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James Hillman Re-Visioning Psychology Accepts award from the Center and addresses issues of identity

It was a special night for the Center when James Hillman received its Eighth Annual Recognition Award for "intellectual courage and imagination: providing a lifetime of leadership in the field of psychology and social change." In the soulful atmosphere of the Native American Hall at Harvard's Peabody Museum, a capacity audience of Center members and friends gathered to celebrate, pay tribute to, and consider the provocative thinking of a man who has, to paraphrase one of his books, re-visioned modern psychology.

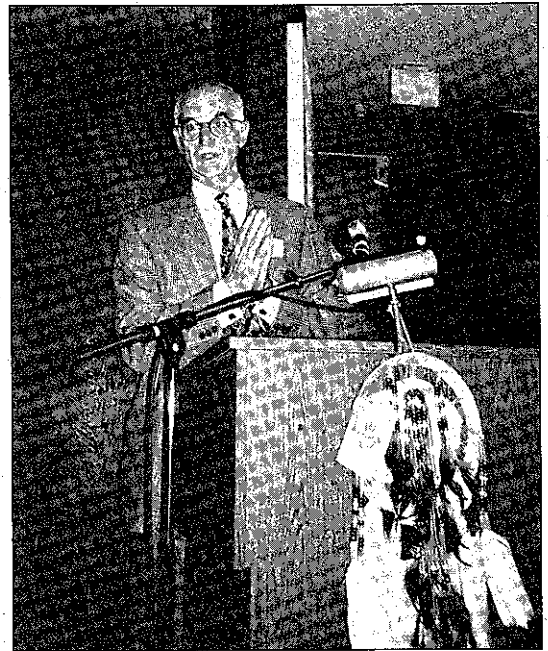
Following a warm introduction by Center founder John Mack, Hillman prefaced his talk with a bit of controversy, stating that he had forsaken the advertised title of the evening, *What Has Happened to Beauty?* in favor of a presentation that he had prepared especially for the event. In his usual witty style, he apologized to those in the audience expecting him to speak on beauty—for "causing one more abandonment in your lives."

What is it we rely on individually, when all else has been taken from us?

After a bit of personal history and reflection about his life in Zurich and his studies with Carl Jung, Hillman focused his presentation on raising "some severe doubts about the individualistic ontology that remains the silent faith of psychotherapy." What is it we rely on individually, when all else has been taken from us? On what strength do we call during our most intense life struggles? Do the tenets of individualism—based as they are in classical psychology—still hold true for us today? Or, perhaps, as he posits, the psychological model of individuality/individualism/individuation has led us to isolation, fragmentation, and loss of purpose, for individuals and society as a whole.

Hillman explained further by using a case study to illustrate his ideas: "The case derives from the pathology of culture rather than from the pathology of the individual, in order to pointedly free psychopathology from its enclosure in the individual self... If we of this Society seek ways to connect psychotherapy with social change... to release depth psychology from its confines in human personality and return to a study of soul... we must also draw our cases from pathologies in the culture—as does John Mack by the investigation of [the] alien phenomenon."

Hillman presented the case of a Chinese dissident, Mr. Liu Qing, who served eleven years in Weinan No. 2 prison in



Shaanxi Province. During this time Mr. Liu was forced to sit on a stool, eight inches high, without moving for ten hours a day. If he moved or talked to the prisoners watching him, he was beaten. To end his suffering and "assure a successful future" he needed only to sign a statement, without naming anyone, saying that he had "made some mistakes in his thinking." Against all odds, Mr. Liu refused to sign the confession. Hillman pointedly asked, "On what did Mr. Liu rely? What kept him from signing the paper?"

The classical Freudian response would cite Mr. Liu's reliance on the superego, the internalized parental authorities that set the standards for his conscience. The Jungian response would give credit to the "still small voice inside the Self" as that which helped Mr. Liu to withstand punishments and kept him from signing a false confession.

