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president's column



Bert N. Adams, 1983-84 NCFR President

The Board has now had its mid-winter meeting, and Spring is just around the corner. There are three things I would like to discuss with you in this column. The first is a new **NCFR headquarters**. For several years complaints about our offices in Minneapolis have grown. Cramped, stuffy, and decidedly tacky, such complaints reached a crescendo under Jim Walters presidency last year. The problem has always been: But can we afford better? The answer now is: yes. For example, just over two blocks from the current headquarters, a Minneapolis high school has been closed, and is being renovated as a tech/arts center. The center will include air-conditioning, an elevator, and the use of a common conference room—all amenities the NCFR offices lack at present. While no contract has been signed, the availability of this and similar property is indicative of the fact that a move will take place in the near future. The Board has ex-

pressed great enthusiasm for a move, and it is possible that within a couple of months after you read this column, NCFR will be in a new location. This is an open invitation to Jim Walters and each of you to come and visit the new headquarters when a selection has been made.

Ad Hoc Committee on Awards. Last year the issue arose, when Peter Laslett of England received the Burgess Award, as to whether he should have to pay his own way to receive it. That would cost him more than the award was worth. This led to a consideration of whether this should be an annual or a bi-annual award, with money being used for expenses. The Osborne Teaching Award fund seems to be earning money faster than it is being used, while the Student Award and Distinguished Service to Families Award are close to penniless. NCFR has seven major awards—but is that the right number, and are they the right awards, or should there be others to honor other contributions to the organization or to families? All these issues have been discussed at one time or another, but always idiosyncratically, never in a systematic fashion. Thus, we have established a Committee on Awards to examine the entire award structure of NCFR, to answer these and other questions. **Luther Otto** has agreed to chair this committee, with the following able membership: **Alan Bayer, Glen Elder, Mary Heltsley, Howard Kauffman, Richard Kerckhoff, and Marie Osmond**. If you have thoughts on awards, or contributions to make to the committee's deliberations, you may address them to: **Luther B. Otto**, Career Development Program, Boys Town

Center, Boys Town, NE 68010.

The Formal Wedding. On Valentine's Day the Madison newspaper pictured three couples being married by a Madison judge in his chambers. Two weeks earlier I was involved in a wedding of substantially greater proportions. The night before the wedding, the rehearsal was followed by a Country Club dinner serving some 45 people. The wedding itself, late Saturday afternoon, was held in Madison's largest church, with some 500 friends and relatives attending. It was a 45-minute ceremony, with flute, piano, organ, and three vocal soloists interspersed. The proceedings were videotaped, so the bride and groom could view them later. Afterward, prime rib was served to some 350 guests in a large University hall. During dinner, four french horns played dinner music. The cake was not white with white frosting, but had chocolate in it, and actually tasted good. Then a larger band took over, the dancing beginning—in traditional fashion—with the bride and groom doing a waltz. This was followed by another waltz, beautifully done by the bride and her father, and the groom and his mother. Subsequently, many other guests joined in to dance until the "wee hours." The next day the bride and groom did **not** fly off on their honeymoon, leaving relatives wondering what to do, or to scatter to their homes. No, the couple remained for three days to entertain kin who had come from Ohio, California, and elsewhere. Then, on Wednesday they flew away to Kenya for a three-week honeymoon.

This wedding was a genuinely memorable occasion for everyone involved. Fol-

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lowed by the picture of the judge and three couples on Valentine's Day, it left me wondering about the relationship between the wedding occasion and later marital "success" or even permanence. There are studies of the relation between age and marital success. After all, this young medical doctor is in his 30s, while one of the couples

before the judge was 18 years old. But suppose you control for SES and age, is there any relationship between either size — the sheer numbers of people involved, or **formality** and traditionality, or especially **cost** and the likelihood of the couple making a go of it later in life? Were the young nurse and her doctor groom simply putting on a

show, or demonstrating a lasting commitment to each other and to the other important people in their lives, or — in our society — may any commitment wear thin with time? What do you think?

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

ncfr annual meeting

1984 NCFR Annual Meeting

Make your plans now
for San Francisco:

Cathedral Hill Hotel

October 16-20, 1984

"New Families for a New Era"

San Francisco is an exciting city, and NCFR-84 promises to be one of the most exciting and challenging conferences in years!

Plenary Speakers include **Jessie Bernard**, **Peter Scales**, **Lenore Weitzman**, and **Harold Raush**. Master Lectures will feature presentations on the future(s) of black families, remarriage and stepparenting, peace and the family, family policy, family and aging, nonacademic careers for young professionals, and many more. **Pre-conference Workshops** will focus on a number of specialized topics and issues. In addition to numerous paper-presentation sessions sponsored by our six Sections, a wide array of important matters will be covered in "Seminars in the Round," and in "Demonstration Sessions." Unique opportunities to explore the interfaces of basic research and therapy will be available through sessions sponsored jointly by NCFR and AAMFT.

Whatever your professional interests — education, research, programs, theory, or therapy — you are sure to find them met at NCFR 84—Frisco. And your leisure interests are sure to be met as well.

Specially reduced air fares are being arranged, as well as guided tours of the fabulous Bay area.

Be sure to check the next NCFR Newsletter for more specific program details. In the meantime, mark your own calendar, and invite colleagues, family, and friends to join you for a rich and rejuvenating experience.

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

Section Sessions in the Annual Meeting Program

Family Action Section:

The Family Action Section will be offering panels, symposia, and paper sessions during the course of the conference as well as sponsoring several "seminars in the round" and "demonstration sessions." Among the themes for these presentations are: balancing work and family, "getting the government off the backs of families," family roles in chronic and terminal illness, family gerontology and programs for the aged, sexual behavior and sexual identity issues, the singular family in the middle years, family implications of service delivery, and nurturing fathers. All will examine policy and action implications for helping families cope in a new era.

In addition to these formal substantive sessions, the various Focus Groups will be meeting for discussion, updating, and networking. The Section Business Meeting (early Friday morning) will provide an opportunity for communication and official action on matters of concern to the Section.

Contact the Section chair, **Ronald Pitzer**, at 76 Classroom/Office Building, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108 (Phone: 612-376-3851).

Education and Enrichment Section:

The Education and Enrichment Section will provide an exciting and varied program at the Annual Meeting. There will be in-depth sessions on family enrichment and teaching techniques and methods; workshops which will investigate issues and problems; paper sessions; and a variety of topics explored through seminars in the round and demonstration sessions. There will be exciting and helpful sessions from leaders in the field. Come join us and enjoy!

Section chair is **Kenneth Barber**, Extension Sociology, 301-B Ag Science, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-6230 (phone: 509-335-2811).

Ethnic Minorities Section:

The Ethnic Minorities Section will sponsor paper sessions on Family Satisfaction and Cohesiveness, Intergenerational Interaction, Male Parenting Patterns, Women and Work, Dilemmas of Immigrant Families, and Family Stress and Community Support. In addition, several seminars will focus on ethnic families.

This year the traditional **Oral History** session will be presented by **Robert Staples**, who has published widely in the area of ethnic families.

We look forward to seeing you in San Francisco.

Contact the Section Chair, **Leonor Johnson**, at 8650 11th Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20903 (phones — home: 301-434-4927; office 301-251-1500).

International Section:

The International Section will be having several special sessions this year, focusing on topics such as family life in Canada, and reports from members who have attended the seminar sponsored by the Committee on Family Research in Australia on "Social Change and Family Policy." We will also have sessions involving topics such as women and societal development, and comparative perspectives on work and the family.

Contact the Section Chair, **Gary Lee**, at Department of Sociology, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164 (phone: 509-335-2357).

Research and Theory Section:

The number of presentation abstracts submitted to the Research and Theory Section seems to increase each year. This year 150 abstracts were submitted for paper, demonstration, and seminar-in-the-round presentations. Approximately 49 submit- ters either requested or agreed to present in a Demonstration or Seminar-in-the-Round session. The number of paper sessions was increased from 16 in 1983 to 18 in 1984. In addition several joint paper sessions are being arranged with other Sections.

Section Chair is **Lynda Henley Walters**,

Associate Dean for Instruction and Research, College of Home Economics, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602 (phone: 404-542-2551).

Family Therapy Section:

The Family Therapy Section will sponsor a pre-conference program Sunday afternoon, October 14th from 2 to 5 p.m., and Monday, October 15th from 9-4 p.m. Note that this special invitational meeting will occur **two days before** the usual beginning time for the Conference. This third annual meeting of the "Working Conference on Assessment of Family Therapy" is being co-chaired by Ned Gaylin, University of Maryland, and Eleanor Macklin, Syracuse University. Focus will be on presentation and discussion of proposed guidelines developed by the Consortium on Family Therapy Research (headed by Lyman Wynne) for NIMH to be used in policy development and review of grant applications. Persons interested in being invited to attend should contact Ned Gaylin, Department of Family and Community Development, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742 (phone: 301-454-5905).

During the Conference the Family Therapy Section will co-sponsor with AAMFT two joint sessions. One of these sessions will be held at the NCFR convention site on Wednesday, October 19th, on the subject, "From Clinical Issues to Research Design." It will feature a panel of distinguished researchers and therapists in dialogue.

Contact Section Chair, C. Ray Fowler, Academy of Family Mediators, 272 West 7th Street, Claremont, CA 91711 (phone: 714-626-0590).

Local Arrangements:

The California Council on Family Relations is hosting the national meeting in San Francisco. Cecilia Gray, local arrangements chair, met with the CCFR executive board in late January to discuss various entertainment options. Plans include the following: a reception following the opening plenary session featuring Chinese hors d'oeuvres and a local mime performance, a bus tour of the San Francisco area (for newcomers particularly), an evening in North Beach to see a local production of "Beach Blanket Babylon Goes to the Stars" (a spoof on 50-60's music), a symphony at Davies Hall, an evening



Cecilia Gray, Local Arrangements Chair

San Francisco Bay Cruise with a fabulous buffet and entertainment. For you early morning "exercise nuts," a **Fun Run** in Golden Gate Park is being planned.

San Francisco in October is beautiful. The weather is usually warm and sunny, although you should always come prepared for some wind and/or rain. Next to New York (and maybe New Orleans), San Francisco has some of the best ethnic food in the states, so do plan to eat and don't plan to diet. In the vicinity of the hotel there are a variety of restaurants to suit various tastes, and others are not too far away. CCFR is mobilizing its forces in hopes of offering a fun time and warm hospitality, so do plan to come to the Golden State.

Write Cecilia Gray at Home Economics Department, California State University, 6000 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95819.

Pre-Conference Workshops:

Several Pre-Conference Workshops are being planned: Theory Construction and Research Methodology; Family Systems and Health: Focus on Prevention; Peace: A World Without War; The Family and the Law; Working with Single Parent Families; Men, Women and Children: Issues in Child Support; Family Enrichment; and Research Outcomes of Family Therapy (above).

Descriptions of four of the workshops follow, and information about the rest will appear in the *May Report*.

Family Systems and Health: Focus on Prevention:

On Tuesday, October 16, 1984, there will be a one day NCFR pre-conference workshop at the Cathedral Hill Hotel in San Francisco related to families and health,

with a focus on prevention. The success of the Family Systems—Behavioral Medicine NCFR pre-conference workshop in St. Paul last year, the expansion of the Family and Health Focus Group, the initiative to create a Section within NCFR on the Family and Health — all attest to the growing interest in this interdisciplinary field. This proposed workshop will focus particularly on health promotion and illness prevention in family members and family systems.

George Albee, who initiated the Vermont Conference on the Primary Prevention of Psychopathology, now in its tenth year, and Thomas Gullotta, Editor of the *Journal of Prevention*, will be keynote speakers and participants. The format for the workshop sessions will focus on the discussion of papers which will be submitted in advance and sent to all participants one month prior to the workshop. Papers should focus on broadening our understanding of the relationship between individual member health/illness and family system functioning, with a particular emphasis on prevention — both in terms of individual physical and psychopathology and family system dysfunction. Papers should have a theoretical, empirical, and/or intervention focus. Abstracts of proposed papers must be submitted to the co-chairs by **April 30, 1984**. Abstracts are limited to 1000 words and must include: a) purpose and focus; b) outline of substantive findings or issues to be discussed; and c) how it fits the theme of family, health and prevention.

The cost of the Workshop is \$25.00 (\$5.00 registration and \$20.00 for duplication and mailing of papers).

To obtain registration information and to submit abstracts, contact: Joan Patterson or Hamilton McCubbin, Co-chairs, Family Stress and Coping Project, Department of Family Social Science, University of Minnesota, 290 McNeal Hall, St. Paul, MN 55108.

Pre-Conference Workshop on The Family and the Law

This workshop will offer a program dealing with broad issues of advocacy, more specific issues concerning child custody and children's rights, and the practical issues and details of serving as an expert witness. The workshop will combine broad conceptual, theoretical, legal, and ethical perspectives with the specifics of how to survive and be of use as an expert witness. Co-chairs will be Jane Becker-Haven, Stanford University,

and Paul Rosenblatt, University of Minnesota.

Pre-Conference Workshop on Peace: A World Without War:

A pre-conference workshop will focus on what families can do to promote attitudes toward peace within themselves and throughout the country.

Elise Boulding, a renowned pacifist and chair of sociology at Dartmouth, has agreed to lead the workshop as a contribution to NCFR. She will illustrate a series of imagery experiences that she has conducted across the country. Persons are asked to imagine a world without war, then to slowly trace the changes within our families and society that would exist or be required for such a world to exist. This simple, but elegant experience has generated intense participation, reflection, and examination of many of the assumptions that we make about our society and our families.

