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president's column



Bert N. Adams, 1983-84 NCFR President

I want to begin my first column by again thanking the outgoing Board of Directors for their creative and cooperative leadership of NCFR for the past year. In particular, let me express our organization's gratitude to Marie Peters, not only for her work as secretary, but as a major contributor to the establishment and growth of the **Ethnic Minorities Section** of NCFR.

This past summer I had the opportunity to speak about the U. S. family in Singapore, Korea, and India, under the auspices of the United States Information Agency. USIA receives requests, from countries where they have Embassies and Cultural Centers, to hear about various topics. In addition, USIA will initiate discussion of issues about which there are misunderstandings or misconceptions. The U.S. family is one such issue.

Three days in Singapore, a week in Korea, and three weeks in India are hardly

sufficient to consider oneself an expert on those societies, especially when discussion focusses on your own family system, rather than theirs. However, several things became clear fairly quickly. First, they wanted to hear about what a mess the U.S. family is in, so as to convince themselves that it will not happen there. Second, it is only a slight exaggeration to say that my audiences generally assumed that everyone in the U.S. is either divorced, cohabiting, or homosexual, and that we ignore our children and elderly while seeking gratification for ourselves. (They were rather surprised to meet someone who had been married to the same person for 29 years, and who still like each other.) Third, the males – especially in Korea and India – feel more strongly than the females that the U.S. family is disintegrating and that their own family system is good and must not change. After all, those societies are "men's worlds," and they have quite a vested interest in the status quo. Some of the women intellectuals, however, favor certain of the changes they perceive to be taking place here. They like the greater opportunities available to women in the U.S., and see divorce as a possible avenue of escape for oppressed women. It was interesting at various conferences to discuss such issues sociologically, and then to sit back and watch the local scholars argue with each other about the implications for their own society's future.

The sessions ranged from a formal lecture through an interpreter in Korea to a two-day seminar in Jaipur, India, which went on for eleven hours and involved university professors, family planners, supreme

court justices, and women's club officers. Though the subject was the American family, at least one-third of the discussion revolved around issues of concern in their own society. Though hardly systematic and not backed by hard data, I would like to share with you some of the comments and insights of the local participants, country by country.

Singapore is a small, urban country next to Malaysia. Seventy per cent of its population live in flats (apartments). The Singaporean government does not want to support the social services and helping professions, fearing that this will weaken the family. "Let the family do it," is a government policy. However, in 25 years they have reduced their birth rate from 4.1 to 1.8 per family. This means that two government policies – family care and population control – may eventually be at cross-purposes. By 2025 there may in fact be one middle-aged couple for each two children and each two retired people, which may be too heavy a financial burden to "let the family do it." They have not yet faced this future issue.

In **South Korea**, a dinner with eight Korean intellectuals produced the following insights: (1) young Korean boys used to be married to older women, with one effect being to hold down the birth rate. (2) A wealthy man would have lower-class concubines – not true wives – who were not "just for fun," but would also provide him children. (3) Homosexuality and incest are still extremely taboo in Korea; such people are considered "animals." (4) Said one Korean observer: "a Korean male's chauvinistic bark is worse than his bite; an Arab

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male's bark and bite are equally chauvinistic, while an American male's bite is worse than his bark," meaning, of course, that U.S. males pretend to be more liberal and equalitarian than we really are. (Is that true?) (5) Korean women have learned to play a submissive role, even when it does not "come naturally." According to Clyde McDaniel, in a 1969 *Journal of Marriage and the Family* article, that is also true in the U.S.: women have to change from assertive to receptive.¹ Oh well, maybe all that has changed in the past fifteen years. (6) A woman judge says divorce is increasing rapidly in Korea. The rate is still low by European standards, however. (7) Mr. Kwak, a Korean who has worked for USIS in Seoul for more than twenty years, said "there is only one major marital taboo in Korea: never criticize your in-laws." (8) Juvenile delinquents in Korea are almost all boys. They are either sent back home or institutionalized, since almost no foster care exists.

The strongest feelings of family ethnocentrism were expressed in India. Their patrilineal extended/joint family system is, from their own perspective, the best – most moral and functional – in the world. Thus, they do not like to speak of the tensions and problems in the Indian family, but in the

American. Yet there is an "underside" to the Indian family experience, as pointed out by some of the more sanguine Indian experts. (1) The amount of child labor resembles that in the U.S. at the turn of this century, but is not perceived by many as a problem. (2) Wife abuse is still prevalent, but is seen as a disciplinary means of keeping the family functioning smoothly. (3) Widow burning is getting newspaper coverage in Delhi. This is not the funeral pyre suicide of tradition, but is the husband's family driving the widowed daughter-in-law to suicide, or else killing her if she will not cooperate. (An economic reason for this is that the property reverts to the husband's family when the widow dies.) There have been 160 such widow deaths in Delhi during 1983 alone. Yet those who want to argue for the traditional family must either ignore such phenomena or else must view them as necessary supports for a stable family system.

A few other insights from India: (4) Indian movies are full of romance, which, said one observer, is because there is so little romance in Indian lives. It is an escape. (5) One Indian woman scholar said: "Indians are preoccupied with sex, while Americans are occupied with it." Interesting. (6)

Many of the Indian scholars simply assume that the struggle in the U.S. between individual and family values has been totally settled in favor of the individual. They state that in the U.S. anything, including children and family, that gets in a person's way must move aside. My argument with them was that there are strong values in the U.S. that the family is the prime building block of society, and other values that the individual is the basic unit. This issue, I feel, is not as settled here as the Indian scholars seem to think it is.

When the question arises: can any traditional family/kin system withstand the individualizing and nuclearizing impact of modern-urban-industrial life, the response is instructive. In Korea the general feeling is: yes, the Korean family is uniquely equipped to withstand such pressures. In India the response is: yes, the Indian family is strong enough to withstand such pressures. I guess only time and history will give us the answer . . .

¹Clyde O. McDaniel, "Dating Roles and Reasons for Dating," *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, 31(February 1969),97-107.

Bert N. Adams, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1983-84 NCFR President.

ncfr annual meeting

The 1984 NCFR Annual Meeting
October 16-20, San Francisco
Theme: "New Families for a New Era"

The purpose of the 1984 Annual Meeting is to examine the issue of changes and continuities in all aspects of male-female and parent-child relations in the context of ongoing changes in the larger society. The Program Committee consists of each of the Section Chairs: Kenneth Barber, Education and Enrichment; Eleanor Johnson, Ethnic Minorities; Ronald Pitzer, Family Action; C. Ray Fowler, Family Therapy; Gary Lee, International; and Lynda Henley Walters, Research and Theory. Also included on the committee are J. Howard Kauffman (Department of Sociology, Goshen College, Goshen, IN 46526), Chair, Affiliated Councils; C. Daniel Fisher (Family Life Council of Greater Greensboro, 450 North Church Street, Greensboro, NC 27401), Program Chair, Affiliated Councils; Alexis Walker (University of Oklahoma, Department of

Family Studies, Norman, OK 73069), Coordinator of Seminars in the Round (formerly Round Tables); Patricia Spakes (University of North Carolina, Department of Social Work, Greensboro, NC 27412), Coordinator of Demonstration Sessions (formerly Poster Sessions); Pauline Boss (University of Minnesota, Department of Family Social Science, McNeal Hall, St. Paul, MN 55108), Chair of Pre-Conference Workshop on Theory Construction and Research Methodology; and Karen Polonko and Chris Jeter, members at large. (Professors Walker and Spakes will be assisted by Nancy Kingsbury).

Analyzing four aspects of our theme, and representing four major NCFR constituencies, are four specially qualified plenary speakers. First, in terms of education, Peter Scales of Planned Parenthood Federation will discuss fresh perspectives on sexuality, and perspectives on education for sexuality among persons of all ages, in the light of changing social conditions. Second, in terms of action, Lenore J. Weitzman will

discuss innovative family policy perspectives for the "new era," – helping us to think in fresh terms about what family policy should be. Third, with regard to research and theory, Jessie Bernard will interpret the evidence to show what is (and is not) happening to marriage/family, and where we can expect to go from here. Finally, in terms of therapy and counseling, Harold Rausch will address the role of the clinician in light of the "new era." How does s/he do h/h work so as to enable families and couples to "solve their problems" in the light of what Rausch himself has called the disappearance of "cultural givens"? Our speakers will raise international and ethnic comparisons in their talks, and, in addition, there will be a Master Lecture on "whither Black families in this new era."

The AAMFT meetings will overlap some of the NCFR dates and efforts are being made to coordinate the two conventions wherever that is feasible.

A special session will be devoted to a

critique of Jessie Bernard's work covering her many years of scholarship. That session will be chaired and organized by Linda Thompson, who is writing Bernard's biography.

A new emphasis of this year's Conference is being called "Peace and the Family." Persons wishing to contribute to this emphasis are especially encouraged to consider the "Seminar in the Round" format.

Reminders

1. Each participant whose name appears on the program must pay the conference registration fee in advance, or be removed from the program.
2. Persons can be first author of only one paper. If the same name appears on more than one paper, the Program Committee will carefully screen those papers to determine if they are sufficiently diverse to warrant being on the program. Comparable papers from the same author(s) will be screened off the program.
3. **Deadline** for abstract presentations for Section Meetings, "Seminars in the Round," and for "Demonstration Sessions" is **January 30, 1984**. Send abstracts directly to Section chairs, or to Professors Walker (Seminars in the Round) or Spakes (Demonstration Sessions).
4. Persons are encouraged to prepare papers and other presentations that fit the Conference theme as closely as possible. However, as always, good ideas are solicited no matter what their content.

This year's Conference promises to be a significant and exciting one. **Mark it on your Calendar and Plan to Attend!**

See you in San Francisco.

John Scanzoni, 1984 Annual Meeting Program Vice President, Family Research Center, CDFR Department, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, NC 27412 (phone: 919-379-5315).

Education and Enrichment Section Call for Presentations and Papers



The Education and Enrichment Section is now accepting proposals for the 1984 annual meeting.

Individuals, families, and the environment about them are continually changing. Change brings new options, challenges, and opportunities as well as demands, requirements and adjustments. "New Families for a New Era" provides a context in which many aspects of change as it relates to the family may be explored.

The Section is looking for a variety of

proposals so that a stimulating and rewarding program can be offered. Proposals for interactive sessions, workshops, panels, debates, demonstrations, experiential and sharing sessions, applied and service programs, educational strategies, and research reports, etc., are desired.

Three copies of your proposal or abstract should be submitted. The abstract/proposal must: be typed; range between 300 - 500 words; clearly state what it is you want to do; indicate how your presentation relates to the conference theme (very important); how it will be done; who will do it; the amount of time needed (bear in mind that most conference sessions are one and one-half hours long); and, what, if any, audio-visual equipment will be needed for your presentation.

Please send only your abstract/proposal. Research papers and other supporting materials are not necessary. Those wishing to do a research (paper) presentation please include a brief abstract about the research and how it relates to the conference theme.

All proposals will be reviewed and consultation will be held with the annual meeting program committee before final participants are selected and notified.

Proposals will be accepted up to **January 30, 1984**. All who submit a proposal will be notified about its disposition as soon as the planning process allows (no later than May 1, 1984).

Send proposals to: Kenneth E. Barber, Extension Sociologist, Chair, Education and Enrichment Section, 301 Agricultural Sciences Building, Cooperative Extension, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-6230 (phone: 509-335-2918).

Volunteers are needed to preside at Section program sessions. I would especially like to have students and individuals volunteer who have not previously had that opportunity.

P.S. It was good to see many friends and colleagues at the recent NCFR annual meetings in St. Paul. My thanks to all of you who reviewed abstracts, chaired sessions, made presentations, represented the Section, did committee work and attended the business meeting. I am hoping to see you again in San Francisco.

Kenneth Barber, Section Chair

Family Action Section Call for Papers

Details of the 1984 NCFR annual meeting in San Francisco are detailed elsewhere in this newsletter by Program Vice President, John Scanzoni. I especially want to



call to your attention that **Lenore Weitzman** will be plenary speaker on a topic of particular concern to Family Action Section members - "The Intimate Contract: Policy for the Future."

The Family Action Section invites the submission of abstracts or other proposals for the 1984 annual meeting. We are interested in high quality papers for paper sessions and in proposals for other formats - panels, symposia, etc. To be considered for acceptance in Family Action Section sessions, abstracts/proposals must indicate public policy or social action implications of the paper or presentation. It is not required that all papers or other program elements relate to the conference theme. Theme-related abstracts will, however, be given preference if the quantity of submitted papers exceed the available program spots. Priority certainly will be given to theme-related proposals for the few program spots allocated to other formats, such as panels or symposia. Any suggestions that might contribute to a stimulating and beneficial Family Action Section program at the 1984 annual meeting would be welcomed.

Please submit **three typed copies** of a 300-500 word abstract or proposal. Indicate precisely what it is you intend to do, your objectives, who will do it, how it will be done, how it relates to the Family Action Section concerns and to the conference theme, and time needed.

The **deadline** for submission is **January 30, 1984**. Everyone who submits a proposal will be notified of its disposition by April 15 or so. Send to **Ronald L. Pitzer**, Family Action Section Chair, Rural Sociology Department, 74 Classroom-Office Building, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108 (phone: 612-376-3851).

Ronald Pitzer, Section Chair

Family Therapy Section Call for Papers



The Family Therapy Section seeks papers and panels and round tables on the theme of "New Families for a New Era." Presentations should deal with change and intervention in family systems, and on the interfaces of family with other systems such as schools, business, health care, social services and the judiciary.

Those presenting such material should consider how the parts of the system act and

react – how the child impacts on the parents and siblings as well as being impacted on. They should also consider how the systems impact on the family and the family upon the other community entities.

Interventions should offer new ways to facilitate the empowering of individuals within systems and families with other systems.

The Family Therapy Section is also looking for reports of new methods of teaching interventions in, and with, family systems. Since so many universities and colleges now offer courses in family therapy, it is important that we share this information with our colleagues.

Send a 500 word abstract of your paper or panel by **January 30, 1984** to: **C. Ray Fowler**, Family Therapy Section Chair, Academy of Family Mediators, 272 West 7th Street, Claremont, CA 91711 (phone: 714-626-0590).

C. Ray Fowler, Section Chair

International Section Call for Papers



The International Section had a number of very interesting and productive sessions during the 1983 meetings. For the 1984 conference, the Section is interested in submissions of papers or other proposals, from any member of the National Council on Family Relations, which have international or comparative implications. They do not necessarily need to employ data from societies other than the United States, but implications for comparative or international research and theory are one major selection criterion. The focus of the Section is particularly congenial to the theme of the meetings, and we anticipate that many of the papers submitted to the Section will relate directly to the theme. However, papers on any topic relevant to the concerns of the Section will be considered. Those interested in organizing a session are strongly encouraged to submit their ideas. We are especially interested in ideas for papers or other kinds of sessions that relate the theme of the meeting to international or comparative issues.

The deadline for submissions is **January 30, 1984**. Please send abstracts of 300 to 500 words to: **Gary R. Lee**, International Section Chair, Department of Sociology, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-4020 (phone: 509-335-2357).

Gary Lee, Section Chair

Research and Theory Section Call for Papers



It was gratifying to have so many members in attendance at our Section Business meeting this year. Even more, I appreciated the active participation of so many at such an early hour. For those of you who could not be present, may I direct your attention to the minutes of the meeting which are printed in this Newsletter.

With "New Families for a New Era" as the theme for the 1984 annual meeting, there is great potential for related papers in our Section. In addition to the focus on "new" families, it would also seem appropriate for papers in this Section to be focused on innovative ways of studying families and conceptual problems in studying families. Also, papers that generate new insights into family study issues (e.g., a futurist approach) might be interesting.

Abstracts of papers will be blind reviewed so I will need three copies. Abstracts may range between 300 and 500 words and must be submitted by **January 30, 1984**. Please specify your preference for poster, paper, or round table session.

Send to **Lynda Henley Walters**, Research and Theory Section Chair, College of Home Economics, Dawson Hall, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602 (Phone: 404-542-2551).

Lynda Henley Walters, Section Chair

Ethnic Minorities Section Call for Papers



The Ethnic Minorities Section will sponsor sessions for the 1984 meeting exploring the future and changing patterns of ethnic gender roles and families. Proposals for workshops and interactive sessions are particularly welcome from anyone doing research on or providing services to new immigrant families in the U.S. Submit as soon as possible any ideas for panel discussions that you would like to organize which deal with the conference theme, "New Families for a New Era," or policy issues related to contemporary ethnic families. Other issues related to ethnic families will also be considered.