Hillman, on the other hand, suggested a completely different response to this question. Over and over, Mr. Liu had imagined his jailers coming into his cell, putting the paper before him, and asking him to sign; as he contemplated the possibility of signing, he saw before him the faces of his family and friends, and knew that he could not sign. "This suggests that imagination can be a force, even a moral force, because it provided a community of beings who would not permit his betrayal of them," stated Hillman. These imaginal

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Musings* from Terry Hunt

The sense of the sacred and the capacity for awe are trademarks of the human spirit. Finding the reverence for life in other species is always a remarkable event. In *The Tangled Wing: Biological Constraints on the Human Spirit*, Melvin Konner describes wild chimpanzees who gaze with awe at a waterfall. He compares this to astronauts' expressions when they first view the Earth from outer space.



People who have integrity and respect for others also have this sense of wonder about the human condition. Healthy individuals bring this awareness to each day and to each encounter. Without this sense of wonder about the mysteries of life, we fear the secrets inside us and those that the future holds for us. With wonder, life's unfolding brings a sense of opportunity. Every crisis, every trauma, is an opportunity to grow. The future still remains a mystery, but we are no longer victims of its secrets.

Wonder thus becomes for me a cornerstone of a psychological paradigm that focuses on the health of the individual or community. Pathological individuals live according to habits designed, for the most part

Living with a sense of wonder

unsuccessfully, to avoid suffering rather than to embrace life. My hope is that our Center for Psychology and Social Change will continue to lead the way to health by discovering and celebrating ways that individuals and communities can live in fellowship with all life.

To live in fellowship involves re-examining our basic beliefs about pleasure and ecological awareness. Healthy individuals would then be perceived as both self-interested and inspired by the Buddhist principle of harmlessness. They would find it personally distasteful to cheat, seduce, or otherwise take advantage of another soul. I have been blessed with a profession in which I regularly have the opportunity to witness the personal transformation from pain-avoidant ways of life, including addiction, to healthy pleasure seeking. This, along with the love of my wife and three sons, fills me with wonder every day.

Terry Hunt, Ed.D., is a board member of the Center, a licensed psychologist, and a certified bioenergetic therapist. He is co-author of *Emotional Healing* (1990) and the forthcoming *Secrets to Tell, Secrets to Keep*, both from Warner Books. He maintains a private practice in Brighton, Massachusetts, and teaches at Omega and Esalen Institutes.

*Musings is a column dedicated to the exploration of current thinking. The Muses, from the Greek mythology, were the nine daughters of Zeus and Mnemosyne, each of whom presided over a different art or science. A muse is a guiding spirit and considered a source of inspiration.

A COMPREHENSIVE CURRICULUM ON THE POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN IN THE MEDIA AGE: RAMBO MEETS CARE BEARS IN THE CLASSROOM

After more than five years of research and testing, Debra Poklemba-Anderson, a grade-school teacher at Maynard Public Schools, and Petra Hesse, an associate professor at Wheelock College, have completed a comprehensive media literacy curriculum that addresses the political development of children in the media age. This work is an outgrowth of their Images of the Enemy project, which produced the critically acclaimed video and leader's guide, *The World Is a Dangerous Place: Images of the Enemy on Children's Television*, widely used by educators and parents alike.

The curriculum is designed to help children to become discriminating television viewers, overcome their fear of "the other," practice cooperative conflict resolution skills, work with and express their feelings, and become environmentally aware and responsible. The curriculum can be integrated into common subjects: reading, writing, arithmetic, social studies, and science.

One important theme in the curriculum is the harmfulness of gender typecasting; programs directed at and marketed for an audience of girls teach passivity and caretaking, while programs geared for boys promote aggression and competition.

Debra Poklemba-Anderson and Petra Hesse are available for consultations, workshop presentations, and in-house trainings to educators, parents, and others interested in helping children grow to their full potential as well-rounded, capable people. Those interested should call Mary Ellen at the Center at (617) 497-1553 for rates and scheduling. Those wishing to order the curriculum or the video may do so by using the order sheet on page 6.

Daring to Dream: Lessons and Stories from Children of War

A COLLOQUIUM PRESENTATION BY JUDITH THOMPSON

Monday, 7 pm, April 11, Agassiz Theatre, Radcliffe College

At the Center's January Academic Council, Judith Thompson presented her remarkable work with Children of War, an award-winning organization she co-founded in 1984. Children of War trains and empowers youths who have survived genocide, torture, imprisonment, environmental disaster, and other forms of oppression to become a new generation of leaders, and offers an alternative vision to war and destruction.

