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#### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the 12th International Meeting of the International Society of Hypnosis in Jerusalem in July.

The past 12 months has been a difficult time with the International Society of Hypnosis. With the disruption of the previously scheduled meeting, the Society seems to have lost some of its impetus in encouraging a high quality of training for members and treatment for their patients. A number of practitioners have not renewed their subscriptions to the Society and this is causing us some major concerns. I would welcome receiving from you any ideas as to how we can serve your needs better.

The International Society of Hypnosis will function more effectively and efficiently if the numbers of members are larger. It is likely that we can substantially reduce subscriptions if the number of members grows. I would urge you to be of assistance in this by encouraging your colleagues and your national Society to join for 1993.

The Board of Directors will be meeting in Jerusalem in July to discuss the financial status of the Society and to look at means of improving and enhancing the service to members. Your input into this meeting would be most welcome, either by directly writing to the central office or through your representatives on the Council of Representatives. Your Constituent Society has a right to send two members to the Council of Representatives meeting held immediately before the Board meeting and they can present your views if you do not wish to write to me directly.

Even with the disruption in the International meeting, we look forward to a continuing vibrancy throughout the Constituent Societies of ISH. I urge you to support strongly the International Society and to consider joining as a block, as has already been done by some Societies. This block membership results in all members of the Constituent Society paying a small subscription fee, currently approximately US\$20, for all membership activities minus the journal. Encourage your Society to consider this matter, it will save many of you money and will ensure the international goodwill between those interested in the clinical practice of hypnosis and its research will be maintained.

Yours sincerely,

GRAHAM D. BURROWS, AO, MD President

#### LETTER FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR

On March 21, I attended the 2nd joint conference of the two Swiss Hypnosis Societies, the Swiss Medical Society of Hypnosis (SMSH) and the Society of Clinical Hypnosis in Switzerland (GHyps). It took place in a city with two names, Bienne (French) or Biel (German) where French and Swiss-German are spoken. The bilingual situation did not only apply to the city but also to the meeting. Lectures were given either in French or in German. There was no simultaneous translation because it was unnecessary. It was amazing for me to hear during several discussions how easy our Swiss colleagues could switch between languages while continuing to talk about the same topic. In Jerusalem there will be also a joint meeting (ISH and Ericksonians) but this time only one official language (English) is spoken. There we must not switch between languages but between viewpoints to find out whether we talk about the same topic (hypnosis).

Preparations for the 12th Congress of International Society of Hypnosis have now entered the final stage as Shaul Livnay, PhD, one of the organisers, told me. Regarding the first rate Scientific and Workshop Program that our Israeli colleagues composed, we can all look forward to a stimulating and very promising Congress.

Hope to see you in Jerusalem.

Sincerely,

WALTER BONGARTZ

#### NEWS FROM THE CENTRAL OFFICE

The Central Office of ISH has continued to operate with significantly reduced staff over the past 6 months, due to the financial constraints facing the Society. We hope that following the meeting of the Council of Representatives and the Board of Directors in Jerusalem, some further financial initiatives will ensure we can once more return to the level of service we wish to offer to our members.

You will find enclosed with this newsletter, your membership card for ISH and the seal to be attached to your International Society of Hypnosis membership certificate. If you do not have, or have lost this certificate, please write to us enclosing authorisation for a US\$10 fee on your VISA card or MASTERCARD and we will send you a replacement promptly. (VISA/MASTERCARD name, number, expiry date and a signature are required in authorisation).

Best wishes from the Central Office.

ROBB STANLEY Administrative Officer is the Pre-Congress to the

# 12th International Congress of Hypnosis

Main Theme: Reducing Stress and its Consequences

July 26 - 31, 1992 Jerusalem

sponsored by the Israel Society of Hypnosis (IsSH) and the International Society of Hypnosis (ISH)

Detailed Information about this 12th Congress:

Moris Kleinhauz, M.D., 12th International Congress of Hypnosis, P.O.B. 50006, Tel-Aviv 61500, Israel or M.E.G., Konradstr. 16, 8000 München 40, Germany

#### **AUSTRALIA**

As noted in our previous newsletter, late last year we held a very successful conference at Great Keppel Island, off the Queensland coast, at which Dr Corydon Hammond presented a number of stimulating and challenging workshops. The beginning of this year brings our Society back to running the annual training programmes, with all branches across the six states and New Zealand offering training in hypnosis over a two year period leading to the Diploma of Clinical Hypnosis by examination.