Two copies of proposals should be submitted by **January 30, 1984** to: **Leonor Johnson**, Ethnic Minorities Section Chair, 8650 11th Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20903 (phone: 301-434-4927).

Leonor Johnson, Section Chair

Pre-Conference Workshop on Theory Construction and Research Methodology



The 14th annual pre-conference workshop on theory and methods will be held October 16-17, 1984, at the Cathedral Hill Hotel, San Francisco, California. This workshop offers a unique forum for family scholars to discuss their work while it is still in progress. Its format is designed to encourage the exchange of ideas and in-depth discussion of theories that are currently being developed, refined, or reformulated as well as family research methods which are still being designed, pre-tested, or applied to family studies. All papers are sent to workshop registrants six weeks in advance of the workshop. During the workshop, 90 minute sessions are scheduled for each paper, or for two papers which are concerned with a common problem. Since papers have been read in advance, sessions are devoted exclusively to careful discussion. Sessions presiders briefly summarize the paper(s) and each of two discussants presents a 10-minute commentary and evaluation of the paper(s). Discussants are expected to distribute a written summary of their comments at the session. Students are encouraged to become involved in the workshop either by submitting papers or service as session presiders or discussants.

A detailed announcement concerning the 1984 workshop will be mailed directly to all those on the current mailing list. This announcement will include a summary of the 1983 workshop, minutes of the 1983 business meeting, and forms for registering and submitting proposals for papers and/or special sessions. Those interested in serving as session leaders or discussants are also encouraged to return forms indicating their desired role in the workshop. Those wishing to be added to the mailing list should send their names and addresses to the workshop chair.

The details of the feedback from the panel which evaluated our workshops thus far will be in the minutes in the next newsletter. Meanwhile, I can summarize by stating that the distinctive features of the workshop are the structure and process not just the content. These unique features need to be preserved with small group and in-depth discussion of work in progress. A call was made for more diversity in the structure which would nevertheless maintain the process goal. Consistently, a call was made for remaining a small group and for focusing on fewer papers, but in more depth and in-

cluding a broader range of theorizing (e.g., Induction, and European Strategies, etc.). A call was also made for more inclusion of other disciplines to move the theorizing forward in a more cumulative rather than simply additive manner. A call was also made for demonstrating the usefulness of our theory building work. As Wes Burr says, "... if our theories are not useful, they are useless."

Because of this feedback and because of my own interdisciplinary background, the focus for the 1984 workshop will be on furthering our understanding of family phenomenon and/or the research process, the theorizing process, and the application process. This will include such topics as: ethics, philosophy of science, methodology, typologies, induction, and deduction, etc., but they must ALL address the issue of "usefulness" in solving real family problems

or in understanding and predicting real family phenomenon.

I will also entertain proposals for the creative presentation which addresses the issue of usefulness in solving everyday problems for the researcher/theoretician him/herself. Examples might be: theory and methods of grant management, ethical decision making in sensitive family research, etc. If you will, this would focus on "sociology of the sociologist," or "the care and feeding of the author," or, in simpler terms, the prevention of our own burnout as researchers and the stimulation of our own creativity and productivity.

I welcome proposals in the above areas by **February 15, 1983**. Abstracts should be about 1,000 words, typed, and three copies submitted. They should cover the following: (a) major purpose of the paper and its rationale; (b) major resources from which

the paper is built; (c) the major thrust or argument to be developed; and (d) the proposed content and sequence in outline form. Be creative in suggesting a different structure, but remember the overall goal is for in-depth discussion of unfinished work.

A materials and registration fee of \$20 covers the duplication and postage cost of all papers sent to workshop participants. This fee must accompany abstracts and will be returned if the proposed paper is not accepted or if the submitter chooses not to participate in the workshop. Send proposals and requests for registration materials to **Pauline G. Boss**, Department of Family Social Science, 290 McNeal Hall, University of Minnesota, 1985 Buford Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108 (phone: 612-376-2455).
Pauline G. Boss, Workshop Chair

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additional ncfrr affairs

EXECUTIVE OFFICER NATIONAL COUNCIL ON FAMILY RELATIONS

NCFR, headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, is a 5,000 member non-profit educational and resource organization dedicated to strengthening families. Responsibilities include: represent NCFR to membership and public, coordinate relations with state councils and Board of Directors, supervise staff, manage budget, disseminate information, oversee arrangements for conferences, promote growth and financial development, take responsibility for business aspects of organization and publications. Qualifications: appropriate graduate degree and five years of relevant professional experience, effective administrative experience, ability to work with other agencies, public speaking ability, understanding of information management, and fund raising experience desirable. Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications. Five year renewable appointment. Available July 1, 1984; closing date, January 6, 1984, or until filled. Send letter, resume, four letters of reference to: **Dr. Sharon Price-Bonham**, Department of Child and Family Development, Dawson Hall, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602. The NCFR is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

1984 NCFR Election

The by-laws change proposed in the August 1982 issue of *Report* was overwhelmingly accepted by the NCFR membership. The motion stated: "*In addition to the nominees chosen by the nominating committee for elected officer, a member, by petition, can become a candidate on the slate for any particular office in any given election. For the election to the office of president-elect, program vice president-elect, membership vice president, publications vice president, secretary, and treasurer, a petition signed by 60 members would automatically include the petitioner on the ballot. For election of Section officers a petition signed by 25 members of the Section would automatically include the petitioner on the ballot. The petitioner will have 30 days after the nominating committee's slate is posted to complete the petition action. The petitioners will supply signatures, names and addresses for office verification.*"

To put the change into effect, the 1984 slate proposed by the nominating committees is included in this newsletter. In accordance with the by-laws change, NCFR members now have the opportunity to petition for additions to it. **Ruth Jewson**, National Office, must receive the petitions no later than **January 15**, so that the process of adding them to the final ballot may be initiated.

Slate

President-Elect:

Joan Aldous, Ph.D., University of Notre Dame

Robert Bell, Ph.D., Temple University

Program Vice President-Elect:

Pauline Boss, Ph.D., University of Minnesota

Catherine Chilman, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Publications Vice President:

Mary Hicks, Ph.D., Florida State University

Brent Miller, Ph.D., Utah State University

Membership Vice President:

Margaret Arcus, Ph.D., University of British Columbia

David Klein, Ph.D., University of Notre Dame

Education and Enrichment Section:

Chair:

Nelwyn Moore, Ph.D., Southwest Texas State University

Terrance Olson, Ph.D., Brigham Young University

Vice Chair:

Ronald Flowers, B.D., Seventh Day Adventists Headquarters

Georgiana Dixon, Ed.D., Louisiana State University

The History of the NCFR: A Pictorial Review, beautifully prepared by past president **James Walters** as a gift to the National Council on Family Relations, is available on loan from the NCFR office. A sound synchronization device is required for use with the carousel slide projector, because the whole production is automatic. The presentation lasts one hour.

Education and Enrichment Section:**Secretary:**

Patricia T. Nelson, Ed.D., University of Delaware
 Britton Wood, B.D., M.R.E., Broadway Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas

Family Therapy Section:**Chair:**

Eleanor Macklin, Ph.D., Syracuse University

Vice Chair:

Anthony Jurich, Ph.D., Kansas State University

Secretary:

Caryl T. Moy, Ph.D., Sangamon State University, Illinois

NCFR Membership: Keep a Good Thing Growing!

The Minneapolis Annual Meeting was a tremendous success for growth and advancement within the NCFR. Those who attended were able to share new programs and developments in the field, new research and relevant applications of that research, new contacts and renewal of old friendships, and the list goes on. Brand new programs, such as the national certification standards for family life educators, under the leadership of Kenneth Davidson, need especially to be shared with others who are interested and involved in the family field. The Minnesota Council is to be commended for their fine efforts in making new members feel welcomed. With over 1,000 registrants this year, we had a particularly high number of new delegates joining us.

The **Membership Award** also was launched at the meeting and the competition begins... Already a number of individuals have set membership recruitment goals. For those who may have missed the announcement of this brand new NCFR award, a brief summary follows.

All you need to do is to:

- Bring in at least 12 new, regular members between October 15, 1983 and October 15, 1984. In order to qualify, send in the new member's membership form with the code "MA" and your name written at the bottom of the form and payment. You will be credited accordingly.
- And wait! The announcement will be made at the 1984 Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

You will win:

- 1 free year of membership

- Free registration at the 1985 Annual Meeting
- Recognition at the 1984 Annual Meeting and in NCFR publications

This award also gives recognition to your state and regional council, as well as to the school or program with which you are affiliated. Have you thought about setting up a membership award in your state or regional council? We would like to see more recognition at these levels also.

The President's Commission on the Structure of NCFR, chaired by Dennis Orthner, is well underway. A fresh look will be taken at all past and present membership statistics in order to make concrete recommendations about meeting member needs in more effective ways. NCFR needs to react positively to rapid changes in society; this new committee can make a valuable contribution toward that end.

Carolyn J. Love, Membership Vice President, Vocational/Technical Department, South-Western Publishing Co., 5101 Madison Road, Cincinnati, OH 45227 (phone: 513-271-8811).

Standards and Criteria for the Certification of Family Life Educators

The NCFR Board of Directors has accepted with gratitude the document prepared by the NCFR Committee on Standards and Criteria for the Certification of Family Life Educators. A 5-person committee to implement the recommendations has been appointed, with Kenneth Davidson, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI 54701, continuing as chair. The publication discusses preparation for family life educators; process and procedures for the certification review committee; and an overview of content in family life education: a framework for planning life span programs. The booklet may be ordered from the NCFR at the introductory cost of \$6.50.

Family Relations

Families with Handicapped Members is the subject of the Special Issue of *Family Relations* to appear in January 1984. Among the topics included are the impact on the family of growth disorders in children, siblings of handicapped children, the family's role in the care of the handicapped, graduation as a transitory crisis for mildly developmentally disabled adolescents and their families, a wholistic model for grieving about the birth of a handicapped child, stress and social networks in families with a handicapped child, involving the family in

career preparation for behavior disordered adolescents, and perspectives on the family of the autistic child. Extra copies of this valuable issue may be ordered for classroom use.

Public Policy Committee

This report from the Public Policy Committee is a brief update on two major initiatives in Congress to address the needs of families: the Family Protection Act and activities of the House Select Committee on Children, Youth and Families.

Select Committee on Children, Youth, and Families

The House Select Committee continues to hold hearings in Washington, D.C. and around the country. On October 27, "Adolescents in Crisis" was the topic. Among those testifying were Joan Lipsitz, Director of the Center for Early Adolescence in North Carolina, and Kim Fields of *The Facts of Life*. After presenting data on the quality of life for adolescents, Lipsitz noted that cuts in funding to programs have social and often economic costs: "There is no such thing as a free lunch; there are only choices on how we will bear the costs."

Teenage celebrity Kim Fields emphasized the importance of teenagers helping each other. She also made a plea for adults to work together with teenagers and to respect their ideas. Fields represented the Youth Rescue Fund Celebrity Peer Council, a national organization dedicated to increasing the public's awareness about teenagers in crisis.

Other presenters addressed the dramatic increase in adolescent suicide in the past two decades and local programs to reduce its incidence and provide services to these families. Finally, the use of libraries and other community centers to provide services to adolescents was discussed.

The next hearing in Washington, D.C. is scheduled for November 10 and will address Father Absence and the Roles of Fathers. In addition to hearings on the Hill, regional hearings have been held in New York City, Minneapolis/St. Paul, and Miami. Additional hearings are scheduled for November 3 in Salt Lake City and November 4 in Los Angeles. The purpose of these hearings is to learn about the regional problems faced by families and successful programs to address them.

The first year of the Committee's existence has focused on diverse issues related to children and families. Next year, the Committee will pinpoint several issues for special attention. Among the issues likely

to be addressed are child care, and family violence.

Family Protection Act

Below is the latest update of information concerning the status of several provisions from the Family Protection Act. Senator Jepsen's office was contacted and provided this information. Section 102 on notifying parents when an unmarried minor receives contraceptives from a federally funded organization had regulations submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to implement such a policy. Court rulings followed however stating these regulations were inappropriate. Currently, HHS is appealing the ruling of the courts.

Under the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981 some provisions from the Family Protection Act were passed. 1) Spouse Allowances for spouses were provided by IRA's. For families with non-salaried spouses, provision was made that a couple could save up to \$2,050. Jepsen's office still would like to see changes made allowing IRS's for a non-salaried spouse to equal the IRA amount for a salaried spouse. They plan to continue to work for these changes. 2) To date, only a modified version of the exemptions for childbirth or adoption has been passed. Married couples filing jointly get an additional \$1,500 tax exemption for the year in which a qualified child (biracial, minority, handicapped, or over 5) is adopted. 3) The final provision which has passed allows a corporation to make contributions for day care to employees. This contribution is considered to be a fringe benefit. Hence, the contribution would not be considered part of the employee's gross income and thus is not taxable.

In addition, there are plans to reintroduce a provision concerning tax exempt educational savings plans to save for a child's education. The President is interested in this issue and has some legislation which he will probably try to get introduced.

To date, plans have not been formalized for the final decision over which additional provisions if any will be reintroduced during the present or upcoming Congressional session.

Sharon Alexander and Elaine Anderson

What is Happening With the New Family Discipline?

The concern about identity issues in the family field has now evolved into a social movement. The movement's main goal is to foster the development of a family discipline. There are, of course, a number of

more specific goals, such as involving those who want to participate in the movement, clarifying the nature of the new discipline, and helping the new discipline gain the stature, recognition, and acceptance that a family discipline deserves.

There was considerable discussion at the 1983 NCFR meetings about what should be done next in the movement, and the result is a new organization — **The Association for the Development of a Family Discipline**. Membership in the association is open to all who want to join the movement, and joining will help foster the development of the discipline. The purposes of the Association are:

To promote dialogue about issues associated with the emergence of a family discipline. More specifically, the goals are to clarify issues such as:

- (1) Is there really a discipline?
- (2) If there is, what is or should be the nature of the discipline?
- (3) What should be done to optimize the development of the discipline?
- (4) What should be done now and later to create and maintain cooperative relationships with: (a) other disciplines, and (b) programs and organizations that are and will continue to be inter- and multi-disciplinary?

The new association will be a temporary organization that will exist only during the developmental stages of the new discipline. As soon as the above issues are resolved enough that the discipline is clearly identified and ready for more formal and more public action, other organizational steps will be taken. It is likely that these future changes will include forming within NCFR a professional association for the discipline, changing majors in a number of university programs, changing some departmental names, and perhaps publishing a permanent newsletter or journal.

The main activity of the current Association will be to produce a newsletter that will publish papers, letters, and rejoinders that focus on issues, controversies, clarifications, elaborations, procedures, etc. The first Newsletter will be published soon, so those who have an interest in the issues are encouraged to send their contributions to the editor: **Gerhard Neubeck**, Department of Family Social Science, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108.

In the initial business meeting held on October 14, 1983 at the NCFR meetings, a chair and board of directors were elected.

Wesley R. Burr, was elected chair, and the board of directors is: **Margaret Bubolz**, Michigan State University; **Godfrey Ellis**, Oklahoma State University; **M. Janice Hogan**, University of Minnesota; **Nelwyn B. Moore**, Southwest Texas State University; **Gerhard Neubeck**, University of Minnesota; **Gary Peterson**, University of Tennessee; and **Jay Schvaneveldt**, Utah State University. The board was commissioned to work out the details of how the Association will be organized and what it will do, and several assignments were accepted by board members. Jay Schvaneveldt became the secretary. Nelwyn B. Moore became the treasurer, and Gerhard Neubeck became the editor of the newsletter.

This announcement has two main objectives. One is to encourage those who care about the emergence of the discipline to send their ideas, pro and con, to the newsletter. The second is to encourage those who want to have a discipline to join the movement by joining the Association. Disciplines do not emerge when there is apathy and disinterest. The history of disciplines shows that whether it was the chemists trying to create chemistry by separating themselves from alchemy, or psychology trying to establish clinical psychology as a complement rather than replacement of psychiatry, the process of seeking and ultimately gaining acceptance is a struggle.