Thompson will present the colloquium as part of her position as this year's Peace Fellow at Radcliffe's Bunting Institute. The afternoon presentation will include a brief overview of the theory and practice of the organization, testimonies from some of the Children of War participants, involvement from program alumni, and presentations from Bosnian and other recent refugees of war. Song, dance, and celebration will be highlighted.

For more information, call the Bunting Institute, (617) 495-8212, or the Center, (617) 497-1553.



The Largest Picture Possible An Interview with Nancy Roof

In our last issue of *CenterPiece* (September 1993) we announced Nancy Roof's new project in an article entitled *Helping Service Providers Overcome Burnout: War in Bosnia and Croatia takes a heavy toll on those trying to help*. We've had a number of inquiries about this project, with one member so moved that she wrote a check for \$500 to support this urgently needed work. The following article is an expanded description and update on the project, based on an interview with Nancy Roof.

This month Nancy Roof and four colleagues will be embarking on a trip to Zagreb, Croatia, in a humanitarian effort to train service providers in the prevention of burnout from secondary trauma. "Secondary trauma" refers to the harmful impacts experienced by caretakers who are dealing with and assisting people suffering from direct traumas. Because of the overwhelming nature and extent of the continuous effects of war on the general population in Croatia and Bosnia, the caregivers who are helping those in pain are called upon to witness and constantly "re-live" extraordinary atrocities; because of the urgency, they are driven to try and meet the unlimited needs for care around them. The effects of these heroic efforts are traumatic to the caretakers, seriously impacting the quality of care, and can lead to burnout. This project will work with local organizations to learn how to best provide support and care to those caretakers at risk on the front line of human services.

The Impact of War Trauma Project, in collaboration with the Antiwar Campaign in Zagreb, has recently received a six-month renewable grant from the International Rescue Committee to develop and present the first training program. The project will design a training model for service providers who work with war victims from Bosnia and Croatia. This trip will be the first of what is hoped to be several trainings in the former Yugoslavia, and will involve representatives from forty different local and international organizations from all over Croatia. Roof and her team will use a participatory model in training in order to empower rather than impose an American perspective of expertise. "Our model respects the cultural differences and engages the inherent resources of the service providers while we work together to define the problem and find solutions," she says.

It was last April that Nancy Roof decided that she simply had to do something. "There has been so little action taken to stop the inhumanity and the war itself. I thought to myself, 'I'm only one person. What can I do?' I just don't want my children and grandchildren to live in a world that doesn't address atrocities like this." She first imagined



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making a symbolic gesture or offering her professional services as a psychologist, but after considerable research and discussions with anyone she could talk to about the daily realities of the situation in Bosnia, she decided to make a trip to Croatia to find out first hand what was needed and how she might be most useful.

In June she and her assistant, Elizabeth Rovere, went to Croatia and met with refugees and countless people — from grassroots and international groups to governmental organizations — to assess what were the most pressing and unmet psycho-social needs. What she heard over and over was the need for help for the service care providers who were nearing collapse under the weight of unanticipated and unplanned care.

Although she has worked with the United Nations for the last five years, she concluded that the most pressing humanitarian needs are being met "through the people—interdependently with the governments."

Clearly the situation in the Baltics addresses the primary questions of good and evil. Says Roof, "It shows humanity's darkest side but also its most inspiring side, when you see individual acts of heroism in impossible situations. Our greatest crisis is also our greatest opportunity." This perspective is what inspired Roof to help pioneer the developing field of transpersonal psychology. "I wanted to see the largest picture possible—both the inner and outer world—and have a context of viewing the world beyond the personal/ego self." It was her work in transpersonal psychology and a deep commitment to the welfare of all humanity that led her to become involved with the United Nations, where she represents the Center at international conferences on global issues. "My experience at the U.N. has been better than any four-year Ph.D. program in international affairs could offer! It's been a wonderful opportunity and education in global affairs."

Finally, it is Roof's ability to see "that even good can come from evil" that is most noteworthy. "When I was growing up I lived a very traditional life. At twenty-four I was stricken with polio and was totally paralyzed, except for my hands. I was told I would never walk again. I had to completely re-evaluate my life and values. It made me think about the meaning of life. It was the crossroads for my own transformation. What looked like a terrible tragedy carried the seeds of something beautiful... an unrelenting search for depth and meaning of life. Bosnia, as tragic as it is, may also carry the seeds for something.... We can choose the meaning, but only if we participate."

