Centered Psychotherapist, Associate of ICPS

Friday night, 17th July 2008

He was dressed in white and he was very happy, full of dreams and plans for the future. We had just returned from Norwich where we had attended the International Conference in Person-Centered Counseling. And on the 18th July he was gone, suddenly, from our lives.

I met Ioulios in the autumn of 1994 when I attended a group on personal development at KEPP (Training Center in Person-Centered Counseling). In all the years that followed I traveled alongside Ioulios as we made our way, step by step, through memorable three year person-centered counselor training programs—the 3rd group, the 5th group, the 7th group, the 9th group. And each step on this voyage was an experience; each step was knowledge gained, and each group contained within it its Pythagorean significance.

My first step was taken in 1996 in the 3rd group where I trained to become a PC counselor. My next step was in 1999 with the 5th group where I trained as a facilitator, a passage quickly followed by my sojourn with the 7th group in 2001. This most precious voyage peaked in 2003 with the 9th group and finally now in the 13th group. Throughout, Ioulios was at my side, most trusted teacher and supervisor, not only in the training groups but also in supervision and in the staff meetings and gatherings. We have had memorable moments together,

moments I want to honor, one by one, so that they won't be forgotten. This is what makes experiences so unique, for the emotions lived and remembered of an experience are written indelibly onto our hearts but the significance of the experience is so often inexplicable to those who have not lived it.

How can I make it intelligible then to you? Those of you who have not experienced these moments with Ioulios? How can I give you to understand? Recently, I taught in the newly established Department of Psychology at KEPP-ICPS. Here Ioulios taught a class in Neurophysiology. And even in this most academic of classes his unflinching interest and enthusiasm not only affected the students but the staff as well. His was of the belief that the understanding of one's soul and spirit could come through an understanding of the body and more significantly for him through an exploration of the functions of our brain and mind.

But maybe the best expression of who Ioulios was is best reflected in his undying faith in the possibility of the evolution, development, and transformation of all persons. With diligence, care, and persistence he explored the deepest needs and discovered unforeseen talents, gifts and abilities; with untainted empathy he brought to light concealed desires and secret aspirations; with his acceptance and personal truth he elicited deeply

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truthful confessions. And this because he gave people the right or rather allowed them to take the responsibility for themselves to share their experiences no matter how frightening those experiences might be. Thus, if there is indeed a person who could be said to approach and mirror with the utmost precision the multiple images configured by Carl Rogers in order to describe the "fully functioning person", then this person might have been Ioulios Iossifides, with his complex, multifaceted and yet simultaneously so cohesive personality.

A paternal figure and a noble man as well, he combined his medical identity with a particular intimacy and a public presence. His warm embrace was always there, available and comforting. Those arms spread wide, at times like powerful wings offering protection, at times wings to teach you how to fly. Should someone ever claim that Ioulios was a quiet man it would be a deep betrayal of his existence. For he was cosmopolitan man, a bon viveur who loved life and life's journeys. People's lands, both pragmatic and symbolic, were all familiar to him, as if he

had always known them. As if he had knowledge of the world and its ways though he claimed otherwise. He claimed that he knew nothing, that others had much to teach him. As Socrates said: "it appeared to me that those who are most famous for their wisdom were almost totally ignorant, whereas the others who were considered less wise were more prudent" (Plato, Apologia of Socrates, 22.5e).

Despite (or maybe because of) his genuine Hellenic personality, he was an ambassador of difference, of the 'other', a democratic aristocrat, subversive and thus unexpectedly "therapeutic" to the ones who were fortunate enough to have known him. And so it was until that day when he flew off, lightly, swiftly, leaving behind many people who had been moved by his words and deeds. So fulfilled in words and deeds himself, as every genuine noble man is.

Maria Kefalopoulou

PCA Counsellor and TCPA-ICPS Associate

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PERSON CENTRED COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY

"Person-Centred Counselling and Psychotherapy Today: Evolution and Challenges"

Athens, 24th-28th June 2009

The International Conference on Person-Centred Counselling and Psychotherapy is organized by the Institute of Counselling and Psychological Studies (ICPS). The Conference is dedicated to the memory of Ioulios Iossifides, Professor Emeritus of Athens University, Pathologist, Counselor and Psychotherapist, who did not only envisage it but, more importantly, inspired and challenged throughout his lifetime many students and colleagues to keep learning, exploring, sharing.

