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Zürich Conference 1998

The State of the Association

by George Kohlrieser, ITAA President

When 900 enthusiastic participants come to a transactional analysis conference, something important is happening. The Zürich Major International Transactional Analysis Conference (MITAC), organized by the European Transactional Analysis Association (EATA), the Deutschen Gesellschaft für Transaktionsanalyse (DGTA), and Deutschschweizer Gesellschaft für Transaktionsanalyse (DSGTA), with the support of the ITAA, was just that—a real "happening."

While the workshops were outstanding and creative, what impressed me most was the enthusiasm and spirit of community that filled the rooms and halls of the great Zürich university where we gathered. Transactional analysts from all over the world interacted and partook in a renewal of spirit as well as mind. Camaraderie and partnership prevailed, creating a real sense of unity. I was struck by the positive and authentic sense of pride at sharing a common bond in transactional analysis.

Of course, there were different perspectives and expressions of cultural influences regarding what transactional analysis is and how it is used to serve people. But significantly, there were no comments about transactional analysis "dying" or becoming irrelevant and powerless in a changing world. Rather, I saw aliveness, enthusiasm, and a sincere zest for understanding what others around the globe are doing and where transactional analysis as a system of social change is going.

Dialogues focused not on barriers so much as on what is possible. Hope and optimism were the order of the day. After 40 years of the organizational existence of transactional analysis, a genuine calm of knowing who we are and what we are about was palpable. I believe it reflects our

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"The ITAA is alive and well despite the challenges that face us. We are energized and goal oriented."
George Kohlrieser



"This meeting was evidence of our energy for developing the international community in a new and exciting way."
John Parr

Historic Meeting Between ITAA and EATA

by John Parr, EATA President

The Zürich Major International Transactional Analysis Conference (MITAC) in August was a huge success. It was also the site of ITAA Board of Trustees and EATA Council meetings. Both governing bodies agreed to meet together to discuss future cooperative working agreements and partnership in a global transactional analysis community. This meeting was facilitated by Nelly Micholt, who had been briefed by both presidents beforehand. We gave Nelly a mandate to ask the group to open a creative process. Nelly has a long-standing association, membership, and service with both the ITAA and EATA, having served on both governing bodies. The purpose of the meeting was developmental, not decisional; we were looking for our next steps.

After a warm-up session, those present broke into four small groups. The meeting had been informed of ideas generated by the two presidents about future cooperation and partnership between the two associations. The group task was to prioritize possible key objectives. The outcome from the groups was then assessed by a form of proportional representation of the priorities, and three key objectives were selected for deeper reflection: (1) collaboration on research projects, (2) a joint task force for cooperation, and (3) the establishment of a "think tank" to develop transactional analysis in the future.

Research: We agreed on four areas of focus: (1) the need to recognize the importance of research and to coordinate research efforts by appointing an individual to coordinate research projects globally. This person may also set up a communication network using the Internet; (2) the need to establish coordinated research in teaching, training and examination processes; (3) the

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Four Berne Award Winners Honored in Zürich

Presentation of the 1998 Eric Berne Memorial Award was one of high points of the Zürich conference. Jim and Barbara Allen were given the award in the category of theory, and Richard Erskine and Rebecca Trautmann were honored in the category of integration of transactional analysis theory with other approaches. In her introductory remarks, Elana Leigh, chairperson of the Eric Berne Memorial Award Committee, described the importance of their work.

"This award is given for a concept and idea that facilitates our continuous and dynamic growth, growth that is necessary in an evolving and changing community. To honor the spirit of transactional analysis, we need to develop and evolve in an exciting, curious way. In this process we search for cooperation and, at the same time, individuality as we stand at the boundary of knowing and not knowing.

"Jim and Barbara Allen, it is a privilege and honor to present this award to you for your many contributions to our community. This award represents all that you stand for, including your commitment to the ongoing challenge of coconstructing meaning as opposed to imposing meaning, thus maintaining profound respect for the client's subjective experience.

"Richard and Rebecca, you have raised awareness among us of the importance of integration on many levels. You have integrated the fundamental elements of transactional analysis psychotherapy, and in so doing you provide us with security in our theoretical base. You have developed a relationship-based transactional analysis psychotherapy that places a facilitative relationship at the heart of the transformational process.

"Congratulations to all four of you, and thank you. These two awards represent the inevitable process of change that is so necessary to the survival and growth of any healthy organization—both cleaving to our original roots and being willing to grow beyond them. As the Talmud says, 'We do not see things as they are, but we see them as we are.'"



Some past Eric Berne Award recipients join 1998 winners in Zürich (from left): Jean Illsley Clarke, Claude Steiner, Carlo Moiso, Jim Allen, Vann Joines, Barbara Allen, Richard Erskine, Rebecca Trautmann, and Alan Jacobs (photo by Elaine Childs-Gowell)

The work for which the Allens won the award is reflected by the following publications: "A New Type of Transactional Analysis and One Version of Script Work with a Constructionist Sensibility" (April 1997 *TAJ*); "Narrative Theory, Redecision Therapy, and Postmodernism" (October 1995 *TAJ*), and "A Typology of Psychopathology and Treatment of Children and Adolescents" (October 1997 *TAJ*).

The work for which Richard Erskine and Rebecca Trautmann won the award is chronicled in the following publications: "The Process of Integrative Psychotherapy" (*The Boardwalk Papers* [B. B. Loria, Ed.], 1993); "Transference and Transactions: Critique from an Intrapsychic and Integrative Perspective" (April 1991 *TAJ*); "The Therapeutic Relationship: Integrating Motivation and Personality Theories" (April 1998 *TAJ*); "Ego State Analysis: A Comparative View" (April 1981 *TAJ*), "Ego Structure, Intrapsychic Function, and Defense Mechanisms: A Commentary on Eric Berne's Original Theoretical Concepts" (January 1988 *TAJ*); "Methods of an Integrative Psychotherapy" (October 1996 *TAJ*); "Inquiry, Attunement, and Involvement in the Psychotherapy of Dissociation" (October 1993 *TAJ*); "Shame and Self-Righteousness: Transactional Analysis Perspectives and Clinical Interventions" (April 1994 *TAJ*), and *Theories and Methods of an Integrative Transactional Analysis: A Volume of Selected Articles* (TA Press, 1997).

