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New officers elected by members

The new NCFR president-elect for 1989-90 is Lynda Henley Walters, Ph.D., associate dean for Research and Instruction at the College of Home Economics and associate professor of Child and Family Development at the University of GA in Athens.

The secretary for 1989-91 will be Gladys J. Hildreth, Ph.D., professor and section chair for Family, Child, and Consumer Sciences, School of Home Economics, LA State University, Baton Rouge, and the treasurer will be Pamela A. Monroe,, Ph.D., research analyst, LA House of Representatives, and parttime assistant professor in the School of Home Economics, LA State University, also in Baton Route.

The 1990 program vice-president-elect is Alexis J. Walker, Ph.D., associate professor, Human Development and Family Studies, OR State University, Corvallis.

The Student/Young Professional representative-elect for 1989-90 is Patricia A.H. Dyk, M.S., doctoral student in the Dept. of Family and Human Development at UT State University in

Both NCFR Constitutional revisions were passed by overwhelming support, and 51 Student/Young Professionals selected "Student/New Professional" as a proposed name change for their group.

The six members of the Nominating Committee will be: Laura Smart, B. Kay Pasley, Carol Darling, Stephen Jorgensen, Robert Lewis, and David Klein.

All new officers and the Nominating Committee members will begin their terms following the NCFR annual conference in New Orleans in November.

New officers in the Section elections

FAMILY ACTION - Shirley Zimmerman, chair; Elaine Anderson, vice-chair; and Gary



Lynda Henley Walters



Pamela A. Monroe



Alexis J. Walker

Hansen, secretary/treasurer.

Mederer, vice-chair; and Maxine P. secretary/treasurer. Atkinson, secretary/treasurer.



Gladys J. Hildreth



Patricia Dyk

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> INTERNATIONAL - Karen Altergott, chair; Margaret Edwards Arcus, vice-chair; and Beverly J. Pain, secretary/treasurer.

> A total of 587 national ballots were returned. This compares to 606 returned in 1988, 1,201 in 1987, and 572 in 1986.

Headquarters plans move

At the April meeting of the NCFR Board of Directors, Executive Director Mary Jo Czaplewski presented new information indicating the need for moving the headquarters' offices.

On June 30, 1989, the lease at the present site expired, and new leasing prices and lease length time changed significantly. Cost per square foot increased by 77 cents, and utilities were added to the fees. Expansion space is not available in the present building, and facility deterioration necessitated that NCFR expend "considerable" money for improvements that could not be capitalized.

In the process of examining the current leasing arrangements and market availability of different spaces, a new location was found in Minneapolis. The

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Contributions may be sent to NCFR, 1910 W. County Road B, Suite 147, St. Paul, MN 55113. They may be made to a general fund or to several special funds or projects. Call Dr. Mary Jo Czaplewski at 612-633-6933 for more information.

President's report

Task Force calls on past presidents



David Olson 1988-89 NCFR President

Two high priority items that I have initiated in the last few months are the Presidential Task Force and the Strategic Planning Task Force. Both of these projects are designed to stimulate further visibility and growth with NCFR, both in the immediate and more distant future.

Presidential Task Force

The Presidential Task Force is designed to prepare a report entitled 2001: Preparing Families for the Future. This report will be written by several past presidents of NCFR and will focus on a particular content area and deal with five issues in that domain.

The purpose of this report is to have a concise and forward-looking position monograph on a variety of salient issues affecting families today and in the future. It will be printed in a form that can be disseminated to legislators and policymakers in addition to educators and researchers.

Some of the major content areas that will be highlighted in this report include the following: Family Violence and Abuse, Sexual Crisis and the Family, Divorce, Family Stability, Marital and Family Family Enrichment, Education, Family Therapy, Family Science, Economic Issues the Family, Minority and Families, Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, High Risk Children, High Risk Families, Diversity of Family Styles, Changing Family Roles, Aging Families, Families and Work, and Family and Health

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Within each of these content areas, the report will focus on and identify three to five major trends, three to five major theoretical issues, three to five major research issues, three to five programmatic issues, and three to five policy issues.