The Conference aims at reflecting pertinent concerns about the evolution of Person Centred Approach and its applications. Main contributors, at the present, are among others: **Arthur Bohart, Jerold Bozarth, Ned Gaylin, Elke Lambers, Dave Mearns, Peter Schmid, Paul Wilkins, Sofia Balamoutsou, Alexandros Kosmopoulos, Andreas Brouzos.**

For more information: <http://www.pcaconf2009.gr>

2009 Events & Conferences

9th Annual Congress of the Associação Portuguesa de Psicoterapia Centrada na Pessoa e de Counselling (Portuguese Association for Person-Centred Counselling and Psychotherapy) APPCPC (P)

Date: February, 27 - 28, 2009

Place: Lisbon, Universidade Autónoma de Lisboa

Info/contact: www.appcpc.com; Tito Laneiro: jornadas@appcpc.com

Conference: Person Centred Therapy - old wine in new bottles (P)

Date: March, 13, 2009

Place: Lisbon, Universidade Autónoma de Lisboa

Contact: Ana Ribeiro: anacunharibeiro@yahoo.com

The 23rd Annual Warm Springs Workshop

Date: March 25 - 29, 2009

Place: Warm Springs, Georgia, USA

Info/contact: bozarthj@bellsouth.net; +01 (706) 5409136
- Jerold Bozarth

I Forum 'Mineiro' of the Person-Centred Approach (Mineiro = from the state of Minas Gerais) - Brazil

Date: April 17 - 21, 2009

Place: Santa Lucia, Minas Gerais, Brasil

Info/contact: www.grumpsih.hpg.com.br;
brunomcury@yahoo.com.br - Bruno Cury;
julianalopes.psi@hotmail.com - Juliana Lópes

La Jolla Program UK 2009 - Person-Centred Self-Discovery and Personal Growth (E)

Date: April, 19 - 26, 2009

Place: St. Rita's Centre, Honiton, Devon

Contact: lajollaprogram@hotmail.co.uk

International Symposium on the occasion of the Carl Rogers Award 2009 of the American Psychological Association (APA) for Peter F. Schmid (G/E)

Person and Dialogue - Continuity and Change in the PCA

Date: May, 8 - 9, 2009

Place: Vienna

Info: www.ips-online.at

Annual Conference of the Vereniging voor Clientgerichte Psychotherapie (VCGP) (D)

Date: May 8th 2009

Place: Antropia in Driebergen

Contact/information: vcgp@ision.nl

Psychotherapy and Politics: Realising the Potential University of Strathclyde Glasgow (E)

Date: May, 8 - 9th, 2009

Place: Pearce Institute, Glasgow

Info/contact: www.strathclydecounselling.com;
e.mclean@strath.ac.uk

The 21st International Focusing Conference (E)

Date: May, 12 - 16, 2009

Place: Japan

Info: www.focusing.org

29th Austria Programm (G/E)

International Person-centered Workshop

Date: June, 10 - 17, 2009

Place: Schloss Großrußbach (Lower Austria)

Info/contact: www.personzentriert.at; office@pfs-online.at

9. Fortbildungstage der „Gesellschaft für wissenschaftliche Gesprächspsychotherapie (GwG)“ (G)

Date: June, 20 - 21, 2009

Place: Mainz, Germany

Contact: akademie@gwg-ev.org

International conference of Person-centered counseling and psychotherapy (organized by Institute of Counseling and Psychological Studies - ICPS Hellas) (E)

"Person-Centered Counseling and Psychotherapy Today: Evolution and Challenges"

Date: June, 24 - 28, 2009

Place: Athens

Contact: pcaconf2009@icps.edu.gr Tel.

(+30)210.64.56.565

Cross Cultural Communication Workshop (E)

25th Reunion - Carl Rogers in Hungary

Date: July, 6 - 12, 2009

Place: Szeged, Hungary

Info/contact: www.rogers2009.hu; sandor.klein@shl.hu

24th Annual ADPCA Conference - Association for the Development of the Person-Centered Approach (E)

Older and Growing

Date: July, 17 - 21, 2009

Place: Kutztown University, Pennsylvania

Info/contact: www.adpca.org/events;

kwil674@kutztown.edu

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2009 Events & Conferences

28. Internationale Focusing-Sommerschule (DAF - Dt. Ausbildungsinstitut für Focusing) (G)

Date: July, 27 - August, 6, 2009

Place: Humboldt-Haus Achberg bei Lindau am Bodensee

Info/contact: www.daf-focusing.de; info@focusing-daf.de

Focusing-Wochen Achberg 2009 (G)

Date: August, 7 - 16, 2009

Place: Humboldt-Haus Achberg bei Lindau am Bodensee

Info/contact: www.focusing-netzwerk.de bzw.

gfk@bluewin.ch

4th Annual Focusing Institute Summer School - FISS 2009 (E)

Date: August, 21 - 27, 2009

Place: Garrison Institute in Garrison, New York

Info: www.focusing.org

28th Annual Conference of the Japanese Association of Humanistic Psychology

Date: 28th–30th August 2009

Place: Hosei University (Tama Campus), Japan

Info: jhp2009@jcom.home.ne.jp

II 'Paulista' Conference of the Person-Centred Approach (Paulista = from the state of São Paulo) - Brazil

Date: August 2009

Info/contact: www.apacp.org.br; contato@apacp.org

20 years of the British Association for the Person-Centred Approach (BAPCA) (E)

Changes in Consciousness: The Person-Centred Approach and a World in Transition

Date: September, 10 - 13, 2009

Place: Reading University, UK

Contact: di@bapca.co.uk

II Ibero-American Focusing Encounter

Date: September 30th - October 4th, 2009

Place: Chile

Info/contact: edgardofot@gmail.com - Edgardo Riveros

3. Stuttgarter Kinder- und Jugendtherapie- Tagung

Internationale Methoden und personzentrierte

Behandlungskonzepte (G)