United Nations update

In September 1993 the *Final Report of the United States Commission on Improving Effectiveness of the United Nations* was submitted to President Clinton. This report was the result of eighteen months of study that included six public hearings and extensive consultations with academic experts, lawyers, business people, military officers and interested citizens.

Nancy Roof, the Center's United Nations representative, gave testimony regarding the U.N.'s collective security mandate; her recommendations were published in the Commission's report. Addressing the way in which diplomatic dialogues are generally conducted, she suggested augmenting the official sessions with informal ones in which "feelings and emotions, as well as basic human needs that are not negotiable, can be addressed. If these human needs are not fulfilled but merely suppressed, violence is inevitable in the long run," she told the Commission. "This combination is vital to producing any-lasting solutions, particularly in places like the former Yugoslavia."

ABDUCTION

PEER and John Mack Ready for Book Release

The Program for Extraordinary Experience Research (PEER), a project of the Center, is excitedly preparing for the spring release of John Mack's book, *Abduction*, which documents people's encounters with non-human intelligences, a phenomenon commonly called "alien abduction." The book will provide an unprecedented opportunity to educate a large national and international audience on this phenomenon. Simultaneous with the book's release will be features in *The New York Times Magazine*, *Psychology Today*, and *Boston Magazine*, and television spots on *48 Hours*, *National Geographic Television*, and a program for French Canadian television. Dr. Mack will also conduct a fourteen-city promotional book tour. May 11 he will read excerpts from his book at the Boston Public Library, followed by a book signing at the Harvard Bookstore Cafe.

In addition to gearing up for the media attention related to the book, PEER is planning an academic conference for spring of 1995. The conference will aim to open a high-level, multi-disciplinary dialogue on the ontology and epistemology of extraordinary experience, as well as the social, cultural, and political implications of the phenomenon.

PEER also offers a support program to assist people who report anomalous experiences. Pam Kasey, PEER's support network coordinator, is compiling a national referral database of therapists who have expressed an interest in helping abductees understand and integrate their experiences.

Those interested in more information about PEER can call its office at (617) 497-2667.

Combining Activism and Academics

Neil Wollman, who is spending a sabbatical year at the Center, is helping to organize a conference in Washington, D.C., this July, to join academics and professionals with leading political activists as a way to break down barriers between the groups, promote information exchange, and plan future networking. The Center is one of several co-sponsors of the conference. Wollman has been interviewing national activist groups concerning their organizational processes (strategic planning, framing of messages for the public, dealing with burnout, and so on), and offering insights and lessons from his book, *Working for Peace: A Handbook of Practical Psychology and Other Tools*. As part of his year here he will be conducting a Center-sponsored workshop for activists on improving the effectiveness of their work (influencing public attitudes, preventing burnout, motivating workers, and so on). If you are interested in attending the workshop, or would like further information on any of the above projects, please call Neil at the Center at (617) 497-4493 or leave a message at (617) 497-5532. To order Wollman's book see the order form on the following page.

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characters—who included Mr. Liu's jailed mentor, fiancée, and all those he knew who embodied similar principles, ideas, and values—were more persuasive than his own physical suffering.

Hillman's provocative discussion of the moral and psychological role of internalized characters led to a consideration of the many characters in our own lives, and how they become part of us and form our internal community. These important beings can include ancestors, spirits, or idealized heroes who glorify and model for us courage and strength, and who carry a particular and important significance—to feed and nourish the soul.

From this perspective, individual identity is intimately bound in the framework of community. We are not an internal, psychological entity; we are literally composed of the groups we join, the mentors and teachers in our lives, and a host of familial and communal ancestors and spirit guardians who help us frame, articulate, and live out our

ideals. Thus, even when an individual feels most alone or isolated, he or she is, in fact, surrounded by a rich interior support system. If this is true, Hillman suggests, then the ever-increasing experience of loneliness and isolation in the world may be due in part to a loss of self, stemming from people's loss of connection with community and the identity that richly unfolds from it. We do ourselves and our communities great harm by failing to hear and honor the panoply of voices that grace our lives.