The Society is currently conducting a ballot to determine whether the membership will be widened beyond the current three professions (medical practitioner, psychologist and dentist). This issue, which has generated considerable debate and discussion was put to the vote and the ballot will be counted in the middle of May. Once the result of the ballot is decided, then it will be to the Federal Council of the Society to determine what implementation, if any, is required.

In August this year we will be holding our next National Congress of Hypnosis at the University of Auckland, New Zealand. Amongst the workshop presenters will be Dr Marlene Hunter, past President of the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis. Her previous visits to Australia have been enthusiastically received and we are looking forward to a stimulating programme in Auckland this year. Prior to the workshops, a scientific programme of papers will be offered. Any member of any Constituent Society of ISH around the world is welcome to attend at the same cost as a local member. Please

correspond with Dr R. Large, Department of Psychiatry, University of Auckland, Auckland P.B., New Zealand, should you wish information concerning registration or the presentation of papers.

Regards from Australia, MARK EARL Federal Secretary

#### **AUSTRIA**

The Austrian colleagues are in the middle of the preparations for the 6th European Congress of Hypnosis that will take place in Vienna, one of Europe's capitals of charm, music and art (August 14-20, 1993). Dr Erik Bolcs, President of the Austrian Society of Autogenic Training and Psychotherapy, and his colleagues Dr. Wolfgang Ladenbauer and Dr. Marianne Martin will organise such an interesting programme (capitalising on Vienna's inexhaustible resources of cultural highlights) that you would even resist the offer to rest on Freud's couch in Berggasse 10, Vienna.

#### CANADA

As it moves into its fourth year, La Societe Quebecoise d'Hypnose finds itself in a strong position, both in terms of members and finances. There are now 133 members, and the composition by profession is quite unique; 58% are Psychologists, and 32% are Dentists, while the remaining 10% is comprised of Physicians and Psychiatrists. Because of its healthy financial situation, its Annual Conference, held for 2 days in mid-November last year, was offered at half price for members. It attracted over 100 registrants.

Planning continues apace for the 3rd National Assembly of the Federation of Canadian Societies of Clinical Hypnosis, to be held on the campus of the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, this coming August 23 through to August 27. As with earlier meetings, the National Assembly is entitled "Frontiers of Hypnosis". Details appeared in the last Newsletter. Since this earlier announcement, additional speakers have accepted the invitation to participate. They are Brad. L. Bates, PhD and Peter Bloom, MD (both from the USA), Laurence Kirmayer, MD, Jean-Roch Laurence, PhD, Robert Nadon, PhD, Lorraine Radtke, PhD, Henderikus Stam, PhD (all from Canada), and Per-Olof Wikstrom (Sweden). P.O. Wikstrom's acceptance of the invitation to be a guest speaker means that, for the first time, the 3rd National Assembly will be offering a Dental Workshop. Further, Jean-Roch Laurence, Germain Lavoie and Bob Nadon will be providing the first ever Atelier en Francais that the convention has offered. Other events are planned, including, a surprise gala affair on the Wednesday night of the meeting.

#### **ENGLAND**

The British Society of Experimental and Clinical Hypnosis (BSECH) continues to flourish. This year's annual conference will be held on July 10 and 11 at the University of Leeds. The organiser is Dr. Peter Davies, Dept. of Psychology, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT. Last year saw the publication of H.B. Gibson and M. Heap "Hypnosis in

The one year Diploma Course in Clinical Hypnosis at the University of Sheffield is proving successful with 15 students graduating in its first year of operation (1990-1991); 18 students, drawn from medicine, dentistry, and clinical and educational psychology, are now past the half-way mark in the 1991-1992 session and interviews will soon be taking place for the 1992-1993 intake. University College London has expressed to the Sheffield Course Director, D. Michael Heap, its interest in establishing a similar course there.

### **GERMANY**

Burkhard Peter of the Milton Erickson Society of Germany (MEG) is very busy with preparing the joint conference on Ericksonian Hypnosis and Psychotherapy in Jerusalem (July 22-24). In between a sufficient number of colleagues have already registered in response to the interesting and promising programme composed by Burkhard. Despite the time consuming task of organising the joint conference, he nevertheless managed to edit the ninth issue of the successful MEG journal "Hypnose und Kognition" in memory of Leon Chertok. The issue is dedicated to "Hypnosis and Psychoanalysis" with articles by Erika Fromm as well as Helen and John Watkins.