Materials have already been collected to share with participants that relate to: (1) The Parenting for Peace and Justice Movement; (2) The U.S. Academy of Peace; (3) Attitudes toward the international arms race; and (4) Peace movements in general. Attempts will be made to include the participation of activists in the California peace

movement.

It has been noted by some NCFR members that the military presence within the conferences has grown over the past few years, chiefly due to the pre-conference workshops that have been so successful. The needs of military families are often acute and should be addressed. In addition, however, it is felt that a more balanced presentation of alternatives to military solutions would be valuable when presented within a family context.

The only cost will be Boulding's travel and one-day expense. This would be offset by charging each participant \$10-\$12 or through contributions from peace supporters.

Organized by **Harriette McAdoo**, Howard University, and **Charles Cole**, Iowa State University.

Pre-Conference Workshop on Theory Construction and Research Methodology:

Fifty very, very strong proposals have been submitted to the Theory Construction and Research Methodology Workshop. It therefore has been a difficult task to select the final 18 for the program. Even very good papers had to be rejected when they did not fit the "Work in Progress" format or the Call for Papers criteria. Every effort

was made to be both fair and rigorous in the final selection.

The program will focus on both content (women's depression, mid-life parenting, incest, employment, moral reasoning, violence, etc.) and on measurement and theory (qualitative research, structural analysis, stochastic models, feminist research, and the new epistemology for studying families). Two special sessions will be held during the pre-conference workshop, in keeping with the chair's interest in ethnicity and systems measurement as essential foci for the workshop if we are to move family theory development forward. **Lynda Henley Walters**, University of Georgia, has been asked to chair a panel on Measurement where the family (rather than the individual) is the unit of analysis. **Jay Brodbar-Nemzar**, Center for Modern Jewish Studies, Brandeis University, has been asked to organize a panel on the American Jewish Family and implications for theory development.

If you are interested in attending and/or receiving a packet of the workshop papers, please send the \$20 registration fee to **Pauline G. Boss**, Department of Family Social Science Department, McNeal Hall, University of Minnesota, 1985 Buford Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108 (phone: 612-376-2455).

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Mid-Year Report of the Affiliated Councils

Following is a summary of the activities of the Congress of Affiliated Councils for the first part of the 1983-84 year. No recommendations for Board action have been presented, but it is likely that such will be forthcoming by October.

1. From the information available, there are presently 52 affiliated councils — 41 state/provincial, three regional, and eight local councils. Regretfully the Alberta Council ceased functioning on February 1, 1984.

2. Resulting from action at the Affiliated Councils sessions at the 1983 annual meeting, a "Committee on the Development of the Congress of Affiliated Councils" was formed and is at work under the leadership of **Matti Gershenfeld**. The objective is to review the structure and functioning of the Congress and make recommendations for improvements. The committee hopes to report by spring 1984.

3. A "By-laws Revision Committee" has been appointed to update the Affiliated

Councils By-laws. Three factors have prompted this: (1) the phasing out of the Regional Representatives, (2) the impending recommendations of the Development Committee mentioned above, and (3) possible outcomes affecting affiliated councils from the President's Commission on the Structure of NCFR. Hopefully an initial report from this By-laws committee will appear by October. The committee consists of: **Susan Meyers**, chair; and **Betty Barber**, **Basil Fiorito**, **Mary Lou Purcell**, and **E.M. Rallings**, members, and **Howard Kauffman**, ex officio.

4. The President's Fund continues to be a source of matching grants for Councils to use for promotional purposes. So far this year one grant has been made — to the South Carolina Council in the amount of \$237.50 for a major membership drive. The guidelines for the use of this fund may need to be reviewed in order to assure that they encourage rather than discourage the use of the fund.

5. On April 2, 1983, the NCFR Board passed a motion "that the committee rec-

ommendations regarding 'Guidelines for State Affiliated Councils' be presented to voting members of that group as a proposed change in the Affiliated Councils By-laws." Our Membership Chair, **Thelma Hansen**, mailed the Guidelines and a ballot to all Congress members. Of the 25 ballots returned as of February 10, 84% affirmed Part I of the ballot and 88% Part II. Objections centered mainly on the proviso that a council board of executive committee must meet at least three times per year. Four responses objected to being required to meet more than twice. The Affiliated Councils Executive Committee will need to consider these objections and determine whether a change to meet the objections should be made.

6. Last year the Affiliated Councils sessions at the NCFR annual meeting were more fully integrated into the time blocks of the annual meeting (rather than occurring prior to the NCFR sessions as in previous years). This format was a definite asset to furthering the work of the Affiliated Councils, and we are pleased that the NCFR

Program Committee has approved a similar format for the 1984 meeting. Currently the affiliated councils sessions do not include a Plenary Session as last year, but plans are to add a Focus Group as a forum for working informally with Councils officers on their structural and program problems.

7. Spring and fall issues of the Affiliated Councils newsletter, *Feedback*, are planned. Basil Fiorito, Affiliated Councils Chair-Elect is editing the publication.

8. Interest in forming regional councils and/or conferences is evident. The "Midwest Conference of the NCFR" scheduled for March 15-17 in Des Moines, Iowa, is an example.

9. Another development is state-level conferences conducted jointly by the state Family Relations Council and one or more other family-related state organizations. This idea is to be encouraged as a possible route to strengthening state councils, particularly where state council membership is small. Conjoint conferences or workshops could also have greater impact on state-level public policy.

10. A Nominating Committee has been appointed, consisting of Mary Lou Purcell, chair, and Margaret Bubolz, Jane Dill, Robert Famighetti, Norah Keating, and Douglas Stephens, committee members, and Howard Kauffman, ex officio.

J. Howard Kauffman, Chair, Congress of Affiliated Councils, Department of Sociology, Goshen College, Goshen, IN 46526 (phone: 219-533-3161).

District of Columbia: The new president of the Washington Metropolitan Area Council is Linda Rothleder, 315 Bonifant Road, Silver Spring, MD 20914.

Florida: The Interdivisional Marriage and Family Doctoral Student Association of Florida State University is sponsoring the 5th Annual Theory and Application Workshop in Tallahassee, March 14-17. Speakers include: Monica Goldrick, Beth Hess, Reuben Hill, Donald Mercer, and Graham Spanier.

The Florida Family Super Conference 1984 will be at the Hilton Inn Center in Orlando, April 29-May 1. This year the Florida Council has put together a cooperative program with five other state family interest organizations (up from 3 last year). The program offers continuing education credits, has separate business meetings, combined exhibits and social time. A joint effort will be made in approaching the upcoming Proposition One that would severely cut services to families in the state. Write Ruth Nicholson, Parent Education Project, Va-

lencia Community College, Box 3028, Orlando, FL 32802.

Florida Spring programs in area councils include a last lecture series sponsored by the FSUCFR group where faculty are invited to present the last lecture of their lives on topics where personal philosophies and experiences can be explored. In the Gainesville area, Mary Ann Hilker, a sociologist with the Center for Government Responsibility at the University of Florida, recently discussed the results of a Florida research project on child support payments. Her office is planning a government sponsored workshop for all those interested in research related to the enforcement of child support payments. Bill Burke, Human Development Specialist, presented a program on Families and Culture in Ecuador with slides and comments from his past year's experience in South America. Spring programs include a visit to the Older Americans Council to learn about services for elderly, a lecture on spouse abuse, and a program on Families in the Virgin Islands. The Tampa area council is also meeting at the Tampa University on a monthly basis.

Board representatives are still needed from the Jacksonville and Miami areas. Council president is Donna Berardo, 2026 Northwest 27th Street, Gainesville, FL 32605.

Georgia: The Georgia Council on Family Relations is holding its 1984 annual meeting in conjunction with the Georgia Home Economics Association on April 13, at the Jekyll Island Holiday Inn and Convention Center. The theme of the meeting is "Family Life Education: Teaching Techniques and Information Update." Write Mary Ann Pace, Program Chair, Family Life Center, Georgia Southern College, Statesboro, GA 30460-8021.

The Georgia Council is sponsoring a student paper competition. The author of the best graduate or undergraduate paper on a family topic will receive a certificate and a \$25 award. John Curtis is coordinating this competition. Council president is Ralph LaRossa, Department of Sociology, Georgia State University, University Plaza, Atlanta, GA 30303.

Hawaii: A new slate of officers has been selected: Philip Mark, Wakiki Christian Church, 829 Pensacola Street, Honolulu, HI 96814, President; Ron Wall, Vice-President; Dana Davidson, Secretary; John Engel, Treasurer; Michael Len, Corresponding Secretary. Plans are being made for programming networking, sharing, and community participation. The annual spring

conference, March 9-10, focussed on how those in helping professions help themselves. The theme was "Discovery and Transformation."

Illinois: Creative Family Conflict Resolution was the theme of the Annual Meeting held March 9-10 in Oakbrook. Shirley and Verne Bechill, Alma, Michigan, discussed how creative conflict resolution can be achieved through the marriage enrichment philosophy and programs. Ray Robinson, American Arbitration Association, provided an overview and update of current happenings in this fast growing field. Frank Osanka, a behavioral consultant known for his expert witness work, shared current information about family violence. In addition, there were rap sessions, poster sessions, round tables, and workshops. President is Lynelle Hale-Sprengle, Department of Home Economics, Illinois State University, Normal, IL 61761.

Indiana: "Picking up the Pieces: Mending Broken Families" was the theme for the ICFR Annual Meeting in February. Virginia Simones, Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago, clinical coordinator of a multi-disciplinary team for evaluating child custody cases, was the plenary speaker. Other sessions included a self-help panel, and sessions on handicap and the family, impact of death and dying, and impact of unemployment. The final session was a report on the State of the Indiana family.... The Council is planning a state-wide camping outing June 22-23....The ICFR presents two awards, the Betty Jackson Student Award, and the Professional Achievement Award. President is Judith Myers-Walls, CDFS Building, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907.

Iowa: Completed this last fall was the annual election for ICFR. The 1984 Board consists of Craig Allen, Department of Family Environment, Iowa State University, Le Baron Hall, Ames, IA 50011, President; John Strong, President-Elect; Linda Enders, Secretary; Jean Hood, Treasurer; Phyllis Fry, Alice Atkinson, Karen Morgan, all at-large members; and Doug Stephens, Past President. The task of reorganization this past year was assisted greatly by outgoing Board members, Geoffrey Leigh, David Rosenthal, Sylvia Kuennan, and Howard Ruppel.

Louisiana: Strengthening the Family in a High Tech Society was the theme for the Annual Meeting on February 3 at the LSU Union. Myron Madden, Department

of Pastoral Care, Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, was the keynote speaker. Concurrent sessions were held on research reports, family rituals, Teletips: new technology in family life, and support systems. **Alice Pecoraro**, Department of Home Economics, Nicholls State University, Box 2014 University Station, Thibodaux, LA 70310, is President.

Maine: An organizational meeting was held on February 29 at the Augusta Civic Center. Organizational and structural issues were discussed. President is: **Walter McIntire**, 314 Shibbes, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469.

Michigan: The Annual Meeting will be held May 17, at Michigan State University. The theme will be a sneak preview of NCFR's 1984 theme, "New Families for a New Era." The MCFR offers the following awards: Distinguished Service, Life Membership, Student Award, and The Beatrice Paolucci Award. President is **William Youatt, Jr.**, PO Box 206, 1558 Haslett Road, Haslett, MI 48840.

Minnesota: Adolescents and Their Parents was the theme for the annual family life conference held jointly by the NCFR and the MHEA. Adolescents' stress and coping was the topic of Hamilton McCubbin's keynote address. After lunch a panel of high school students talked about themselves. Workshops were offered on teen-age sexuality, community family life education, single parents and adolescent children, fathering the adolescent, drugs and the adolescent, bulimia, pregnancy and adoption: views from an adolescent, helping teenagers cope with loss and death, and adolescents communicate with adults. Richard Hey was program chair.

Partners in Learning: Home, School, Community will be the theme for the MCFR Annual Meeting, with Nancy Delin as chair. A conference on Supporting Family Strengths will be offered September 28, at the University of Minnesota at Duluth. Terrie Shannon is the chair. She is involving a wide number of community organizations. President is **Ruth H. Jewson**, NCFR, 1219 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, MN 55414.

New Jersey: The accompanying photograph shows Ethel Pickett receiving a recognition award from the New Jersey Council on Family Relations, "with sincere appreciation for her unselfish commitment, guidance, wisdom and leadership in the development of our State Chapter founded in



Ethel Pickett

1978. Her insightful direction will be an inspiration to all members for generations to come." **Karen Todd**, Gerontology Department, Montclair State College, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043 is the current president in New Jersey.

New Mexico: **Leo Yates** is the new president for the New Mexico Council on Family Relations. His address is Cooperative Extension Service, New Mexico State University, Drawer 3 AE, Las Cruces, NM 88003.

New York: Margaret and Harold Feldman, Program Co-chairs for the 1984 Annual Meeting, have reported that the conference theme will be Families and Their Communities. The interaction between families and religious, political, economic, and social systems will be explored. The Feldmans hope that someone in each geographic area of the state will take a leadership role in identifying the interesting programs and research being conducted in their vicinities. President of the New York Council is **Virginia Sibbison**, Welfare Research, Inc., 112 State Street, Albany, NY 12207.