The family discipline will not flourish if the membership in the new Association is small. About 75 individuals have already indicated an interest in joining, and that is an excellent beginning; but to be successful the numbers will need to grow into the hundreds. The larger the number of students and professionals who join the movement, the faster and more effectively the discipline will grow, and the sooner it will assume its place beside the older disciplines and acquire the recognition, status, and ability to contribute that a discipline focusing on the family deserves. Therefore, please send your dues to the treasurer of the new Association. The dues are \$5.00 annually for regular membership and \$2.00 for student membership. The funds will underwrite the cost of the newsletter, and you will receive a subscription to it. Donations of larger amounts will be accepted because they will help the cause. Send dues to **Nelwyn Moore**, Department of Home Economics, Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, TX 78666.

The next step after you join is to help others see the vision of the movement and persuade them to do the same.

Gerhard Neubeck

Awards

The NCFR presents seven Awards:

The Ernest W. Burgess Award, given in recognition of continuous and meritorious contributions to theory and research in the family field;

The Reuben Hill Award, given for an outstanding Family Research Article of the Year;

The Ernest G. Osborne Award, presented for excellence in the teaching of family relations;

The Distinguished Service to Families Award, given in recognition of distinguished service in the field of family relations, in an area other than research or teaching;

The Certificate of Commendation Award, a timely award offered in immediate response to special contributions by an individual or a group toward the cause of better family living;

The Student Award, given to a student(s) who has demonstrated excellence as a student, with high potential for contributions to the field of family studies; and

Film, Filmstrip, and Videocassette Awards, given to stimulate the production of audio-visual materials which make a contribution to the family field.

We are including information about the Reuben Hill, Distinguished Service to Families, Certificate of Commendation, and Burgess Awards in this issue. Other Awards will be reviewed in the *Report* at a later time. See forms at the end of the Newsletter which you may use in making nominations.

The Reuben Hill Award:

During the 1983 NCFR Annual Meeting, the Research and Theory Section presented the **Reuben Hill Award** for Outstanding Research and Theory Article, 1982, to **Karen A. Polonko, John Scanzoni, and Jay D. Teachman**. Their article, "Childlessness and Marital Satisfaction: A Further Assessment," appeared in the December 1982 issue of the *Journal of Family Issues*. The article is based on a research program on the consequences of childlessness for family life.

The Reuben Hill Award is presented annually for the article that best combines theory and methodology in the analysis and interpretation of a significant marriage or family issue. The criteria for selection include conceptual and theoretical clarity,

methodological soundness, quality of interpretation and discussion, and style of writing and presentation. The award includes a certificate and \$500 check. A committee of twenty professionals surveyed journals in the field for outstanding articles. The selection committee was chaired by **Patricia Voydanoff**, Center for the Study of Family Development, University of Dayton.

The new chair of the Reuben Hill Award Committee is **Jay Schvaneveldt**, Department of Family and Human Development, Utah State University, Logan, UT 84322.

The Distinguished Service to Families Award

The Board of Directors of the National Council on Family Relations voted in 1973 to establish a distinguished service award to recognize contributions made to the cause of the family by persons who provide leadership and/or service in "action" programs at the "cutting edge" in society, who more often represent the future rather than the past, and who responsibly pioneer with new programs, ideas and policies. The NCFR Board of Directors empowered the Congress of Affiliated Councils to develop guidelines and procedures for granting the award. The award is to be granted each year to an individual from the United States or Canada who has had an impact upon quality of family life on either the local, state, or national level.

The purpose of this award is to recognize individuals who exert outstanding leadership toward the cause of better family living; to recognize volunteer efforts as well as professional excellence in the various aspects of family service, industry, government, and the arts.

Objectives of the Award Are: (1) To recognize and encourage outstanding "action" programs; program development, social action, counseling and/or administration, etc.; (2) To provide visibility and good public relations for NCFR.

Eligibility: (1) Any person who has rendered distinguished service to families other than exclusively in research (Burgess Award) or teaching at any educational level (Osborne Award) is eligible to receive this award; (2) Distinguished service is understood to refer to leadership, program planning and/or administration, policy making, project direction, public relations, liaison with professional and other groups, counseling, business leadership, political activities, independent family advocacy, and similar activities of benefit to families; (3) The award recognizes individuals who have made an outstanding contribution (vocational or avocational) to the cause of family life; (4)

The recipient may or may not be a member of the NCFR; (5) To be eligible, an individual must be nominated by a member of the NCFR; (6) Current members of the NCFR Distinguished Service to Families Award committee are not eligible to receive this Award.

Nomination Procedure: For the annual award, nominations are to be handled through a special nomination form enclosed in the newsletter of the NCFR. Any individual or council at the local, state, regional or national level may nominate an individual.

Selection Committee Composition: Five NCFR members compose the committee. Three members of the Congress of Affiliated Councils are appointed for three-year terms, serving as committee chair during the second year on the committee. The immediate past chairs of the Family Therapy and Family Action Sections of the NCFR serve on the selection committee, having one-year automatic terms.

Procedures for receiving, screening, and evaluating nominations are handled by the current award selection committee. This five-member committee, under the jurisdiction of the Congress of Affiliated Councils, is responsible for selecting the recipient of the award; however, the award is given in the name of the NCFR.

Nature of the Award(s): The annual (or less frequent if no outstanding nominee emerges) award shall consist of a certificate and/or symbolic artifact personalized in recognition of the contributions of the recipient. This award is to be presented during the Annual Conference of the NCFR, ordinarily at the Congress of Affiliated Councils Luncheon. Personal attributes or distinctions that might be considered and evaluated by the selection committee include: (a) Uniqueness of contribution; (b) Innovativeness and creativity of contribution; (c) Ability to take risks if necessary and to be held responsible for contributions; (d) Commitment to work; (e) Respect, possibly acclaim, among colleagues or lay persons for work done toward the goal of improving family life; (f) Work pursuant of contemporary priorities pertaining to family life in the United States or Canada; (g) Amount of concentration and activity related to a current concern about family life; (h) Long-term effectiveness of contribution; (i) Years of service.

Certificate of Commendation:

The Distinguished Service to Families Award committee may periodically wish to grant special Certificates of Commendation to individuals or groups whose contributions or service to families have been espec-

ially noteworthy. Such certificates of commendation may be granted at any time during the year at the discretion of the award committee and with the approval or recommendation of the current president of the NCFR.

Guidelines for selecting recipients of the Certificate of Commendation are similar to those for the Distinguished Service to Families Award. The Certificate of Commendation, however, is a timely award offered in immediate response to special contributions by an individual or group toward the cause of better family living.

Ernest W. Burgess Award Committee:

Committee Membership: The Burgess Award Committee consists of five members: (1) the last three recipients of the Award, each recipient to serve as Committee chair during the fifth and sixth years on the committee; (2) the immediate past and present chairpersons of the NCFR Research and Theory Section. Present chair refers to the chair in the year when the Award announcement is made. Immediate past chair refers to the preceding chairperson. Both past and present chairpersons serve on the committee for two years.

Irregularities should occur only when a committee member is both a recent award recipient and a Section chair, or if a committee member resigns. Whenever committee membership is short, the chair, in consultation with remaining members, should appoint another person(s) to serve for the remaining term. If for any reason the award is not given during a specific year, the existing committee should remain intact until it discharges its responsibility the following year.

Award Rules: (1) The award, to be given biennially, is to consist of an appropriate certificate of merit on a wooden plaque, plus a check for \$500.00 and travel expenses (round trip, tourist fare). The awardee will be announced at the NCFR meeting in year one. This is followed by the presentation at the next annual meeting.

(2) It is not necessary that the recipient be a NCFR member.

(3) In accepting the award, the recipient obligates him/herself to present a lecture on some aspect of family research and theory at a NCFR meeting. This meeting is typically the annual conference following the presentation of the award. In addition, the recipient is obliged to commit first publication rights to the *Journal of Marriage and the Family*.

(4) Selection of an awardee is made by the Committee and is in recognition of continuous and meritorious research contribu-

tions to the family field. The Burgess Award recognizes significant contributions along a professional career. It is not an award for a distinctive and meritorious research product. More specific criteria for selection may be spelled out by each committee in advance of its own work, but should include the following: (a) a superior research program designed and executed, as demonstrated by quality research; (b) conceptual integration and achievement; (c) codification of a field of inquiry; (d) new measurement instrument developed; (e) new data collection or analysis technique developed.

(5) Selection procedures include: (a) before the end of February in the first year, the committee will propose names for a roster of candidates. Each proposed name will be accompanied by a one paragraph resume of biographical facts and major works; (b) during the spring months, the proposed candidates will be ranked by members and the ranks averaged. Selection of the top five candidates; (c) summer and fall of second year devoted to careful reading of work by top five candidates; (d) the Committee chairperson will notify the selected recipient, secure his or her acceptance in writing, request that he or she keep the information confidential to preserve an element of surprise (as will Committee members), and receive assurance that he/she will be at the next annual conference where the award is to be presented.

Burgess Award Recipients: 1963, **Reuben Hill**; 1965, **Clifford Kirkpatrick**; 1967, **Harold T. Christensen**; 1968, **Robert Winch**; 1969, **William J. Goode**; 1970, **Carle C. Zimmerman**; 1971, **George Peter Murdock**; 1972, **Jessie Bernard**; 1973, **Paul Glick**; 1974, **Robert O. Blood, Jr.**; 1975, **Bernard Farber**; 1976, **F. Ivan Nye**; 1977, **Murray Straus**; 1978, **Ethel Shanas**; 1979, **Glen Elder**; 1980, **Marvin B. Sussman**; 1981, **Evelyn Duval**; 1982, **Peter Laslett**

Selecting NCFR Conference Sites

What enters into the decision to choose a particular site for the NCFR Annual Conference? Two primary factors are location—on a rotating basis, and the availability of adequate facilities. Other factors which are considered are a NCFR Affiliated Council or a group of local NCFR members who are interested and willing to assist on a local basis; local interest and cooperation of the particular city and/or facility; and easy access by various forms of transportation.

A closer look at these criteria illustrates the complex nature of the task.

1. **Facilities.** NCFR has some unusual requirements which can often be met by only one or two hotels in a major city. A hotel with adjacent convention facility is acceptable. Requirements include about 12 breakout rooms (a large number) plus rooms for book and film exhibits, press, child care, and hospitality. Theatre style seating is needed for several hundred people at plenary sessions. A large number of sleeping rooms (about 350) are necessary for two nights, plus fewer numbers for other nights. Other considerations are convenient parking, possible student rates (usually quad rooms—not all hotels have quad rates). Sleeping room and meeting costs vary with geographical location of the city and time of the year. October is traditionally the highest cost month.

2. **Rotation.** The basic NCFR pattern has been to rotate from west to midwest to east to midwest back and forth across the U.S. Consideration needs to be given to the degrees north or south, also. The lines that divide our geography are somewhat mystical and lack any generally accepted definition. Each of us draws our own line according to our perceptions and experiences. More important than strict regional definition is to rotate movement significantly in a planned way from year to year. This is a way to provide members the opportunity to attend a conference fairly close to them every third or fourth year, without favoring any one region two years in a row.

3. **Local membership.** While not absolutely essential an active state affiliated council or local members within the vicinity of the conference are valuable. NCFR has a small staff and they must deal at a distance with hotels and sometimes with unfamiliar locations. Local membership can help by relaying accurate site information and suggesting activities or places to see and visit that are interesting. They can locate local sources of information and make other helpful arrangements. All of this makes for a more enjoyable conference for those who come from out of town and eases the burden on the NCFR staff.

4. **Transportation.** Accessibility by air and other forms of transportation, such as train, are important. The availability of ground transportation (public transportation) within a city is a consideration, too. Generally speaking flying from east to west (vice-versa) is easier and less expensive than north/south. The airline industry is changing rapidly and it is difficult to know today what will be true three to five years from now.

Costs and local points of interest are investigated. Sometimes there are trade-offs.

For example, a city may be a little more costly to get to (not have a major airport), but have less expensive rooms and meeting costs. This may mean about the same in overall cost. Besides the costs of sleeping rooms there are other meeting costs, such as food service, charges for meeting rooms if certain minimums are not met, AV equipment, etc. These are negotiable issues and part of the bargaining process in selecting a hotel.

A further note about costs. There are ways to gain significant reduction in costs, but they mean a major shift in the meeting style and procedure. For example hotel costs are usually lowest in the summer (with a few exceptions in selected locations). Room rates on weekends, such as Friday through Sunday or Monday are significantly lower, sometimes 20 to 30% less. Air fares are often lower over weekends. To take advantage of these reductions would mean beginning a conference on Thursday or Friday and closing on Monday or Tuesday.

What is local interest? This is personal and means different things to different people. There are dozens of interesting cities and places to visit. Whether you are the explorer type or like to be entertained may determine what appeals to you.

The process of selecting a site is put in motion by the appointment of an ad hoc committee on site selection. They report their recommendations to the NCFR Board of Directors. The Board may approve, change, or modify these recommendations. Usually alternates are named in the event an adequate facility or preferred dates are not available. Once the city has been selected the NCFR staff makes an on-site visit to determine which hotel (if there is a choice) and contract for the dates at the selected hotel. Tentative contracts are usually made up to four years in advance, with final negotiations on room costs and other costs completed 12 to 18 months prior to the conference.

Oops! Sometimes we have to change. Although a tentative contract has been made unexpected things happen, i.e., a ho-

tel sells, closes for remodeling, converts to an office complex. This means a change—sometimes to a different city. Even though this may be two or three years prior to the conference and sounds like a lot of time, many hotels are booked years in advance. One hotel contacted this year about 1988 had no available dates in October of that year.

Site selection sounds simple and easy, but it isn't!

Results of Membership Surveys on Date Change

Do you remember a survey at the 1982 NCFR Annual Conference or one included with the Newsletter and ballot this winter? The purpose was to assess the members preferences about a possible change of dates for the annual conference.

Both surveys had small returns. At the 1982 Annual Conference 77 were turned in at the meeting or sent later. Only 96 were returned of those mailed with the Newsletter and annual ballot. If the number returning surveys is an indication, not many people have strong opinions about the dates. The mail survey resulted in returns from 37 states and 3 Canadian Provinces. Most (85%) had attended one or more conferences within the last four years.

Although few in numbers, there were consistencies between the two surveys. In both over 2/3 favored a change of meeting dates (68% in the mail survey; 69% in the annual meeting survey). However, there was no agreement on when to change to. Those completing the annual meeting survey gave slight preference to early November (about one-fourth). This was less (only 16%) in the mail survey. The responses for preferred dates were scattered in small clusters from August-November and March through July).

Three-fourths of those who responded by mail indicated they frequently attend one or more other meetings. Over 50 different state and national meetings were listed. This may explain why there is total lack of consensus for a date preferred by the

majority.

There was interest and support for smaller cities and resort-type locations for a conference. This was usually qualified with comments like "if it doesn't cost too much." Costs are a strong consideration for members.

One of the differences between the surveys were those who said "no" or "doesn't matter" to a change of dates. On the mail survey 10% said "no" and 16% said "doesn't matter." On the annual meeting survey 25% said "no" and only 5% "doesn't matter."

Prepared by Mary Lee Wood, October 1983

Where are the Jobs in Family Studies Going to Be?

We are seeking information on the future job market for undergraduates and graduates of family studies programs. If you have any data documenting the future job market, we would like to hear from you. Please forward your opinions as well. We would also like to have your personal opinion concerning the areas of future development within family studies. What areas of investigation are going to be the focus of family studies in the future? Please send your response to Erik Filsinger, 201 Center for Family Studies, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287.

Journal of Family History Special Issues in 1984

The first Special Issue, under the guest editorship of Susan Cotts Watkins, will be concerned with the relations between single persons and family life. This project developed out of discussion among members of the Family History Network of the Social Science History Association, with which Journal of Family History editors maintain close relations. The second, on anthropology and family history, will be under the guest editorship of David I. Kertzer. The issue will reflect the increasing interdisciplinary exchanges between history and anthropology.

section news

Two New Sections Proposed:

Family and Health Section:

The need for a special Section in NCFR on family and health comes from the convergence of two important trends: a) the growing interest among family researchers and family therapists in the relationships

between physical illness and family functioning, and b) the growing interest among medical researchers, family physicians, and nurses in the family as a unit of health care and health research. The 1983 Pre-Confer-

ence meeting on "Family Systems—Behavioral Medicine" attracted leading figures from a variety of fields — epidemiology, nursing, medicine, social work, political science — many of whom had never heard of

NCFR but were quite curious. A few days later the Family and Health Focus Group decided to try to create a Family and Health Section in NCFR with two major goals: to foster the development of NCFR members' interests, knowledge, and achievements in this area; and to provide a bridge by which other professionals can join NCFR. As a multidisciplinary group dedicated to the family, NCFR is ideally situated to provide organization and leadership for health care professionals who would otherwise never have occasion to meet one another. Please sign and return the petition on page 21.