Conference News

From Zürich to Maui to San Francisco!

by Susan Sevilla

The flurry of activity surrounding the Zürich Conference is finally settling down. It was a terrific meeting. I was pleased and honored to accompany the ITAA Board to their meetings in Zürich and to represent the ITAA at an information table during the educational events. I want to thank Hedi Bretscher and the DSGTA conference organizing team; they did a fine job of planning the conference. It was a labor of love, lasting over two years, and on behalf of the ITAA, we thank you very much!

Exciting Additions to Hawaii Program

Our thoughts are already turning to the January 1999 ITAA Hawaii conference. If you have not yet received your copy of the program (see August 1998 *Script*) contact the office (tel: 415-989-5640) or visit our web page at www.ITAA-net.org

There have been three additions to the Hawaii program:

* *Yoshitaka Moronaga and Chie Shigeta* (Japan): "Understanding Beyond Stereotypes: Japanese vs. American Perspectives" (Monday, 25 January, 10-noon, in Japanese and English). More than 80% of Japanese consider post-war relations between Japan and the United States to be positive, as compared to 55% of Americans. This experiential workshop will explore the sources of this gap. The workshop will involve dynamic exchange of stereotype ideas, images, and suggestions by varying group size and character to ensure a broad exposure for all participants.

* *Marye O'Reilly Knapp* (United States): "The Transactional Space" (Monday, 25 January, 10-noon). Berne identified the transaction as a unit of social intercourse. In a transaction there is a transactional stimulus from one person followed by a transactional response. This workshop revisits complementary, crossed, simple, and complex transactions. The space created in the relationship between two people using both complementary and crossed transactions will be examined. Next, the focus will move to the transactional space and the therapeutic relationship, with the following concepts highlighted: subjectivity, intersubjectivity, therapeutic failures, and relatedness.

Jong Sam Park (Korea): "Cultural Script" (Tuesday, 26 January, 2-5 pm).

Make sure to book your room at the Aston Wailea Resort, which features 1,500 ocean-front acres on Maui's sun-drenched southern shore, just a 20-minute flight from Honolulu and a 25-minute drive from Kahului Airport. The resort offers three swimming pools, a spa, a children's program, and world-class golf and tennis. Amenities in the room include air conditioning, private lanais, coffee makers, and mini-refrigerators. For Aston Wailea Resort reservations call toll free from the US: 1-800-367-2960, or direct: 1-808-879-1922, or fax: 808-875-4878. Standard garden-view room: $145 single or double; ocean-view rooms: $165; ocean-front room: $185 (plus tax and $8/day resort services fee). Rollaway for extra adult in room: $19.

"Our thoughts are already turning to the January Maui conference and the August San Francisco conference."

Although $145 per night is a very low room rate for Maui, Stephen Karpman called with a suggestion about even less expensive accommodations in the nearby village of Kihei. He says condos there go for as low as $250 per week; to find them, search the ads in your Sunday newspaper travel section or search on the Internet. You may need to rent a car to get around.

San Francisco Conference Taking Shape

The 36th Annual ITAA Conference will be held 18-22 August 1999, with preconference institutes 16-18 August. The theme of the conference is "Transactional Analysis 1999: Tools for Living in Times of Change." The exciting program will be composed of invited presenters and workshops based on submitted proposals. The deadline for proposals is 1 November (see Call for Proposal page 3).

Since 1995 participants raved about the downtown location of the conference, the committee has once again selected a Union Square hotel: Renaissance Parc Fifty-Five Hotel.

Save $50 by registering now for the 1999 San Francisco conference at the special reduced registration fee of $235, valid only until 31 December 1998. Your fee is fully refundable if your cancellation is received in writing by 1 May 1999. Register by mail, fax, or phone: 1999 Conference, 450 Pacific, Suite 250, San Francisco, CA 94133, USA; fax: 415-989-9343; tel: 415-989-5640. For more information, watch future *Scripts*, visit our web page at www.itaa-net.org, or email us at ITAA@ITAA-net.org

Gather at the Maui Gathering

by Jean Illsley Clarke

Have you ever left a conference thinking the workshops were great, but you didn't have enough time to connect with others? Perhaps there were old friends with whom you spent only a few minutes. Maybe there were new people who looked interesting, but you didn't have the chance to get to know them. Perhaps there were people whose books you have read, but they were too busy or you were too shy to talk with them.

At a Gathering, sponsored by the USA Transactional Analysis Association, there is plenty of time to greet, meet, eat, talk, and play with others.

Besides the workshops and sharing groups that we set up in the mornings and right after lunch, the afternoons are an ideal time to connect with old friends and new. You can join a group that wants to do an art activity, play games, or invent a skit or a ritual; or you can walk on the beach to contemplate or to share thoughts with a companion or two.

This is a real opportunity to enjoy and to get to know others. Already I have heard from clinicians, educators, and organizational specialists who plan to attend. Some are new to transactional analysis and some are well known.

Give yourself a treat. Sign up for the 23-24 January Gathering now. It will be held immediately before the ITAA conference in Maui, Hawaii, and we will make our headquarters at the conference hotel, the Aston Wailea. Bring ideas you want to share and questions you want to ask.

If you have any questions about the Gathering, you can fax me at 612 473-1840 or contact me via e-mail: jiconsults@aol.com. (Note: My e-mail address in the ITAA directory is incorrect.)

See you in Hawaii!



TRANSACTIONAL ANALYSIS CONFERENCES WORLDWIDE

November 19-22, 1998: Queenstown, New Zealand. Biannual Australasian Transactional Analysis Conference. Contact: Sean Manning, 499 Princes St., Dunedin, New Zealand; phone/fax: +64-3-4772-499; email: smanning@earthlight.co.nz

January 24-28, 1999: Maui, Hawaii. ITAA Conference. Contact: ITAA, 450 Pacific Ave., Ste. 250, San Francisco, CA 94133-4640, USA; phone: 415-989-5640; fax: 415-989-9343; email: itaa@itaa-net.org

April 8-11, 1999: Edinburgh, Scotland. 25th Annual Institute of Transactional Analysis (ITA) Conference. Contact: Alison Ayres, email: alisonayres@ndirect.co.uk; fax: 0131 667 0579; phone: 0131 667 8435.