North Carolina: The North Carolina Family Life Council held its 1983 Annual Meeting September 23-24 at Southern Pines. The theme was Families and Religion: Values in Transition. Plenary speakers included Larry G. Keeter, Appalachian State University; Anita Farel, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Mark R. Sills, Greensboro Urban Ministry; James H. Moorhead, North Carolina State University at Raleigh; James W. Stines, Appalachian State University; Maria Lichtmann, Appalachian State University; and Judith Powell, Antioch Baptist Church, Enfield. The 1983 Irwin V. Sperry Award was presented; we will announce the recipient in the May Newsletter. President is **Joyce Stines**, Department of Home Economics, Appalachian State Uni-

versity, Boone, NC 28608.

South Carolina: The SCCFR received a matching award from the NCFR President's Fund, to assist in funding the initial issue of a very attractive and useful newsletter. Members in various parts of the state have been identified as reporters. The theme for their 1984 Annual Meeting was Families Today and Tomorrow. Nancy Thurmond's keynote address was entitled Governmental Responses to the Changing Family. A multi-disciplinary panel responded. In the afternoon there were breakout sessions on the following: Trends in Family Therapy; Computers and Family Life Subject Matter; Raising Other People's Kids: The Job of Functional Families; Play Therapy; The Future, Families and the World of Work; and Family Law: Past, Present and Future. President of the Council is **Joel Thayer**, Department of Sociology, Francis Marion College, Florence, SC 29501.

Southeastern: The Annual Southeastern Conference was hosted March 1-3 in Charlotte, North Carolina by the North Carolina Family Life Council, and was assisted by a grant from the North Carolina Humanities Committee. A contribution was also made by the Virginia Council. The conference featured several humanists in plenary addresses and interactions with participants. Program personalities included Tamara Har- even, Nancy Cotton, Joseph Himes, Barbara Clowse, Vance Davis, Susan Lewis, Jack Claiborne, and Judith White. The Southeastern Distinguished Service to Families Award was presented to Leland J. Axelson, Virginia Tech. The 1985 Conference will have Work and Families as its theme. Mary Catherine Beasley is program chair for this meeting, which will be held in Birmingham at the end of February. Council president is **Wayne T. Adams**, Box 476, Vass Road, Carthage, NC 28327.

Stout Council, University of Wisconsin-Stout: The new executive board for 1984 is: **Kathy Luetkehoelter**, 309 19th Avenue West, No. 9, Menomonie, WI 54751, President; Robin Muza, Vice-President; Carrie Garfoot, Secretary; Laura Gilbertson, Treasurer; Ann Woznick and Sue Rothhoff, Newsletter/Historians.

Texas: The TCFR Annual Meeting will be held in Abilene, April 5-6, on the theme of "The Family and Moral Issues: Practice and Policy." Dr. Mary Calderone, SIECUS, will speak on "Parents and Children as Sexual People." James Rest, University of Minnesota, has entitled his presentation

"The Major Component Processes in Morality: What it Takes to Behave Moral." Judith Fischer, Texas Tech will address the topic of "Values in Conflict: Society and Child Custody." There will be 80 or more addi-

tional program presentations....TCFR members are reminded to submit their nominations for the 1984 Bowman-Moore Award of Excellence. The nominee can be any individual who has made a significant contri-

bution in the area of family life in Texas. Write President **Julian Bridges**, Department of Sociology and Social Work, Hardin-Simmons University, Box 1302, Abilene, TX 79698.

additional ncfr affairs

NCFR Elections:

The ballot for the 1984-85 NCFR Officers is attached to this Report. All NCFR members are urged to vote for president-elect, program vice president-elect, membership vice president, publications vice president, and nominating committee members. Paid members of the Family Therapy and Education and Enrichment Sections will also find ballots enclosed. In addition to the above, student members are asked to vote for their student representative to the Board of Directors. Vitas are attached to the ballot.

Members of the this year's Nominating Committee included **Ira Reiss**, chair, **Margaret Feldman**, **M. Janice Hogan**, **Mary Lou Purcell**, and **Rebecca Smith**.

Family Systems and Health Newsletter Available

As a result of the NCFR pre-conference workshop on Family Systems - Behavioral Medicine held in St. Paul last year, a Newsletter, *Family Systems and Health Network*, has been developed to facilitate the sharing of information among professionals working in the area of the family and health. It includes proposal and project descriptions, information on funding possibilities, research briefs, resources people are looking for or already have and are willing to share, notices of forthcoming workshops or conferences, and perspectives on the state of this emerging field.

If you would like to receive this Newsletter and/or contribute to subsequent issues, write to **Joan Patterson** or **Hamilton McCubbin**, Family Stress and Coping Project, Department of Family Social Science, University of Minnesota, 290 McNeal Hall, St. Paul, MN 55108. The cost of the Newsletter is \$5.00 a year (March, August, and December issues).

Future NCFR Annual Meetings

October 15-19, 1985, Sheraton Dallas, Dallas, Texas; 1986, Detroit. Date and hotel is to be announced.

NCFR Membership: A Reflective Look

The beginning of a new year is often a good time to take a look at changes our organization has experienced over time. In terms of membership, it is an opportunity to examine records that have been set and project records we'd like to make.

Ask yourself the following questions. If you score a 7 or an 8, you're unbelievable! The answers can be found at the end of this column.

1. What year did NCFR achieve the highest total membership?
2. What year was the NCFR total membership the lowest? (Discount our early years, 1938-1946.)
3. Which NCFR Section has the largest membership?
4. What is our current total membership?
5. What year did NCFR total membership experience the highest rate of growth?
6. What is our current student membership?
7. What year did NCFR student membership reach its highest level?
8. What is our current total Section membership?
9. Where do you think our total membership will be in 1990?
10. Where do you think our student membership will be in 1990?

You may want to try this exercise in your state or regional council. It can be easily adapted and expanded upon from your council's own records. You may find some interesting and useful information that has never been uncovered. It's also an excellent chance to make some projections about where you'd like membership to be in the future.

Now for those answers.

1. 1974 (5763 members) 2. 1958 (2261 members) 3. Family Therapy (4348 members) 4. 1965 (In 1965 we had 2384 members. By 1966 we were up to 3400 members.) 5. 1977 (1616 student members) 6. 1977 (1616 student members) 7. 1977 (1616 student members) 8. 3437 Section membership 9. ? 10. ?

In the May issue of *NCFR Report* we'll return to looking at key membership issues. Call me with questions or comments as they arise.

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

NCFR Announces Certification

The following news release has been issued:

The National Council on Family Relations, an international non-profit educational and resource organization dedicated to strengthening the family, will begin to certify individuals in the field of family life education in January 1985. The implementation of this credentialing process represents a culmination of over three years of work by the **NCFR Committee on Standards and Criteria for the Certification of Family Life Educators**. This Committee has been developing not only the procedures for certification but also college/university curriculum guidelines and an overview of content in family life education to assist colleges and universities in preparing their undergraduate and/or graduate students for eventual certification as family life educators. In addition, curriculum content guidelines have been developed for family life education for grades K-12 and adult programs.

The White House Conference on Families was an impetus for NCFR to continue to address issues related to the training of family life educators. In 1980, a Committee was formed by the NCFR to explore the feasibility of establishing standards for certification of individuals as well as to study the feasibility of accreditation for higher education programs in the field of family life education. In October 1981, the NCFR Board of Directors unanimously accepted the Committee's recommendation that NCFR establish a certification program for professional family life educators. The Committee subsequently addressed the development of a process which might identify those persons who are qualified to be family life educators, since recognition can be achieved via individual certification. Certi-

fication is construed to be a process by which a professional agency or association grants recognition to an individual who has met certain pre-determined qualifications or standards specified by said agency or association.

A critical need exists for the establishment of standards for family life educators on a national level by a professional organization. Because colleges and universities take an interdisciplinary approach to family life education, a professional organization with this type of membership composition is most uniquely qualified to provide leadership in establishing such a system of national certification. The National Council on Family Relations, given its multi-discipline membership, can most effectively fulfill this role.

Certification will benefit practitioners who are or will be involved in various aspects of family life education. Although family life is a complex and multi-faceted field, only six states currently offer certification for teachers in this specialty. Thus, it is particularly important that guidance be given to administrators to assist them in recognizing the knowledge and skill levels needed by persons in this subject area. Although individual certification in family life education is not intended to replace the certification that elementary and secondary teachers must have in order to teach, it will be an additional credential indicating that she/he has expertise in the field of family life education.

Individual certification is also very appropriate for individuals in other employment settings, such as community service agencies or health care settings, where a portion of the work an individual performs is identified as family life education. Counselors, clergy, criminal justice system professionals, health care system professionals, and social workers are potential candidates for this credential, because many of these specialists already encourage and promote family life education programs in community settings.

The NCFR Board of Directors gave final approval for the process of certification developed by the Committee on Standards and Criteria for Certification at its recent Annual Meeting.

A copy of *Standards and Criteria for the Certification of Family Life Educators, College/University Curriculum Guidelines, and An Overview of Content in Family Life Education: A Framework for Planning Family Life Span Programs* is available for purchase for \$6.50 including postage and handling. Inquiries should be directed to: Certification Program, NCFR, 1219 Univer-

sity Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414.

Questions regarding the Certification Requirements, College/University Curriculum Guidelines, or the Curriculum Content Guidelines for K-12/Adult Family Life Programs should be directed to: J. Kenneth Davidson, Sr., Chair, NCFR Committee on Implementation of Certification, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI 54701 (Phone: 715-836-2720 or 836-4178).

Search for Editor, Journal of Marriage and the Family

All individuals interested are invited to apply. All names submitted must be accompanied by a current curriculum vitae to be considered as a candidate. Individuals may nominate themselves or they can be nominated by others. However, if you are nominating another individual, please be certain to confirm their willingness to serve as an editor. The search committee will assume that all candidates/nominees for which it receives a curriculum vitae have already committed themselves to serving the term of Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family* for a period of four years beginning January 1986. The committee will not contact any individual for confirmation. It will only consider names it receives. Send nominations to Professor Leland Axelson, 52 Department of Family and Child Development, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24061 (phone: 703-951-8917). The candidate must be an active member of NCFR. May 1, 1984 is the deadline for submitting names.

New Editor Appointed for Sage-Book Series

Maximiliane Szinovacz, Florida State University, is the new editor of the *NCFR-Sage Book Series*. The NCFR Board of Directors, meeting in St. Paul, Minnesota, in October, approved a \$25 fee for submitted manuscripts to the Series, along with the requirement that 3 copies of the manuscript be submitted to the editor at the time of submission of the article. Write Dr. Szinovacz at Department of Sociology, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306.

Section on Family and Health Established

At its meetings March 1 and 2, 1984, the NCFR Board of Directors voted to es-

tablish a Section on Family and Health. Signatures of over 5 percent of the total membership have indicated support of its establishment. The Section will hold an organizational meeting at the 1984 Annual Meeting. For further information contact William Doherty, Department of Family Medicine, University of Oklahoma, 800 NE 15th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73190 (phone: 405-271-4224), or Hamilton I. McCubbin, Department of Family Social Science, University of Minnesota, 290 McNeal Hall, St. Paul, MN 55108 (phone: 612-373-1546).

Interest shown in Section on Religion and Family Life

Interest has been expressed for a Section on Religion and Family Life. A few more signatures are needed. Please sign and mail the petition at the bottom of this year's ballot, if you are interested.

Focus Groups

Work and Family:

The Work/Family Focus Group met October 12 in St. Paul at the 1983 NCFR Annual Meeting. Fifteen people attended the meeting which focused on sharing work/family resources and discussing the interplay between education, research and policy development in the work/family area. Results of a survey identifying the research, teaching, publication and intervention activities of the work/family focus group membership were also reported. The response rate was 63% of the 38 focus group members. A nine-page summary of the survey results is available upon request from the focus group chair, Joyce Portner, Program Director, University of Minnesota, Continuing Education in Social Work Department, 107 Armory, Minneapolis, MN 55455. Anyone wishing to join the focus group or receive a listing of the membership should also contact Joyce Portner.

Farm Family:

A Farm Family Focus Group is being formed, within the Family Action Section, for the 1984 NCFR Annual Meeting in San Francisco. The intent of this group is to provide a means for professionals with interests in farm families to discuss common interests, exchange research ideas and explore future collaboration. Suggestions for agenda items and other expressions of interest are welcome. Please send your ideas to Paul Rosenblatt, Family Social Science Department, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108 or Harriett Light, Child Development-Family Relations, North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND 58102.

Family Resource & Referral Center Human Resource Bank

Dear NCFR Members:

This is a special invitation to you to participate in the **NCFR's Human Resource Bank**. The Human Resource Bank is a biographic file of individuals who are willing to be contacted by the general public regarding their specialties within the family field. Their names and vita information are listed in the **online Family Resources Database** which is distributed worldwide to libraries, information centers, large hospitals, medical centers and some businesses. Yours can be too.

I have been told by information requesters often enough to believe it that they find it very frustrating to follow leads from journal articles because authors' institutional affiliation changes so often it is difficult to track them. Publishers often do not keep records of their authors' addresses or telephone numbers, therefore book authors are difficult to find also. That is where the Human Resource Bank comes in. Whether you are a researcher, educator, social service provider or therapist your expertise is needed. Each participant's mailing address and telephone number will be checked each year in order to keep our records current. (For those of you who are already participating, please let me know immediately if your mailing address and telephone number have changed.)

I have felt for some time that a lot of our members along with other family specialists may be hesitant to participate fearing that their contributions are not worthy of a listing. This is particularly true of people working in applied fields. Let me assure you that your contributions are appreciated by the general public. I wish you could hear the genuine appreciation expressed by those who use our database and information service. Your reluctance reassures me (you know what you don't know — who knows everything?), but please don't be timid about your accomplishments. In general I suspect you are far too modest. You also might be surprised at the interesting people with whom you will come in contact.