The German Society of Hypnosis (DGH) will celebrate its 10th anniversary at its 14th meeting in Bad Lippspringe in May (28-31). A special programme has been organised with more than 40 workshops and lectures given by experts from several European countries. The meeting is supported by the Federal Health Minister, Dr. Gerda Hasselfeldt from Bonn. Dr. Richard Lundy, USA, will give a key-note address on it. The participants of the meeting will look forward to the Saturday night banquet even more than usual where there will be ample opportunity to celebrate the anniversary.

#### HUNGARY

The Hungarian Association of Hypnosis will hold its 4th annual meeting in the castle of Siklos (Pecs, Southern Hungary). As Prof. Meszaros from Kossuth Lajos University mentioned in his letter to the Editor, during these days "the medieval castle of Siklos will be a real fortress of Hungarian hypnosis research and hypnotherapy". If you want to join the order of the Hungarian knights of hypnosis, go to lovely Pecs in May (3-10) this year and write to Dr Kuczan Gyorgy, Clinic of Psychiatry, Medical University, H-7623 Pecs Ret u.2, Hungary, for further information.

### **ISRAEL**

The organising committee of the 12th Congress, headed by Moris Kleinhauz is working at a brisk pace to put the finishing touches on the Congress program. Excitement is running high, as well in anticipation of the first ever joint cooperation

with the Ericksonian Conference, organised by Burkhard Peter of the Milton Erickson Society of Germany. The Israelian colleagues hope to see you all in Jerusalem this July.

The Israelian Society of Hypnosis held its elections last month, and Dr Nachman Alon was elected as the new President, replacing Dr Moris Kleinhauz, the founder of the society. The society members expressed their sincere appreciation to Dr Kleinhauz for his unique and extensive contributions to the status of hypnosis in Israel, and for leading the society for so many years, and to Dr Roman Tuchschneider for his many years of service as Secretary-Treasurer of the society. The new chairpersons are: Mrs Viorika Delano, Scientific Affairs; Dr Israel Lanzer, Treasurer; Dr Shaul Livnay, Secretary; Prof Dr Karl Fuchs, Foreign Relations and Dr Roman Tuchschneider, Controller.

Nachman Alon returned to Israel last month after an extensive tour to the Far East and Europe during which he lectured on the hypnotic-like elements in Tibetan Buddhist practice. Shaul Livnay gave an invited lecture and two workshops on the use of the gong in hypnotherapy, at the first joint meeting of the Austrian, German and Swiss Ericksonian societies held in Salzburg, Austria last November.

#### POLAND

For the first time, women took power over the Polish National Group "Hypnotherapy" during the recent annual meeting of the organisation. Dorota Stolarska, Anna Orlowska and Alicja Stojek were elected president, secretary and treasurer, respectively. Nevertheless, Prof. Jerzy Aleksandrowicz and Dr. Jerzy Siuta, both well known for their experimental and clinical expertise not only in Poland, were allowed as 'alibimen' to be members of the Board.

#### **RUSSIA**

There is immense interest in western psychotherapy in Russia which is evidenced by a high degree of educational activity in the Russian Society of Hypnosis. In Moscow, there is a weekly training seminar (free of charge) in hypnosis and NLP. After having organised a 5-day workshop on "Altered States of Consciousness and Different Ways of Trance-Induction" in Tallinn (Estland), Vladivostok and Moscow, a conference on the same topic has been organised in Moscow in March for 150 participants. Later this year, a conference on NLP, classical and Ericksonian hypnosis, psychodrama, gestalt therapy and group analysis for 200 participants is planned. The conferences do not only serve the purpose of professional qualification but are also useful to make contacts and form new professional groups. "Gradually, our professional network is being formed – with the help of our western colleagues who are the main source of information and also teachers, trainers and authors of books we are reading and re-reading", says Dr Leonid Kroll, President of the Ericksonian Association.

#### SOUTH AFRICA

The South African Society of Clinical Hypnosis has made a significant step towards its goal to prohibit stage hypnotism by law. Dr Louise Olivier, president of SASCH, has been told by the Ministry of National Health Services that legislation is on the way.