Hillman suggests that "the heroic immovable center is less a single monad, an inner replica of a single God, than it is a group

ethos.... Imagine them as an interior secret society or tribal unit that works in council.... How do we observe them during the course of our days? Are we keeping our spirits alive? How do we imagine ourselves living in such a way that we become members of the spirit world, ancestors?

"If we continue to think in 'I am,' or 'me as an individual,' all kinds of trouble comes from that.... It is time we begin to think differently about the immovable center. We are fixed on finding our identity, getting it together, etcetra, rather than *something else*. We have to realize what individualism has done to the world, the fundamental isolation of the individual, by definition. It sets up the whole therapeutic world... because by definition you have set up a monad that has no windows; everybody is unrelated by definition."

It is Hillman's conclusion that psychology's attribution of a private, individual self is delusional. "We are never alone; not in solitary confinement, not in meditative contemplation, not on the death bed. No towers and no walls can keep the spirits out." This conclusion raises the importance of our internalized connections with others, and serves to bring the soul back into psychology. In connecting self-identity to communal action and experience, Hillman is truly re-visioning psychology, and embodying it as a mode of social change.

To order the audio tape or written transcript of Hillman's presentation, or one of his books, please see the order form on the following page.

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Materials Available from the Center

ECOPSYCHOLOGY

Protest and Thrive: The Relationship Between Social Responsibility and Personal Empowerment by Sarah Conn. Paper, \$9 CPSC members, \$10 non-members.

Thinking Like A Mountain: Toward a Council of All Beings by John Seed, Joanna Macy, Pat Fleming, and Arne Naess. Paperback, \$7 CPSC members, \$8 non-members.

When the Earth Hurts, Who Responds?: Self, Responsibility and Psychotherapy by Sarah Conn. (This paper will appear in an anthology entitled *Ecopsychology*, edited by Theodore Roszak, Mary E. Gomes, and Allen Kanner, to be published by Sierra Club books in spring 1995.) Paper, \$9 CPSC members, \$10 non-members.

The World in a Grain of Sand: A Transpersonal Ecopsychology for Our Time by Walter Christie. Report, \$14 CPSC members, \$15 non-members.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCE

John E. Mack and Brian Weiss: Past Life Experiences, a dialogue at Interface, November 1993. Audio cassette, 2 tapes, \$14 CPSC members, \$15 non-members.

John E. Mack and Joe Noonan: *The UFO Abduction Phenomenon*, a presentation at The New York Open Center, December 1993. Audio cassette, 2 tapes, \$14 CPSC members, \$15 non-members.

POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN

The Political Development of Children in the Media Age Curriculum by Petra Hesse and Debra Poklemba-Anderson. Curriculum, \$23 CPSC members, \$25 non-members.

The War Play Dilemma: Balancing Needs and Values in the Early Childhood Classroom by Nancy Carlsson-Paige and Diane E. Levin. Paperback, \$11 CPSC members, \$12 non-members.

Who's Calling the Shots? How to Respond Effectively to Children's Fascination with War Play and War Toys by Nancy Carlsson-Paige and Diane E. Levin. Paperback, \$12 CPSC members, \$13 non-members.

The World is a Dangerous Place: Images of the Enemy on Children's Television by Petra Hesse. Videotape and leader's guide, \$37 CPSC members, \$40 non-members.

PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIAL CHANGE

The Alchemy of Survival: One Woman's Journey by John E. Mack and Rita S. Rogers. Hardcover, \$17 CPSC members, \$18 non-members.

Conflict and Peacemaking in Multiethnic Societies edited by Joseph V. Montville. Paperback, \$19 CPSC members, \$21 non-members.

Crimes of Obedience: Toward a Social Psychology of Authority and Responsibility by Herbert Kelman and V. Lee Hamilton. Paperback, \$16 CPSC members, \$17 non-members.

Out of Weakness: Healing the Wounds that Drive Us to War by Andrew Bard Schmookler. Paperback, \$10 CPSC members, \$11 non-members.

The Passion of the Western Mind: Understanding the Ideas That Have Shaped Our World View by Richard Tarnas. Hardcover, \$25 CPSC members, \$27 non-members.

The Roots of Evil: The Origins of Genocide and Other Group Violence by Ervin Staub. Hardcover, \$29 CPSC members, \$32 non-members.