Each participant is active for one year. You may withdraw at the end of each calendar year if you wish. If I do not hear from you, I will assume that you want to continue. To date we have not had anyone wishing to withdraw.

Please remember that we have a **work-in-progress** file also. All you have to do is submit an abstract describing your current project.

A Human Resource Bank Reporting

Form is enclosed in this newsletter. Please fill it out and return it to the home office soon. There are close to 400 individuals already listed in the database. I would like to see many, many more. I think you have a lot to share. The world is eager for information about families!

Margaret J. Bodley, Director, Family Resource and Referral Center

Results of the December 1983 Survey on Public Policy Issues

A survey on public policy issues was developed by representatives from the **Family Action Section** and the **Public Policy Committee**. The procedure for identifying issues included: (1) generating a list of issues, (2) prioritizing issues, and (3) selecting consensus issues. The survey was printed in the December NCFR *Report* with a requested response date of January 20, 1984.

As of February 1, 1984, a total of 300 responses had been received. A comparison of the demographic characteristics of the respondents reveals some similarities to the respondents of the January 1978 random survey of NCFR members (Axelson and Click, 1979). The percentage of female respondents (58% vs. 54%) and married individuals (68% vs. 70%) is similar, reflecting the characteristics of the membership at large. However, this sample has a higher percentage of Ph.Ds (56% vs 32%) and a higher percentage over age 40 (62% vs 52%). Although these two characteristics may reflect recent changes among the membership, no data are available to document this speculation. The N of 300 is a credible basis upon which to determine priority issues.

NCFR members were asked to indicate their views on 14 public policy issues, using a scale from "strongly support" to "strongly oppose." The percent supporting an issue ranges from 15% (Item No. 8 - requiring adult children to reimburse Medicaid for nursing home care received by parents) to 92% (Item No. 7 - increasing tax incentives for families who are caring for elderly or handicapped members). The consensus of the respondents was to support most issues. Only Item No. 8 (reimbursing Medicaid) had a majority **opposing** the issue (68%).

Two other items were relatively low in support: No. 10 (adopting full employment legislation - 38% supporting and 23% opposing) and No. 3 (regulating sexually explicit material on cable TV - 53% supporting and 33% opposing). In summary, on 12 of the 14 items, the large majority of members agreed on their position and in 11 of these

cases, they supported the issue.

To determine the level of support for all these items, "strongly support" and "support" percentages were totaled. Those issues receiving the highest percentage for support were: (1) tax incentives of families caring for elderly or handicapped members (No. 7, 92%); (2) ensuring timely child support payments (No. 4, 89%); and (3) allowing individuals to limit the use of life support systems (No. 6, 89%).

To help us understand what issues the membership think NCFR should focus upon, respondents were asked to indicate three issues they thought should be highest priority for NCFR to address. Two items were consistently among the top three first, second, and third choices: ensuring timely child support payments (No. 4) and requiring high school students to take a course in family life education (No. 12). Development of a catastrophic illness insurance program (No. 5) and tax incentives for families caring for elderly or handicapped members (No. 7) were ranked third and fourth. These four items received strong support from the respondents, ranging from 75% to 92%.

This report was prepared to facilitate the next step in the process NCFR has established for taking stands on public policy issues: the identification of issues on which the Board of Directors wishes to commission papers.

Based on the results of this survey, the Family Action Section and the Public Policy Committee recommended that the Board consider commissioning papers on three of the top four issues. The NCFR Board of Directors at its March 1-2 meetings voted to accept this recommendation.

Prepared by Sharon Alexander, Vice-Chair, Family Action Section, and Elaine Anderson, Member, Public Policy Committee.

Annual Meeting Tapes Available

Wilbur D. Hutchinson, 888 Corporation Street, Bridgeport, IL 62417 (phone: 618-945-8751), has tapes available of the 1983, 1982, and 1981 Annual Meetings. Most plenary, Section, and Master Lecture sessions are on cassette. Each cassette is \$6.00 (some sessions may require 2 cassettes), plus \$2.50 to cover postage and handling. All tapes are fully guaranteed. Write the NCFR or Mr. Hutchinson for a complete list of tapes.

in memoriam

Marie F. Peters:

Marie F. Peters, an associate professor of human development at the University of Connecticut who was noted for her research in the areas of the black family, women's roles and minorities, died January 6, 1984.

Born in Lincoln, Nebraska, she was the daughter of Professors O. W. and Marie E. Ferguson. She received her undergraduate degree in chemistry from Fisk University and a master's degree in sociology from Purdue University. She later earned a doctorate in human development from Harvard University, and did post-graduate work at the University of Chicago.

Peters was a former associate editor for Science Research Associates in Chicago. Her research work and many publications drew national and international acclaim from authorities in the fields of sociology, psychology and other human sciences.

Before becoming an associate professor in the School of Family Studies at the University of Connecticut, she taught at Virginia State University, Purdue University and the University of Hartford.

She was a member of the National Council on Family Relations, Groves Conference on Marriage and Family, the American Sociological Association and the Society for Research in Child Development. She served the NCFR in many roles, most recently as Secretary for a two-year term.

She was also a member of Delta Sigma Theta sorority and other professional and honorary organizations.

Peters is survived by her husband, Dr. James S. Peters II; her children, James S. Peters III, Donna M. Peters and Kimberly P. Bourne-Vanneck, all of New York City, and her sister, Corrine Claybrook of Chicago.

The NCFR Ethnic Minorities Section has established the **Marie F. Peters Award** in her honor. Donations to the Fund may be sent to the NCFR, 1219 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414. Please designate them for the Fund.

Sheldon Louthan:

Sheldon Louthan, president of the Kansas Council, was recently killed in a private airplane accident. He promoted marriage enrichment programs at the Quaker University, and developed the Recovery of Hope program.

Nadine Vester:

Nadine Vester, Alberta, Canada, died in December 1983. She was a founding member of the Alberta Council on Family Relations.

student news and views

Even though winter is just ending, students should be making plans for next fall's national meeting in San Francisco. In particular, those students who live in California or neighboring states should take advantage of this year's locale. With the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy meeting simultaneously with NCFR, this year the conference will offer students very special professional opportunities.

Last fall through the encouragement of Wesley R. Burr and now with the direction of James Walters there is a sharing of program development and curriculum in the field of Family Studies. For students, such an exchange between family studies programs will provide stronger professional identity, insure academic integrity between

programs, and possibly expand our job market.

As students in the Family field, our professional identity must ultimately come from our peers in other family programs. We cannot depend on other disciplines to validate our professional existence. This is particularly true for students in programs outside of psychology and sociology.

Also the academic integrity of our programs must be supported within the Family field. Again, Family programs outside of traditional social sciences may be thought of as step children. As students of multidisciplinary programs, our parentage is clearly in the family field. We are dependent on the mutual respect given to our programs within the family field. This sharing

of programs will increase that mutual respect and will help validate the students as scholars.

Finally, the number of academic programs in family is small. There are few jobs for our graduates in the field. With this sharing of information between programs, hopefully inroads to new job markets will also be shared. Probably more important, will be the sharing of how these new "inroads" were made.

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Joe Pittman, Junior Student Rep, 220 Cherokee Avenue, Athens, GA 30606 (phone: 404-542-2551)

employment opportunities

Connecticut:

University of Connecticut: Social Scientist with doctorate and expertise in family relations, especially of minority families, and/or life-span human development with expertise in minorities. Specialist in either family or human development alone will be considered. A record of successful teaching and publications in front-line journals is strong evidence of qualification. To teach

undergraduate and graduate courses, supervise theses and dissertations, engage actively in scholarship and assume customary university/faculty responsibilities. Tenure track, 9 month appointment from September 1, 1984, or as soon after as possible. Rank and salary commensurate with qualifications. Send letter of application, vita, reprint of best example of scholarship, and three letters of recommendation to: L.

Eugene Thomas, Chair, HDFR Search Committee, School of Family Studies, Box U-117, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT 06268. Screening to begin May 15, 1984. (Search No. 4A44). Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

TASK FORCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A FAMILY DISCIPLINE

NEWSLETTER

Editor's Column

First of all let me state the problem. We are foremost in pursuit of clarifying the issue of whether or not we are a discipline. At this point we must not be confused by worrying about a name. The "name calling", I am afraid, has led us astray. First things first, please. Once we have made progress toward consensus on the discipline issue we can begin to argue about a proper name. So let us put the name business on the back burner.

This first copy of our Newsletter features Burr and Leigh's review of our brief history — we have a history already? — and it reads to me like an objective recalling of the events leading up to the 1983 NCFR meeting. As you notice, Wes' calm appraisal of where we are reflects more of an open mind than he has been given credit for. Some of the shrillness about the family — a discipline controversy — seems to have been generated and Wes and I hope to diffuse that tension.

We now need thoughtful contributions from colleagues all around the country, from home economics teachers to family therapists, from academicians to chemical dependency counselors, from everybody who is a professional in the family field. I invite them to address themselves to the following questions:

1. Does your current professional identity adequately represent your work and involvement — research, teaching, service, etc., with families?

2. Would a new identity, one in which you are a member of a family discipline, represent you more adequately?

Adequate representation to whom, you might ask. To colleagues in and out of your occupation as well as to the general public is my answer.

Can I count on you then to address yourself to these questions and to encourage your co-workers in the vineyards of family work to respond to this challenge? The Newsletter will print salient parts of these statements since it is the instrument to resolve the 4 questions Burr raised in his review of our history.

So we are on our way. This movement was born with enthusiasm and we must not lose our momentum. If I don't hear from you we are all stuck. Stuck but not dead, of course, but stuck, stuck, stuck. What else can I say to motivate you? Oh, yea, Santayana: Everything ideal has a natural basis and everything natural an ideal

development.

Gerhard Neubeck, Editor, Department of Family Social Science, College of Home Economics, 283 McNeal Hall, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108.

A HISTORY OF THE FAMILY DISCIPLINE MOVEMENT

Wesley R. Burr

The Beginning

This social movement, like most, began in a gradual way, so it is difficult to identify a single event that was its beginning. If we were to try to find a beginning, we could cite events such as Ernest Groves' first class on marriage and the family in the 1930's, or papers such as those by Groves (1946), Pearl (1950), and Schvaneveldt (1971) where scholars probed the complexities of beginning a family discipline. Other possibilities are the maturation of the field illustrated by Christensen's (1964) handbook, and the discontent and discussions such as those reported to us by Richard Hey. He has indicated that he has tried for years to convince some of his colleagues that there is, or ought to be, a family discipline. Another possibility is the first time the word famology (Burr, 1973, p. viii) was used.

The best way to think of the beginning is to focus on the processes that laid the foundation for the field rather than try to find one important event. This is because the family discipline grew gradually, and it is building on a complex history; and also because it is standing on the shoulders of many giants. Among the giants we find names such as Henry A. Bowman, Ernest W. Burgess, Ruth Cavan, Harold Christensen, Ruth Connor, Evelyn Duvall, Lawrence K. Frank, Ernest R. Groves, Ernest G. Osborne, and James Peterson. They developed a large and multifaceted body of knowledge about the family and charted family professions, and their work is a solid foundation upon which many believe a discipline is now either emerging or can and should be built.

The Discovery Stage

Even though no beginning point can be identified, it is possible to identify three fairly distinct stages in the development of the family discipline. The first stage was a

period when scholars in many different disciplines discovered that the family is an important area for intellectual inquiry. Key events in this stage were the beginning of classes on the family, a number of scholars beginning to do research on the family (Angell, 1936; Burgess and Cottrell, 1939; etc.), and the appearance of scholarly treatises on the family (Waller, 1938). During this stage, apparently the thought of a separate family discipline had not yet occurred.

The Pioneering Stage

The second stage began with a paper by Ernest R. Groves in 1946. In this short paper he foresaw the needs and pattern of events in the family field for more than three decades, and he anticipated the emergence of what he called a science of marriage and the family. The main points of his thesis are:

The establishment of a definite program for the training of specialists in the field of marriage and the family means that several sciences must contribute to the instruction. The outcome will be a science of marriage and the family carried out by specialists who will draw their data from a wide range of resources. They will not be sociologists, home economists or social workers but persons who are committed to the gathering and the giving of information that concerns marriage and the family, who have prepared themselves for such an undertaking, and have approached their task from a background shared by no other science

The two things needful are recognition that the time has come to do this, and the commitment of able men and women to the task. The development of graduate programs of training should go hand in hand with the emergence of the science of marriage and the family. Although the pioneers in the building of this science necessarily must be persons who have been trained in some other specialty, any exaggeration of the value of the material that falls within any one of the older specialties can be avoided if those giving graduate instruction fairly represent a wide range of the scientific investigations of concern to marriage. (1946:26)

During this stage the pioneers that Groves referred to established the family field as an important area of inquiry. The strategy they used was to create interdisciplinary family programs where scholars from a number of different disciplines could work together. By the end of this stage there were 24 universities that offered a Ph.D. and 28 others that offered a M.S. or M.A. in a family field (Love, 1982); and these were in addition to the family-oriented graduate programs that were administered in older disciplines or fields such as sociology, psychology, and medicine. This stage also saw the development of several family-oriented professions such as family life educator, family extension specialist, and marriage and family therapist.

The pioneers were so effective in establishing the family field as an interdisciplinary area of study that many assumed the field should remain permanently an interdisciplinary area. They failed to see that unique theory and research were appearing and the family institution is as crucial and as deserving of a separate discipline as the economic and political institutions. The vision that Groves has of a science of marriage and family was almost lost, but this was to change in the next stage.