May 24-16, 1999: Berlin, Germany. 20th Kongreß der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Transaktionsanalyse. Contact: Frau Eva Eisenbach, Taunusstraße 60, 61191 Roßach 1, Germany; phone: (0 60 03) 74 78; fax: (0 60 03) 93 07 43.

July 8-11, 1999: Aosta Valley, Italy. Contact: EATA, c/o Martine Huon, Les Toits de l'Aune Bat. E, 3, rue Hugo Ely, F-13090 Aix-en-Provence, France.

August 18-22, 1999: San Francisco, CA. ITAA Conference. Contact: ITAA, 450 Pacific Ave., Ste. 250, San Francisco, CA 94133-4640, USA; phone: 415-989-5640; fax: 415-989-9343; email: itaa@itaa-net.org

July 2000: Paris, France. EATA Conference. Contact: EATA, c/o Martine Huon, Les Toits de l'Aune Bat. E, 3, rue Hugo Ely, F-13090 Aix-en-Provence, France.

August 9-14, 2000: Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. ITAA Conference. Contact: ITAA, 450 Pacific Ave., Ste. 250, San Francisco, CA 94133-4640, USA; phone: 415-989-5640; fax: 415-989-9343; email: itaa@itaa-net.org

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Exciting Maui Conference Offering

Bridging the Sacred and the Secular

by Brenda Schaeffer

"Turn your face to the sun and the shadow will fall behind you" is an ancient Maori Proverb. The essence of it is that one should seek light and wisdom for the good of all. To let the shadow fall behind is to shed negativity and ignorance so as to live in harmony with all. Indigenous people tell the story that there was once a Golden Age when all creatures were deeply connected and spoke openly and telepathically, but something happened that broke that connection. We have been on a desperate search ever since. Indigenous healing techniques also recognize that when we experience overwhelming physical or emotional pain, there is a fragmentation of the soul.

Autonomy, or a healthy sense of self, has long been the goal of good therapy. Focused on autonomy, a person often remains in the material world and gains of therapy are self-serving. As we approach the millennium, we are realizing more than ever that treatment and psychotherapy are not stopping points: They are wake-up calls.

Brenda Schaeffer, a licensed psychologist and author of *Is It Love or Is It Addiction?*, and Arapata McKay, born in Aoteara (New Zealand) and adopted by the Lakota, believe that the universe is alive and that we are all a part of the great cosmic web. What we do and do not do has an impact on the greater whole. It is time to move beyond family of origin and live the bigger picture. It is time to explore our indigenous roots for the wisdom and healing practices that can help restore a sense of the sacred. It is time to recognize and heal deep wounds of the soul.

"Often we need bridges that help us connect the secular world we live in and the sacred mysteries that surround us."

Arapata is a member of the Ngati Kahungunu tribe. As a child he received loving messages from his parents and elders. They taught him high regard for the sacredness of all living things along with the value of understanding and preserving traditional cultures. Elders shared their wisdom with Arapata as they held him on their laps, often under a star-filled sky near a powerful, calming ocean, abundant with life. His family's strong traditions of healing, dance, singing, storytelling, and wood carving are an integral part of his life and work.



Arapata McKay

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Brenda Schaeffer

Brenda, of Sami background and trained in contemporary psychology and addiction treatment, began recognizing that Western models for treating illness were often not adequate nor did they complete the healing process. Addressing professionals at international conferences, it became clear to her that participants wanted to learn alternative methods of healing. Arapata and Brenda merge their lives and professional experience and demonstrate how ancestral wisdom can empower professionals.

Arapata and Brenda will offer a workshop that meets this challenge during the 24-27 January 1999 "West Meets East" ITAA conference in Maui, Hawaii. They believe that it is possible but increasingly more challenging to find the sacred meaning in everything, including our painful life events. Often we need bridges that help us connect the secular world we live in and the sacred mysteries that surround us. Arapata and Brenda will present key elements that can be used to protect the gains of treatment and psychotherapy as well as practice living more from the heart and less from the ego.

Arapata will introduce time-tested wisdom, knowledge, and healing techniques of the Maori, Hawaiian, and Lakota. Brenda will give importance to these experiences from the framework of contemporary psychology.

HISTORIC MEETING

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importance of defining what research is and its relevance across national boundaries and modalities; and (4) the need to establish methods of funding and implementing research projects.

Joint Task Force for Cooperation: The aim of this body would be to stimulate cooperation between the ITAA and EATA. This would include coordinating conferences worldwide to better serve the membership and encouraging and stimulating the growth of communities and groups globally.

"We want to cooperate in providing a high level of membership services at a reasonable cost."

Think Tank: The purpose of a think tank would be to look to the future of transactional analysis, to update theory, to develop and nurture a sense of "us" (i.e., international belonging), and to give meaning and realization to our dreams of the professional and political use of transactional analysis. The task force was also seen as a way to provide time for important relationship building when we are not constantly faced with emergencies.

Many topics were openly discussed, with pros and cons being expressed on issues such as:

* the future of MITAC gatherings, including other ways to meet internationally, coordination of a global conference schedule to reduce competitiveness, inclusion of other groups and modalities in conferences

* collaboration on the production of the *TAJ*, including the need to develop better communication via translation of articles, printing of articles in *TAJ* in languages other than English, collaboration with national journals to coordinate sharing of articles, EATA's financial participation in *TAJ* production, the scientific standard of the *Journal*, and the importance of academic standing

* global membership, including shared membership directories, cooperation on the provision of services to members, the possibility of membership exchange, what each organization might be willing to relinquish to achieve partnership, the need to move slowly for safety, the importance of the continued growth of cooperation, the developmental importance of attachment and how this could lead to solving problems, avoiding a multilayered fee structure that becomes cumbersome and too costly, and the cost benefit of a combined structure as opposed to duplication

The example of the development of a cooperative coordinating training body (TACC) shows us the possibilities for evolving a more respectful and cooperative structure for managing our relationships internationally. This was achieved through open, honest, and respectful discussion. It has taken time, but it is now working effectively.