#### **SWEDEN**

In the last issue of the Swedish Journal of Hypnosis "Hypnos", Per-Olof Wikström, D.D.S., 1. Vice-President of ESH and Editor-in-Chief of "Hypnos" (also the official journal of the European Society of Hypnosis) takes a look back into the past of Swedish hypnotism. And he has to look back very far since already in 1786 a Societe d'Harmonie was founded in Sweden. The Societies of Harmony were first founded in France to ask for the secret of Mesmer as you will remember. Sweden was also a pioneer with regard to the lawful prohibition of the unprofessional use of hypnosis. Already in 1917 a law had been passed that prohibited the use of hypnosis for entertaining purposes. And, again, it was in Malmo/Sweden that the 1st European Congress of Hypnosis took place organised by Dr Wikström. Recently, another 1st Congress took place in Sweden: Lars Eric Unestahl, PhD, organised as founding president the 1st Congress of the International Society of Mental Training in Orebro, Sweden with 450 delegates from 30 countries. Although SSECH has passed adolescence after 25 years, it is still as dynamic and vibrant as the old Vikings have been. Congratulations to our Swedish colleagues.

#### **SWITZERLAND**

The Swiss Society of Clinical Hypnosis (GHyps) and the Swiss Medical Society of Hypnosis (SMSH) held their second joint meeting in the Hotel "Elite" in Biel on March 21 where indeed the elite of both societies was present. Only 70 participants were admitted which allowed for an intimate atmosphere with intense discussions in the workshops and after the lectures that were given either in German or in French. The organiser, Dr Claude Beguelin and Dr Philip Zindel, had planned enough time for an extended lunch that was not just an opportunity to satisfy the basic needs of nutrition but turned into a serene social getting together. Discussions at the tables were even more intensified by the announcement that the Swiss Government has provided 6 million Swiss Francs for research into alternative ways of healing. Although the Swiss societies emphasize the role of hypnosis as a scientifically established therapeutic tool, they nevertheless will apply for grants for several research projects, as Dr Zindel said. Scientific projects are planned for exploring for instance the usefulness of hypnosis in the treatment of hayfever, a project that will be headed by Dr Jane Wyler from Basel.

## USA

At the end of this year, Martin T. Orne, MD. PhD, will step down from the Editorship of the International Journal of Clinical and Experimental Hypnosis. By any standards, his stewardship of the Journal has been exceptional – he began as Editor in January 1962, and for 31 years, the IJCEH has come out 4 times per year on time. One of many highlights of this impressive accomplishment is that the Journal was named (Hayes,

1983; American Psychologist), as one of 31 core Journals in Psychology. It was rated higher than several APA publications. At the 42nd Annual Convention of the Society for Clinical and Experimental Hypnosis, held at New Orleans, Professor Orne was warmly, and repeatedly, praised for his unflagging efforts on behalf of the IJCEH. Further tribute was in the form of a resolution dedicating the 43rd Annual meeting to be held at Washington, D.C. to his name; it was passed unanimously. The American Society of Clinical Hypnosis announced its new slate of officers elected for 1992-1993. As of April, D. Corydon Hammond, PhD, the current ASCH President-Elect, becomes President, and Dabney M. Ewin, MD, becomes President-Elect. Vice President is William C. Wester II, Ed.D., while John G. Watkins, PhD becomes Secretary and Harold Ratner, MD is the incoming secretary. Members at Large are Dov Glazer, DDS (Dentistry), Moshe S. Torem, MD (Medicine) and Valerie J. Wall, PhD, MEd (Psychology).

At the Executive Council meeting at the New Orleans convention of SCEH, a committee headed by Emeritus Professor Ernest R. Hilgard, PhD, announced that Fred Frankel, MB, ChB, DPM, has accepted the position of Editor in Chief of the IJCEH, beginning January 1993. He, in turn, proposed a new Editorial Board, which was accepted unanimously by SCEH Executive Council. Experimental Editors are Harold Zamansky, PhD and Campbell Perry, PhD. Clinical Editors are Erika Fromm PhD and Germain Lavoie, PhD, the Medical Editor is Karen Olness, MD, the Statistical Editor is Eugene E. Levitt, PhD, and the Managing Editor is Ray William London, PhD. A recommendation for the Book Review Editorship has since been made, and awaits ratification by Executive Council.