The Establishing Stage

The next phase in the development of a family discipline was begun with a paper by Burr and Leigh (1982). They argued that the science that was anticipated by Groves had become a reality. Their "declaration of existence" was crucial enough that some of the events that led to that presentation should be shared. Leigh sent a manuscript to Burr on March 19, 1981. The manuscript was titled "Famology: The Application of Theory to a Discipline," and in it he argued that the family field had matured to a point that it had become a bonafide discipline. At the same time Burr was working on a paper in which he was developing the same thesis. The two then decided to collaborate, and the result was the address given in October, 1982. An interesting aspect of this process is that even though these two had worked together previously, they could not then and still cannot recall ever discussing the topic. As far as they know, they came to the same conclusion independently.

Burr and Leigh did not suggest any immediate plans in their address because they had no idea how the presentation would be received; but after the meetings,

an average of 10 to 15 individuals contacted them each month, and new ideas and suggestions gradually took form. They subsequently published an article in each of the 1983 editions of *NCFR Report*, and these articles informed others what was happening. These articles led to two sessions being organized around the movement in the 1983 NCFR meetings. One was a panel discussion exploring career options, and the other was a business meeting. These articles also included a second survey, but the answer sheet was separated from the discussion in the newsletter, and only 60 people completed the survey. Also, since there was no provision for the proofreading of the newsletter article, the survey page had a typographical error. The word "familiology" was spelled "famiology." These two factors seriously limited the usefulness of that survey. The findings were that the majority of the respondents thought there is a discipline (53% yes, 40% no, 7% undecided); and those who thought there is a discipline thought an organization should be created. Those who thought there is not a discipline almost unanimously (96%) believed no organization should be created.

The discussions during the 1983 NCFR meeting created a widely shared belief that this stage in the movement should begin with a period of exploration, analysis, debate, and discussion of the issues associated with the emergence of the family discipline. The corollary of this opinion is that it would be premature to form a professional association of the discipline or to change the names of majors or departments in universities. Changes such as these should be delayed until after the period of dialogue, as this will create greater consensus and allow the field time to define more clearly such things as what the discipline is and is not, what it ought to be called, and how changes ought to be made. This will allow the new discipline time to get its house in order before it presents itself publicly to the many audiences it will have.

An Organization: Another opinion that was widely shared during the NCFR meetings was that some type of organization should be created so the movement could be joined by whomever would like to join it and so it would become more of a field-wide process. The **Task Force for the Development of a Family Discipline (TFDFD)** was therefore created in a business meeting that had about 70 in attendance. The sense of the meeting was that this organization should be a part of NCFR rather than separate from it, and that it should be a temporary organization to

facilitate discussion and analysis during the formative period of the discipline. The purpose of the Task Force is:

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?

It was decided that the main activity of the Task Force would be to circulate a newsletter that would publish papers, letters, and rejoinders that focus on issues, controversies, clarifications, elaborations, and methods that should be used in the coming months and years.

Wesley Burr was elected chair of the Task Force, and a board of directors was elected. The board was commissioned to work out the details of how the Task Force will be organized and what it will do. The seven individuals who were elected to the board are:

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

Jay Schvaneveldt, Utah State University

The board of directors met during the NCFR meetings and elected several of the group to various positions. Jay Schvaneveldt was elected secretary, Nelwyn Moore was elected treasurer, and Gerhard Neubeck was elected editor of the newsletter. Dr. Neubeck agreed to prepare editorials for the newsletter to help focus the dialogue that will occur. Wesley Burr was asked by the board to prepare this historical paper for the first issue of the newsletter to document the events that have led the movement to its present stage. It was agreed that an article should be published in the next issue of *NCFR Report* to inform the membership of the parent organization as to what is

NCFR — 1984 OFFICIAL BALLOT

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PRESIDENT-ELECT FOR 1984-85

(President in 1985-86; Vote for ONE only)

____ *Joan Aldous* ____ *Robert Bell*

PROGRAM VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT FOR 1985

(Program Vice President in 1986; Vote for ONE only)

____ *Pauline Boss* ____ *Catherine Chilman*

MEMBERSHIP VICE PRESIDENT FOR 1984-85

(Vote for ONE only)

____ *Margaret Arcus* ____ *David Klein*

PUBLICATIONS VICE PRESIDENT FOR 1984-85

(Vote for ONE only)

____ *Mary Hicks* ____ *Brent Miller*

STUDENT/YOUNG PROFESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVE TO NCFR BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

(Only STUDENT NCFR members may vote; Vote for ONE only)

____ *Katherine Allen* ____ *David Wright*
____ *Gerald Hadd*

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 1985

(Vote for FIVE only)

____ <i>Sharon Alexander</i>	____ <i>Carolyn Love</i>
____ <i>Donna Berardo</i>	____ <i>Hamilton McCubbin</i>
____ <i>Richard Kerckhoff</i>	____ <i>Jay Schvaneveldt</i>
____ <i>Dianne Kieren</i>	____ <i>Barbara Settles</i>
____ <i>Robert Lewis</i>	____ <i>James Walters</i>

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

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NCFR's Yearly Elections

Biographical Data is included for candidates in relation to the following points: (1) Present professional position; (2) Immediate past professional position; (3) Past and present participation in NCFR, NCFR Sections and NCFR Affiliated Councils; (4) Past and present related activities; (5) Publications — books, chapters, articles.

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President-Elect:

Aldous, Joan, Ph.D. (1) The William R. Kenan, Jr., Professor of Sociology, University of Notre Dame. (2) Professor, Child and Family Development, and Sociology, University of Georgia. (3) NCFR: Board of Directors, Chair, Research and Theory Section, Chair, Committee on Nomination, Member of Committee to prepare report on Carter Administration's welfare reform proposal; Editorial Board, *Journal of Family Issues*; Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*; Presented papers at NCFR Annual Meetings. (4) ASA: Committee on Publications, Chair, Family Section; Consultant, Graduate Records Examination, Educational Testing Service; Sorokin Award Committee for Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship; J.C. Penney Sponsored Symposium; Visiting Professor, Department of Home Economics, Landbouwhogeschool, Wageningen, Netherlands; Visiting Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Leuven, Belgium. (5) Recent publications include: "Families and Religions: Beset by Friends and Foes" and "Problematic Elements in the Relationships Between Churches and Families" in *Families and Religions*, J. Aldous and W. D'Antonio (eds.); "From Dual-Earner to Dual-Career Families and Back Again" in *Two Paychecks*, J. Aldous (ed.); "European and United States Perspectives on Family Policy: A Summing Up" with W. Dumon in *The Politics and Programs of Family Policy*, J. Aldous and W. Dumon (eds.); and *Family Careers*; and articles in professional journals such as *Journal of Marriage and the Family*.

Robert Bell. (1) Professor of Sociology, Temple University. (2) Visiting Fellow and Professional Chair, Latrobe University, Melbourne, Australia; Visiting Fellow,

Australian National University. (3) NCFR: Burgess Award Committee, Executive Committee and Board of Directors, Nomination Committee, Research and Theory Section, International Section, Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, Chaired panels and presented papers at NCFR Annual Meetings. (4) Conference Committee and Committee on Profession; Eastern Sociological Society; International Sociological Society; Society for Study of Social Problems; Family Section Council, American Sociological Society; Associate Editor, *Journal of Comparative Family Relations*; Program Chair, Groves Conference; Australian and New Zealand Sociological Society; Presented papers. (5) Nine books — among *Marriage and Family Interaction* (6th edition); *Premarital Sex in Changing Society*; *Studies in Marriage and Family* (two editions); *Social Deviance* (two editions); *Sex Survey of Australian Women*; *Contemporary Social Problems*; *Worlds of Friendship*. 50 research and professional articles in publications such as *Journal of Marriage and the Family* and *Family Relations*.

Program Vice President-Elect:

Boss, Pauline, Ph.D. (1) Associate Professor, Department of Family Social Science, University of Minnesota. Also practicing family therapist. (2) Associate Professor, Child and Family Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison. (3) NCFR: Chair and Vice-Chair Research and Theory Section, Chair, Theory and Methods Workshop, Chair, Nomination Committee; Board of Directors; Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*; Student Award Winner; Presented papers at Annual Meetings. (4) Groves Conference: President, Program Committee; AAMFT: Chair, Research Committee, Elected Fellow, Member of Advisory Committee to Accreditation Committee; Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, *Family Process*, *Journal of Marital and Family Therapy*, and *Journal of Divorce*. (5) Numerous publications on family stress and boundary ambiguity in *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, *Family Process*, *Family Relations*, and *Journal of Home Economics* plus several chapters in books, i.e., "Family Stress: Perceptions and Context" in Sussman and Steinmetz *Handbook on Marriage and the Family*. Book in progress for Sage Publications on Family Stress.

Catherine Chilman, Ph.D. (1) Professor, School of Social Welfare, Co-director of Family Curriculum, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. (2) Curriculum Coordinator, International Population Planning Project, Schools of Social Work and Public Health, University of Michigan. (3) NCFR: Board member, Executive Committee, Presented papers at Annual Meeting; Member, Research and Theory and Family Action Sections; Editorial Board, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, *Family Relations*. (4) Groves Conference on the Family: President, Program Chair, Board of Directors, Program Committee; Editorial Board, *Marriage and Family Review*; Fellow, American Psychological Association; Board Member, Council on Social Work Education. (5) *Growing Up Poor*; *Your Child: 6 to 12*; *Adolescent Sexuality in a Changing American Society*, first and second editions. Over 50 articles in professional and scholarly journals and in books on Family Development; Frequent speaker at NCFR Annual Meetings and State Affiliates. Recipient of numerous research awards. Consultant to many national agencies and the federal government re family-related research and public policy.

Membership Vice President:

Margaret Arcus, Ph.D. (1) Associate Professor and Coordinator, Division of Family Sciences, School of Home Economics, University of British Columbia. (2) Assistant Professor, Department of Family Environment, College of Home Economics, Iowa State University. (3) NCFR: Chair, Education and Enrichment Section, Member, Committee on Standards and Certification for Family Life Educators, Membership Committee, Member, Presidential Commission on the Structure of NCFR, Member, Osborne Award Committee, Presented papers at Annual Meetings; President, British Columbia Affiliated Council. (4) American Home Economics Association; Canadian Home Economics Association (editorial review board; advisor to *Canadian Home Economics Journal*); International Federation for Home Economics (B.C. Representative to the Council; member of Research Committee); The Vanier Institute of the Family; Member of Board, Social Science Federation of Canada. (5) Co-author, Value Reasoning series on values education; co-author, Report of the Committee on Standards and Certification for Family Life Educators;

other publications on family life education, values education, and ethics in journals such as *Family Relations*, *Journal of Home Economics*, *International Journal of Sociology of the Family*, *Canadian Journal of Education*, *Canadian Home Economics Journal*.

Klein, David, Ph.D. (1) Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Notre Dame. (2) Instructor of Sociology, University of Notre Dame. (3) NCFR: Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, Associate Editor and Guest Editor, *Journal of Family Issues*, Chair and Archivist, Theory Construction and Research Methodology Workshop, Chair, Public Relations Committee, Member, Public Policy Methods Committee, Member, Hill Award Committee, Student Member, Finance Committee. (4) American Sociological Association: Council Member, Family Section, Co-chair, Family Section Nominating Committee; Editorial Board Member, *Family Studies Review Yearbook*. (5) Author of numerous articles and book chapters on the topics of family problem-solving, family pathogenesis, research methods, the history and current status of textbooks in the field, theory development, marital conflict, the developmental perspective, family power, and family economic behavior.

Publications Vice President:

Hicks, Mary W., Ph.D. (1) Professor, Home and Family Life, Florida State University. (2) Associate Professor, Management Housing and Family Development, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. (3) NCFR: Associate Editor, *Family Relations*, Board of Directors, Annual Meeting Program Vice President, Osborne Award Recipient, Presented papers at Annual Meetings; President, Florida Council on Family Relations. (4) American Home Economics Association: Chair, Family Relations and Child Development Section; Delegate, 1980 White House Conference on Families; Member, American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists; Member, Groves Conference on Families. (5) Author of numerous articles in *Family Relations*; *Adolescence*; *Adolescents & Youth* and several chapters in books.

Miller, Brent, Ph.D. (1) Associate Professor of Family and Human Development, Utah State University. (2) Assistant Professor of Child and Family Studies, University of Tennessee. (3) NCFR: Search Committee for Executive Officer, Chair and Secretary-Treasurer, Research and

Theory Section, Board of Directors, Chair, Reuben Hill Award Committee, Associate Editor, *Family Relations*, and *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, Presented papers at Annual Meetings; Participant in Minnesota, Southeast, and Utah Councils. (4) American Sociological Association; Groves Conference on the Family; Consulting reviewer for *Family Process*, *Social Psychology Quarterly*, *Demography*, *Child Development*. (5) *Family Studies Review Yearbook*, Vols. I and II (co-editor with David Olson); *Marriage and Family Development* (6th edition, co-author with Evelyn Duvall, in press); *Family Research Methods* (in preparation); Chapters in *Contemporary Theories About the Family*, *Building Family Strengths*, *Stress and the Family*, *Child Influences on Marital and Family Interaction*, *Handbook of Marriage and the Family* (in press), etc.; Articles in *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, *Family Relations*, *Journal of Comparative Family Studies*, *Contemporary Sociology*.