William J. Doherty

Religion and Family Life Section:

Many members of the NCFR are involved in various family life programs with religious organizations or denominations. It would be helpful to have a common forum through a NCFR Section on Religion and Family Life to share thoughts and ideas on what is occurring in this area. Historically, religion has had a vested interest in marriage and family life. The objectives of NCFR would be promoted by facilitating discussions among individuals or groups working in or through religious organizations. Many people look first to religious leaders for help or direction in family problems. Religious organizations, therefore, have a tremendous potential for outreach programs in the family field. If NCFR could provide some leadership for many of the current programs being sponsored by religious groups, all could benefit from the exchange.

Many NCFR members have already signed the petition which appeared in the March 1983 Report. About 50 more signatures are needed in order to present the petition to the NCFR Board of Directors. Please use the form on page 21.

Minutes of the Family Action Section Business Meeting

The business meeting of the Family Action Section was called to order at 7:45 a.m., October 13, 1983, by Sharon Houseknecht, Chair. Twenty-six members were present.

Tony Jurich pointed out that two other Section business meetings were occurring simultaneously and requested that efforts be made next year to avoid this situation.

Minutes of the 1982 business meeting were reviewed by Ronald Pitzer (Secretary) and approved by the assembly.

Treasurer's report was given by Ron Pitzer (Treasurer). Balance on hand on January 1, 1983 was \$501.07. Receipts for January through September 1983 were \$633.00 (Section memberships); expendi-

tures were \$337.55. This leaves a balance on hand as of September 30, 1983 of \$796.52. Some 28 to 30 per cent of members' dues are expected during the last quarter (October through December) - approximately \$250 to \$270. Section memberships are down slightly from 1982. Report approved.

James DeBurger, Section membership committee chair, reported. Membership recruitment efforts during the past year have included attempts by phone, mail, and Section newsletter to urge Focus Group members to become Section members; correspondence with professionals in law, health care, religion, and Cooperative Extension Service. These efforts have had little payoff, but are still considered to be "fertile ground." Membership now stands at 300 members, down from 310 in 1982, 321 in 1981, 340 in 1980, and 407 in 1979. These numbers amount to only about seven per cent of the total NCFR membership, a proportion viewed as too small. The committee urges efforts by each Section member to raise the proportion to at least 10 per cent. The committee also recommends development of a Family Action Section brochure building on work begun by Tony Jurich and Margaret Feldman. Report approved.

Sharon Alexander, Public Policy Committee, reported on procedures established by the Public Policy Methods Committee to facilitate NCFR's taking a public stance on at least a few issues. In brief, the process includes these steps: (1) annual surveys of the NCFR membership regarding specific policy-related issues; (2) selection of issue(s) on which NCFR will take a stand; (3) preparation of a paper on the issue by an author with expertise on that matter; (4) review by reviewers and Board; (5) distribution of paper (or extracts) to legislators or others by Public Policy Committee.

A Family Action Section Newsletter has been published regularly for the past year and has served an important communication and unifying function. Sharon Houseknecht was commended for her work as editor. The incoming Section chair intends to continue the Newsletter on approximately the same schedule. Ideas and inclusions were urged.

Ron Pitzer, 1983-85 Section Chair assumed the Chair. Thanks were extended to Sharon Houseknecht for her dedicated and capable leadership for the past two years.

Ron Pitzer reported that the NCFR Board has voted to continue the Family Resource and Referral Center project and would be establishing a new structure for its coordination. Each Section will have a representative to a FRRC Steering Committee, to supervise quality control and to promote

the Center among his/her constituents. A representative will be appointed within the next few weeks.

Margaret Slingerland decried the lack of presentations regarding the elderly at this year's program and urged more attention to this population category and topic at the 1984 meetings.

Ron Pitzer reported plans for the 1984 NCFR meeting in San Francisco. Intentions are to have a master lecture on aging; perhaps also on minority families and blended families. Suggestions regarding Family Action Section program are invited.

Francis M. Woodward, Department of Sociology, Cameron University, Lawton, OK 73505 is the new chair of the Family Law Focus Group.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald L. Pitzer, 1981-83 Secretary-Treasurer

Cecelia Sudia, 1983-85 Secretary-Treasurer

International Section:

Forthcoming is *Society's Adolescent Dilemma: International Perspectives on the Family Planning Rights of Minors*, with H. Rodman and J. Trost, Editors, to be published by International Library.

This book has been an informal International Section project, and all royalties will be paid to the International Section. The following chapters have been written for the book; the outline below is, however, tentative.

Introduction: The Adolescent Dilemma

The Family Planning Rights of Minors in Sweden (Trost)

Family Planning Rights of Minors in Denmark: The Legal Situation and Minors' Use of Abortion (Manniche)

Family Planning Practices Among Minors in Belgium (Dumon)

Family Planning and Abortion Among Minors: The Spanish Case (del Campo and Alberdi)

The Family Planning Rights of Minors in Canada: The Case of Ontario (Guyatt)

The Rights of Minors, Planned Parenthood, and Abortion in Italy (Caterina)

The Family Planning Rights of Minors in Hungary (Jozan)

The Family Planning Rights of Minors in Czechoslovakia (Matějček and Radvanová)

Family Planning Services in Ireland with Particular Reference to Minors (O'Higgins)

Family Planning and Sex Education for Young People: A World Health Organization Study (Lewin)

Sexual Intercourse, Contraception, and Abortion: Minors' Rights and Teenagers' Behavior in the United States (Rodman)

A Comparative Look at Policies (Rodman and Trost)

Wilfried Dumon, Professor of Sociology at Leuven University, Belgium, has been promoted⁺ Doctor of Philosophy Honoris Causa at Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden. He received this honor for all he has done to promote family research as well as for his scientific work.

Jan Trost is spending the 1983-84 academic year in the USA. His address is: Department of Child Development/Family Relations, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, NC 27412.

International Section chair is Gary Lee, Department of Sociology, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164 (phone: 509-335-2357).

1983 Research and Theory Section Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Brent Miller, outgoing Section Chair, called the meeting to order, at 7:30 a.m., October 14, 1983, St. Paul, Minnesota, and turned the meeting over to incoming Section Chair, Lynda Walters. Minutes from the 1982 meeting were accepted as distributed. The treasurer's report was given by Mary Jane Van Meter as follows: Balance October 1, 1982, \$7,916.47; Receipts (Membership), October 1, 1982-September 30, 1983, \$1,625.00; Receipts (Royalties), October 1, 1982-September 30, 1983, \$3,200.14; Expenses, October 1, 1982-September 30, 1983, \$1,295.18; Balance October 1, 1983, \$11,446.43.

The motion was made and seconded that the interest from royalties be credited to the Research and Theory Section and that on a yearly basis an amount of 6% of royalties received that year be debited to the Research and Theory account and credited to NCFR.

Discussion encompassed the following points: (1) In recent past all interest on royalties earned has been credited to the general fund of NCFR. Reason for the change in practice was to establish a policy which would equitably recompense NCFR for handling the monies while establishing a policy which would be commensurate with the amount of royalties paid within one

year. (2) A suggestion was made that the percentage paid to NCFR vary as interest rates vary. This suggestion was considered too complicated.

The motion passed.

The motion was made and seconded that if the financial situation of the Section changes, the Section reconsider its policy regarding the payment of handling fees to NCFR.

Reuben Hill Award Committee

Patricia Voydanoff reported that the Reuben Hill Award Committee had awarded the 1983 award to Karen A. Polonko, John Scanzoni, and Jay D. Teachman for their article entitled "Childlessness and Marital Satisfaction: A Further Assessment," which was published in the *Journal of Family Issues*, December 1982.

Last year it was decided to have a rotating committee. This year, Karen Altergott, JoLynn Cunningham, David Klein, and Pat Voydanoff were going off. Committee work begins in January. Lynda Walters asked the Section members to submit names of those who would be willing to serve.

A question on second terms was raised; those who wished to continue as award committee members were asked to let Lynda Walters know.

A discussion followed on how the chair of the Committee was to be selected. Because in the past the chair had been selected by the entire Section, the Section was asked to present its views on the process. There was the suggestion that by having the Section elect the Chair, the Section would feel more involved in the Award Committee's work.

The following persons were nominated: Jay Schvaneveldt, David Klein, and Gary Peterson. As not all nominees were present or had given consent to their nomination, discussion ensued as to what to do should the elected chair be unwilling to serve. The suggestion was made that should the elected officer be unwilling to serve, the runner-up in the election be tapped for office.

Jay Schvaneveldt was elected as Chair of the Reuben Hill Committee and he indicated willingness to serve.

Suggestions for another year's election included: (1) that the chair of the Reuben Hill Award Committee be elected along with other Section officers. (2) that nominees be asked in advance whether they would be willing to serve.

A question was raised about the need for a By-Laws change in reference to the manner in which the chairship election is conducted.

The suggestion was made that bills incurred for Xerox and phone work be repaid

by Section funds.

Wes Burr suggested that a letter of announcement be sent to the five final nominees.

The Section thanked Pat Voydanoff for her work as Chair of this Committee.

Nominating Committee

In order that the Section may be presented with a slate of nominees for officers at the next business meeting, a nominating committee was appointed to include: Barbara Settles, Rodney Cate, Karen Altergott. A motion was made and seconded that these three persons be accepted by acclamation as the Nominating Committee. Karen Altergott was appointed Chair.

It was also recommended that the Nominating Committee be selected along with other officers.

Review of By-Laws

The recommendation that By-Laws be reviewed at next year's meeting was reintroduced. The Chair appointed Greer Fox, Hamilton McCubbin, and Brent Miller to serve as a committee to make recommendations for revisions in By-Laws. The Section Chair, Lynda Walters, would act as Ad Hoc Committee member.

New Business

Brent Miller suggested that the Hill Award be endowed with monies from the Research and Theory Section to insure our ability to make the award every year.

The motion was made and seconded that \$6,000 be set aside from Research and Theory Section funds in a special account to permanently fund the Reuben Hill Award.

Discussion centered on the wish to establish a fund that could also accept the voluntary contributions of members. The motion was tabled.

It was moved that the minutes indicate the positive sentiment of this body for individual contributions. The NCFR Newsletter would subsequently carry the announcement that contributions would be accepted for the Reuben Hill Award Fund.

Lynda Walters announced that Margaret Bodley had asked the Research and Theory Section if it would be interested in a collaborative project with FRRC on grant proposal preparation in response to RFPs received. The Chair asked for suggestions; little interest was evidenced.

Brent Miller, as outgoing Chair, was given a vote of thanks from the Section.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Jane S. Van Meter

n CFR family resource/referral center

The following nine key data sources for child and family indicators have been compiled by Richard C. Taeuber and Richard C. Rockwell of the Center for Coordination of Research on Social Indicators. (Please note that the Center will be closing soon, but Richard Rockwell may be reached at the Social Science Research Council, 605 3rd Avenue, New York, NY 10158 (phone: 212-557-9494).

1. **Name:** Decennial Census of Population and Housing. **Sponsor:** U.S. Bureau of the Census. **Contact:** Customer Services Branch, Data User Services Division, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233 (phone: 301-763-4100).

2. **Name:** Current Population Survey. **Sponsor:** U.S. Bureau of the Census for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. **Contact:** Customer Services Branch, Data User Services Division, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233 (phone: 301-763-4100).

3. **Name:** Vital Statistics. **Sponsor:** U.S. National Center for Health Statistics. **Contact:** Scientific and Technical Information Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Hyattsville, MD 20782 (phone: 301-436-8500).

4. **Name:** National Health Interview Survey. **Sponsor:** U.S. National Center for Health Statistics. **Contact:** Scientific and Technical Information Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Hyattsville, MD 20782 (phone: 301-436-8500).

5. **Name:** Consumer Expenditure Survey. **Sponsor:** U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. **Contact:** U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D.C. 20212 (phone: 202-272-5156).

6. **Name:** National Assessment of Educational Progress. **Sponsor:** National Institute of Education. **Contact:** Education Committee of the States/National Assessment of Education Progress, 1860 Lincoln Street, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80295 (phone: 303-830-3752).

7. **Name:** National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. **Sponsor:** U.S. National Center for Health Statistics. **Contact:** Scientific and Technical Information Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Hyattsville, MD 20782 (phone: 301-436-8500).

8. **Name:** National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG); National Fertility Survey (NFS); Growth of American Families (GAF). **Sponsors:** U. S. National Center for Health Statistics (for NSFG); Office of Population Research, Princeton, New Jersey (for NFS); University of Michigan (for GAF). **Contacts:** Scientific and Technical Information Branch (for NSFG), 3700 East-West Highway, Hyattsville, MD 20782 (phone: 301-436-8500); Office of Population Research (for NFS), Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08540 (phone: 609-452-5510); Data and Program Library Service, 4452 Social Science Building, University of Wisconsin,

Madison, WI 53706 (phone: 608-262-7962).

9. **Name:** Panel Study of Income Dynamics. **Sponsors:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Science Foundation, Sloane Foundation. **Contact:** Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (phone: 313-764-8365).

"National Social Data Series: A Compendium of Brief Descriptions," *Review of Public Data Use*, June 1982.

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For queries related specifically to marriage and divorce, telephone 301-436-8977. This is a division of the U.S. National Center for Health Statistics.

NCFR members and others have indicated a lot of interest in accessing NCFR's Family Resources Database through the BRS/AFTER DARK Services. BRS/AFTER DARK is a service for microcomputer/terminal owners offering greatly reduced rates between the hours of 6 p.m. and 4 a.m. Eastern time. In order to familiarize you with this service, information from the BRS User's Manual can be found in the enclosed FRRC Bulletin No. 4.

The Family Resources Database offers three updates to the Inventory of Marriage and Family Literature (IMFL) throughout the year. This service gives users access to journal articles months (up to almost one year) in advance of the printed IMFL.

in memoriam

NCFR Deaths Between the 1982 and 1983 Annual Meetings

Anne Callagan, Guelph, Ontario

Joy Glick, Phoenix, Arizona

Joseph Henry, Arcadia, California

Herman Levin, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Leslie Mathews, Sumter, South Carolina

Gerald McDonald, Tallahassee, Florida

Joyce Moeller, Newhall, Iowa

Stephen Neiger, Islington, Ontario, Canada

Beatrice Paolucci, East Lansing, Michigan

Marilyn Parkhurst, East Lansing, Michigan

Jane Hoyer Pfouts, Chapel Hill, NC

Lemo D. Rockwood, Phoenix, Arizona

Arthur Shirey, Denver, Colorado

Loy Simpkins, Waco, Texas

To assure that Beatrice Paolucci's spirit will continue to excite and inspire students, her department at Michigan State University is establishing a memorial scholarship fund in her name. It was her wish that funds raised using her name be destined to help students in the Family and Child Ecology Department to further their learning opportunities. A previously announced fund in Cooperative Extension's Family Living Pro-

grams has now been combined with the Beatrice Paolucci Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Those wishing to contribute to the Beatrice Paolucci Memorial Scholarship Fund may do so by sending a check payable to Michigan State University, and by making the notation "IMO Beatrice Paolucci" on the check. Bea's family will be notified of the gift, although not of the amount. The address is College of Human Ecology, Department of Family and Child Ecology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.

student news and views

As usual, this year's national meeting in St. Paul provided support for student members. Students from all over the country participated in the conference, from the theory and research workshop to the final presentations on Saturday. The two main student issues voiced during the week were the need for new job opportunities and NCFR's role in professional development.

The general consensus appears to be that new and alternative jobs are available. Our skills in education, research and clinical are marketable outside of academia. The search for these new positions can be accomplished best by a joint effort of students and faculty. Also there is a need to become sensitive to these new markets. **Dennis Orthner** demonstrated dramatically at one presentation the audience's lack of understanding of business and government terminology. If we are to gain access to these fields, we must begin to understand not only their language but how we can serve them.

The National Internship Committee is a group of Michigan State students and faculty, who are examining new job opportunities through the establishment of internships. Published in this Report are the first internships received by the committee through a national survey taken in May. The survey is being repeated this month. Also the committee has begun to examine the role of family social scientists in business and industry. For information, write the internship committee with the address given on the survey. Special thanks should be given to the following students: **Dwayne Smith, Julie Hales, Christine Nelson, Noel Sawada**; and to these faculty: **Margaret Bubolz** and **Jean Page**. Their committee can serve as a model for other such efforts.