The ITAA Board and the EATA Council concluded that there were two main trends in the discussion: that there is a will to continue developing cooperation between the two associations and that we wanted to cooperate in providing a high level of membership services at a reasonable cost. Both bodies took these matters back to their respective meetings, and the result is that the Joint Task Force for Cooperation will begin functioning before the end of the year. The Joint Task Force for Research has also been approved, and future projects, such as the provision of a combined membership directory to be produced in the near future, are under discussion.

At the end of the meeting, we all gave Nelly recognition for her skillful, sensitive, and creative facilitation. This meeting was evidence of our willingness and energy for developing the international community in a new and exciting way. Your thoughts, comments, and encouragement will be invaluable in supporting this development. Both EATA and the ITAA are committed to listening to the needs of the members and to improving and developing services. Please take time to give us feedback, encouragement, ideas, and strokes.

STAYING IN TOUCH

ITAA President George Kohlrieser has moved and wants members to know where and how to reach him. His new address, phone, fax, and email are as follows:

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Call For Proposals
San Francisco, August 18-22, 1999
THEME: "At the Turn of the Century: The Continuing Development of Transactional Analysis"

You are cordially invited to submit program ideas for consideration; please address the conference theme in content. Please include: 1) information cover sheet (below); 2) an abstract of up to 100 words, to be used in conference publicity if your proposal is accepted; 3) a biographical sketch of 20 words; and 4) an outline of your presentation. DEADLINE: 1 November 1998

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TAJ on the Internet!

The *Transactional Analysis Journal* is entering the Internet with its extension, entitled *TAJnet*. This new online journal will be accessed through the ITAA web page and will have a fast turn-around time so that articles can be published as soon as the editorial process is complete.

TAJnet will be divided into three sections, with articles aimed at the following:

1. Beginning articles for those new to transactional analysis
2. Intermediate articles for those in training or newly certified
3. Advanced articles for those with several years experience applying transactional analysis

Papers are now being accepted for blind review by the *TAJnet* Editorial Board, which consists of the following distinguished members: James Allen, USA; Brigit Bucovics-Heiller, Great Britain; Pat Crossman, USA; Pearl Drego, India; Martin Haykin, USA; Gordon Hewitt, New Zealand; Gysa Jaoui, France; Steve Karpman, USA; Carlo Moiso, Italy; Denton Roberts, USA; Richard Stapleton, USA; Shirley Spitz, Great Britain; Claude Steiner, USA; Tony Tilney, Great Britain; and Rebecca Trautmann, USA.

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TAJnet welcomes experimental reports, case studies, theoretical studies, and reviews of the literature. As a guiding principle for writing for *TAJnet*, Albert Einstein's words seem apt: "Things should be as simple as possible but not more."

For further information, please contact the editor at TAJnet@bravenewweb.com or ITAA at ITAA@itaa-net.org



Isabelle Crespelle, France



Carlo Moiso, Italy



Fritz Mautsch, Germany

Three New ITAA Trustees

The 1998 election is complete, and the ITAA is pleased to announce that incumbents Carlo Moiso of Italy and Isabelle Crespelle of France will remain on the ITAA Board for a second three-year term (1999-2001) representing the Europe region. Many thanks to Carlo and Isabelle for their willingness to continue.

In addition, at the Zürich meeting, ITAA Board member Roy Salole of Canada regretfully tendered his resignation. The board was happy to have a willing volunteer waiting in the wings, as Fritz Mautsch of Germany agreed to step in to serve the unfinished portion of Roy's term. Fritz will serve on the ITAA Board through 1999.

Significant Changes Made to Berne Award

At their meeting in Zürich, the Eric Berne Memorial Award Committee made some significant changes to and clarifications about the award.

First, it was agreed that the award is for a *concept and idea* rather than for a general contribution or a body of work. The articles/books on which an award is based become part of the *cannon* of transactional analysis.

Second, it was agreed that one award a year would be more powerful and honoring than multiple awards. The categories of theory, research, and applications are used by committee members to frame their thinking but not necessarily as a way of labeling a specific award.

Therefore, the Eric Berne Memorial Award is bestowed on a person (or persons) who has made an original and significant contribution to transactional analysis, normally in one of the following categories: theory, research, or applications. The award is made for a published concept that is considered to be so important that all trainees will be expected to know it, and thus it becomes part of the canon of transactional analysis.

To make a nomination for the 1999 award, the following material must be sent to the ITAA office by 1 January 1999:

- name(s) of author(s)
- publication citation
- area or category of contribution (specify only one of those listed above)
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Kaspar Wolfensberger introducing closing plenary session



EATA MITAC team members (from left): John Parr, EATA President; Marijke Wusten, EATA Conference Chair; Hedi Bretscher, Zürich Conference Chair; and Trudi Feger, EBTW Secretary

"Unity Through Diversity" Comes True in Zürich

Some Personal Reflections on the Conference

by Marijke Wusten



(from left) Carlo Moiso, Hanna Hyams, and Charlotte Christoph-Lemke involved in intense discussion in Zürich



Bella Levize (left), President of the St. Petersburg Institute for Transactional Analysis, and ITAA President George Kohlrieser

The Major International Transactional Analysis Conference (MITAC) in Zürich is over! I'm on the plane to Amsterdam and home, feeling tired and content. I've worked and enjoyed myself, and now I'm looking forward to some time to digest it all. The conference gave me new ideas, I met old friends and made new ones, I listened and talked and laughed, we discussed, agreed, and disagreed, I felt inspired and energized. It was great to be with so many different people from so many different countries and cultures, all of us bonded by our interest in or love for transactional analysis.

Although the conference was ultimately a very good experience for me, the beginning was not without some difficulties. I wondered if the theme of the conference—"Unity Through Diversity"—was actually going to be actualized as different activities took place before the start of the conference, including the Eric Berne workshops, the EATA and ITAA board meetings, and exams, all at the same time but in different places. The more I had to rush from one place to another, the more frustrated I felt. Where was the unity? Just finding a person was difficult. How would that be during the conference? I was full of misgivings.