At the annual conference there will be a Presidential Panel composed of several contributors who will present some of their ideas and discuss the implications of this project and potential new direction for the field. It is also designed to be a major promotional piece for NCFR to highlight its work in the areas of theory, research, education, therapy, and policy. The Presidential Report will be disseminated at the upcoming annual conference and will be available for distribution to policymakers and legislators at both the state and federal

levels.

Strategic Planning Committee

I recently appointed a Strategic Planning Committee with Dr. Jan Hogan, president-elect of NCFR, as chair. She is an ideal chair because she will have the opportunity to implement the recommendations from this Strategic Planning Committee during her term as president.

Over the past years, NCFR has initiated a variety of planning committees that have been composed entirely of people within the organization. This internally-focused approach has been useful in ways, but has not enabled the organization to gain the depth or objective view which can be provided by an outside

group. As a result, the Executive Committee and the Board have approved the allocation of \$5,000 to hire an external group of consultants to review NCFR and make concrete recommendations in several areas.

The major areas which will be reviewed by the team are: membership, journal subscriptions, other publications, Family Resources Database, annual conference, Family Life Education Certification program, public policy, media awards, and governance. Within each of these areas, there are generally five to ten specific questions and issues that need to be addressed.

It is hoped that this task force will have a preliminary report available at the November Board meeting, and that we will be able to announce some new directions and ways of operating the organization to make it more effective and profitable.

IMFL and Decade Review

My goals for NCFR include continuing to help the organization build on its strengths and to increase its financial soundness. I believe we have made good strides in these directions and this will be a financially profitable year for the organization. In addition, a number of the programs which have been initiated this year will continue to help NCFR become more financially solvent.

One project is the publishing of Volume 14 of the Inventory of Marriage and Family Literature (IMFL) which I have long supported. Rocky Ralebipi deserves congratulations on producing the most recent volume of the IMFL which contains over 5,353 entries taken from over 607 journals. The Family Resources Database, which combines all the references from the 14 IMFL volumes, now has reached a total of 200,000 entries. Also, the Board has supported Editor Allan Booth's request for an expanded Decade Review from the Journal of Marriage and the Family which will be entitled Contemporary Families: Looking Forward, Looking Back. It will be produced next year and should be a good source of revenue for NCFR.

All in all, the organization is moving ahead in a constructive and organized way. It will be moving into new office spaces which will enable the staff to work in a more productive environment. NCFR is, indeed, fortunate to have the excellent staff that it does, and we look forward to seeing continued progress within the organization.

David Olson NCFR President

NCFR can use COMSERVE

Thousands of students and faculty have been sharing scholarly and pedagogical resources and engaging in online 'seminars' through "Comserve," a unique service that has been available on the Bitnet computer network since 1986. Comserve is an electronic information system that provides those interested in the study of human communication with what might be described best as a continuous on-line convention. Since Comserve offers services that may be of interest to members of the NCFR, members are invited to make use of this resource.

Comserve offers a means for sharing resources and new ideas, a forum for discussing issues in research and scholarship, a way of engaging in professional networking, and a system for searching databases of bibliographic references. What is perhaps most exciting about this "electronic convention" is that it is equally accessible to students, faculty, and to interested individuals from any academic discipline. Over 7,500 people from 20 countries, and faculty and students from virtually every academic specialty have used Comserve.

In technical terms, Comserve is a software "robot" that can respond to messages that computer network users send to it using Bitnet or other computer networks connected to Bitnet. Comserve operates around the clock, responding automatically to commands that provide users with various services. For example, one of Comserve's major functions is to serve as a clearinghouse for research instruments, bibliographies, syllabi, professional announcements, and instructional materials. Users can retrieve any of over 700 available files and they may also send their own materials for inclusion.