Nominating Committee:

Alexander, Sharon J., Ph.D. (1) Private Consultant. (2) Director, Sex Education Project, National Association of State Boards of Education. (3) NCFR: Vice Chair, Family Action Section, Chair, Public Policy Committee, Co-Chair, White House Conference on Families Resource Committee, Member, Family Life Education Certification and Standards Committee, Development Committee, Associate Editor, *Family Relations*, Annual Meeting Local Arrangements Committee. (4) Board, American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists; Board, National Family Life Education Network; Board, Sex Education Coalition of Metropolitan Washington. (5) Co-author, marriage and family college textbook (to be published in 1986); "Services for Sexually Active Teens: An Advocate's Guide" in *Adolescent Reproductive Health: Handbook for the Health Professional*, Peggy B. Smith and David M. Mumford (eds.), in press; "Implications of the White House Conference on Families for Family Life Education," *Family Relations*; "Factors Influencing Divorced Parents in Determining Visitation Arrangements," *Journal of Divorce*.

Berardo, Donna Hodgkins, Ph.D. (1) Visiting Assistant Professor, College of Pharmacy, University of Florida. (2) Social Science/Home Economics, Florida Junior College, Jacksonville, Florida. (3) NCFR: Membership Committee, Stepfamily Focus Group, Chair, Distinguished Service to Fam-

ilies Award Committee, Associate Editor, *Family Relations*, Presented papers, workshops, and roundtables at annual meetings; President, Florida Council; President-elect, Southeastern Council. (5) Publications in the areas of remarriage at middle age and beyond, age discrepant marriages, dual-career and working families, and drugs and the elderly.

Kerckhoff, Richard K., Ph.D. (1) Professor of Family Studies, Purdue University. (2) Evaluation Research Specialist, Washington, D.C., School of Psychiatry. (3) NCFR: President; Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Chair, numerous committees; Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family* and *Family Relations*; Winner of Osborne Teaching Award; Presented papers at annual meetings; Vice-president, Indiana Council. (4) Vice President, SIECUS; Member, OMEP (World Organization for Early Childhood Education), International Society on Family Law; Consultant to Centro Internazionale Studi Famiglia, Milan, Italy. (5) Author of 60 articles, chapters, and monographs.

Kieren, Dianne K., Ph.D. (1) Professor and Chair, Department of Family Studies, University of Alberta. (2) Lecturer, Pennsylvania State University. (3) NCFR: Vice President, Affiliated Councils; Site Selection Committee; Member of Education and Enrichment, International, Research and Theory Sections; Chair, Nominating Committee, International Section; Presented papers at annual meetings; President, Alberta Council. (4) Editor, *Canadian Home Economics Journal* (research section); Editorial panel, *Journal of Family Issues*; Member, International Federation of Home Economics; Editorial Panel, *Sage Family Studies Review Yearbook*; Member, American and Canadian Home Economics Association. (5) Author of over 25 research and professional publications.

Lewis, Robert A., Ph.D. (1) Professor and Head, Child Development and Family Studies, Purdue University. (2) Director, Center for Family Studies and Professor, Home Economics, Arizona State University. (3) NCFR: Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, Student Awards Committee, Co-Chair, Nominating Committee, Task Force on Aging, Co-editor of the special issue "Male Roles in the Family," *The Family Coordinator*, Presented papers at Annual Meetings; Treasurer, Minnesota Council on Family Relations; Charter-Secretary/Treasurer, Georgia Council on Family Relations. (4) Groves Conference on the Family, Program Chair;

Chair, Nominating Committee for Family Section of the American Sociological Association; Clinical member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists; International Sociological Association; and J.C. Penney's Forum Speaker, American Home Economics Association. (5) Author of *Men in Difficult Times*; Co-editor of *Assessing Marriage*; *New Behavioral Approaches*, and author of over 45 research and professional publications, many of which are on the quality and stability of marriage.

Love, Carolyn J., Ph.D. (1) Product Manager, Vocational/Technical Department, South-Western Publishing Co., Cincinnati. (2) Consumer Education Specialist, Department of Consumer Affairs, J.C. Penney Co., New York City. (3) NCFR: Board of Directors, Member, President's Commission on the Structure of NCFR, Membership Vice President, Chair, Long Range Planning and Future Development Committee, Consultant, Standards and Criteria for the Certification of Family Life Educators, Teacher Kit Committee, Student Awards Committee, Senior Student and Young Professional Representative, Presented papers at Annual Meetings. (4) Member: American Home Economics Association, National Association for the Education of Young Children, American Vocational Association, National Advisory Council of AVA, March of Dimes, All Eastern Consumer Education Forum; Committee Member: Council for Children and Youth, Washington, DC; Recipient: Outstanding Young Women of America. (5) Co-author, *Home Economics Teacher Education: Sixty Significant Years*, Yearbook 1; Editor, *Guide to Graduate Family Programs*; Writer and Editor to numerous textbooks and other educational materials.

McCubbin, Hamilton I., Ph.D. (1) Professor and Head, Family Social Science, University of Minnesota. (2) Associate Professor, School of Social Work and Department of Sociology, University of Minnesota. (3) NCFR: Nominating Committee, Chair, Personnel Committee, Vice President of Publications, Co-Chair, Family and Health Focus Group, Co-Editor, Special Issue on "Family Stress, Coping and Adaptation," *Family Relations*, Co-Editor, Special Issue on "Family and Health," *Family Relations*; NCFR Films Committee, Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, *Journal of Family Issues*. (4) Co-Editor of Special Issue on "Social Stress and the Family," *Mar-*

riage and Family Review; *Family Study Center*, Family Impact Analysis, University of Minnesota; Associate Editor, *Journal of Social Relations*, *Journal of Military and Political Sociology*; Co-chair, Governor's White House Conference on Children and Youth; Chair, Governor's Task Force on Stress; Governor's Advisory Committee on Families and Family Policy; Board of Directors, NASW Minnesota Chapter; Advisory Committee on Day Care; Consultant, Family Studies program, National Institute of Mental Health. (5) Author of over 100 articles or chapters. Recent co-authored or co-edited book publications include: *Family Stress, Coping, and Adaptation*; *Family Stress Coping and Social Support*; *Stress and the Family: Coping with Normative Transitions*; *Stress and the Family: Coping with Catastrophes*; *Families Coping with Myelomeningocele*; *Social Stress and the Family: Advances and Developments in Family Stress Theory and Research*; *Families: What Makes them Work*; *Family Inventories*; and *Family Stress, Coping and Resources: Tools for Research, Education and Clinical Intervention*.

Schvaneveldt, Jay D., Ph.D. (1) Professor of Family and Human Development, Utah State University. (2) Visiting Professor of Child Development and Family Relations, University of North Carolina. (3) NCFR: Member of Education and Enrichment and Research and Theory Sections, Chair of Reuben Hill Research and Theory Award, Member of committee to assess identity issues in family study, Board of Directors, Chair, Research and Theory Section, Membership Committee, Secretary, Affiliated Councils, President of Region VIII, Ernest W. Burgess Award Committee, Presented papers at Annual Meetings; Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family* and *Family Relations*; President of Utah Council on Family Relations, Secretary of Southeast Council. (4) Associate Editor of *Family Perspective*, *Western Sociology Quarterly*; Research Abstractor for AHEA; Program Chair of Western Social Science Association Section; Member of AHEA and ASA. (5) *Understanding Research Methods*; chapters in *Contemporary Theories About the Family*, *Emerging Conceptual Frameworks in Family Analyses*, etc.; articles *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, *Family Relations*, *Social Biology*, *Medical Aspects of Human Sexuality*, various adolescent journals; author of over 50 research and professional publications, author of over 50 popular articles.

Settles, Barbara H., Ph.D. (1) Professor of Individual and Family Studies, University of Delaware. (2) Assistant Professor of Sociology and Home Economics, Otterbein College. (3) NCFR: Board of Directors, Program chair; Nominating Committee Theory and Methodology Workshop, Secretary, Research and Theory Section, Secretary, Vice-chair, Family Action Section, Task Force on Aging, Chair, Public Relations Committee, Presented papers at Annual Meetings. (4) Groves Conference on Marriage and the Family: Membership Chair, Board Member; American Home Economics Association: Program Chair, Secretary to Child Development/Family Relations Section; American Sociological Association: Secretary, Family Section; American Public Welfare Association: Foster Care Standards Committee. (5) *Cost and Quality of Foster Family Care* with Culley and Van Nome and other articles in professional journals.

Walters, James, Ph.D. (1) Professor and Head, Department of Child and Family Development, University of Georgia. (2) Professor, Department of Family Relations and Child Development, Oklahoma State University. (3) NCFR: President, Board of Directors, Editor, *Family Relations*, Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, Publications Committee, Chair, Films Committee, Chair, NCFR Constitution Revision Committee, Osborne Award Recipient, Presented papers at Annual Meetings. (4) American Home Economics Association: Chair, Family Relations and Child Development Section, Chair, Graduate Commission; Member of the Council for Professional Development; member of the Board of Directors; member of the Technical Assistance Committee for the 1970 White House Conference on Children and Youth; member of the Society for Research in Child Development and the American Psychological Association. (5) Author of over 60 research and professional publications.

Student and Young Professional Representative:

Allen, Katherine R. (1) Doctoral Candidate in Child, Family and Community Studies, with a Certificate in Gerontology, Syracuse University. (2) Senior Adult Service Program Coordinator, Benjamin Rush Psychiatric Center, Syracuse. (3) Presented papers, poster session, and round table at NCFR and New York State Council Annual Meetings; Active in graduate student issues in New York State Council. (4) Member, Gerontological Society of America, Northeastern Gerontological Society,

National Organization for Women, Omicron Nu Honor Society; Graduate Student Representative to College Faculty Committees; Presented papers on long term marriage and the life course of never-married and widowed elderly women at the Northeastern Gerontological Society and the Southern Gerontological Society; Previous professional and community experience in social service agencies for families and the elderly. (5) *Clergy Families and Career Paths in the United Methodist Ministry* (with Harlan London and Christine Ziegler); Submitted articles to *Journal of Applied Gerontology*, and *Alternative Lifestyles*.

Platform: For students who become involved, NCFR is an essential part of one's academic and professional training. NCFR provides a link between student and professional status, from the basic level of information dissemination in the journals, to the leadership opportunities in the State Councils, and to the stimulation and networking of the Annual Meetings. Participation in NCFR has been an essential part of my own training. From my experience as an undergraduate at the University of Connecticut and as a graduate student at Syracuse University, I have come to believe that good quality in education involves three critical elements: academic training, professional development, and opportunities for personal growth. The question facing the student/young professional representative is how can NCFR enhance these aspects of our education?

If elected, 1) I will support the contribution of NCFR to the needs of students and new professionals in the areas of academic, career, and personal development; 2) I will support programs that have proven successful, such as the on-going high level of student participation in State and Annual meetings; 3) I will address issues of practical concern, such as positive directions involved in career choices and success in the job market.

Hadd, Gerald T., M.A. (1) Ph.D. Candidate in Family Social Science, University of Minnesota. (2) Instructor, Family Social Science; Research Assistant, Family Social Science, Family Therapist. (3) NCFR: Student Representative, Finance Committee; Local Arrangements Committee and Tours Committee Chair for 1983 Annual Meeting; Member of Research, Family Action, and Education and Enrichment Sections; Presented round table at annual meeting; Minnesota Council: Board of Directors. (4) Family Mediator, Board of Directors, Minnesota Council of Family Mediators; Trained in Family Life Education and Family Ther-

apy; Instructor in Community Education Programs. (5) *Divorce Decisions*, articles on divorce and divorce mediation.

Platform: Being involved in NCFR can be both personally and professionally rewarding. I would hope that the opportunities I have enjoyed will continue to be available to student members. Continued student participation may not be taken for granted, particularly in light of increasing competition for a limited number of chances to be on the agenda at annual meetings.

If elected, I will work to: 1) Assure that students have continued opportunities for meaningful participation in NCFR functions; 2) Maintain and expand the ongoing discussion of students' practical concerns (e.g. employment, graduate programs, internships, etc.); 3) Articulate and represent student interests; 4) Further develop the existing NCFR student network; 5) Effectively use NCFR publications to keep students informed.

Wright, David W. (1) Fourth year Ph.D. student in Child and Family Development at the University of Georgia. (3) NCFR: Presented papers and presided at paper session at Annual Meetings. (4) Graduate student representative to the graduate faculty in Child and Family Development at the University of Georgia; Past president, Graduate Student Association in the department; Clinical member of AAMFT; Licensed marriage and family therapist in the state of California; Member of AAMFT, American Home Economics Association, American Psychological Association; Co-developer of intervention program for stepparents. (5) Co-author of journal articles and a book chapter.

Platform: As students, we represent the future of NCFR. This responsibility is made easier because we are members of an organization that recognizes that fact and strongly encourages our involvement. I have found participation in NCFR to be one of the most rewarding aspects of my doctoral education. The opportunity to meet and talk with other members has helped reinforce my sense of importance of our field as well as give me clarity about my place in it. This is largely to the atmosphere of collegiality that exists regardless of one's professional status. This atmosphere not only deserves continued nurturance, it also offers us many resources we can capitalize on.

If elected I will: 1) organize a workshop or series of seminars at the Annual Meeting where students and young professionals can share and discuss specific skills

they have developed in publishing, grant writing, teaching, etc.; 2) support and encourage increased student and young professional involvement in our Annual Meetings; 3) support the special sessions addressing alternate career possibilities and professional growth for students and young professionals; 4) continue nurturing the environment of collegiality between students and senior members.