However, while walking through the beautiful park that surr ed the university building on my way to the official conference opening, I met some old frie a real crowd was moving toward the entrance). And as soon as I entered the building, I knew this was going to be good! The registration, the program, the map—all were perfectly organized. The beautiful main hall for meeting each other, so many coffee counters that we didn't have to stand in line for our drinks (and there were more than 800 of us!), the friendly, amusingly dressed helpers—all of it was just great!



EATA President Elect Jan Hennig and EATA President John Parr enjoy Berne t-shirts presented to them by ITAA President George Kohlrieser



Gysa Jaoui of France makes a point

Enthused and relieved, I sat down for the opening ceremony. Zurich's mayor welcomed us, and had he done his homework! He made many little jokes and allusions about us transactional analysis people. The presidents of both EATA and the ITAA—John Parr and George Kohlrieser respectively—gave inspiring speeches. Painful as the separation of EATA and ITAA may have been, John and George made it clear that now it was time for cooperation, not fighting. The conference had started!

How wonderful it was to sit high up on the steps in the main hall and watch it all. Was that Mary Goulding? And over there Claude Steiner? And surely that was Fanita English! I felt like I was sitting in a transactional analysis history book. I was happy that so many of my countrymen and women were there, too, and also that I seemed to know so many people from so many countries. My transactional analysis family. I was sorry for the newcomers that there were no support groups. They must have missed them as it is so easy to feel lost in the middle of so many people.

What shall I tell you about the workshops and lectures? The morning program offered us three times a choice of two lectures, and in the afternoon we could choose between about 40 workshops. So, too little and too much choice, which made choosing difficult. Among the huge number of workshops, many were about transactional analysis and many were about other topics. I found some inspiring, some interesting, and some boring. I realize that our experiences have to do not only with the content and presentation of a workshop, but also with our expectations, interest, and level of knowledge. Therefore, I will not give names of presenters I liked and did not like, nor will I mention some workshops and leave out others. But I can say that based on what I heard and saw, many people were touched and inspired by what was offered.

In not mentioning names, I will make an exception for the presidents of EATA and ITAA because of their reaching out to each other and to us, for their creating unity in spite of the many pitfalls that a conference like this inevitably offers. George Kohlrieser's heartwarming speech, "Conflict Resolution: Bonding Through Differences," quite rightly brought him a standing ovation. John Parr's unobtrusive gesture (in the name of EATA) of giving free party tickets to all the participants from "soft valuta" countries (countries in which the economy is not strong) was a real example of our "I'm OK, You're OK" philosophy.

The excellent Eric Berne workshops, the exams resulting in many new CTAs and TSTAs, the keynote speeches, the workshops, the friendly and international ambiance, the party, the Eric Berne Awards—in short, the entire MITAC—was indeed an example of unity through diversity. The Swiss deserve many strokes for organizing and hosting this wonderful conference!

Marijke Wusten lives in Den Haag, The Netherlands, and works in many countries around the world teaching and applying transactional analysis. She is also EATA Conference Chair.

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Our thanks to Alan Jacobs especially and to Susan Sevilla for the wonderful photos of the Zürich conference.



Marianne Kappes and Heike Staben



Adrienne Lee of England and Gordon Hewitt of New Zealand

Training News

New Training Package from Australia

In 1996, Linda Gregory, TSTA, was successful in gaining national accreditation for transactional analysis training for the Western Pacific Association for Transactional Analysis (WPATA) in Australia. To achieve this, the training curriculum had to be written up in module form with objectives and competencies.

The next project was to write lecture notes for each module to assist trainers with their training programs. Linda and several PTSTAs in Australia have been completing this over the past two years. The result of this work is that we now have a 300-page Lecture Notebook (in two volumes) which is based on the ITAA Advanced Content Outline with additional modules added to the WPATA training content.

These modules are: structural analysis, transactional analysis proper, game analysis, racket analysis, script analysis, treatment considerations, transactional analysis history and literature, personality adaptations, developmental stages, self-reparenting, abnormal psychology, and redecision.

Each module section of lecture notes is approximately 25 pages. The notes are based on the many authors of transactional analysis theory who have written in each area. Modules are clearly referenced to the authors, and each has a substantial reference list of suggested readings for trainees, listing both *TAJ* articles and relevant books.

The book is bound in a loose-leaf, hardcover file to allow each trainer to add personal teaching notes and references.

In addition to this Lecture Book, Kerry Towers, Level 1 Educational Trainee with Linda Gregory, has compiled copies of the *TAJ* articles into loose-leaf files, which are listed as suggested readings in the Lecture Book for each module (with authors' permissions). Again, the loose-leaf file allows for additional articles to be added as they are written.

Kerry has also published a file of articles of all the Eric Berne Memorial Award winners. This is also a hardcover, loose-leaf file to allow for future additions.

These training packages are now available for purchase by both trainers and trainees. The advantages for trainers are that the entire curriculum is outlined in easy-to-follow lecture notes covering all aspects of each topic clearly and including most main authors on each topic. This allows for ease in program planning and lecture presentations. It also ensures that all theory is covered consistently and allows for excellent exam preparation for trainees.

For trainees, these packages contain the entire curriculum in workbook form to ensure that all theory has been covered. It is an excellent study guide throughout training and for exam preparation.

Costs for each section of this training package are as follows:

– Level 1 Lecture Notes Book: US $100 plus postage (2 volumes, 300 pages, hard cover, loose leaf)

– Eric Berne Memorial Award Winners: US $60 plus postage

– Article references for each module, two volumes: US $90 plus postage; one volume only: US $45 plus postage

Article references for modules include: structural analysis, transactional analysis proper, game analysis, racket analysis, script analysis, treatment considerations, transactional analysis history and literature, personality adaptations, developmental stages, self-reparenting, abnormal psychology, and redecision.