Comserve's second major capability is its electronic conferencing system. Ongoing conferences, called "hotlines," are available in more than fifteen divisions of communication research and scholarship including one (named "FAMCOMM") that is specifically focused toward communication in the marital and family context. Other hotlines of interest to NCFR members are those addressing communication and gender, interpersonal communication, and communication and human development.

Users command Comserve to enroll them in a particular "hotline" conference. Once the command is processed, users are then able to communicate with professionals and students throughout the world by sending electronic mail to a special address. Comserve copies and

sends this mail to others who are also members of the hotline. Comserve's hotlines routinely distribute questions from students and faculty seeking references, opinions, or other information resources. The hotlines also serve as ongoing forums for debates between scholars about issues in theory and research.

Comserve's third major capability provides users with a means for locating the electronic addresses of faculty and students throughout the world who share a particular interest in research on human communication. This database of users is like the telephone white pages except that it allows users to include information about themselves in their entries (e.g., research interests) and it can be searched electronically by people throughout the world.

Comserve's fourth area of service - its "Journals Index" - offers a method for searching databases of journal citations for academic publications that are central in communication studies. Users can search the index for a particular journal by author or by title. Formatted bibliographic output is returned through network electronic mail.

Comserve offers several other functions as well, including a news service that provides information about changes in the way Comserve works and improvements to the system, an on-line help system, and a method for distributing electronic questionnaires. "EasyCom." a free interface program that allows users from VAX VMS and IBM CMS Systems to use Comserve without needing to know or remember Comserve's command language, is also available from Comserve. After a user receives a copy of EasyCom, starting the program provides a full-screen, English-language menu of Comserve's functions. When an EasyCom user selects a function, EasyCom prompts for any additional required information, sends the correct form of command to Comserve, and waits for Comserve to respond.

The Comserve system is available free of charge. It was developed and is edited by associate professors Timothy Stephen and Teresa Harrison of the Dept. of Language, Literature, and Communication at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY. Comserve's Bitnet network address is Comserve@Rpiecs and it is available through the "Internet" network at Comserve@Vm.ecs.rpi.edu. To get started with Comserve, simply send a one-line message to either of those addresses that contains the word "help" (without the quotes). Timothy Stephen

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new rates would be at the current rental rates, which over a five-year period would be less than those projected in the current location. A five-year lease rather than a one-year lease is available in the new location, and it offers significant space and environmental improvements.

The move is scheduled for August 1, 1989. The new address is: 3989 Central Ave. NE, Suite 550, Minneapolis, MN 55421.

A new telephone number and additional details will be given in the August issue of REPORT.

CFLE designation achieved by 17

Seventeen additional CFLEs have been designated since the November, 1988 review

Congratulations to the following individuals for achieving the Certified Family Life Educator designation. The CFLE designation recognizes exceptional experience and knowledge in the field of family life education.

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Classified ads

Assistant Professor, Marriage and Family Therapy - Tenure-track 8 and one-half month position in Department of Child and Family Studies, Syracuse University. Requirements; doctorate in MFT or related field, AAMFT Clinical Member (Approved Supervisor preferred), ability to teach research in MFT and help develop doctoral research program, expertise in family therapy with children and adolescents and in one or more of the following desired: human sexuality, family systems medicine, eating disorders, ethnicity. Application deadline: May 15, 1989 or until position is filled. Send letter of application stating teaching experience, research interests, and clinical/supervisory experience; reprints/papers; curriculum vitae; and three letters of reference to Eleanor D. Macklin, Ph.D., Search Committee, Marriage and Family Therapy Center, 008 Slocum Hall, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13244-1250.

The Department of Family University Medicine, Oklahoma, Oklahoma Oklahoma, is recruiting for an experienced Family Social Scientist. Major responsibility will be conducting research independently and in collaboration with other faculty members. Research areas to include family and illness with emphasis on family assessment and methodological issues in family studies. The candidate will teach family systems theory and statistical methods to students, residents and other faculty. Applicants should have a Ph.D. or equivalent degree

TO MEMBERS

Members are reminded that due dates on renewal notices WILL be honored.