A major goal for the coming year will be to establish greater contact with NCFR student members. A national network of student representatives will be established on campuses with family studies programs. In years past there has been little flow of

information between students and the NCFR Affiliated Councils. Hopefully we can encourage greater student membership and participation in NCFR activities at the local, state, regional and national levels through these Councils.

One way to begin this communication process is for you to write directly to us about your concerns and needs. Give us your ideas of how NCFR can serve you as students and young professionals. We are particularly interested in those schools who have already established student organizations. We look forward to hearing from you.

Dick Morley, Department of Home Economics, Georgia College, Milledgeville, GA 31061 (912-453-5498), Senior Student Representative

Joe Pittman, Department of Child and Family Development, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602 (404-542-2551), Junior Student Representative

ncfr affiliated councils

Congress of NCFR Affiliated Councils: Meeting of the Executive Committee, October 13-15, 1983, St. Paul, MN. Scheduling problems rendered it impossible for all committee members to meet at the same time. The following met at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 13: **Daniel Fisher**, Program Chair; **Caryl Moy**, Secretary-Treasurer; and **Howard Kauffman**, Chair. The following met at 8:00 a.m., Saturday, October 15: **Mary Lou Purcell**, Past Chair; **Ruth Jewson**, NCFR Executive Officer and Ex-Officio member of the AC Executive Committee; and **Howard Kauffman**. The following business was transacted, not particularly in this order:

1) **Basil Fiorito**, Chair-Elect, will serve as editor of *Feedback* for 1983-84; 2) **Mary Lou Purcell** will chair a committee to draft a revised constitution of the Congress of Affiliated Councils; 3) **Thelma Hansen** will continue as Membership Chair and will carry forward the work of circulating Congress members with the newly drafted "Guidelines for Affiliated Councils" for consideration and possible acceptance; 4) Work on a "President's Handbook" for AC presidents will continue. Failing to find a volunteer to head this up, **Howard Kauffman** will assemble materials; 5) As per our by-laws, **Mary Lou Purcell** will serve as Chair of the AC Nominating Committee, and will propose persons to serve with her,

for appointment by the Chair; 6) **Richard Morley**, Student and Young Professional Representative on the NCFR Board of Directors, will suggest a student nominee for appointment to the AC Executive Committee; 7) In response to a solicitation from the NCFR Board of Directors, it was agreed that a contribution from AC funds be made to the 1983 Distinguished Service/Commendation Award. (At the subsequent NCFR Board meeting on October 15, the amount agreed to was \$250); 8) There was general agreement that the Congress of Affiliated Councils should continue as a sponsor of this award, and thus be well represented on the Award Committee appointed by the NCFR President; 9) **Howard Kauffman** will monitor AC concerns related to the work of the newly-appointed Commission on NCFR structure; 10) As a result of decision and action at the October 13 AC President's Breakfast chaired by **Mary Lou Purcell**, we affirmed the appointment of a "Committee on Development of the Congress of Affiliated Councils" to be chaired by **Matti Gershenfeld**. **Howard Kauffman** will work with Matti on the appointment of committee members, the nature and scope of the assignment, and any costs that might be involved; 11) There was enthusiasm for the format of AC sessions at this year's Annual Meeting, and it was agreed that a similar format be proposed to the

1984 NCFR Program Committee. **Daniel Fisher** will work on details. (Note: Subsequently the 1984 NCFR Program Committee accepted our request for a format similar to that of the 1983 meeting); 12) Expenditure of AC funds were approved to cover estimated costs for (1) **Thelma Hansen's** mailings to Affiliated Council presidents, (2) **Howard Kauffman's** contacts with Affiliated Councils, (3) preparing and printing copies of an AC President's Handbook, and (4) subsidy for the work of the Committee on the Development of the Congress of AC's. The total currently budgeted for these items was \$1000.

Howard Kauffman's address is Department of Sociology, Goshen College, Goshen, IN 46526.

Midwest Conference of the NCFR: March 15-17, 1984 in Des Moines, Iowa. Theme: "Midwestern Families: Strengths, Diversities and Stresses." Plenary and workshop presenters include **Bert Adams**, NCFR President; **Robert Beavers**, **Barbara Laslett**, **Ann Milne**, and **Nick Stinnett**. The meeting will be organized by sections, similar to NCFR. Write **Geoffrey Leigh**, Department of Home Economics, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242.

California: The CCFR held its annual conference at Chapman College, November

4-5, on the theme of Stress and the Family: Sources, Symptoms, Solutions. The Friday evening program included a conference theme overview led by **Frank Cox, C. Ray Fowler, Marcia Lasswell, and Thomas Lasswell**. The Saturday topics, directed toward solutions, were grouped under Community Resources, Topical Discussions at Roundtables, and Institutional Resources. CCFR is updating and revising its listing of "PhD Programs in Family Studies" recognized by the Council for 1984. In addition, **Dr. George Roleder** of the Board will be visiting campuses across the country with these programs as a part of his sabbatical research for Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut, CA. Universities interested in this listing should contact the Task Force Chair, **Dr. Robert Kelley**, at 375 Center Street, Orange, CA 92666. California welcomes NCFRers from across the country for the 1984 Annual Meeting in San Francisco. We know you will have a wonderful time in one of America's most beautiful cities! Make your plans now to be with us! CCFR president is **Patricia See**, Department of Sociology, Chapman College, 333 North Glassell Street, Orange, CA 92666.

District of Columbia: The DCFR has obtained its own office: Home Management House, c/o Department of Family and Community Development, Marie Mount Hall, The University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742. A network of legislative contacts in Washington, Annapolis, and Richmond is being developed. The "DCFR Family Monitor" has been established, with one of its tasks to produce a steady stream of legislative information to members. **Roger Rubin** (address above) is president, **Linda Rothleder** is president-elect, **Ruth Schena** is secretary, and **Elaine Anderson** is treasurer.

New Jersey: **Hamilton McCubbin**, University of Minnesota, was the keynote

speaker at the recent Annual Meeting of the New Jersey Council. The accompanying



picture shows him between President-elect **Karen Todd** and President **Robert Fami-ghetti**, Gerontology Department, Kean College, Morris Avenue, Union, NJ 07083.

North Carolina: The North Carolina Council has the following officers: **Joyce Stines**, Department of Home Economics, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC 28608, president; **Wayne T. Adams, Jr.**, past president; **William G. Saur**, first vice president; **Wayne Drumheller**, second vice president; **Ann Frazier**, secretary; **Betty Green**, treasurer; **Elizabeth Laney**, historian; **George Shackleford**, parliamentarian. Members at large include **Anne Compere**, **Dan Fisher**, **Fran Wagner**, **John Beasley**, **Jannis Shea**, **Evelyn Spangler**, **Wilma Cosper**, **Thelma Feaster**, and **Cynthia Johnson**.

North Dakota: The NDCFR has been reorganized. Officers include **Ronald Mullis**, Department of Child Development and Family Relations, College of Home Economics, North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND 58105, president; **Richard Hanson**, president-elect; **Ruth Martin**, vice-president for program; **Ann Mullis**, secretary; **David Dossier, Jr.**, treasurer; and **Milan**

Christianson, membership chair. Several members of the N.D. Council presented papers at the recent NCFR Annual Meeting.

Southeastern: **Wayne T. Adams, Jr.**, Department of Behavioral Sciences, Sandhills Community College, Box 476, Carthage, NC 28327, is the 1983-85 president of the SeCFR. Other officers include: **Mary Catherine Beasley**, past president; **H. Hugh Floyd**, first vice president in charge of finance; **Cindy A. Darden**, second vice president in charge of membership; secretary, **Brenda Kay Colvin**; treasurer, **Mary Anne Pace**; parliamentarian, **Wayne Drumheller**; **Joseph S. Rowland**, archivist; **Michael Sporakowski**, editor.

Tennessee: A joint meeting of the Tennessee Council on Family Relations and the Tennessee Association of Marriage and Family Therapists will be held February 9-10, 1984, at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. The keynote speaker will be **Ray Bardill**, Head, School of Social Work, Florida State University. The president is **William Balch**, P.O. Drawer 11328, Knoxville, TN 37919.

Texas: The Family and Moral Issues: Practice and Policy is the theme for the 1984 Annual Meeting, to be held April 5-6, in Abilene, Texas. Featured speakers include **Mary S. Calderone**, **Judith L. Fischer**, and **James R. Rest**. Conference program chair is **Connie Steele**, Department of Home and Family Life, College of Home Economics, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX 79409. TCFR officers include **Julian Bridges**, president, Department of Sociology and Social Work, Hardin-Simmons University, Box 1302, Abilene, TX 79698; **Bruce Ayars**, president-elect; **Nancy Badgwell**, vice president for membership; **John Toulitos**, vice president for program, **Rollo Tinkler**, secretary; **Glen Jennings**, treasurer.

employment opportunities

Florida:

Florida State University: Head, Department of Home and Family Life, College of Home Economics, Florida State University. Beginning August, 1984. Associate or professor position. Responsibilities include administration of department, graduate program direction, limited teaching and research. Qualifications include earned doctoral degree in one of the content areas of the department (child development, family relations, housing, or consumer economics),

administrative experience, publications, and graduate program direction experience. Send letter of application, vita, and three letters of recommendation before February 1, 1984, to: **Dr. Elizabeth Goldsmith**, Chair, Search Committee, Department of Home and Family Life, 215 Sandels Building, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306 (904-644-6021). The university is an equal opportunity affirmative action employer.

Georgia:

University of Georgia: Marriage and Family Therapist, Department of Child and Family Development. Starting date: September 1984. Assistant Professor, tenure-track position with competitive salary. Earned doctorate and one degree or experience in home economics or comparable unit required; AAMFT Clinical membership preferred. Responsibilities include teaching graduate and undergraduate course, research, and opportunities for counseling.

Applicant must have demonstrated competence in clinical research. Send two copies of vita and four letters of reference to: **Dr. Karen S. Wampler**, Chair, Search Committee, Department of Child and Family Development, College of Home Economics, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602. Telephone: (404) 542-2551. Deadline: December 31, 1983. The University of Georgia is an EEO/AA Employer.

Louisiana:

Louisiana State University: The Sociology Department at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, invites applications from qualified individuals for a faculty appointment starting mid-August, 1984. Applicants must demonstrate a strong interest in undergraduate and graduate teaching and excellence in research. The appointment is anticipated at the Full Professor level, but applicants for all faculty ranks will be considered and appointment will be made at a salary and rank commensurate with qualifications and experience. The highest priority will be given to individuals specializing in Sociology of the Family. Other areas for teaching and research could include one or more from the following: lifecycle, socialization, organization, institutions, theory. The Ph.D. degree in Sociology is required. Review of resumes will begin October 15, 1983 but applications will continue to be accepted until the position is filled. Send resume and description of teaching and research interests to **Hart M. Nelsen**, Chair and Professor of Sociology, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803. Phone: (504) 388-5103. LSU is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Pennsylvania:

The Pennsylvania State University: Two position openings for faculty appointment (rank open) with the Department of Individual and Family Studies, College of Human Development. Position One - Emphasis on Family Intervention Research; Requires a family scholar whose research focuses on intervention, intervention being broadly defined to include the design, implementation, and evaluation of programs focused on prevention, amelioration, or enhancement, and including multidisciplinary components. Ph.D. with a strong disciplinary background and a clear interest in multidisciplinary research on families and intervention with families. Salary is competitive. Position Two - Emphasis on Developmental Process; Requires a scholar whose research focuses on human developmental processes, and an active researcher

interested in explicating processes of cognitive, social, and behavioral development. Strong disciplinary background with a clear interest in multidisciplinary research on development. Salary is competitive. For both positions, send curriculum vita, supporting information (reprints, preprints, three letters of reference), and a description of your background to: **Dr. Anne C. Petersen**, Head, Department of Individual and Family Studies, College of Human Development, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA 16802. Application Deadline: December 1, 1983.

New York:

Syracuse University: The Department of Afro-American Studies is seeking a sociologist (assistant, associate or full professor level) for a full-time, tenure track appointment. The successful candidate will be an exceptionally well-qualified individual, with the doctorate and a strong commitment to undergraduate teaching, research, and writing. Primary fields of interest and training sought are the Sociology of the Black Experience and research methodology. (Teaching experience and training in another sub-field are also desirable.) Application deadline is December 15, 1983. Send a letter of application and a vita to: **Professor K.C. Morrison**, Chairman, Search Committee, Department of Afro-American Studies, 403 Sims Hall V, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13210. Syracuse University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Texas:

University of Texas at Austin: Faculty position in Child Development and Family Relationships. Applications and nominations are invited for a tenure-track position beginning Fall 1984; academic rank is open. All teaching and research specialties within child development and family relationships will be considered, but preference will be given to persons whose interests link these two areas. Evidence of outstanding research accomplishment is essential. Interested persons should submit a vita, transcripts, selected reprints or preprints, and 3 letters of recommendation to: **Dr. Catherine Cooper**, Child Development and Family Relationships, Department of Home Economics, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX 78712. Deadline: January 15, 1984 or until position is filled. An Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Arizona:

Arizona State University: Child De-

velopment position. Regular, continuing, beginning August 1984. Rank open, depending on scholarly productivity. Ph.D. in child development or related area. Successful teaching, supervisory and administrative experience in nursery school or day care program and demonstrated ability in teaching, scholarship and publishing required. Ph.D. must be completed for Assistant Professor rank. Send vita, copies of publications, official undergraduate and graduate transcripts, and have three letters of recommendation sent to: **Dr. George Hughston**, Chair, Home Economics Department, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287, by January 18, 1984. Arizona State University is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.

Arizona State University: Family Economics/Management position. Regular, continuing, academic year beginning August 1984. Ph.D. or near completion in area of Family Economics/Management. Must have demonstrated competency in teaching, research and potential for publishing. Send vita, copies of publications, official undergraduate and graduate transcripts, and have three letters of recommendation sent to: **Dr. George Hughston**, Chair, Home Economics Department, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287 by January 18, 1984. Arizona State University is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.

Utah:

University of Utah: Family Studies-Policy Analysis Assistant or Associate Professor. Tenure track. The Department of Family and Consumer Studies, University of Utah. Responsibilities include teaching and research in the area of family policy, family impact analysis, and program evaluation. Examples of content areas of interest to the Department are health, aging, families and work, etc. Located in the College of Social and Behavioral Science, the Department is interdisciplinary and emphasizes an ecosystems framework. Doctorate required. Salary commensurate with experience. Starting date is September 1984. Deadline is February 1, 1984 or until position is filled. Send vita, 3 letters of reference, and copies of publications to: **John Burton**, Chair, Search Committee, Family and Consumer Studies, 215 AEB, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT 84112. The University of Utah is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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SURVEY ON PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES

The Board of Directors of the National Council on Family Relations has recently concluded that it should take stands on public policy issues that affect families. A careful process has been developed to assist NCFR in doing so, involving the Family Action Section and the Public Policy Committee in developing this survey, and the NCFR membership in responding to the survey. Then experts on the identified priority issues will be asked to develop position papers which will be used for presenting testimony, taking public stands, and issuing press releases.

To ascertain your views, this survey is being conducted. Please indicate your level of support or opposition to each issue and then rank the three issues you think should be of highest priority for NCFR.

Please keep in mind the financial implications of these issues. Adoption of some policies would result in less tax revenues. Others would require new or additional funding, which could be acquired by raising taxes or by taking money from existing sources.

Based on the results of this survey, experts will be asked to write "position papers" on those issues of highest priority and consensus. These papers will present the research findings, both pro and con, on the issue and advocate a particular stand based on the preponderance of data and membership support. Position papers will be used by NCFR as a basis for addressing these issues. If the research findings are ambiguous, a "white paper," summarizing the support for both sides but not taking a stand, will be prepared for use by NCFR.

Would you please take a few minutes to give us your opinion on the following issues?

DIRECTIONS

In the first part, please indicate your level of support or opposition to each issue. Using the code given below, circle the appropriate number in the right-hand column for each issue:

1 = strongly support
2 = support

3 = no opinion

4 = oppose
5 = strongly oppose

In the second part, rank the three issues you think should be of highest priority for NCFR to address.

To return the completed survey, simply remove this form from the Newsletter, fold it so the address appears, staple it together, and affix a stamp. Please respond by **January 20**. Thank you.