Working for Peace: A Handbook of Practical Psychology and Other Tools edited by Neil Wollman. Paperback, \$9 CPSC members, \$10 non-members.

JAMES HILLMAN: BOOKS AND TAPES

1993 Center Recognition Award Keynote Address, a presentation addressing issues of identity, November 1993 (see page 1 story in this issue for a detailed description). Audio cassette, 1 tape, \$10 CPSC members, \$11 non-members.

A Blue Fire by James Hillman. Paperback, \$11 CPSC members, \$12 non-members.

The Myth of Analysis: Three Essays in Archetypal Psychology by James Hillman. Paperback, \$12 CPSC members, \$13 non-members.

Re-Visioning Psychology by James Hillman. Paperback, \$11 CPSC members, \$12 non-members.

We've Had a Hundred Years of Psychotherapy and the World is Getting Worse by James Hillman and Michael Ventura. Paperback, \$10 CPSC members, \$11 non-members.

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Center Programs

Ecopsychology Course: New Models of Mental Health and Psychotherapy

Mondays, 10 am to Noon
February 7 – May 2
Macht Auditorium, The Cambridge Hospital

This twelve-week course, taught by Drs. Sarah and Lane Conn, examines mental health from the perspective of the emerging field of ecopsychology. A developing body of theory and practice, ecopsychology aims to bridge the split between humanity and the Earth, between mind and nature, between psychology and ecology. Ecopsychology attempts to reconnect the needs of the Earth with our understanding of the humans who reside in it, and to help us learn to see the needs of the person and needs of the Earth as interrelated and interdependent.

Viewing "Fragile Ecologies": When the Earth Hurts, Who Responds?

Saturday, 9:30 am – Noon, April 9
DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park
51 Sandy Pond Road, Lincoln

This experiential workshop at the DeCordova Museum in Lincoln accompanies the "Fragile Ecologies" exhibit. These powerful images can evoke responses ranging from the aesthetic and emotional, to the spiritual and cognitive. Join us for this special exploration through experiential exercises as we discuss and observe how each of us personally relates with the Earth. The program will be facilitated by psychologist Sarah Conn and others from the ecopsychology program at the Center. Call the Center for more information, (617) 497-1553, or the DeCordova, (617) 259-8355. Fee is \$7, \$5 for DeCordova and Center members.

The Balkans Peace Project: A presentation with Paula Gutlove and Eileen Babbitt

Tuesday, 7:30 – 9:30 pm, May 10
Harvard Graduate School of Education
Eliot Lyman Room
6 Applan Way, Cambridge

For the past three years a team of conflict resolution practitioners has been working with people from Bosnia, Croatia, Serbia, Slovenia, and Macedonia to educate, train, and engage the region's political, religious, and community leaders in the art and science of conflict resolution. The Balkans Peace Project utilizes a psychologically sensitive approach to conflict resolution processes to support indigenous efforts to create a sustainable peace in the Balkans.

Join us for what promises to be a fascinating presentation of The Balkans Peace Project by team leaders Paula Gutlove and Eileen Babbitt, who will present an update on the project's work, focusing particularly on skills-training workshops they provided for regional and local leaders. The program is free. Call the Center for more information (617) 497-1553.

NEW VISIONS FOR ACADEMIC COUNCIL Crises as Opportunities for Transformation

The Academic Council, a monthly forum that presents work of interest to the Center community, recently evaluated its progress and affirmed its purpose. Academic Council meetings are seen as a special opportunity to explore the interconnections between program areas as well as the systemic overview that emerges when the work is seen as a whole. The overarching theme of the Academic Council is the exploration of perspectives from the microcosm to the macrocosm; changes in consciousness are seen as both personal and global, and crises are examined for their transformational capacity. Academic Council meetings are designed to provide opportunities for Center members and others to set forth and test hypotheses, explore ideas in development, and create openings for dialogue and new thinking to emerge.

Recent presentations have included Jungian analyst Robert Bosnak and political scientist Bobby Cooley looking at the implications of xenophobia and identity, Judith Thompson presenting

her work with the organization Children of War, and medical anthropologist Dunja Moeller sharing her research in anthroposophic medicine and the relationship to the body-mind/self world connection.