Education and Enrichment Section Chair:

Moore, Nelwyn, Ph.D. (1) Professor of Family and Child Development, Southwest Texas State University. (2) Acting Chair, Department of Home Economics. (3) NCFR: Education and Enrichment Section Vice Chair, Program and by-laws Committee; Affiliated Councils Nominating Committee and nominee for Chair-elect; Secretary, Task Force for the Development of a Family Discipline; Committee Consultant, Committee on Standards and Certification for Family Life Education; Presented papers at Annual Meetings; Texas Council: President, Board of Directors, Newsletter Co-editor, Nominating Committee, Chair of Committee on Standards and Certification for Family Life Education. (4) Phi Upsilon Omicron: National President-elect, Program Chair, Board of Directors; National Phi Upsilon Omicron Educational Foundation: Vice Chair and Board of Directors; American Home Economics: Chair of Liaison and Workshop Committees of Family Relations and Child Development Section; Texas Home Economics Association: Board of Directors, Chair, Family Relations-Child Development Section; Chair, Child Development Committee to Define Competencies for Vocational Homemaking Teachers in Texas; Member, Groves Conference on Marriage and Family, National Association of College Honor Societies, International Federation of Home Economics and American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists; Twenty four National, Regional, and State Professional Presentations. (5) Twenty four research and professional publications.

Olson, Terrance, Ph.D. (1) Professor of Family Sciences, Brigham Young University. (2) Assistant Professor, Department of Home Economics, University of New Mexico. (3) NCFR: Member, Committees on Standards and Criteria for Certification of Family Life Educators; Director, Pre-conference workshop on family life education; Presented papers at Annual Meetings. (4) Director, multi-state prevention project on family life education and teenage pregnancy; Co-director, state project promoting

parental involvement in children's learning; clinical member, AAMFT; Conducts workshops for professionals on family wellness and marriage strengthening. (5) Specializes in theory and practice of family life education. See "Another view of family conflict and family wholeness," *Family Relations*, October 1981, or "Creating supportive atmosphere in family life education," *Family Relations*, October 1980; Co-editor of book, *Counseling: A Guide to Helping Others*.

Education and Enrichment Section Vice Chair:

Dixon, Georgiana K., Ed.D. (1) Family Life Specialist, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, Louisiana State University. (2) Professor of Home Economics Education, Louisiana State University. (3) NCFR: Presented papers at annual meetings; Louisiana Council: Secretary, Board Member. (4) Board Member, Louisiana Association on Children Under Six; Steering Committee, Baton Rouge Eighth Annual Family Living Conference, Louisiana District Advisor, 1980 White House Conference on Families. (5) Author of numerous Cooperative Extension publications on Children and Youth.

Flowers, Ronald, B.D. (1) Associate Director, Home and Family Service, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. (2) Senior Pastor, Capital Memorial Seventh-day Adventist Church, Washington, D.C. (3) NCFR: Member, Education and Enrichment and Family Action Sections; By-laws revision committee, Education and Enrichment Section; Workshop leader, Education and Enrichment Section; Plans Committee, Marriage Enrichment Focus Group. (4) Member, Council of Affiliated Marriage Enrichment Organizations (CAMEO); Member, Association of Couples for Marriage Enrichment (ACME); member, Family Research Council; Executive Director, Adventist Marriage Enrichment International. (5) Author of nine articles on family life education and enrichment in religious and professional publications. Co-author and editor of several resource volumes for family life ministry to premarrieds, parents, singles and single parents, *Marriage Education; Togetherness, Oneness, Joy; Parent and Child Enrichment; You Are Not Alone*.

Education and Enrichment Section Secretary:

Nelson, Patricia Tanner, Ed.D. (1) Family and Child Development Specialist, Cooperative Extension Service, University

of Delaware. (2) Lecturer in Family Relationships and Child Development, Department of Home Economics, Douglass College, Rutgers University. (3) Program presenter at NCFR Annual Meetings. (4) Member, Extension Family Life Education Evaluation Committee; Board member and former President, Delaware Home Economics Association; Member, Groves Conference on Marriage and the Family; Delaware Coordinator, White House Conference on Families, which led to the establishment of Delaware's Commission on Families. (5) Articles on "stress" published in *Journal of Home Economics* and *Journal of Extension*, "internal clues to hunger" in *Home Economics Research Journal*; Chapters in books on family strengths and family and work; Computer module on parent-child communication; *Extension Newsletters*; *Newlywed News*, *Solo Parenting* and *Infant News*; Extension publications on preschool play, children's auto restraints, positive discipline, communication, stress, and balancing family and work responsibilities.

Wood, Britton, B.D., M.R.E. (1) Family Life Consultant, Christian Life Commission, Baptist General Convention of Texas; Adjunct Professor of Adult Education, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth; and Ph.D. student in Home and Family Living at Texas Woman's University, Denton. (2) Minister with Adults, Broadway Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas. (3) NCFR: Presented papers at Annual Meetings; Member, Education and Enrichment and Family Action Sections. Texas Council: Past president, TCFR Grants Chair, Council President, President-elect, Program Chair, and presented papers at annual meetings. (4) Conference designs in Family, Marriage Enrichment Retreats, Single, Young, Median Adult Conferences. (5) *Single Adults Want to be the Church, Too*; Chapter, "The Formerly Married: The Church's New Frontier in It's Okay to be Single," *Marriage Readiness* (co-authored with spouse, Dr. Bobbye Wood); Author of over 10 articles in religious periodicals and journals.

Family Therapy Section Chair:

Macklin, Eleanor, Ph.D. (1) Associate Professor, Marriage and Family Counseling, Syracuse University. (2) Assistant Professor, Family and Community Development, University of Maryland. (3) NCFR: Secretary, Family Therapy Section; Member, Nominating Committee; Associate Editor, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*; Presented papers at Annual Meetings; Co-leader, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Annual Working Con-

ference on Assessment of Family Therapy. (4) Groves Conference on Marriage and Family: Member, Board of Directors, Program Chair. AAMFT: Member, Committee on Continuing Education, Member, Research Committee. (5) Recent publications include articles in *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, *Marriage and Family Review*; Co-edited *Contemporary Families and Alternative Lifestyles: Handbook on Research and Theory*, Sage Publications.

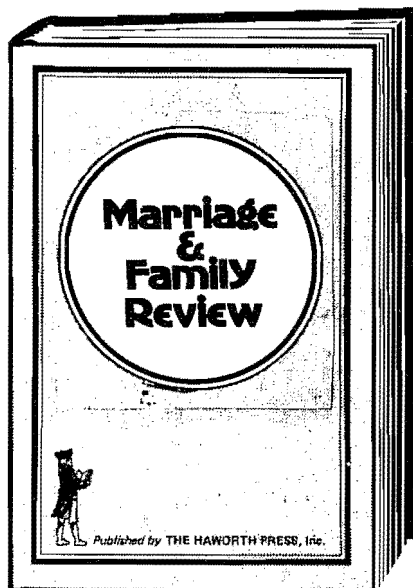
Family Therapy Section Vice Chair:

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happening, and to invite individuals who are interested in the movement to become members of the Task Force.

The NCFR board of directors was updated in each of its meetings as the above events occurred to create a spirit of candor, collaboration, and consultation. Also, the officers in NCFR were informed as each significant event occurred. These officers and the members of the NCFR board have varying opinions about the movement, but the entire process had a flavor of openness and cooperation. This is illustrated by President Bert Adams formally appointing the eight individuals who comprise the chair and board of directors of the Task Force as a special NCFR task force to explore the issues associated with the idea that a discipline is emerging. This liaison with the parent organization will hopefully continue the harmonious relationship between NCFR and those who are committed to the emergence of the new discipline.

(See References at end of this Task Force report.)

A Postscript

In this day of public relations awareness, it is easy to get caught up in valuing sexy slogans and titles to the degree that substance can get lost. Famology is not the issue. The issue for many of us – and therefore, all of us – is that a new identity is emerging. An identity which has captured our loyalty because it clarifies for us who we are and who we are becoming.

In the 1960's, a request for consideration of a major in family studies, here at the University of Minnesota, was dismissed out of hand because "family is not a discipline." Today it is evident that not only majors in the family are possible, but graduate programs and departments are organized to focus on and prepare scholars of the family.

There is an existent and expanding literature in the field of the family. There are theoretical frameworks being adopted to family analysis, and one framework

specific to the family has been explicated and the research methodology of the family development framework is advancing. The enterprise of family theory building is being addressed as a major concern along with research and practice.

The family is indeed a sociological phenomenon – it is also a biological, an economic, and historical, and a psychological phenomenon. Political, religious, and health considerations attach themselves to the family. It is time that those whose training and education and practice focus primarily on the family should so identify themselves and accept the responsibility which accompanies knowledge. We have been deserving of a "Title" for some time. Famology is fine. Familist is fine. Familiology is fine. Family Scientist is fine. Famligist is fine. Anything will be awkward for a time. Acceptability is gained by credibility.

Richard N. Hey, Past President, NCFR

Please Note: In the last issue of *Report*, we proceeded on the assumption that we were an association. We are, in fact, a Task Force.

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Healthy Children; and Teen Parents and Their Children: Issues and Programs. Order from the Superintendent of Documents.

Family History: An Annotated Bibliography, and a **Directory of U.S. Scholars**, stemming from a research project, are now available. Bibliography (221 pages) and Directory (incl. also descriptions of 200 current research projects; 251 pages) are \$9.50 each, postpaid, from: Elizabeth Benson-von der Ohe, St.-Cajetan-Str. 9, D-8000 Munich 80, West Germany.

The Southwest Educational Development Laboratory, through its Working Parents Project, has recently completed a study entitled "Work and Family Life Among Anglo, Black and Mexican American Single-Parent Families." \$2.50 from Office of Institutional Communications, Southwest Educational Development Laboratory, 211 East 7th Street, Austin, TX 78701.

Women at Work: Conflicting Images of Home and Marketplace is a new publication from the Center for the Study, Education, and Advancement of Women, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720. This monograph is the culmination of a three-year research program, and the direct outcome of a week-long research institute held in July 1983 at which women researchers from a variety of disciplines and women representatives of service and clerical occupations and advocacy groups were charged with developing an agenda for research for the rest of the decade. \$5.95.

Status Offenders: A Sourcebook, by John P. Murray, Director of Youth and Family Policy at the Boys Town Center, is a review of more than 20 years of research and social policy about youth who engage in noncriminal misbehavior. \$7.50. Make checks payable to Father Flanagan's Boys' Home, and mail to Status Offenders, Communications and Public Service, Boys Town, NE 68010.

Active Parenting is a training program to help parents who are having trouble managing their child's behavior. Written for therapists, counselors, social workers, and parent educators. Includes eight weekly sessions. Author is Shelley E. Leavitt, program specialist in parent training, Boys Town. \$6.95. Make checks payable to Father Flanagan's Boys' Home, and mail to Active Parenting, Communications Division, Boys Town, NE 68010.

The **Directory of American Youth Organizations** is a comprehensive, up-to-date reference work that lists hundreds of currently active, nonprofit, national organizations of youth members. \$9.95 from Directory of American Youth Organizations, Communications and Public Service, Boys Town, NE 68010. Make check payable to Father Flanagan's Boys' Home.

National Clearinghouse for Drug Abuse Information: Write NCDAI, PO Box 1908, Rockville, MD 20850 for information about

their available new publications. An example is *Parents, Peers and Pot II - Parents in Action*. This book is a personal account of the concerns, motivations, and actions taken by a diverse assortment of parents and young people. The purpose of the volume is to show parents who are already involved in the movement what others are doing and to provide a better understanding of the issues to those parents who might be interested in becoming involved.

Advocating Today: A Human Service

Practitioner's Handbook with a special chapter on how to work effectively with state and local governments, by Robert Sunley, may be obtained from Family Service Association of America, 44 East 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010. \$14.95 plus \$1.25 postage.

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calendar

California:

Western Gerontology Society: "Aging in 1984: The Future is Now" is the theme for the 30th Annual Meeting of the Western Gerontological Society, March 17-24, Anaheim Convention Center and Anaheim Marriott Hotel, California. Write: Western Gerontological Society, 833 Market Street, Suite 516, San Francisco, CA 94103.

The Fourth World Congress of Logotherapy will take place June 28-July 1, 1984 in San Francisco. The Congress theme is "Human Rights and Human Dignity: Re-humanizing the Computer Age through Logotherapy."

Representatives from more than 20 nations are expected to attend including the world's recognized advocates of Logotherapy. Among the honored guests will be the founder of Logotherapy, Viktor Frankl.

Contact Margaret Davis-Finck, P.O. Box 2852, Saratoga, CA 95070 (phone: 408-374-5199).

The fourth annual International Summer Institute Process Community IV, led by Virginia Satir, will meet July 14-August 11. Each of the 28 days of the Institute has a planned learning process designed to build on the experience of the preceding days. Contact: Avanta Network, P.O. Box 7402, Menlo Park, CA 94026 (phone: 415-327-1424).

Colorado:

The Annual Conference sponsored by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts will have as its theme: "Beyond the Nuclear Family," May 23-26, 1984 in Denver, Colorado. Write: AFCC, c/o Michael F. DiManna, 1741 High Street, Denver, CO 80218.

A Continuing Education Program offer-

ing, "The Learning Disabled Child - Medical, Psychological and Educational Perspectives," will be held October 25-28 in Colorado Springs. Credit can be earned in Category I, AMA; American Academy of Pediatrics; California Board of Registered Nursing; and Continuing Education Units for educators. Contact: Symposia Medicus, 2880 Shadelands Drive, Suite 404, Walnut Creek, CA 94598 (phone: 415-935-7889).