Law Section	Strongly Support	Support	No Opinion	Oppose	Strongly Oppose
1. Recognition is being given to those individuals and their families who are victims of crime and often need assistance in coping with its impact. What is your stand on the development of legislation to assist victims and their families?	1	2	3	4	5
2. With the increase in the number of divorces in the last ten years, great attention has been placed on the impact of divorce on extended family members. At least 42 states have legislation which allows grandparents to petition the court to receive visitation rights with their grandchildren. However, these laws vary from state to state, are not honored across state lines, etc. What is your stand on the development of a uniform state law which states could adopt voluntarily?	1	2	3	4	5
3. With the escalating popularity of cable television has come an increased concern about regulating the industry on the airing of sexually explicit material. What is your stand on adopting such regulations?	1	2	3	4	5
4. Only 47% of mothers who have custody of their children and are entitled to child support payments actually received full payment in 1981. What is your stand on the establishment of a public policy to ensure payments from delinquent fathers?	1	2	3	4	5

Health Section

5. Concern has been expressed regarding the health costs faced when a family member has a catastrophic illness and development of a national catastrophic illness insurance program has been proposed. What is your stand on the development of such a program?	1	2	3	4	5
6. As medical and technological advances increasingly are able to keep gravely ill people alive, attention is being turned to whether or not patients and/or families have the right to request the removal of life support systems. What is your stand in regard to proposed legislation (either state or federal) which would permit individuals to limit the use of life support systems?	1	2	3	4	5
7. As the population ages, there is a growing number of aging family members that require special care. What is your stand on broadening or increasing tax incentives for families caring for elderly or handicapped members?	1	2	3	4	5
8. Due to a recent change in the federal Medicaid program, states now have the option to require that sons and daughters reimburse Medicaid for nursing home care received by their parents. What is your stand on this requirement?	1	2	3	4	5

Work Section

9. Some government agencies provide flexible working schedules for employees. What is your stand on government incentives to encourage more employers to offer flextime to their employees?	1	2	3	4	5
10. Unemployment is a major problem which many families face. To overcome this on-going problem, some suggest that the U.S. should adopt full employment legislation. What is your stand on such proposed legislation?	1	2	3	4	5
11. As we become an information society, many workers no longer have the skills necessary for employment. Some federally-funded pilot programs have been initiated to retrain workers. What is your stand in regard to expansion of these programs?	1	2	3	4	5

Strongly Support
Support
No Opinion
Oppose
Strongly Oppose

1 2 3 4 5

Education Section

12. A course on family life education may be important in helping students understand and nurture their own families. What is your stand on requiring that high school students take a course on family life education?

Taxes

13. For years, dual earner married couples have paid higher taxes than two wage earners who live separately; before that, single people paid higher taxes than one-earner married couples. Recently the "marriage penalty tax" has been reduced but not eliminated. What is your stand in regard to the elimination of the "marriage penalty" tax?

1 2 3 4 5

Housing

14. Homelessness has increased among former mental patients, partly due to deinstitutionalization. Often resources have not been transferred from institutional settings to community-based housing arrangements to assist these individuals. What is your stand in regard to increasing governmental support for community-based housing arrangements?

1 2 3 4 5

DIRECTIONS

Because NCFR can take stands on a limited number of issues, we would like to know what issues you think should be highest priority for NCFR to address. Using the numbers from questions 1 - 14 above, please indicate the three (3) issues on which you think NCFR should commission papers. Please keep in mind the financial implications of these issues.

Three issues of highest priority should be:

Highest: _____ 2nd Highest: _____ 3rd Highest: _____

We would appreciate your responses to the following items.

Sex: Male Female

Age: Under 30 31-40 41-50 51-60 61+

Race: White Black Asian Hispanic Other

Marital Status: Single Married Separated Divorced Widowed

Number of Children 18 and Under Living at Home: _____

Religion: Catholic Jewish Protestant (specify) _____ Other None

Highest Degree Earned: Bachelor's Master's Doctorate Other (please specify) _____

Political Affiliation: Democrat Republican Independent Other None

Family Income: less than \$10,000 \$10,001-\$25,000 \$25,001-\$40,000 \$40,001-\$55,000 \$55,001+

If you have suggestions for issues we should consider in the 1984 survey, please explain them below.

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Internship Opportunities for Graduate and Undergraduate Students:

*** Assistant coordinator of family life and sex education. Chicago public schools K-12 (teacher training, classroom observation, curriculum development, resource provision for schools etc. (much variety, guaranteed!). Entry qualifications: Masters degree work – marriage and family, guidance and counseling, health education, home economics education, or biological sciences education. Unpaid. Contact: **Beverly K. Johnson**, Chicago Public Schools, Department of Curriculum, 1819 West Pershing Road 6 Center SE, Chicago, IL 60609. Phone: (312) 890-7977. (Possible)

*** Interns at Welfare Research, Inc., a private, not-for-profit organization, can gain experience in research, evaluation, and management in the human services. Semester-long internships are offered in the Albany and New York City offices. Entry qualifications: Current enrollment in a graduate program in human services/public administration, writing skills, availability for at least 20 hours per week. Amount of stipend depends on the assignment and previous experience of the intern. Contact: **Linda Simkin Salsberg**, WRI, 112 State Street, 10th Floor, Albany, NY 12207. Phone: (518) 474-6464.

*** Internships vary depending upon whether undergraduate or graduate students, and on each one's specific area of interest. All include crisis hotline training of over

60 hours, plus support work in administrative areas; may include research on resources, hotline data, statistics, public education, and so forth. Entry qualifications: Vary; must satisfactorily fulfill requirements for hotline staff; must be able to make a certain hourly commitment and usually a commitment to the program and to continue in a volunteer status once internship is completed. Some paid; some unpaid. Contact: **Joan Cox Danzansky**, Executive Director, Family Stress Services of DC, 1690 36th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20007. Phone: (202) 965-1900.

*** Work/study opportunity PACT: working with DSS-referred families at high risk of having their children institutionalized due to their abusive and/or neglectful behavior. Students carry a caseload of approximately 8 families over their year-long stay with Parents and Children Together (PACT) and take approximately 11 credits of graduate study. Entry qualifications: Post-Bachelors, Pre-Masters level students who have a minimum GPA of 2.8. Also, some identified interest in working in human services. \$180/week first 6 months; \$200/week second 6 months. Contact: **Mary Jane S. Van Meter**, Ph.D., Wayne State University, 71 East Ferry Street, Detroit, MI 48202, or **Nanette Gottfried**, MSW, PACT, (same address). Phone: (313) 577-3311 or 577-3519.

*** Counseling Internship – co-therapy, co-leading groups, with some individual

counseling (for masters degree students); or varied experiences, including co-therapy, groups, program planning, projects and outreach. Entry qualifications: Masters degree student with training, experience, or coursework in related field; bachelors students (seniors) for some projects. Unpaid. Contact: **Deborah Haliczar**, MSW, Family Service Agency of DeKalb County, P.O. Box 831, DeKalb, IL 60115. Phone: (815) 758-8616.

*** Internship with the Cooperative Extension at the University of California. Includes program development and leadership, evaluation in the field of personal growth, parent and family education. Entry qualifications: Graduate school studies in the behavioral sciences, education, social welfare, counseling. Unpaid. Contact: **Dorothea J. Cudaback**, Room 319, Haviland Hall, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720.

*** Clinical psychology, but in reality is clinical, research, management consulting, and education. Unpaid. A very valuable experience for those interested in working with Law Enforcement. Entry qualifications: Earned Doctorate or Doctoral candidate in Behavioral Science field. Master's candidates with special qualifications may be considered. Contact: **Dr. Martin Reiser**, Director, Behavioral Science Services Section Los Angeles Police Department, 150 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Phone: (213) 485-2620.

news of interest to members

*** **NCFR-Sage Book Series:** The NCFR Publications Committee and the NCFR Board of Directors have approved a \$25 fee for submitted manuscripts to the Series. In addition there is a requirement that 3 copies of the manuscript be sent to the editor at the time of submission of the article. A referee process is in effect for the Series. Contact **Maximiliane Szinovacz**, Editor, NCFR-Sage Book Series, Department of Sociology, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306.

*** **Groves Conference on Marriage and the Family:** The 1984 conference will be held at Pinehurst Hotel and Country Club, Pinehurst, North Carolina, March 22 (Thursday) to March 26 (Monday), and will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Groves. Featured will be nationally known speakers, seminars in the round, workshops, consulting poster sessions, and a synthesis session. A dinner and a program honoring 50 years of the Groves Conference will be held at the Carolina Inn, Chapel Hill, where the

conference was founded in 1934. For information write **Ruth Jewson**, program chair, NCFR, 1219 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414.

*** **The Center for Early Adolescence** has available 4 revised and expanded resource lists for adults who live or work with young adolescents; a flexible parent education curriculum that focuses on 4 topics of particular interest to parents of young teenagers; and a new book for youth workers and directors of youth-serving organizations, entitled "3:00 - 6:00 P.M.: Programs for Young Adolescents." 24 after-school programs especially effective in serving the needs of 10 - 15 year olds are described. The Center is a part of the Department of Maternal and Child Health, School of Public Health, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Write the Center at Suite 223, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro, NC 27510.

*** **COSSA Newsletter Available:** The

COSSA Washington Update, the biweekly newsletter of the Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA), may now be obtained on a subscription basis to individual social and behavioral scientists.

The COSSA Washington Update keeps readers informed of the latest developments in the Congress that affect funding for social and behavioral science research. COSSA closely follows and reports on appropriation and authorization legislation for research programs in many federal agencies including the National Science Foundation (NSF), the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), the National Institute of Education (NIE), the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), and the National Institutes of Health (NIH), among others.

In addition, the Update reports on current issues of federal science policy such as the issuance of regulations affecting research in the social and behavioral sciences, the composition of research agency advisory boards, and the policies and practices

of federal research agencies. The Update also reports on the social and behavioral sciences in other nations. Recent issues of the COSSA Washington Update have featured articles on a new bill that would protect scientific advisory committees from political influence, the status of the appropriation for the National Science Foundation, the omission of the social and behavioral sciences from a recent NSF program announcement for science education, and the status of research budgets in France and Israel.

In order to cover the cost of reproducing and mailing the biweekly newsletter, COSSA is asking for a contribution of \$25.00 for each Update subscription. For those who cannot afford this amount, a subscription will be sent for whatever amount can be afforded. Those who wish to subscribe to the COSSA Washington Update should write Consortium of Social Science Associations, Suite 300, 1755 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

***** Funds Available for Research on Aging and Visual Perception:** The National Institute on Aging invites grant applications for research projects designed to examine the nature of age-related differences and changes in visual perception, as these relate to the effective functioning of older people in everyday life. Laboratory research has demonstrated age-related declines in visual function (e.g., acuity, dark/light adaptation, contrast sensitivity, or color perception). But further studies are sought on visual perception – i.e., on how older people interpret and respond to visual cues in the light of their social and psychological experiences and expectations and within the context of their everyday lives at work, in the household, and in the community. Application deadlines: March 1, July 1, November 1. Contact: National Institute on Aging (Visual Perception), Bldg. 31 C, Room 4C32, Bethesda, MD 20205.

***** The Association for Childhood Education International** has position papers available on such topics as "Preparation of Early Childhood Teachers," and "On Families and the Re-Valuing of Childhood." Write them at 3615 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20016.

***** The Family Service Association of America** will change its name to Family Service America on January 1, 1984. Their address is 44 East 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010, (212) 674-6100.

***** Family Learning**, a magazine for parents of elementary and junior high age children, will begin publication shortly. The magazine has 2 purposes: to help parents create a rich and supportive learning environment at home and, at the same time, to help parents establish with schools an active partnership that will work to enhance every child's opportunity to get the best education possible. Write **Morton Malkofsky**, Publisher and Editor-in-Chief, Family Learning, 19 Davis Drive, Belmont, CA 94002, (415) 592-7810.

***** The Audio Visual Library Service of the University of Minnesota** has recently compiled several media resource guides of the newest programs available in Minnesota. Titles are: "Family Systems," "Adolescence," and "Child Development." The average rental fee for titles in the lists is \$15.00, which includes five days of use. To request copies call (612) 373-3810, or write to the Audio Visual Library Service, University of Minnesota, 3300 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414.

***** Humanopoly**, a facts of life game, has been created by Carol G. Wells, director of the Center for Sexual Communications, Long Beach, CA. She is a sex counselor, certified sex therapist, licensed marriage and family counselor, and registered nurse. The game, aimed at children between the ages of 5 and 12, offers 2 levels of information: basic information, and more advanced facts and concepts, primarily on puberty. An optional level which focuses on contraception may be ordered separately. The \$15 (post-paid) game is available by mail order from the Center for Sexual Communication, 195 Claremont, Suite 374, Long Beach, CA 90803.

***** Free Loan Educational Materials from the Minnesota Citizens Council on Crime and Justice:** The Minnesota Citizens Council on Crime and Justice offers five complete packages of educational materials for free loan to community and school users in the Twin Cities metropolitan area. Resources available include books, films, simulation games and audio-visual materials covering the subjects of delinquency, good citizenship for youngsters, consumer issues, family violence, and child abuse. In addition to providing a user's guide, each subject package is available in formats appropriate for different age groups, ranging from grade one through adult. For further information contact: Minnesota Citizens Council on Crime and Justice,

1427 Washington Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55454. Telephone: (612) 340-5432.

***** The Vanier Institute of the Family** has recently sponsored seminars on "Reshaping the Welfare State," and on "Reshaping Development - 1984 and Beyond." Two publications have emerged from the presentations and discussions. For a copy of the former send \$3.00 to the Vanier Institute, 151 Slater, Ottawa, Canada K1P 5H5. For a copy of the latter, send \$4.00. **William S. Dyson** is Executive Director.

***** Select Committee on Children, Youth and Families:** The first hearing of the committee, entitled Children, Youth and Families: Beginning the Assessment, is available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. Single copies of the report "U.S. Children and Their Families," prepared by Child Trends for the House Select Committee on Children, Youth, and Families, may be obtained free of charge from the Committee at House Office Building Annex 2, H2-385, Washington, DC 20515, (202) 226-7660.

***** New from Cultural Information Service:** Film Alerts and Guides to current and upcoming movies. Included are plot synopses, stimulating discussion questions and timely quotations, for use with discussion groups, in the family, at school, in film courses, with church groups, as library resources, and elsewhere. Write Cultural Information Service, P.O. Box 786, Department 27, Madison Square Station, New York, NY 10160.

***** The New Jersey Council on Divorce Mediation** announces the opening of the New Jersey Institute for Family Mediation in January, 1984, to create an organized academic/experiential program for the training of divorce mediators. Its basic purposes are to train attorneys and mental health professionals in a growing field and to collect data for ongoing research as it related to the efficacy of mediation techniques. **Ruth Kurtzman** is administrative director of the Council, 51 Upper Montclair Plaza, Suite 27, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043.

Calls for Papers

Marriage and Family Review will publish a special issue devoted to "Pets and Families" in 1985, and Marvin B. Sussman, Ph.D., Editor, welcomes the submission of manuscripts for review and consideration for publication. Suggested topics include: the billion-dollar pet food and supply industry and family economic behavior; pets as therapeutic agents for ill and disabled family members when a member is disabled and placed in an institution; pets and the older family member: consequences for a quality life and lowered morbidity; pets as family members; pets and childlessness; pets and mental health status of family members; delinquent pets and delinquent family members; pets and parenting: who parents whom?; pets as facilitators in developing competence in communication and social relationships; pets as healers-physicians in the aftermath of life-threatening disease or illness; geographic mobility and its consequences for family members and pets; marital health and pets. Manuscripts should be 20-25 typed pages, double-spaced. A peer-review method is employed to assist in improving the quality of writing and interpretation of material. Due date for manuscripts is April 30, 1984. Send manuscripts to **Marvin B. Sussman**, Unidel Professor of Human Behavior, Department of Individual and Family Studies, College of Human Resources, University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19711.

Journal of Early Adolescence: Papers are invited for a special issue of the *Journal of Early Adolescence* which will focus on the relations between parents and their early adolescent aged children, approximately 10 through 15 years of age. Preference will be given to articles based on research which examines the transition or alteration of the parent-child relationship as children enter adolescence. Research based on observational methodologies will be especially welcome, as will studies based on self report instruments which have demonstrated high reliability and validity. Other topics appropriate for this Special Issue include studies of the impact that parents have on the behavior of early adolescents and the effects that adolescents have on their parents or siblings. Research on adolescents in normal and dysfunctional families is welcome. Case studies, theoretical papers, and reviews of the literature are not appropriate. Raymond Montemayor and Gerald R. Adams are the Special Issue Editors for this volume. Manuscripts should not be longer than approximately 20 pages and should use

APA style standards (Third Edition). The closing deadline for receipt of a manuscript is July 15, 1984. Send four copies to **Raymond Montemayor**, Department of Family and Consumer Studies, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT 84112.