Scheduled future Academic Council meetings will include the following:

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On March 10 Karen Silverman will lead a discussion on Earth-based spirituality; peace activist Neil Wollman will lead the April 14th Academic Council, looking at various methodologies of social change from traditional social psychology and how they relate to the Center's goals of

changing public consciousness; on May 12 John Mack and Laura Silva will present their work on using non-ordinary states of consciousness in psychotherapy.

The Center extends a very appreciative and heartfelt thanks to **Andrea Levy-Waldstein**, who has served as Academic Council co-chair. We wish her all the best in her work with the International Conference of Jewish Women and with its project, Reconnecting for the First Time. The conference, which will bring together, for the first time in modern history, Jewish women from around the world, will take place in Kiev, Ukraine, this May. We would also like to welcome Dunja Moeller, who will replace Andrea as co-chair, along with Bobby Cooley. Those interested in applying to present their work at Academic Council should call Dunja (pronounced Dunya) Moeller at (617) 322-7320.

If you would like to be added to the Academic Council mailing list please call Mary Ellen at the Center (617) 497-1553.

Calendar of Events

March

The Devastating Environmental Effects of Apartheid March 3, 7:45 pm, *South African Exchange Program*, Boston Community Church (617) 266-6710

Making the Connection: Domestic Violence Series March 2, 9, 16, 7-9 pm, Anna Jaques Hospital, Newburyport, Women's Crisis Center (508) 465-2155

◆ Academic Council: Earth-Based Spirituality March 10, Noon – 2 pm, *Karen Silverman*, Macht Auditorium, The Cambridge Hospital, Center (617) 497-1553

◆ New England Environmental Network Conference March 26, *Sarah Conn and others from the Center's Ecopsychology program*, Lincoln Filene Center, Medford, Tufts University (617) 627-3451

April

Daring to Dream: Lessons and Stories from Children of War April 11, 7 pm, *Judith Thompson*, Agassiz Theatre, Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Bunting Institute (617) 495-8212

Bombs, Carrots, and Sticks - Economic Sanctions and Nuclear Non-Proliferation April 8-10, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, Fourth Freedom Forum (800) 233-6786

◆ Viewing *Fragile Ecologies: When the Earth Hurts, Who Responds?* April 9, 9:30 am-Noon, *Sarah Conn and others*, DeCordova Museum, Lincoln, Center (617) 497-1553

◆ Academic Council: Social Psychology and Methodologies for Social Change April 14, Noon-2 pm, *Neil Wollman*, Macht Auditorium, The Cambridge Hospital, Center (617) 497-1553

Learning from Women April 29-30, *Judith Lewis Herman, Jean Baker Miller, Janet Surrey and others*, Boston Park Plaza Hotel, Department of Psychiatry at The Cambridge Hospital (617) 864-6165

May

◆ The Balkans Peace Project - A presentation with Paula Gutlove and Eileen Babbitt May 10, 7:30-9:30 pm, Harvard School of Education, Eliot Lyman Room, Center (617) 497-1553

◆ Dr. John Mack reads from his book *Abduction: Human Encounters with Aliens* May 11, 6 pm, Rabb Lecture Hall, Boston Public Library, followed by book signing at Harvard Bookstore Cafe, Boston Public Library (617) 536-5400

◆ Academic Council: Using Non-Ordinary States of Consciousness in Psychotherapy May 12, Noon-2 pm, *John Mack and Laura Silva*, Macht Auditorium, The Cambridge Hospital, Center (617) 497-1553

◆ Toward Earth Community: Ecology, Native Wisdom and Spirituality May 22-27, *John Mack and many others*, Killarney, Ireland, International Transpersonal Association (415) 383-8819

June

Ecopsychology: New Models of Mental Health and Psychotherapy June 25, 9:30 am – 5 pm, *Sarah and Lane Conn*, Massachusetts School of Professional Psychology (617) 327-6777

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Graduate Student Awards and Intern Position on Psychology and the Environment 1994-1995

The Center for Psychology and Social Change is surveying research in the following fields in preparation for conferences on ecopsychology and the psychology of place:

- ◆ environmental action and inaction;
- ◆ ecopsychology, broadly defined, and the implications of ecopsychology for the mental health professions;
- ◆ bioregionalism and the psychology of place;
- ◆ the role of place-attachment and/or environmental factors in international conflict and its resolution.

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