The Awards Committee of SCEH, headed by Kenneth S. Bowers, PhD, announced the following presentations. The Henry Guze Award for the best research paper of 1990 was awarded to a co-authored paper by Michael Sabourin, PhD, Steven Cutcombe, Helen Joan Crawford, PhD and Karl Pribram, PhD. The best theoretical paper was authored by Fred Frankel, MB, ChB, DPM. The Sherry K. and Harold B. Crasilneck Award for the best first clinical or research paper was presented to Chris F. Hauge, DSW. The Shirley Schneck Award to a "physician who has made significant contributions to the development of medical hypnosis" was received by Merton M. Gill, MD. SCEH's top award, the Bernard B. Raginsky Award for leadership and achievement was presented to John F. Kihlstrom, PhD.

#### ECHOES FROM THE PAST

#### WHO WAS THE FIRST PERSON AUTHORISED TO TEACH AND PRACTISE "ANIMAL ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM" IN IRELAND AND GREAT BRITAIN?

The answer is, Reverend John Bell, according to his little booklet "An essay on somnambulism, or sleep walking, produced by animal electricity and magnetism" which he published in 1788 in Dublin.

In his booklet, Bell tries to defend animal magnetism against the "Physicians" who "have disdained to prove witnesses to the effects of Magnetical Somnambulism (p.7) "by proposing a new theory. Instead of assuming a universal fluid as the 'physiological' agent of animal magnetism as the mesmerists did, he argues that the phenomena of animal

magnetism are due to natural somnambulism that is brought about by a magnetic induction. He does so by trying to show that the magnetic phenomena are the same that can be observed in sleepwalking people. The only difference is that the state of a somnambulist occurs naturally whereas magnetic somnambulism is produced by the induction procedures used by mesmerists. By 'reframing' the mesmeric phenomena as well known facts accompanying sleepwalking he seemed to hope that the practice of animal magnetism would be more acceptable to sceptic colleagues. In his "Treatise" he always avoids the term "animal magnetism" and uses instead "magnetical somnambulism".

It is in Paris that Bell learns under the tutorship of the Chevalier Justamond and General Meziere how to use magnetical somnambulism and it is also here that he meets de Puysegur, presumably in 1786, three years before the French Revolution. Let's accompany him to one of de Puysegur's seances in Paris where he is experimenting with an overachieving medium:

"Two years ago being at the Marquis of Puysegur's I ordered a Magnetical Somnambule, whom he showed me, to take a hat which was lying on the table in the closet, and to go and put it on the head of some of the company. I did not express my command in speaking, but only by sign in tracing the line which I gave him to run over, and at the end of which was the hat. The Somnambule, (whose eyes were covered with a paste-board) got up from his chair, follows the direction shown with my finger, advances towards the table, and takes the hat amidst many other objects that were on the same table; but before he presented it to the person, thinks it civil to brush it; and though there was no brush on the table, he makes the gesture of a man who took one; and holding the hat with his left hand, he brushes it on the three sides with his right hand, puts the imaginary brush on the table, and carries the hat, placing it on the head of the indicated person. Though that Somnambule had perfectly fulfilled my intention, I conceived some dissidence on account of the circumstance of the brush (P.27 f)."

Bell seems to have joined the mesmeric movement after Mesmer's star has sunk in Paris and de Puysegur's conceptions dominated the mesmeric circles. Patients were no more expected to have crises with convulsive episodes, but to rest in a magnetic sleep. Some gifted patients even were thought to be able to diagnose diseases in the magnetic state and to prescribe the appropriate medicine, or to be able to see without eyes etc., faculties that were not claimed before Puysegur. Accordingly is Bell's description of magnetical somnambulism: "The patient being reduced to a state of Somnambulism, without touching him, is deaf to all that is near him: Motionless amidst the greatest motions; . . . the person that put him into that state . . . causes him to move at his pleasure; and such is the power of his influence, that he not only makes himself understood by speaking and signs, but even by the very thought itself . . . And in many, a sixth sense appears to declare itself by an extreme extent of the intellectual faculty, far superior to the common altitude of the human mind (p.5,6)." Bell was also aware of the problem of simulating this state: "It is then certain and indisputable, that there are pretended Somnambules, which offer wonderful phenomena to the spectator, as compensative gratification for excited curiosity." (What would John have said if he had known that nowadays we hire people to simulate in our labs and even have named an experimental approach after them?).

While Bell's concern with simulators is modern still today, the price for his little book is not: 1 British Shilling in 1788.