To order, contact Linda Gregory for the Level 1 Lecture Notes Book at 3 Trafford St., Beaconsfield WA, Australia 6162; phone/fax: 61 08 9335 6950; email: lgregory@central.murdoch.edu.au

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	COC	Nov. 21, 1998	Neustadt, Germany	Aug. 21, 1998*
	BOC	Jan 24, 1999	Maui, Hawaii, USA	Oct. 24, 1998
	BOC	Feb. 1999	Coimbatore, India	Nov. 1998
	COC	July 15, 1999	Rome, Italy	April 15, 1999*
	BOC	Aug. 18, 1999	San Francisco, CA, USA	May 18, 1999
	COC	Nov. 5, 1999	Lyon, France	Aug. 5, 1999*
	COC	Nov. 20, 1999	Neustadt, Germany	Aug. 22, 1999*
	COC	July 13, 2000	Paris, France	April 13, 2000*
	BOC	Aug. 9, 2000	Halifax, Nova Scotia	May 9, 2000
	COC	Nov. 5, 2000	Belguim	Aug. 5, 2000*
	COC	Nov. 18, 2000	Germany	Aug. 18, 2000*
TSTA Oral	BOC	Jan 24, 1999	Maui, Hawaii, USA	Oct. 24, 1998
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	BOC	Aug. 9, 2000	Halifax, Nova Scotia	May 9, 2000
CTA Written (Essay)	All Regions (Non-Europe)	Your choice	To be submitted to Regional Exam Coordinator after payment of $50 recording fee to T & C Council	Your choice
Training Endorse. Workshops	TSC	Jan 25-27, 1999	Maui, Hawaii, USA	Sept. 25, 1998
	TSC	Feb. 1-2, 1999	Port Antonio, Jamaica	Oct. 1, 1998
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	TSC	August 1999	San Francisco, USA	April 1999
	TSC	Aug. 15-17, 2000	Halifax, Nova Scotia	April 15, 2000

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JOURNAL ENTRY

by Ted Novey

Reaching Out

In my last column (August *Script*), I suggested that transactional analysts have much to write about for journals other than the *Transactional Analysis Journal* and that it would be a good to encourage more interaction with the wider psychotherapy and psychology community so that we can dialogue more usefully with other disciplines. In response to that article, I received two interesting letters from an ex-ITAA member, Clifton Wolf, Ph.D. He wrote that he liked what I said and discussed why he dropped out of the ITAA many years ago as well as why he wants to rejoin now. I hope that his letters will be printed, at least in part, in *The Script*, as he echoes many of the criticisms of the transactional analysis community that we've all heard: inadequate scientific study, an isolated and elitist structure, training of laypeople, use of jargon, and so on.

Some of these charges are still valid; some are based on things that changed long ago. Many of these critical views focus more on what has happened in the United States than on what has happened in the larger transactional analysis community in Europe and around the world. For example, outside the United States, transactional analysis seems to be growing and strengthening its ties to community, academia, and government.

Personally, I continue to enjoy using transactional analysis theory, language, and methods in my practice, along with other approaches. My clients still seem to find it interesting and helpful. I think that if there is something useful about transactional analysis then it will continue to develop and be applied. If not, it will fade away.

Perhaps I had an advantage over many transactional analysts in that I had the opportunity to be a part of introducing transactional analysis to Western Europe beginning in 1973. I participated for a long time in the rather astounding positive and enthusiastic response of European professionals to transactional analysis theory, applications, and training programs. I also saw the new certified members there structure their own transactional analysis association, begin new publications, work hard to obtain recognition of this discipline in their own communities—with considerable success—and continue to expand their work into Eastern European countries—also with growing success. Others have had similar experiences in many countries around the world.



"If there is something useful about transactional analysis, then it will continue to develop and be applied. If not, it will fade away."

From what I know, the responses from this international community indicate that transactional analysis is valuable, useful, teachable, and serious. I do not discount the fact that most of the multitude of research theses and papers on transactional analysis do not yet seem to be convincing to the academic world. However, from the beginning, research studies have consistently verified the quality of the transactional analysis approach.

For example, an extensive and expensive study supported by the US National Institutes of Mental Health was carried out by the California Youth Authority in the early 1970s under the guidance of a nontransactional analyst. The results, summarized by Paul McCormick in the January 1973 *TAJ*, demonstrated that a transactional analysis program was at least as effective as a behavior modification program in adjacent schools for adolescent offenders. Many other research studies have shown similar positive results.

Still, a convincing set of research results, considered to be methodologically sound, has not been produced. Perhaps it has never been clear to others what transactional analysis is. There have certainly been a continuous series of papers in our journal relating transactional analysis to many other approaches. Also, as I have mentioned before here, the upcoming article by Leonard Schlegel in the October issue of the *Journal*, a translation from the original in the *Zeitschrift für Transaktions Analyse*, says it with crystal clarity: Transactional analysis is a combination of cognitive-behavioral and psychodynamic (script analytic) approaches. As Schlegel describes, Eric Berne and Albert Ellis both developed cognitive-behavioral therapy at the same time. And when script analysis arrived, then the insight-based psychodynamic approach was integrated into transactional analysis. Our sad disadvantage was that Eric Berne died too soon and could not lead us to acceptance in the general therapeutic community as Albert Ellis has done and is still doing for cognitive-behavioral therapy.

Nevertheless, here we are. And what do we need to do if we want to gain more recognition for transactional analysis, especially in the United States? I know that such recognition from peers requires dedication, persistence, and much hard work. Personally, I am going to continue research with the goal of comparing the effectiveness of transactional analysts with other groups of therapists. We already have promising results. I aim to publish the data in prominent academic journals as well as in the *Transactional Analysis Journal*. I think that I can do that with the continued cooperation of a number of transactional analysts.

Many others have been highly committed to the development and continuation of transactional analysis around the world. I hope that more of you will join in this work and help us to expand and validate this approach, which we feel is so useful for our clients.

Welcome to New Members

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June 1998

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THE STATE OF THE ITAA

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maturing identity and self-esteem based on the realities and limits of what we can do and what transactional analysis can offer.

As I talked with participants, I was also aware that there continues to be an ongoing struggle to know exactly what it means to be a transactional analyst. To me that is positive. It means we are examining and reexamining what this theory is about and, more importantly, what it has to offer. Many people feel the potential of what we could do together remains essentially untapped. In this sense, I often heard members of all organizations express the wish that belonging to one organization would bring a stronger connection to the worldwide transactional analysis community. No one yet seems to have a clear vision of how to do that.