Child Development: Papers are invited for a special issue of *Child Development* which will focus on the family and child development. Edited by Kenneth Kaye, Center for Family Studies, Northwestern University Medical School, and Frank Furstenberg, Department of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania, the special issue will appear in December 1984. Research studies and theoretical reviews in this issue will deal with the relation between the development of family systems and the individual development of family members, as well as the relation between family structure or family dynamics and cultural, demographic or economic transformations in the larger society. Papers are invited from a variety of disciplines on topics relevant to all stages of the life cycle. Cross-cultural and clinical studies of family development will also be welcomed. All papers submitted for inclusion in this special issue will be reviewed through the regular editorial process of the journal. They must be received before January 30, 1984. Papers should be addressed to: **Willard W. Hartup**, Family Development Issue, Institute of Child Development, University of Minnesota, 51 East River Road, Minneapolis, MN 55455.

The Journal of Family Issues announces the publication of a special issue on "The State of Family Scholarship" in December 1984. Perspective-taking papers and empirical studies on any aspect of this topic, addressing the people who study the family, the history of the field, where we are headed, or what our shortcomings are, will be considered. Of particular interest would be papers on the relationship of the philosophy of science to family studies, developments in family theory and conceptual frameworks, developments in research methodology, issues in the application of knowledge about families, the family area as a multidisciplinary field or as a discipline in its own right, and the social and intellectual networks of family scholars from a sociology of science perspective. Papers should not be devoted to one substantive topic (marriage, fertility, divorce, etc.) except perhaps for illustration purposes, and should not be limited to a review of issues over the span of the last decade.

Persons with contributions in any of

the above areas are encouraged to submit four copies of their manuscripts as soon as possible but no later than February 1, 1984. Manuscripts should follow the *Journal's* format and be sent to the guest editor: **David M. Klein**, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 46556.

The Journal of Homosexuality will devote a special issue to aging. Authors are invited to submit theory or empirical articles for the special issue on aging to: **John P. DeCecco**, Editor, *Journal of Homosexuality*, CERES, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA 94132. Possible topics for manuscripts include physical health, sexual relationships, friendship circles, intellectual and aesthetic pursuits, beliefs about sex, and so on. Theoretical as well as empirical articles are welcome. Manuscripts must be no longer than 25 pages, typed in double space, including tables and references, and should follow the *APA Style Manual* (American Psychological Association). Authors' names, affiliations, and any identifying footnotes should be typed on a separate sheet. The manuscript should be submitted in triplicate. Each article will undergo blind review — anonymous manuscripts will be reviewed by anonymous reviewers.

Authors wishing to have topics considered for the forthcoming special issue should submit a short statement of intent (500 words or less) as soon as possible. The tentative date for the submission of complete manuscripts is December 1983.

Papers presented at the annual conference of the National Association of Lesbian and Gay Gerontologists (NALGG) will be especially welcomed.

Fifth Annual Families Alive Conference, September 12, 13, 14, 1984. Theme—Families Alive: Changing Perspectives. Presentations to include information that is indicating new trends in understanding the family. Workshops should include information and audience participation. Dr. Amati Etzioni, social analyst from George Washington University, will be a featured keynoter. Deadline for proposals is March 1, 1984. Address proposals to: **G.M. Wise**, Conference Chair, Weber State College, Ogden, UT 84403.

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calendar

District of Columbia:

National Council on the Aging: April 4-7, 1984, Sheraton Washington Hotel, Washington, DC. Theme: 1984 and Beyond. Write the NCOA at 600 Maryland Avenue, S.W., West Wing 100, Washington, DC 20024.

Hawaii:

American College of Health Care Administrators: April 1-6, 1984, Sheraton Waikiki Hotel, Honolulu. Theme: Aging in the World, Our Professional Response. Write ACHCA, 4650 East-West Highway, P.O. Box 5890, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Illinois:

Center for Family Studies, The Family Institute of Chicago: Short Term Programs, 1983-1984: Characters in the Self and Family, November 4; Theories and Techniques for Working with Couples, December 2; Strategies and Techniques with Severely Dysfunctional Families, January 13; Family Systems Assessment, February 6-10. Write Louise Coapstick, Administrative Secretary, Center for Family Studies, The Family Institute of Chicago, Suite 1530, 666 North Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60611.

The 12th Annual Conference of the Association of Muslim Social Scientists will be held November 24-26, 1983 at the University of Illinois at Urbana. Theme: The Contributions of the Social Sciences to Islamic Resurgence in the World. Write AMSS, P.O. Box 38, Planfield, IN 46168. Waheed Fakhri is president.

Kansas:

The Menninger Foundation is holding its First Annual Conference on Mental Impairment, December 12-13, 1983 in Topeka, Kansas. The conference is designed for professionals and lay persons who are working with or interested in mental impairment. Write Division of Continuing Education, The Menninger Foundation, Box 829, Topeka, KS 66601.

Nebraska:

The Seventh National Symposium on Building Family Strengths, presented by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Department of Human Development and the Family, College of Home Economics, in coopera-

tion with the Division of Continuing Studies will be held May 16-18, 1984 in Lincoln. Submit proposals by January 10, 1984. Contact Robert Mortenson, Department of Conferences and Institutes, 205 Nebraska Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0900.

Nevada:

The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and the National District Attorneys Association: Eleventh National Conference on Juvenile Justice, March 11-14, 1984 in Las Vegas. Write The Conference at National District Attorneys Association, 708 Pendleton, Alexandria, VA 22314-1886.

New York:

American Association of Artis-Therapists: May 18-20, 1984, in New York City. Write AAAT, 516 Fifth Avenue, Suite 507, New York, NY 10036.

National Council on Alcoholism's National Alcoholism Forum, April 12-15, 1984, Westin Hotel, Detroit. Theme: NCA's 40th Anniversary — Celebrating Prevention. Write Forum Coordinator, National Council on Alcoholism, 733 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10017.

Pennsylvania:

Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic: An outstanding Training and Continuing Education program is offered. Write the Clinic at Two Children's Center, 34th Street and Civic Center Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19104.

South Carolina:

The Domestic Conflict Containment Program: Training Workshop for Facilitators will be held January 25-27, 1984 at the Hyatt Hotel, Hilton Head, South Carolina. Sponsored by Behavioral Science Associates, the workshops are designed to train facilitators in implementing a ten-week treatment program for abusive couples. The program utilizes a highly structured skill-building format that has been particularly effective in military settings. Registration is limited to 25 participants at each workshop. Contact: Dale H. Friedman, Behavioral Science Associates, 125 South Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC 29902.

Texas:

American Sociological Association: August 27-31, 1984, in San Antonio, Texas. Write ASA, 1722 N Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

Gerontological Society of America: 37th Annual Scientific Meeting, November 17-19, 1984, San Antonio, Texas. Write the Society at 1411 K Street, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20005.

Utah:

Eighth Annual University of Utah Seminar on Sexual Function/Dysfunction, January 27-29, 1984. Psychosocial and physiological aspects of sexual behavior; emphasis on the nature and treatment of sexual dysfunctions. The Yarrow/Holiday Inn at Park City, Utah. CME and CE credit. For program and registration forms, contact: Conferences and Institutes, University of Utah-DCE, 1120 Annex Building, Salt Lake City, UT 84112, (801) 581-5809.

"Religion and the Family", **Brigham Young University's Twelfth Annual Conference**, will be held March 7-8, 1984, on the B.Y.U. campus. Conference guests include Howard Bahr and Bruce Chadwick, co-authors of *Middletown Families and All Faithful People*; William V. D'Antonio, past president of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion; Abraham Kaplan, internationally recognized authority on Hassidic Judaism; Letha Dawson Scanzoni, professional writer, speaker, and consultant specializing in Religion and Social Issues; and Arland Thornton, associate research scientist at the University of Michigan. Send requests for information to Darwin L. Thomas, program chairperson, 844 Spencer W. Kimball Tower, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT 84604, (801) 378-6706.

Virginia:

The Association of Family and Conciliation Courts is meeting December 1-3, 1983, at the Williamsburg Hospitality House, Williamsburg, Virginia. The theme will be Windows on Rights — Mirrors on Roles, Resolution of Family Conflict. Write the Association, c/o National Center for State Courts, 300 Newport Avenue, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

Canada:

Sexuality: A Search for Values: The University of Guelph's 6th annual sexuality conference, to be held June 18-20, 1984, will examine current issues in human sexuality, teaching approaches in sex education, and counselling methods for sexual problems. Write Continuing Education, Johnston Hall, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1G 2W1. Telephone: (519) 824-4120, Ext. 3113.

Australia:

The ISA-Committee on Family Research, in cooperation with the International Union of Family Organizations and the Australian Institute of Family Studies, is holding its XXth International Seminar on Social Change and Family Policies at Melbourne, Australia, August 19-24, 1984.

Papers are invited on the conference topic. In particular, papers should "outline the research evidence for (family) changes and spell out what impact they have already had or may have in the future on family-related policies. Papers may also discuss current and future policy changes by examining their impacts on families of different types."

Requests for information, abstracts of papers submitted for consideration, and intentions to attend the conference should be sent (air mail) to: **Dr. Don Edgar**, Director, Australian Institute of Family Studies, 766 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, 3000,

Victoria, Australia.

Netherlands:

The **Second International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women** will take place April 17-21, 1984, in Groningen, The Netherlands. The theme is "Women's Worlds: Strategies for Empowerment." Papers are requested in many areas. One theme will be "Changing Family Patterns." Further information can be obtained from: **Dr. C.E. Clason**, Rijksuniversiteit, Sociologisch Instituut, Grote Markt 23, 9712 HR Groningen, The Netherlands.

BMA Continuing Education Programs Offered at Various Locations:

Carol Anderson, MSW, Ph.D. - "Mastering Resistance to Family Therapy." Intensive clinical training workshops led by Carol Anderson, pioneer researcher, lecturer, and author in the field of family therapy. Lecture/discussion/case demonstration format. December 17-18, Washington, DC; January 14-15, Atlanta; February 18-19, New Orleans; March 24-25, Saint Louis; May 19-20, Minneapolis; June 23-24, Chicago. Contact: **Debbie Gailliard**, BMA Continuing Education Programs, Department DG-203, 200 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10003. Call toll free, 1-800-221-3966. In New York State, call 212-674-1900.

Peggy Papp, MSW - "Promoting Change in Families and Couples." Two-day workshops led by Peggy Papp, creative therapist, teacher, and author of *The Process of Change* (Guilford, 1983). Participants will learn innovative approaches developed in the Brief Therapy Project, Ackerman Institute, for penetrating impasses with highly resistant families and couples. The format includes case demonstrations, role play, live and/or simulated family interviews, and brief supervision. January 27-28, Washington, DC; March 23-24, Boston; April 28-29, Cincinnati; May 18-19, Chicago. Contact: **Debbie Gailliard**, BMA Continuing Education Programs, Department DG-204, 200 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10003. Call toll free, 1-800-221-3966. In New York State, call 212-674-1900.

Richard Stuart, DSW - "Helping Couples Change." Clinical workshops on short-term marital therapy designed for professionals who work with distressed couples. These intensive courses provide full instruction on cost-effective assessment, treatment, and maintenance techniques. February 17-19, San Diego; March 23-25, Santa Fe; April 13-15, San Francisco; May 18-20, Salt Lake City; June 15-17, Seattle. Contact: **Debbie Gailliard**, BMA Continuing Education Programs, Department DG-205, 200 Park Avenue South, New York NY 10003. Call toll free, 1-800-221-3966. In New York State, call 212-674-1900.

Use the forms below in voting on new Sections:

I support the establishment of a **Family and Health Section** in NCFR.

Signature _____

Printed Name _____

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Send to: **William J. Doherty**, Department of Family Medicine, University of Oklahoma, 800 N.E. 15th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73190.

I support the establishment of a **Religion and Family Life Section** in NCFR.

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Printed Name _____

Address _____

Send to: **Brent Barlow**, 1040 SWK, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT 84602.

1984 NCFR ANNUAL MEETING (continued)

NCFR AFFILIATED COUNCILS

In many ways the Affiliated Councils are the grass roots of the NCFR, because they contact families on a community basis. As the theme of the 1984 Annual Meeting is "New Families for a New Era," the Affiliated Councils wish to emphasize how they are meeting the challenges of a new era. During a time of changing family composition and needs, it is very important that we share our experiences and strategies.

We need to share methods that have proved successful in working with all kinds of families. What types of programs are being offered? How are major institutions in our community providing support for families? In what ways can Affiliated Councils assist in community efforts regarding the changing types and needs of families in a new era?

These are new and challenging times. Our goal in Affiliated Councils is to share, assist, and plan with each other, both to support each other and to aid families.

Any suggestions (speakers, program ideas, tips, how to do it) for the 1984 program will be greatly appreciated.

C. Daniel Fisher, Family Life Council of Greater Greensboro, 450 North Church Street, Greensboro, NC 27401 (phone: 919-373-1442)

NEWS OF INTEREST (continued)

*** **New Ph.D. Program in Developmental Psychology at Utah State University:** The Departments of Family and Human Development and Psychology at Utah State University announce a new joint doctoral program in developmental psychology. The primary focus of the program is to train students in the analysis of social, personality and cognitive development. In particular, the faculty have strong interests in the study of infancy/childhood and adolescence/adulthood. Students can apply upon completion of their undergraduate or Masters degree. Students from academic backgrounds in psychology, child/human development, family relations or related fields are encouraged to apply. A variety of teaching and research assistantships are awarded on a competitive basis. For further information, contact: **Gerald R. Adams**, Program Chair, Department of Family and Human Development, UMC 29, Utah State University, Logan, UT 84322.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES (continued)

Minnesota:

University of Minnesota. Family Economics and Management. Assistant Professor. Tenure track. The Department of Family Social Science, College of Home Economics. Responsibilities include teaching and research in the area of family economics and management. Family Social Science is a multidisciplinary program. Doctorate required. Salary commensurate with experience. Starting date is September 16, 1984. Deadline is February 15, 1984 or until position is filled. Applications with curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation, and copies of publications to: **Professor Janice Hogan**, Chair, Search Committee, Family Social Science, Home Economics, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108. The University of Minnesota is an equal opportunity employer and specifically invites and encourages applications from women and minorities.

Texas:

Texas Tech University, Lubbock: Chairperson, Department of Home and Family Life; effective June 1984. Coordinate undergraduate programs in child development, family studies, and teachers of young children. Coordinate MS and Ph.D. graduate programs in human development, family interaction, and marriage and family therapy. Promote student and faculty recruitment, student advising, research, and grantsmanship. Responsible for faculty evaluation, budget management, and program development.

Doctorate in family studies, child/human development, marriage and family therapy, or related area required, with one degree preferred in home economics. Significant record of research, scholarship, and teaching required, administrative experience preferred. Resume, transcripts, and three references by February 1, 1984, to: **Stephen R. Jorgensen**, Associate Dean, College of Home Economics, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX 79409. AA/EOE.

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Request publications list. Consultation. Speaking at workshops. Other assistance available. Choosing Child Care special (\$5.95) also useful to selecting child care services.

More information write **Dr. Stevanne Auerbach** or call (415) 864-1169. Send resumes if interested in special projects.

Resources for Creative Living - A Monthly Calendar of Events and Regional Resource Guide offers listings of events and a resource guide to human development happenings in the Twin Cities' metropolitan area. In addition to the events listings and community resource guides, each issue will feature quality articles written by leading professionals working in the field of human growth and development. For further information on this exciting new publication contact: *Resources for Creative Living*, P.O. Box 41535, Plymouth, MN 55441.

NCFR Publishes "Family Violence" Position Paper

The NCFR has published a position paper entitled, "How Families with Violent Members Can Be Helped." The paper, authored by **Richard J. Gelles**, professor of sociology, University of Rhode Island, presents programs, policies and strategies which address both the treatment and prevention of child abuse, wife abuse, and violence toward the elderly. For a copy send a business-size stamped, self-addressed envelope to NCFR.

