

IN BRIEF

Coming Events, Jottings and Announcements

The Second International Conference on Social Work in Health and Mental Health will be held 12–15 January, 1998 at the World Congress Centre, Melbourne. The closing date for onsite registration fee, December, 1997. Enquiries: c/- ICMS Pty Ltd, 84 Queensbridge Street, Southbank Vic 3006. Phone: +61 3 9682 0244; fax: +61 3 9682 0288; email: 2icsw.98@icms.com.au

Weisen der Welterzeugung: Die Wirklichkeit des Konstruktivismus II [Ways of Worldmaking: The Reality of Constructivism II]. International Congress, 30 April–3 May, 1998, Stadthalle, Heidelberg. The aim is to deepen and widen the interdisciplinary discourse which began in 1992 with the first congress at Heidelberg. Kongress sekretariat: Birgit Vey, Kussmaulstrasse 10, 69120 Heidelberg. Ph 0 62 21–40 64 15; fax 0 62 21–40 64 22; email: konstrukt@heidelberg-gruppe.com

The International Family Therapy Association (IFTA) in cooperation with DFS* Dachverband für systemisches Arbeiten and Hakon Oen (Congress Coordinator), Schonwalder Institute for Family Therapy announce the Xth World Family Congress, May 15–20, 1998, in Dusseldorf, Germany: *Calling all Systemic-Thinking Psychotherapists: Our Next Clients are our Societies*. Congress Office: Am Kleckers 31, 47839 Krefeld, Germany. Phone: +49 2151 973234; fax: +49 2151 973235; email: 101752.1037@compuserve.com

Maurizio Andolfi Workshops in Australia August–September, 1998. Andolfi, internationally known family therapist-teacher will be conducting workshops in various Australian cities. Enquiries to Aldo Gurgone, William Street Family Therapy Centre, 544 William St, Mt Lawley, Western Australia, 6050 Tel: + 61 8 9227 8038, Fax: +61 8 9227 8938, email: gurgone@opera.iinet.net.au

Vibrant Family Therapy Conference in Brisbane: *Strands in The Web: The Individual in Context*, 23–26 September 1998, taking advantage of Queensland's subtropical climate. Bring your togs, your ideas, your sense of humour ... Great News! Deborah Leupnitz, renowned family therapist and author of *The Family Interpreted*, has enthusiastically agreed to present! Paul Gibney and Andrew Samuels will also present plenaries. Some of you will remember the creative, warm and relaxed atmosphere of the 1991 conference in Queensland.

Farewell and Thanks to South Australian Assessor, Diana Gilbert. Max Cornwell paid tribute to Diana in *ANZJFT* 17,3, at the end of her long stint as state correspondent. Resigning her role as assessor, Diana writes that she has 'very much enjoyed her twelve year stint with the *Journal* and the wide range of manuscripts ... reviewed in that time. The introduction of the ... system [whereby the editor circulated to both assessors a copy of the other's report] was excellent' in providing feedback.

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'Don't put your manuscripts on the Internet at any stage, whether it's a draft, has been submitted, is in press, or has already been published.' This (according to a Letter to the Editor by Lewis R. Goldberg in *The APA Monitor*, 28, 4, (April, 1997): 6, is the 'interim policy' for psychologists decided upon by the Publications and Communications Board of the American Psychological Association. The fear behind the injunction is that of 'giving psychology away'. 'What a short-sighted policy!' says Goldberg, 'Such a policy provides no vision of the role APA might play to bring academic publishing into the information age.'

Calling cartoonists! Brian Cade will be contributing cartoons to the *ANZJFT* as the muse inspires him. Cartoons have always enjoyed a very appreciative audience. Brian is happy to hear from interested people who would like to submit cartoons for the *Journal*. (No, we can't pay you!) Contact him at PO Box 386, Eastwood 2122 Ph +61 2 9868 2606; fax +61 2 9876 6068; email: bcade@netspace.net.au

Third National Parenting Conference: Parenting in the '90s and Beyond; 'Difficult Issues Facing Parents in Today's Society', 19–20 February, 1998. *Venue* University of Melbourne, Copland Theatre (Economics and Commerce Building), Parkville. Hosted by Parenting Adolescents Australia. *Contact* The Conference Secretary, Parenting Adolescents Australia, PO Box 1141, Collingwood 3066. Ph. +61 3 9415 8700; Fax +61 3 9415 7733.