Classic textbooks like those of Bernheim, Braid, Ellenberger, Esdaile, Forel, Moll, Gilles de la Tourette, do not mention Rev. John Bell in their historical sections except for a modern classic (Laurence & Perry, 1988): "In 1785, a Dr. Bell from France toured many major British cities offering demonstrations of the new art (p.165)".

Bell, J. An essay on somnambulism, or sleep walking, produced by animal electricity and magnetism. As well as by sympathy, etc., as performed by the Rev. John Bell, member of the philosophical harmonic society of France, fellow correspondent to the museum of Paris, and the only person authorised to teach and practise that science in Great Britain, Ireland, etc./Dublin: Printed for, and to be had of the Author, also of Mr. Butler, No. 2, Grafton Street and other Booksellers, 1788. (Reprinted in 'Tracts', 1791, 237, 32 pages).

#### **BOOKS**

In April, the Proceedings of the 5th European Congress of Hypnosis in Konstanz, Germany (August, 1990) appeared under the title "Hypnosis: 175 Years after Mesmer," edited by Walter Bongartz, PhD (co-editors: Professor Vladimir A. Gheorghiu, PhD and Barbel Bongartz; Universitatsverlag Konstanz, 524 pages, DM 78 (overseas US\$58, mailing included). The book contains unpublished pictures of Mesmer's life.

William Fezler, PhD, has two recent books out from Simon and Schuster dealing with imagery and hypnosis. These are 'Creative Imagery' and 'Imagery for Healing, Knowledge and Power'.

Carol Kershaw, Ed.D., has published 'The Couple's Hypnotic Dance: Creating Ericksonian Strategies in Marital Therapy' (Brunner/Mazel, 1991).

Steven J. Lynn, PhD and Judith W. Rhue, PhD have edited "Theories of Hypnosis: Current Models and Perspectives", Guilford Press, 1991, 634 pages.

#### MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

If you want to know about the "hypnotic" background of the President-Elect of SCEH, Joseph Barber, PhD, just read the Newsletter of the Milton H. Erickson Foundation (Winter 1992). There he gave an extended interview about his views on Ericksonian hypnosis, Erickson and his personal way to hypnosis.

Peter Bloom, MD, has been elected to the position of President-Elect of the International Society of Hypnosis after having served for 11 years as Secretary-Treasurer of ISH. The counting and verification procedure took place on February 11 in the presence of Professor Graham Burrows, ISH President, and a representative of Coopers and Lybrand, auditors.

D. Corydon Hammond, PhD, was the featured presenter for five days at the annual meeting of the Australian Society of Hypnosis on Great Keppel Island off the coast of Australia last October. In November, he taught a two-day advanced workshop on hypnosis in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Jeanot Hoareau, MD, President of the French Society of Hypnosis, presented a stimulating lecture on "Pratique de l'hypnose dans le traitement des boulimiques" to the participants of the 2nd Swiss Symposium of Hypnosis in Biel, Switzerland (March 21).

Stephen R. Lankton, MSW, recently taught a two-day workshop on the varieties and uses of metaphor in hypnosis in Paris at the Amphitheatre of Charcot in the Hospital de La Salpetriere.

William P. Morgan, EdD, was recently elected President of Division 30 (Psychological Hypnosis) in the American Psychological Association. This is his second APA Division Presidency; he is already a past President of Division 47 (Exercise and Sport Psychology).

Billie S. Strauss, PhD received the Morton Price Award for distinguished contribution to the development of hypnosis in the science and profession of psychology, given jointly by SCEH and the American Board of Psychological Hypnosis (and selected by the ABMH).

After the resignation of Dr Gunther Bartl as President of the European Society of Hypnosis (ESH), Austria, Dr P. O. Wikstrom, First Vice-President of ESH, took over the position of ESH President ad interim. In between, Dr Erik Bolcs has been elected by a clear vote as President of the ESH by the Council of Representatives.

#### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

THE INTERNATIONAL SPRING CONFERENCE ON MULTIPLE PERSONALITY AND DISSOCIATION, organised by the International Society for the Study on Multiple Personality & Dissociative States in association with the Nederlandse vereniging voor hypnotherapie, will be held in Amsterdam, Netherlands, May 21-23, 1992. For information contact Bureau PAOG, Tafelbergweg 25, 1105 BC Amsterdam, Netherlands.

