

Letter from the president

Dr Allan Shafer

The International Psychoanalytical Association celebrates in 2010 the 100th anniversary of its founding. The Australian Psychoanalytical Society - a component society of the International Psychoanalytical Association - is celebrating this notable occasion with various events around the region. In Perth, in collaboration with APPWA, there will be a one-day seminar:

Observing the Unconscious: Freud's Great Insight and Some Contemporary Developments presented by Dr John McClean, chaired by Maria Teresa Hooke and with a panel comprising John Maclean, Carmel Cairney and myself, on **Saturday May 8th 2010** 10.00am - 3.00pm.

This is an important occasion in its own right and APPWA is delighted to have formed a collaborative relationship with APAS, and one that we hope will herald future visits from psychoanalysts from the eastern states. This is a further step in the rapidly increasing interest in psychoanalytic work. Bolstered by a growing body of scientific research psychoanalysis is, I believe, poised to make a re-entry into the world psychotherapeutic arena.

I heard it said recently that APPWA has closed doors. As psychoanalytic approaches make a renewed entry I want to emphasize that this view of APPWA is not accurate. In addition to offering our thinking and our work to the general professional community via our various programmes such as Introductory Courses, Infant Observation seminars; our intensive training programme and public seminars by members and visitors, APPWA is open to membership at two levels provided some core professional requirements are met. In order to sustain and evolve the highest possible standards of the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Association of Australasia; of APPWA itself; and to achieve the recognition of organizations such as the Australian Psychoanalytical Society, APPWA continues to insist on but also to debate and re-examine the criteria for full clinical and associate membership.

Membership of organizations like the PPAA not only ensure high standards of professional and ethical practice but also provide clinical members with challenging and stimulating national collegial input and discussion. In 2010 APPWA members will attend the annual PPAA conference in Queenstown, New Zealand, hosted by the NZIPP, in mutual exploration of the theme "A Basket of Dreams" – a theme drawn from the iconic sculpture "The Basket" atop a Queenstown hill. I hope that APPWA's own basket of dreams will be understood by the Perth professional community to be a bountiful and containing one in 2010.

Allan Shafer

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CONTINUING LEARNING EVENTS 2010

Lai Meng Yap
Chair, Continuing Learning Committee

MAY: *Observing the Unconscious: Freud's Great Insight and Some Contemporary Developments.*

In association with APPWA, *The Australian Psychoanalytical Society*, as part of the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Foundation of the *International Psychoanalytical Association*, will present a one-day meeting in Perth on Saturday May 8th, 2010.

Dr John McClean, Deputy President, will talk on recent developments in psychoanalytic theory and technique, and the talk will be chaired by Ms Maria Teresa Hooke, immediate Past President. There will be a panel discussion after lunch with Dr McClean and APPWA clinical members, Dr Allan Shafer (APPWA President) and Ms Carmel Cairney (APPWA Training Committee).

Please see the APAS notice for this event on page 3.

JULY: *"Infected minds to their deaf pillows will discharge their secrets."* (Macbeth). How we dream what we should not know and how we speak what we have known.

On the 27th of July, Dr Allan Shafer will present a paper entitled "*Infected minds to their deaf pillows will discharge their secrets.*" (*Macbeth*). How we dream what we should not know and how we speak what we have known.

The venue will be at St John of God, Conference Centre, with a registration at 7pm. We will organize a flyer for this as soon as possible.

AUGUST: *The Never Ending Story- Working with Disturbed Adolescents*

Ros Webb will present a workshop on the 27th of August, entitled *The Never Ending Story- Working with Disturbed Adolescents*. The presentation will focus around a case presentation and a film. Ros is a Child Adolescent and Adult Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist and Clinical Psychologist. She has worked within public, private and community settings over the last 30 years. She was also the President of the Victorian Child Psychotherapists Association from 1997 to 2002.

The venue will be at the MacDonald Lecture Theatre at PMH. Details will be posted on the web-site.

SEPTEMBER: *Retirement*

On September 4th, Carol Bolton will present her paper on *Retirement*. This is a restricted presentation for APPWA members only.

NOVEMBER: *The Psychology of the Person*

The CL committee is currently organizing for Neville Symington to present a 2 day lecture series on *The Psychology of the Person* in November.

Further details about APPWA's 2010 PD events will be posted on the website as they become available.



THE AUSTRALIAN PSYCHOANALYTICAL SOCIETY

A Component Society of the International Psychoanalytical Association

in conjunction with



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Venue : St John of God Conference Centre, Subiaco

Date: 8th May 2010

Time: 10 am – 3pm

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**Fully
subscribed**

INFANT OBSERVATION COURSE 2010-2011

with Carol Bolton

**Please note that this course is now full and
no further applications can be accepted.**

TRAINING PROGRAMME IN PSYCHOANALYTIC PSYCHOTHERAPY

(commencing February 2011)

ADULT PSYCHOTHERAPY STREAM

&

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHOTHERAPY STREAM

The next intake will begin with group supervision commencing in September 2010, followed by the formal commencement of the training in February 2011.

Closing date: 14th May 2010

Questions or requests for the prospectus can be addressed to:

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In the process of finding my feet as APPWA's newsletter editor, it has become evident that we need two different types of publications at this time. These include a couple of longer magazine-style newsletters ("e-zines") per annum (as in editions nos.1 and 2) and a few additional short newsletters dedicated to training and PD information. This newsletter (no.3) is designed to provide the latter. I hope you will enjoy reading about APPWA's current and future activities and perhaps find an event you are interested in attending.

The editor,
Wendy-Lynne

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