One of the highlights of the Zürich conference was the joint meeting of the ITAA Board and the EATA Council. John Parr has written a detailed description of that historic event, which you can read elsewhere in this issue.

The ITAA is clearly moving in a positive direction, and momentum continues to build. The recent election of board members reflects this aliveness. Over 51% of our members voted—the highest in our history. Also, for the first time in a long while, we had a quorum at the membership business meeting. The executive committee and board of trustees meetings were productive and marked by spirited dialogue. All of the vice presidents and officers are doing extraordinary work, and they deserve great recognition for their high energy and strong commitment to carrying out their voluntary activities.

Likewise, our board members—who give generously of their time and energy—are highly involved in helping our organization continue to grow and develop. In addition, there are the tireless committee chairs and members whose work often remains behind the scenes; they are the ones who make our organization function smoothly.

There are six major areas in which we are dramatically moving forward:

1. The public relations initiative headed by Lucy Freeman and Jackie Levy is off and running. The board approved, in principle, the expenditure of $50,000 for this endeavor. Each project will be approved as the cost benefit and outcome is clear. We want also to keep our public relations effort inclusive of international and cultural needs.

2. Conferences, under the leadership of Gaylon Palmer, are targeted as venues for high energy and engaging, gripping interaction. Hawaii (January 1999), San Francisco (August 1999), Halifax (August 2000), and Sidney, Australia (August 2001) are all shaping up as unique and attractive experiences. There will also be a renewed effort to coordinate worldwide conferences and to settle the time and form of the MITACs.

3. Membership is perhaps our greatest challenge, and Edie Bogusky Beaujon is steering this venture. Our membership this year has dropped by some 20% worldwide; some people think this also reflects the drop in worldwide demand—though not necessarily the need—for psychotherapy and is consistent with what other organizations are experiencing. While I am concerned by this decline, I think we must focus on providing the best service possible and, to our utmost ability, meeting the needs of our present members. We also must listen fully to the reasons members leave. Edie and her committee have many good ideas and welcome hearing yours as well.

4. *TAJnet* is up and online with the work and guidance of Editor Alan Jacobs and *TAJ* Editor Nancy Porter-Steele. This is perhaps the most exciting of all our current endeavors, one that enables us to reach literally millions of people.

5. The ITAA-EATA Task Force has been reactivated with a new mandate to create a vision of how our two organizations can partner in bringing the best service to all members in the worldwide transactional analysis community. Gloria Noriega will cochair this task force for the ITAA.

6. Research will come to center stage through Marco Sambin's work to gather information, coordinate and guide research efforts, and determine where we want research to be targeted. He will be part of a worldwide effort of transactional analysis researchers to establish the scientific basis of transactional analysis.

There are also many other important activities that have been revitalized, among them the development of transactional analysis products, *The Script*, the *TAJ*, and so on. In addition, Treasurer Denton Roberts and Ted Novey have done an excellent job of keeping the association in a stable financial position.

Many people have asked me if being president is too much work or too demanding. On the contrary, it has been more pleasurable than I could have imagined because I am working with such magnificent people. My greatest joy in this job is interacting by email and in person with so many members who are making such gigantic contributions to the betterment of humankind. It is a constant reminder that, through the people who use transactional analysis, the world is and will be an even better place.

Thus, as you can see, the ITAA is alive and well despite the challenges that face us. We are energized and goal oriented. We are changing, but always with an eye toward how we can support our members in carrying on their valuable activities. I would hope that belonging to the ITAA not only brings pride and pleasure at being part of a worldwide community, but that it is also a significant source of nourishment for our souls.

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Keeping In Touch

Region I: The Pacific, Asia, Africa

Merle Friedman, CTA, of Senderwood, South Africa, will be on a panel with Gloria Steinem and others as part of the opening plenary session of the 20 November Washington, DC, meeting of the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ISTSS). The session, entitled "Original Violence," will consider how ordinary people are recruited to participate in war or communal violence and how they come to terms with the legacy of violence and attempts to heal from war, dictatorship, slavery, and genocide. She will also be part of a group giving an all-day training course in "Trauma from Historical and Cultural Perspectives."



Tony White, TSTA, has had an article accepted by *Voices,* the journal of the American Academy of Psychotherapists. Tony writes, "The article will be in the 'Intervision' section, and the editor of that section says that this is the first cross-cultural presentation to appear in that section. I assume that means the first non-USA presentation." Well done, Tony!

The Western Pacific Association of Transactional Analysis (WPATA) now has its own web page, set up by Wayne Hutchison: http://www.wpata.com.au

Kate Meredith, AM, of Australia, has a new book out: *The Whodunnit of Life: Clues to Finding the "Real" You.* The text is illustrated with cartoons by Kim Samsa, and the price is $19.95 paperback. Congratulations, Kate!

We learned from the May 1998 issue of *TA Times* (the newsletter of the Western Pacific Association of Transactional Analysis) that "transactional analysis is undergoing a redevelopment in Melbourne thanks to **Curt Fisher running Linda Gregory's Certificate III Counseling Course.** He is running his second course; the first was a course for nurses, and the hospital is going to get the doctors to recognize the nurses who completed the course as contact points for patients they feel need counselling. The second course is associated with Swinbourne University TAFE. The response has been extremely good, and there are 22 students. Three more courses are being planned for the rest of this year. A Certificate IV Course will be offered later in the year, and already there is excellent interest. **Wayne Hutchison** and **Maria Di Pietro** are copresenters in the course and are excited about doing more."

Region II—Canada



Vince Gilpin, TSTA, and former ITAA President, received his PhD in social work from Smith College on 14 August. People came from Jamaica, Bermuda, and all over the United States and Canada to celebrate with Vince at his country retreat near Kingston, Ontario, in mid-August. Vince's wrote his dissertation on mystical experiences of ordinary people. Congratulations, Vince!