XXV INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PSYCHOLOGY. July 19-25, 1992. Location: Brussels, Belgium. Contact: Brussels International Conference Centre. Parc des Expositions, Place de Belgique, B1020 Brussels, Belgium.

THE HUNGARIAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION will hold the First International Conference on "Story Telling" in Budapest, Hungary, July 16-19, 1992. For information write to Congress Bureau Motesz, PO Box 145, H-1443 Budapest, Hungary.

A two-week MRI Summer Symposium – Week I (July 20-24, 1992) Brief Strategic Therapy – Week II (July 27-28) Michael White, (July 29-31) Francine Shapiro, EMDR – to be held at Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA. For information contact: MRI Symposium, 555 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto, CA 94301, USA (phone: (415) 321 3055).

12TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF HYPNOSIS AND PSYCHOSOMATIC MEDICINE, Jerusalem, Israel, July 26-31, 1992. For further information contact the Congress Organiser, Kenes, P.O. Box 50006, Tel-Aviv 61500, Israel. Before the conference there will be a Joint Conference of the ISH and the Milton Erickson Gesellschaft, Germany "ERICKSONIAN HYPNOSIS AND PSYCHOTHERAPY: ARTS-FACTS-ARTIFACTS", July 22-24, 1992. For further details contact either the colleagues in Israel or Burkhard Peter, Dipl. Psych., MEG, Konradstr. 16, 8000 Munchen, Germany.

AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF HYPNOSIS 22ND ANNUAL CONGRESS & WORKSHOPS, August 13-18, 1992. To be held in Auckland, New Zealand. Keynote Speaker: Marlene Hunter, MD, Immediate Past President of the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis. Contact: ASH Conference Organiser, Dept. of Psychiatry & Behavioural Science, School of Medicine, University of Auckland, New Zealand. Fax 649 377 0956 Phone 09 379 5780.

3RD NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FEDERATION OF CANADIAN SOCIETIES OF CLINICAL HYPNOSIS, VANCOUVER, CANADA, AUGUST 23-28, 1992.

Theme of the Assembly will be FRONTIERS OF HYPNOSIS.

CALL FOR PAPERS: Send 200 word Abstract to: Campbell Perry, PhD, Scientific Programme Chairman, 3rd National Assembly, F.C.S.C.H., Dept. Psychology, Concordia University, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd West, Montreal, P.Q. H3C lM8, CANADA.

THE FOURTH INTERDISCIPLINARY MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL STRESS MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (formerly the International Stress and Tension Control Association) will meet in Paris, France, September 1-5, 1992. For information, write to Professor F. J. McGuigan, Director, Institute for Stress Management, United States International University, 10455 Pomerado Rd., San Diego, Ca 92131, USA.

23RD INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR FOR AUTOGENIC TRAINING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY, Badgastein, Austria, September 12-18, 1992. For information write to: OGATAP, Secretariat, Testarellogasse 31/13, 1130 Wien, Austria.

THE 43RD ANNUAL WORKSHOPS AND SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM OF THE SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL AND EXPERIMENTAL HYPNOSIS will be held at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia (just across the river from Washington, D.C.) from October 20 to 25, 1992. Information can be obtained from: SCEH, Marion Kenn, Administrative Director, 128-A Kings Park Drive, Liverpool, NY 13090, USA.

5TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON ERICKSONIAN APPROACHES TO HYPNOSIS AND PSYCHOTHERAPY: ERICKSONIAN METHODS: THE ESSENCE OF THE STORY (December 2-6, 1992). Contact: The Milton H. Erickson Foundation, 3606 North 24th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85016, phone: (602) 956 6196.

**6TH EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF HYPNOSIS,** organised by the Osterreichische Gesellschaft fur Autogenes Training und Allgemeine Psychotherapie (OGATAP) will be held in Vienna, Austria, **August 14-20, 1993.** For information write to: OGATAP, Dr Wolfgang Ladenbauer, Testarellogasse 31/13, 1130 Wien, Austria.

13th INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF HYPNOSIS, will be held in Melbourne, Australia, August 6-12, 1994. It will be followed by a Satellite meeting (August 15-17, 1994) at Cairns in Queensland, Australia near to the world renowned Great Barrier Reef. For details or a preliminary brochure, please write to 13th International Congress of Hypnosis, PO Box 29, Parkville, Victoria, 3052, Australia.

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