Date: 10 October 2009

Place: Stuttgart, Germany

Info: www.personzentriert.eu

VIII Brazilian Forum of the Person-Centered Approach

Date: October 11 - 17, 2009

Place: Florianópolis, Brazil

Info/contact: www.forumbrasileiroacp.com.br;

secretaria@forumbrasileiroacp.com.br

The Person-Centered Experience (G/E) Encounter Group (in the Tradition of the La Jolla Program)

Date: October, 23 - 30, 2009

Place: Schloss Zeillern (Lower Austria)

Info/contact: www.forum-apg.at; buer@apg-forum.at

Encounter Group (P)

Date: November, 4 - 7, 2009

Place: Lisboa

Info/contact: Rute Brites and Mónica Pires:

www.appcpc.com; workshop@appcpc.com

Symposium - 30th Anniversary of Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Gesprächstherapie und Personzentrierte Beratung (SGGT) (G)

Date: November, 7, 2009

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Person-Centered and Experiential Psychotherapies

Journal of the World Association for Person Centered and Experiential Psychotherapy and Counseling

Editors: Peter F. Schmid, Austria, Bill Stiles, USA, Jeanne Watson, Canada

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Person-Centered and Experiential Psychotherapies, the journal of the World Association, has recently published Issue 7.4 and Issue 8.1 is currently in press. We continue to expand the international reach of the journal with submissions from colleagues from North America, Europe, South America, United Kingdom, and Japan. Currently we have a healthy publication queue as the number of submissions continues to grow. We have two special issues in preparation, one on psychotherapy with children and the other on focusing oriented psychotherapy.

A review of the papers that we have received and published shows that we are covering special topics (our most recent one was on couples and families), as well as commentaries, theoretical papers, keynote papers and book reviews. In addition to these numerous excellent submissions we would like to encourage empirical papers. These might include quantitative and qualitative research studies, as well as case studies that attempt to test our theories and help to illuminate our ways of working. We also continue to encourage more submissions from our female membership.

We are sad to see Dave Mearns retire as one of the co-editors of the journal. Dave has made an enormous contribution to the running of the journal, managing production deadlines, providing extensive editorial support to authors, encouraging contributions and providing leadership and leaves the journal in its current healthy, vibrant state.

We will miss his vision, nudging, and tireless efforts to maintain and develop the journal, and wish him all the best in his next endeavors which will no doubt receive the same energy and attention to detail as the journal has during his tenure. We are currently in the process of nominating his successor.

We continue to work towards making the journal available to our readership on-line with the ongoing support and hard work of Pete Sanders, our publisher, and Mike Bailey, our web-master. We anticipate that this project will be completed very soon. Concurrently we have linked with EBSCO to make the journal more easily available to academics in educational institutions. We still require institutions to purchase the package that includes our journal, so we urge our academic membership to encourage their libraries to subscribe to the package to enhance our profile among academics and students which would do much to disseminate our ideas, increase our membership, and insure the longevity of the journal. Robert Elliott, in his role as Editor Emeritus, continues to make important contributions to the development of the journal with his efforts to have the journal included in the Social Sciences Citation index. This would represent an important milestone for the journal and help to elevate its profile and that of its authors among academics and in educational institutions.

We would like to welcome new members to the Editorial Board and to thank all the members of the

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Editorial Board for their continued support in reviewing papers. Their efforts are highly valued and are vital to the ongoing development and maintenance of the journal.

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2010 Events and Conferences

3. Internationale Fachtagung für klienten-/ personenzentrierte Kinder- und Jugendlichenpsychotherapie (organisiert von Forum/APG, IPS/APG, ÖGWG und VRP) (G)
Theme: Die Erlebnis- und Erfahrungswelt unserer Kinder

Time: April, 24 - 25, 2010

Place: Kardinal König Haus, Vienna

Info/contact: www.kindertherapietagungWIEN.at;
chr.wakolbinger@chello.at

XI. International Forum on the Person-Centered Approach (E)

Time: May, 2 - 9, 2010

Place: Russia

Info/contact: www.pca2010.org

9th PCE Conference (E)

Theme: Empowerment: The Politics of the Helping Relationship

Time: June, 30 - July, 4, 2010

Place: Venice

Info/contact: www.pce-world.org; pce2010@iacp.it

III Forum 'Paulista' of the Person-Centred Approach (Paulista = from the state of São Paulo) - Brazil

Time: July 7 - 11, 2010

Place: São Paulo, Brazil

Info/Contact: www.apacp.org; contato@apacp.org

XV Latin-America Encounter of the Person-Centered Approach

Time: October 9 - 16, 2010

Place: Ouro Preto, Brazil

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Please write to Susan Cornforth with news, comments, suggestions for the future newsletters and information about people, projects and events. Send it to newsletter@pce-world.org

The deadline for contributions to the next issue of the newsletter is 20 May 2009.