Region III—Europe

The 20th German Transactional Analysis Association (DGTA) Conference will be held 14-16 May 1999 in Berlin. The theme of the conference is "Transitions: To Understand the Past, to Create the Future." For more information, contact Frau Eva Eisenbach, Taunusstraße 60, 61191 Roßach 1, Germany.

The 25th Institute for Transactional Analysis (ITA) National Conference will be held at Heriot-Watt University, Riccarton Campus, in Edinburgh, Scotland, 8-11 April 1999. The theme of the conference is "Celebrating Connection," and in addition to a full workshop and social program, there will be institutes on 8 April. The deadline for early registration is 15 December. For more information and a booking form, contact Alison Ayres at 0131 667 8435 (phone), 0131 667 0579 (fax), or alisonayres@ndirect.co.uk (email). You can also check their web site at www.ita.org.uk or write Louise Guy, The Elms, Millburn Rd., Bathgate EH48 2AF, Scotland.

Rosemary Napper, CTA, has given three TA 101 courses in England so far in 1998, with a total of 41 participants. She plans more courses for later this year.

Sigrid Wagner, a clinical psychologist and PTSTA, has founded a new transactional analysis institute in Frankfurt, Germany, called Frankfurter Institut fur Transaktionsanalyse (FITA).

The 14-16 July 2000 EATA Conference will be held in Paris, France. The theme is "Transactional Analysis Worldwide." For information, contact IFAT, 1 rue de Metz, 75010 Paris; phone: 01 47 70 22 62; fax: 01 47 70 22 64; email: ifat2000@aol.com

Region IV—Central and South America



Gloria Noriega, TSTA, was presented with the Gabino Barreda Award on 25 June by the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico for her work on "Diagnosis and Treatment of Ego-State Boundary Problems and Their Effects on Self-Esteem and Quality of Life." Congratulations, Gloria, and well done!

Region V—United States

Viola Litt Callaghan missed the conference in Philadelphia in April and wishes to apologize to the organizers. Her husband suddenly became very ill and has since passed away. Many of you did not know that Vi had remarried in April 1997.

Bill Krieger was interviewed recently on Audiocast, the Internet radio station. He writes, "They were impressed with the Enhancement Model and felt that the ideas 'could change the world.' "

Art Risman, an artist and active ITAA member in the 1970s, died on 27 July 1998. He was nominated twice for the Eric Berne Memorial Award for his work on "Trilog."



Sheryn Scott, MA, TSTA, was recently appointed as a full-time professor in the psychology doctoral program at Azuza Pacific College in Southern California, Congratulations, Sheryn!

Errata

In the article about the use of transactional analysis in education in Finland in the May-June *Script,* **Susannah Temple** was incorrectly listed as a PTSTA when she is actually a PTTA, which means she is endorsed by EATA as a Provisional Teaching Transactional Analyst (education). We regret the error.

All Regions

TAJs Available: M. Earl Chadwick writes that he is interested in selling his journals from 1971-1978. He can be reached via email at chadwick@vr.net

EATA Medals Awarded in Zürich

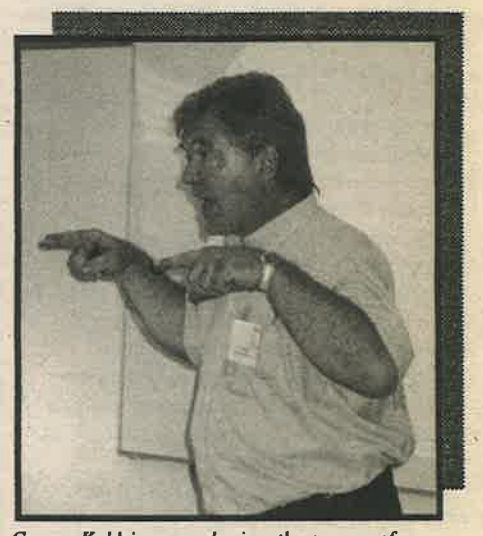


Ian Stewart

Ian Stewart has been awarded the 1998 Gold Medal of the European Association for Transactional Analysis (EATA). The award was made at EATA's General Assembly, held in Zürich on 12 August. The Gold Medal is awarded annually "for outstanding service to EATA." Ian's service to the association began with a period as an elected council member, followed by five years as EATA's supervising examiner and three years as chair of the Commission of Certification. Ian has also, for well over a decade, been EATA's editor, with responsibility for producing the EATA *Newsletter* and successive editions of the *Training and Examination Handbook.* He was a member of the EATA team that negotiated the details of worldwide training and accreditation arrangements with the ITAA. Most recently, Ian helped to write EATA's submission to the European Association for Psychotherapy for recognition as a "Europe-Wide Accrediting Organization" in psychotherapy.

At the same meeting, EATA President John Parr and TACC Chair Gordon Hewitt were awarded EATA Silver Medals. John and Gordon were honored for the great contribution they made to the negotiations between EATA and ITAA to establish a worldwide cooperative framework for transactional analysis training and accreditation.

Zürich Berne Workshops Went Well



George Kohlrieser emphasizes the process of conflict resolution in his Zürich EBTW

The second series of 1998 Eric Berne Training Workshops was held in August in Zürich (the first was held in June in San Francisco). It was a resounding success! Fine presentations were given by six renowned transactional analysts: Bill Cornell spoke on the somatic foundations of the child ego state; Jean Illsley Clarke discussed how to use transactional analysis tools to help parents parent; George Kohlrieser described how to respond to human needs in complex organizational systems; Vann Joines presented on how to use redecision therapy with different personality adaptations; Mary Goulding led a workshop on redecision in transactional analysis; and Richard Erskine spoke on contact-oriented, relationship-focused methods of transactional analysis.

In all, 97 participants registered for the series, an average of 16 people per workshop. Since the workshops were held several days prior to the Zürich conference and at the same time as ITAA/EATA board meetings and certifying exams, we were pleased with the attendance. More important, participants appreciated the high-quality educational content of the presentations.

We were fortunate to find a volunteer in Zürich to help us with details and logistical concerns. Trudi Feger was a jewel of organizational skills and positive energy. Thanks to her, the workshops ran smoothly and participants were pleased with the added educational benefit they received from attending the Eric Berne Workshops.