Washington, D.C.:

National Conference on Self-Help Groups for Genetic Blood Disorders will meet June 24-26 at the Sheraton Washington Hotel. The meeting is sponsored by the Sickle Cell Disease Branch, Division of Blood Diseases and Resources, National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute and the National Institutes of Health. The conference will highlight the experiences and benefits of self-help groups from the perspective of individuals with genetic blood disorders and a multidisciplinary group of professionals. Ideas and models for establishing self-help groups will be shared for planning future directions in this area. Contact: Kermit B. Nash, Chair, Self-Help Groups for Genetic Blood Disorders Conference, Professor, School of Social Work, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 223 East Franklin Street, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 (phone: 919-962-1225).

WorldView '84, sponsored by the **World Future Society**, will be held June 10-14 at the Washington Hilton Hotel. The event will present a multi-faceted, interdisciplinary look at the myriad forces that are shaping and changing society. Session topics will include rototics and biogenetics, habitats, values, health, and even art of the future. Contact: David A. Smith, Assembly Staff Director, World Future Society, 4916 St. Elmo Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

"1984 and Beyond," is the theme of the 34th annual conference of the **National Council on the Aging, Inc.**, April 4-7 at the Sheraton Washington Hotel. Contact NCOA, 600 Maryland Avenue Southwest, West Wing 100, Washington, DC 20024.

Illinois:

The National Black Child Development Institute will meet at the Chicago Hyatt Regency Hotel (downtown), October 10-12. The topic is "Black Children: Succeeding in a High Tech Era," with information discussed on critical issues and development of local, state and national advocacy and program strategies. Contact: NCBCDI 1984 Conference, 1463 Rhode Island Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20005.

The Center for Family Studies/The Family Institute of Chicago will hold its 11th Annual Spring Conference, "In and Out of Adolescence - Developmental and Ecological Approaches to Therapy," Allerton Hotel, 701 North Michigan, Chicago, Illinois, May 4 and 5, 1984. Contact the Center for Family Studies/The Family Institute of Chicago (Louise Coapstick), 666 North Lake Shore Drive, Suite 1530, Chicago, IL 60611.

The Center for Family Studies/The Family Institute of Chicago will hold Workshops on Physical Disability, Chronic Illness and the Family/Law and Disability in Evanston, Illinois (Northwestern's Norris Center), Two-day Workshop, April 5-6, 1984. Contact the Center for Family Studies/The Family Institute of Chicago (Louise Coapstick), 666 North Lake Shore Drive, Suite 1530, Chicago, IL 60611.

Annual Training Conference sponsored by the **National Association of State Units on Aging** and the **National Association of Area Agencies on Aging** will be held August

20-23 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Chicago. Contact: Cindy Wellons, 600 Maryland Avenue Southwest, Suite 208 West Wing, Washington, DC 20024.

Massachusetts:

The Sixth Berkshire Conference on the History of Women will be held at Smith College on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, June 1-3. The theme of the conference is "Reassessing Our Past: Women's History After Fifteen Years."

The keynote speaker is Mary Berry, professor of history and law and senior fellow at the Institute for the Study of Educational Policy of Howard University, and commissioner on the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. Featured topics will include work, gender and sexuality, black and Third World, religion, methodology and historiography, and legal issues. Write Dorothy Green, Berkshire Conference, Neilson Library, Smith College, Northampton, MA 01073.

The Berkshire Family Therapy Institutes: Eight week-long training institutes, featuring Stephen and Carol Lankton, Peggy Papp, Paul Watzlawick, Salvador and Patricia Minuchin, Maurizio Andolfi, Monica McGoldrick, James and Mary Framo, Lynn Hoffman will be held in the beautiful Berkshire mountains in western Massachusetts from July 2 through August 24. For a detailed bulletin, contact BMA Continuing Education Programs, Department DG-264, 200 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10003. Call Toll-free, 1-800-221-3966 (in New York State, call 212-674-1900).

Michigan:

Survey Research Center of the Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan will hold a summer Institute in Methods of Survey Research in two four-week sessions from June 25 to August 17. Contact: Duane F. Alwin, Director of the Summer Institute, Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, Post Office Box 1248, Ann Arbor, MI 48106 (phone: 303-764-6595).

The National Council on Alcoholism will celebrate its 40th anniversary during this year's National Alcoholism Forum, April 12-15 at the Westin Hotel, Renaissance Center, Detroit. This year's focus is on Prevention, with a special Forum Plenary Session featuring a presentation entitled, "Calling the Shots: The Advertising of Alcohol," by Jean Kilbourne. First Lady Nancy Reagan will be honored at a luncheon on April 13. Contact NCA, PO Box 1779

Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

Minnesota:

Continuing Education in Social Work, the University of Minnesota: April 9, 1984, Earle Brown Continuing Education Center, St. Paul. "Existential Issues: Diagnosis and Treatment in Psychotherapy and Counseling." Contact: Shirley L. Zimmerman, Assistant Director, Continuing Education in Social Work, 107 Armory Building, 15 Church Street SE, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455 (phone: 612-373-5831).

Minnesota Learning Agency Workshops: Self Awareness for Caring Persons; and Understanding the Competency Based Personalized Treatment Actualization Process, March 23, 1984 and March 30, 1984, Children's Home Society of Minnesota, St. Paul. Contact: Minnesota Learning Agency, PO Box 202, Isanti, MN 55040 (phone: 612-444-4191).

World Population Year is the theme of the 17th Annual Association for Population/Family Planning Libraries and Information Centers (APLIC) - International's Conference. It will be held May 1-3 in Minneapolis, and will provide an overview of the progress of population and information services over the last decade. Allan G. Rosenfield, director, Center for Population and Family Health, Columbia University, is the featured guest speaker. Several sessions addressing the past, present, and future of population and family planning, and the return of the APLIC-International Film Festival are scheduled. Contact: Gloria Roberts, head librarian, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, 810 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY 10019 (phone: 212-541-7800).

Missouri:

The 1984 National Conference on Peacemaking and Conflict Resolution will be held at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, September 20-23, with two days of training workshops scheduled for September 18-19. The conference is a continuation of the 1983 conference held at the University of Georgia. Purpose of the conference is to stimulate an exchange of information and resources between professional disciplines, as well as across topical areas of the field of conflict intervention. Education and plenary sessions will focus on environmental conflict, academic programs and curricula, training and professionalism, community conflict, intercultural conflict,

formal and informal approaches to international conflict, interpersonal conflict, issues of social justice, visions of conflict and peace, law enforcement, managing conflict in the corporate sector, labor management conflict, using mediation to plan policy, and the interface between theory and practice. Contact: NCPCR Secretariat, Georgia Center for Continuing Education, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602 (phone: 404-542-7909 or 542-2887.).

Nebraska:

"Building Family Strengths" is the theme of the seventh National Symposium presented by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Department of Human Development and the Family, College of Home Economics, in cooperation with the Division of Continuing Studies, May 16-18 in Lincoln. Deadline for submission of articles for a book, *Building Family Strengths* 7, is June 15. Contact: Robert Mortenson, Department of Conferences and Institutes, 205 Nebraska Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583 (phone: 402-472-2844).

Ohio:

Midwest Association for the Education of Young Children: Annual Conference, May 6, 1984, Netherland Plaza Hotel, Cincinnati. Theme: "Catch the Rhythm of the Child." Contact J. Robinson, 7400 Joseph Street, Cincinnati, OH 45231.

Pennsylvania:

Eastern Region of the Christian Association for Psychological Studies, October 18-20, at Mt. Bethel. Interested individuals (whether CAPS members or not) are encouraged to submit papers, symposia, or workshop proposals involving psychology and Christianity. Contact: John Van Wicklin, Houghton College, Houghton, NY 14744. May 1 is the proposals deadline.

Human Development and Family Studies Specializations, Home and Family Life Option, leading to Ph.D. and M.S. in home economics are available through the Department of Home and Family Life, College of Home Economics, Texas Tech University, Lubbock. Contact the department at Box 4170, Lubbock, TX 79409 (phone: 806-742-3001).

Society for the Study of Social Problems: The general theme for the next meeting of the SSSP will be held in San Antonio, Texas, August 23-26. The theme is "Conflict and Inequality: Linkages in and Beyond the United States." Several sessions

will be devoted specifically to the family, and thematic issues will touch upon many family concerns. Write Elizabeth W. Markson, Chair, Family Division, SSSP, Boston University, Gerontology Center, 4th Floor, 730 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215.

The 19th annual conference of the Association for the Care of Children's Health will be May 27-30 at the Westin Galleria Hotel in Houston. Theme of the conference is "Balancing Needs and Resources." Included are special presentations on "Meeting the Needs of Respiratory Disabled Children and Their Families," "Family Resource Libraries," "Summer Camps for Children with Special Health Needs," and "Effective Utilization of Volunteers." Contact Association for the Care of Children's Health, 3615 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (phone: 202-244-1801).

Ontario, Canada:

14th Annual Ontario Family Life Educators' Association Conference, May 9-11 in Hamilton. "Celebrating Family Together," is the theme, with Clayton Barbeau, author and marriage, family and child counselor, presenting a keynote address. Contact: Michael Demers, Conference Chair '84, 1355 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada L8S 4M7 (phone: 416-525-2930, Ext. 221).

The University of Guelph's 6th Annual Sexuality Conference, "Sexuality: A Search for Values," will examine current issues in human sexuality, teaching approaches in sex education, and counseling methods for sexual problems. It is set for June 18-20. Contact: Continuing Education Division, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1G 2W1 (phone: 519-824-4120, Ext. 3113).

The 32nd Annual Convention of the North American Society of Adlerian Psychology, "1984: The Family and Beyond," will be held May 25-29 at Loews Westbury Hotel in Toronto. Focuses will be on the

family, intimate relationships, education, business and organizations, counseling and psychotherapy, clinical psychology, and theory research. The keynote address will be given by Stephen Lewis of Toronto. Contact: Pat Wood, Registrar, AAIO, 1111 Fince Avenue W, Suite 407, Downsview, Ontario, Canada M3J 2E5.

The American Orthopsychiatric Association will hold its 61st annual meeting in Toronto, Ontario, April 7-11. It is designed to provide mental health practitioners with opportunities to expand knowledge and enhance skills in special areas of service. Ittleson Lecture Award will be presented to Robert Coles. Contact: American Orthopsychiatric Association, Inc., 19 West 44th Street, Suite 1616, New York, NY 10036 (212-354-5770).

Australia:

The 20th ISA-CFR Conference, on "Social Change and Family Policy," will be held in Melbourne, August 19-24. Topics to be covered include: "Is the family worth supporting?", "Major demographic trends affecting family policy," "Families with children and social policy approaches to family support and education," "Youth policies and the Family/Work/Education Relationship," work and economics, aging, and legal regulation of the family. Contact: Don Edgar, director, Australian Institute of Family Studies, 766 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000 Australia. It is essential to airmail all correspondence.

Brazil:

Fifth World Prevention Congress, August 26-30 in Rio de Janeiro. Theme of the International Commission for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Dependency-sponsored event is "Youth and the Family Toward Prevention." Contact: ICPA Executive Director, 6830 Laurel Street NW, Washington, DC 20012.

India:

1985-1986 Advanced Research Fellowships in India. The Indo-U.S. Subcommis-

sion on Education and Culture is offering twelve long-term and nine short-term awards, without restriction as to field, for 1985-1986 research fellowships in India. The fellowship program seeks to open new channels of communication between academic and professional groups in the United States and India and to encourage a wider range of research activity between the two countries. Application deadline is June 15, 1984. For application materials and fellowship terms contact the Council for International Exchange of Scholars, Indo-American Fellowship Program, Eleven Dupont Circle, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20036 (phone: 202-833-4985).

Israel:

The Fourth International Congress on Humor will be held in Tel Aviv, June 10-15. Preceded by **First International Colloquium on Jewish Humor**, June 6-8. Contact: The Secretariat, PO Box 50006, Tel Aviv 61500 Israel.

Italy:

The 11th Annual International Conference of Social Gerontology will be held in Rome, October 16-19. The theme is "More to Life," and includes sessions on the Quality of Life, Problems Specific to the Very Old, and the Elderly and the Law. Contact: Center International of Social Gerontology, 91, rue Jouffroy, Paris 75017, France.

The International Union for the Scientific Study of Population will hold its 20th General Conference in Florence, June 5-12, 1985. Sessions will be held on fertility; mortality; development; migration and population redistribution; family demography; life cycle and nuptiality; policies and individual behavior; methodology; patterns of population growth; and various specific geographic regions. Contact: Bruno Remiche, Executive Secretary, International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, Rue des Augustins 34, B-4000 Liege, Belgium.

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 Rouser, 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.

Name of Nominee _____

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

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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.

ANY FACULTY MEMBER MAY MAKE NOMINATIONS

Criteria for Selection: (1) A regular student currently enrolled in a GRADUATE program whose work shows promise of a significant contribution to family studies. It is NOT assumed that research projects or other student work are necessarily completed at the time of nomination. (2) A member of the National Council on Family Relations for at least two years.

Qualified students who are nominated will receive instructions for other supporting credentials which will include: (a) additional letters of recommendation; (b) a brief (1-3 page) statement defining an important problem they see in the field of family studies and outlining some possible steps toward its solution; (c) a brief (1-3 page) description or summary, written by them, of a program, research project, publication, etc., which they have done and which they feel is representative of the quality of their work and area of interest.

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 _____
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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.

Return this form and related materials no later than **June 15, 1984** to **Nick Stinnett**, 2675 Colonial Drive, Lincoln, NE 68502.

NOMINATION FORM – CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

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 WFMV-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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Please contact the following publisher(s) concerning title(s) I have authored which would be of interest to my colleagues and appropriate for display or advertising at the National Council on Family Relations Annual Meeting, October 16-20, 1984, San Francisco, California:

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