NOMINATION FORM – OSBORNE TEACHING AWARD, 1984

The Osborne Award is presented in memory of Ernest G. Osborne, an outstanding family life educator, who served three terms as president of NCFR. The award is given to a NCFR member in recognition of outstanding excellence in the teaching of family relations. Past recipients of this award have been: Gerhard Neubeck, University of Minnesota; Beatrice Paolucci, Michigan State University; Gerald Leslie, University of Florida; Mary Lou Purcell, Auburn University; Mary E. Heltsley, Iowa State University; Evelyn Rouner, Central Michigan University; John Hudson, Arizona State University; Wallace Denton, Purdue University; Mary W. Hicks, Florida State University; Edward Pope, U.S. Department of Agriculture Extension Service; Rebecca M. Smith, University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Stella Goldberg, Pennsylvania State University; James Gladden, University of Kentucky; Richard K. Kerckhoff, Purdue University; Rose M. Somerville, San Diego State University; J. Joel Moss, Brigham Young University; Don C. Carter, Utah State University; Richard N. Hey, University of Minnesota; Sylvia Sacks, Marriage Council of Philadelphia; James Walters, University of Georgia; Henry Bowman, University of Texas; and Roberta Frasier Anderson, Oregon State University.

Criteria for Selection: (1) Demonstrated excellence in the teaching of family relationships; (2) Membership in the National Council on Family Relations; (3) Current and probable future engagement in the teaching of family relationships; (4) Willingness to promote dissemination of knowledge through participation in professional meetings and/or to seek publication in the journals of the NCFR.

Note: Although the award will be presented to only one individual, the best qualified as determined by the selection committee, you may nominate one man or one woman or both one man and one woman AT ANY LEVEL OF EDUCATION.

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Title _____

Address _____

(Attach a statement to indicate basis of nomination)

Names of three additional people to document nominee's qualifications:

Name	Address
_____	_____
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Names of three additional people to document nominee's qualifications:

Name	Address
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Signature of person making nomination _____

Title and address _____

Nominations will be accepted until June 15, 1984 and should be sent to: Gerhard Neubeck, 283 McNeal Hall, University of Minnesota, 1985 Buford Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108.

NOMINATION FORM – NCFR STUDENT AWARD, 1984

The NCFR Student Award is given to a member who has demonstrated excellence as a student with high potential for contribution to the field of family studies. Past recipients of this award have been: Sandra Burge; Joe Pittman, Jr.; Joan Patterson; Gary Lee Bowen; William Quinn; Catherine Surra Stump; Rosemary Smith Nelson; Ann Marie Williams; Carolynne Kieffer; Pauline Boss; Douglas Sprenkle; Charles Cole; Marijean Suelzle; Graham Spanier; Rudy Ray Seward; Marie Osmond; K. Dean Black; Elam Nunnally; and Sherod Miller.

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Name of Nominee _____

Student in the _____ program at _____ University or College

Address of NOMINEE _____

Signature of person making nomination _____

Your title and address _____

(Please enclose your letter of nomination on a separate sheet.)

Nominations will be accepted until April 15, 1984 and should be sent to Richard C. Morley, Department of Home Economics, Georgia College, Milledgeville, GA 31061.

NOMINATION FORM – DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO FAMILIES AWARD, 1984

The Distinguished Service to Families Award is a recognition of exceptional volunteer and professional efforts and outstanding leadership in the cause of better family living. Past recipients of this award have been: Luther B. Otto, Boys Town Center, Nebraska; Charline J. Warren, National Extension Homemakers Council, Inc., Longview, Washington; Richard Carr, U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.; Wallace C. Fulton, Equitable Life Assurance Society, New York City; Loyd Rowland, New Orleans, Louisiana; John Money, Johns Hopkins University; Norman Fenton, Superior Court, Pima County, Arizona; Muriel Brown, Retired Parent Education Consultant, HEW; Meyer Elkin, Superior Court, Los Angeles, California; David and Vera Mace, Association of Couples for Marriage Enrichment; and Ruth Jewson, National Council on Family Relations.

Name of Nominee _____
 Job Title _____
 Business Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Telephone _____
 Name of Individual Filing this Nomination _____
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 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
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 Signature _____

Names and Addresses of three other people who could document qualifications:

Describe in 500 words or less the achievements of the nominee as one who has and is giving outstanding service to the betterment of family living. You may add resume, biographical sketch, etc., which support your nomination. This cover sheet must accompany all nomination material.

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The Certificate of Commendation is an award which represents the National Council on Family Relations' esteem for local and regional efforts that are successful in the betterment of family life. This award may be given at any time of the year. Past recipients of this award have been: Glen Rediehs, Valencia Community College, Orlando, Florida; Rowan A. Wakefield, Wakefield Washington Associates, Washington, D.C.; Lena M. DiCicco, Cambridge and Somerville Program for Alcoholism Rehabilitation, Somerville, Massachusetts; Lee Kinard, Station WFMY-TV, Greensboro, North Carolina; Levi Strauss & Co.; E. C. Brown Foundation, Portland, Oregon; McDonald's Restaurants; WGHP-TV, High Point, North Carolina; Clark Vincent, Emeritus, Bowman Gray School of Medicine; Manford Sonstegard, West Virginia College of Graduate Studies; and Elizabeth Noland Jackson, Social Health Association of Indianapolis.

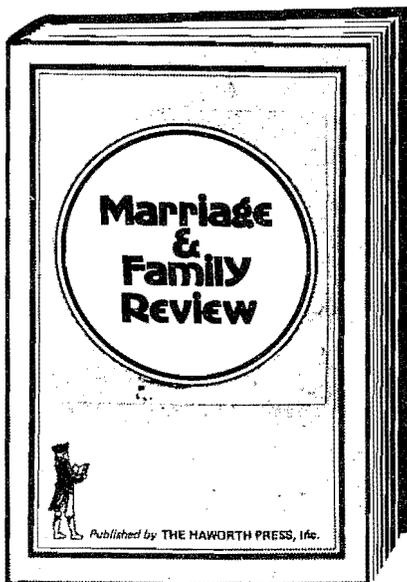
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 Telephone _____
 Name of Individual Filing this Nomination _____
 Home Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Telephone _____ Business Telephone _____
 Signature _____

Names and Addresses of three other people who could document qualifications:

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In addition to being Editor of MARRIAGE & FAMILY REVIEW, Dr. Sussman serves as coeditor of the *Journal of Marriage and Family Therapy* and is an advisory editorial board member of the *Journal of Family History*. He has authored, coauthored, edited, and coedited many books, chapters, and articles dealing with the family, community, rehabilitation, organizations, sociology of medicine, and aging.

SURVEY FOR THE NATIONAL INTERNSHIP COMMITTEE
(established by the NCFR Student Organization)

A great deal of concern has been expressed recently about the need for internship opportunities for graduate and undergraduate students in Family-related fields. We really need your help in order to generate ideas and opportunities for NCFR students. Please respond to the following sections which apply to you.

I. Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Present Career Position: _____

II. If you are a professional in the field and had an Internship as a part of your graduate program, or if you are a student and are presently involved in one . . .

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3) What were your main responsibilities? _____

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6) Did the internship offer significant assistance in securing employment? _____ Please explain. _____

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1) Describe the internship(s) offered: _____

2) Entry qualifications: _____

3) Paid _____, Unpaid _____, if paid, amount _____.

4) Contact person: Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

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1) Types of internships offered: _____

2) Entry qualifications: _____

3) Are the internships paid or unpaid? _____

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*Thank you for helping NCFR Students!

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FAMILY RESOURCE AND REFERRAL CENTER

Margaret J. Bodley

Information Bulletin No. 4-83

NCFR members and others have indicated a lot of interest in accessing NCFR's Family Resources Database through the **BRS/After Dark** services. BRS/After Dark is a service for microcomputer/terminal owners offering greatly reduced rates between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 4:00 A.M., EST. In order to familiarize you with this service excerpts from the *BRS User's Manual* follow. Hopefully this exercise will entice you to further study.

DIALING IN TO THE BRS/AFTER DARK COMPUTER TO ACCESS THE NCFR FAMILY RESOURCES DATABASES

BRS/After Dark is designed to be as straightforward and easy as possible to use with any dial-up system or terminal. (Any dumb terminal or computer with modem and ASCII compatible software is usable.) If you have questions or problems, assistance is always available from BRS/After Dark Customer Service; call toll free (800) 833-4704 (in New York State and Canada call collect (518) 783-7251.)

BRS/After Dark utilizes telecommunications networks which allow you to dial a local telephone number to connect with the BRS/After Dark computer. The cost of the call between the local number and the computer is included in the total price for the service. **The total price — including telecommunication charges — for accessing NCFR's Family Resources Database via BRS/After Dark is only \$12.00 per connect hour. That represents more than a 50% reduction from regular library access.** The telecommunications network numbers can be found for state and city by calling TELENET — (800) 336-0437 and UNINET — (800) 821-5340. The BRS/After Dark User's Manual has step-by-step instructions for each aspect of your search including how to dial in via TELENET or UNINET. To sign on to BRS/After Dark, you will need your Password number assigned by BRS and also your assigned security password. As was announced in an earlier newsletter, the one-time subscription fee of \$50 covers the search service, newsletter and electronic mail service. Your subscription fee as well as all usage charges will be billed automatically to your Master Charge or Visa account, with a minimum charge of \$12 per month. BRS will mail you monthly statements documenting usage and charges. To access the BRS computer, your computer/terminal and modem must be at the following settings:

- 300 or 1200 Baud (30 or 120 characters per second/cps)
- Half or Full Duplex
- No Parity
- 7 Bit Words
- 1 Stop Bit

To perform a search on the BRS/After Dark system, you simply use a series of commands which tell the computer what task you want performed. It consists entirely of English language words or their abbreviations. By using these commands in a logical sequence, you can enter a search request, get the results of the initial search, and, if you wish, refine the parameters of the search.

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How to Perform a Search

It is a good idea to decide which search words or phrases are best to get the information you seek before going online to perform a search.

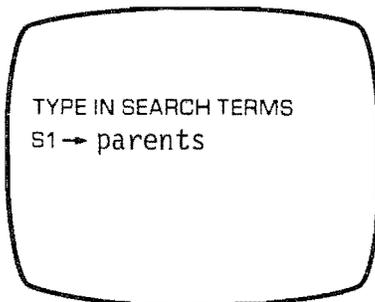
Step 1: Sign-on procedures are listed in the User's Manual. After you have signed on to BRS/After Dark and have received the Master Menu, type the number 1 to request the search service. (Remember to hit the ENTER key after you have finished typing each instruction or search term.) In response the system will automatically display the Database Menu which categorizes the various types of databases available (22 in all).

Step 2: To select the category of databases you want, e.g., Social Sciences/Humanities, type in the category number and hit ENTER key. In response the system will automatically display the Social Sciences/Humanities, Database Menu, listing the names of the databases and their abbreviated search labels. To select the database you want, type in the 4-letter database label, e.g., NCFR. Following is the Guide to NCFR Citations in the BRS/After Dark Service (library services offer more codes):

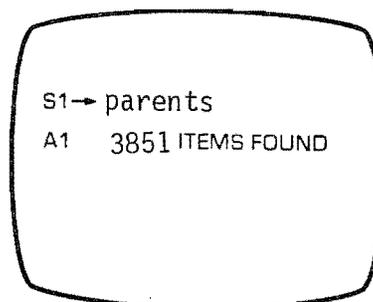
<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
AU	Author/s	NT	General Notes
IN	Author's Affiliation	NO	Identifying Numbers
TI	Title	PB	Published Works
SO	Source	CR	Circulation
CO	Collation	FQ	Frequency of Publication
PR	Price	AI	Audiovisual Information
DE	Descriptors	DI	Distributor
SR	Series Information	AB	Abstract

Step 3: Step-by-step command instructions are indicated. Next the system will print out a description of the database you have requested, including its cost.

Step 4: The system will instruct you to type in the word or words you wish to search and then print the letter S (search), followed by the number 1 (indicating this is your first search question) and an arrow prompting you to type your search question. The examples below illustrate a search for the single word *parents*. Note on the second frame that the system prints the letter A (answer) followed by the number 1 (indicating this is the first search answer), followed by the number of citations found in which the word *parents* appeared in the Family Resource Database.



TYPE IN SEARCH TERMS
S1 → parents



S1 → parents
A1 3851 ITEMS FOUND

Step 5: You now have the choice of continuing your search, printing the first citation found, returning to the Master Menu, or to the Database menu, or signing off. It is also possible to switch directly from one database to another. Contact BRS for entire listing of databases. When the system asks for your instructions, simply type in the letter d followed by the 4-letter label for the database you wish. Thus the commands are s=search; p=print; m=return to the Master Menu or return to the Database Menu; d plus the 4-letter database label; and o=off.

How to Structure a Search

This search service allows you to search for either single words or word phrases. To search for a word phrase (single words are simply entered) type in the words separated by spaces, e.g., *working mothers*. You can narrow the focus of your search to provide more specific information by using CONNECTORS in your search question. CONNECTORS allow you to specify the positional relationship of the words you are searching. Following is a list of connectors you may use, together with an explanation of how they work.

<u>Connector</u>	<u>Explanation</u>
AND	Words must be in the same citation.
OR	Either one or all words must be in the same citation.
NOT	The word following NOT cannot appear in the same citation as the word preceding NOT.

TYPE IN SEARCH TERMS
 S1 → working and mother\$
 A1 146 ITEMS FOUND

TYPE IN SEARCH TERMS
 S1 → violence or abuse
 A1 2027 ITEMS FOUND

TYPE IN SEARCH TERMS
 S1 → parent\$ not single
 A1 6750 ITEMS FOUND

It is also possible to BACK REFERENCE to a previous search question. BACK REFERENCE means that you can ask the system to use the results of a previous search question and combine it with additional words or phrases using any of the CONNECTORS discussed above. The example below shows how this strategy can save you the time of retyping your original word or word phrase.

A Sample NCFR Search

Question: Are there any cassettes dealing with the subject of working mothers?

Search:

TYPE IN SEARCH TERMS
 S1 → *working mother\$*
 A1 87 ITEMS FOUND
 S2 → *cassette\$ or tape\$*
 A2 440 ITEMS FOUND
 S3 → *1 and 2*
 A3 4 ITEMS FOUND

A Sample NCFR Citation

AU Cassette Communications, Inc.
 TI Working Mothers (tape)
 SO Cassette Communications, Inc., 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10010.
 PR Price: \$9.95 plus \$.75 postage and handling
 AI 60 min.
 AB Consisting of an interview featuring a child development specialist, this audio cassette tape discusses how women can cope with the physical and psychological conflicts which may

result from the responsibilities of a home and a career. According to the tape, if a mother has never worked, she should avoid a return to the job world when her children are between the ages of two and four and during early adolescence. These are considered critical periods during which children are developing autonomy and searching for individual identities. The need for a parent to be an anchor offering stability and understanding is stressed.

Note that the BRS/Search that libraries use is far more powerful in terms of retrieval than the BRS/After Dark service. You, of course, pay for that advanced option.

When you type a word, the computer looks for the exact spelling of that word in the citations. A convenient feature of this service is TRUNCATION, which allows you to search for various word endings simultaneously. For example, the system can automatically look for the search word, its plural form, and also any ending of up to three letters. TRUNCATION is accomplished by typing a dollar sign (\$) immediately after the word you wish to search, e.g., *father\$*.

Basic Entry Mechanics

- 1) The system will always signal that it is waiting for your input by displaying a search question number followed by an arrow.
- 2) The system will accept either upper or lower case letters.
- 3) If you make a mistake in typing, BACK SPACE to the error, correct it, and then type the rest of the search question. (This is the most common method, but your equipment may use another key to perform this function, so check your Owner's Manual before going online.)
- 4) On most equipment, it is possible to delete an entire line that you have typed by hitting the question mark (?) at any point along the line.
- 5) If you wish to interrupt the printing of a citation, you can do so on many types of equipment by hitting the BREAK key. Check your Owner's Manual for specific instructions.
- 6) Most computers/terminals have a function which prevents a message from "scrolling" or advancing up the screen. If you wish to freeze a section of a citation on your screen, consult your Owner's Manual for the proper procedure.
- 7) Any time you make an error in instructing the system, it will print out a message telling you what you have done wrong and asking you to try again.

Note: Certain common "helper" words, e.g., *a, about, if, etc.*, are not searchable. Always omit these words. (The BRS User's Manual lists these words.)

Don't ever be concerned that your personal error may have caused the BRS/After Dark system to malfunction. If the system should fail to respond to your entry it is an indication of a temporary internal difficulty. Just wait a minute and try again.

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