

IN BRIEF

Coming Events, Jottings and Announcements

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

Third International Academy of Family Psychology Conference, University of Georgia, Athens, August 6–7, 1998. For further information contact Andrew Horne, Conference Chair, College of Education, The University of Georgia, 402 Aderhold Hall, Athens, GA 30602–7142.

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, 23–26 September 1998, (post conference workshops 28–29 Sept) taking advantage of Queensland's subtropical climate. The theme: *Strands in the Web: The Individual in Context*. 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.

The 1998 Anita Morawetz Scholarship was awarded to Anglicare (Greythorn) for a project on 'Adolescent Violence: Examining the Effectiveness of Groupwork with Mothers'. Congratulations to the research team!

Australian Institute of Family Studies web site at <http://www.aifs.org.au> features an extensive list of forthcoming national and international conferences in the area of family studies, details of AIFS publications, and links to many resources, developed in conjunction with the International Year of the Family in 1994.

The Oz Child Information Service (PO Box 7020,

Dandenong Victoria, 3175, Ph. +61 3 9792 1301) has a large holding of journals and books relating to family therapy, which readers of this journal could find useful! Contact Susan Pitman, Manager, Information and Research Unit, Oz Child.

Thanks to Susie Costello for her ten year stint as an assessor. She was first listed as an assessor in March 1988. We look forward to the time when Susie will have written up her thesis and can share some of it with us!

Malise Arnstein has been approached by Rosalia Bikel of *Sistemas Familiares* (Argentina) for permission to translate into Spanish Malise's article in 17, 4: 'Marital Therapy, EMDR, Herman's Model of Recovery from Trauma: The Journey of One Woman and her Family'. Congratulations to Malise!

Williams Road Family Therapy Centre has been an influential centre of training and therapy since being founded by Moshe Lang in 1979. Since August 1997, Brian Stagoll, Co-director of Williams Road, has been in solo practice, after 16 years at Williams Road. It is rumoured he is seeking a quieter life closer to home. Brian is now at 579A Brunswick Street North Fitzroy, 3068; phone: +61 3 9489 4188; Fax: +61 3 9486 1388; email: bstagoll@vicnet.net.au. Moshe is keeping the flag flying at Williams Road, and has a new Co-director, Sophie Holmes. We wish all success in their new ventures.

Calling all youth workers and school guidance officers! The editors hope to put together themed issues that feature successful systemic work in these settings. If you think you and your colleagues have anything to share with a wider audience, it's time we heard from you!

Thanks to Kerrie James, stepping down as Associate Editor from the end of 1997. Kerrie's name first appeared as Associate Editor on your Inside Front Cover in September 1993. The *Journal* was fortunate to have as Associate Editor someone of Kerrie's unquestioned authority in the field. She was a consistent source of moral support and sound critical judgment on difficult editorial decisions.

Thanks also to Laurie MacKinnon. She and Kerrie James took over the role of Education Update Coordinators in time for the September issue in 1996 and resigned at the end of 1997. Kerrie and Laurie had visions of a series of articles in Education Update on intergenerational perspectives. It is the Editors' hope that these visions can be made reality.