Recently a number of renewal payments have been postmarked several days or even weeks past the due date. They were returned to the members who sent them.

If you receive your renewal notice too late to respond to the special offer, please call Kathy at NCFR headquarters (612-633-6933). If your university or employer is processing the payment, and you expect that it will not arrive at headquarters on time, contact Kathy BEFORE the printed due date on the renewal notice.

One way to keep membership fees as low as possible is to decrease the number of renewal notices mailed to members. We appreciate your cooperation in meeting the deadline dates.

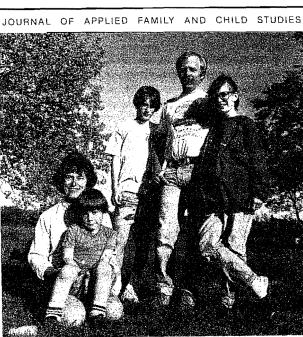
in Family Social Science, Family Studies, Family Therapy, or Clinical Psychology. Knowledge in various statistical techniques including multivariate, regression, and time-series analyses, as well as Lizarel, desired. This is a tenure track position; closing date for applications is June 30, 1989. University of Oklahoma is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Interested applicants send curriculum vitae to: Richard D. Clover, M.D., Search Committee Chairman, Department of Family Medicine, PO Box 26901, Oklahoma City, OK 73190.

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Affiliate councils share ideas

From the president

Following the NCFR annual conference planning committee meeting in April, the November, 1989 conference will be very exciting. There are plans for involvement and learning at all levels, and the Association of Councils is no exception. Connie Steele, A.C. program chair, has put together an excellent program which allows for sharing and receiving information.

Since some of the activities involve pre-planning, affiliated councils may begin during the summer and early fall to determine how best to share ideas and information with others. During the Association of Councils Workshop on Saturday, November 4, and throughout the conference, affiliated councils will be asked to share ideas with others. These will be shared during portions of the workshop, as individual representatives from state, local, provincial and regional councils lead interaction on specific topics, and during the conference as the Association of Councils shares with the entire membership how research information becomes the framework for applied information in conferences, position statements and other programming efforts through the affiliated councils

This will be our opportunity to provide that link between research and practice; between theory and application. Special sessions will be co-sponsored with Public Policy sessions. A keynote session on Sunday afternoon with Sol Gordon is co-sponsored by the Association of Councils, Education and Enrichment Section and Religion and Family Life Section. The timing allows practitioners to be involved early in the conference. This is important to those who cannot leave their practice/business much during the week. Our intention is that this session will match the pre-conference workshop sponsored by the Education and Enrichment Section.

Affiliated Council representatives should bring to the NCFR conference examples of successful membership recruiting strategies, mentoring in NCFR, long-range planning, fund-raising within councils, student involvement, family life education, marketing NCFR, developing professionalism, needs assessment strategies, and using research for public policy and for strengthening families. If your affiliated council will not be represented, be sure to send examples ahead.

For those attending the workshop, it is most helpful to other affiliated councils if they can have a copy of your sample; bring 50 copies of your materials to benefit many others. In your planning, consider ways in which your efforts worked, but also include examples of how know why. We learn from the successes as well as through mistakes. Help us all from walking down the wrong path.

Please consider contributing an article to Family Relations (via editor Tim Brubaker) or to Feedback (via Marilyn Flick) which shows how family concepts can be applied in ways that help families face the changing world. Many affiliated councils have exceptional programs with excellent presentations which would benefit many others, if shared. Consider working with your presenters to co-author such an article. We need to spread the word that NCFR can use quality research to help families and those working with families.

And don't forget that New Orleans is a

wonderful city to visit. Not only will we learn much about families, but we can have fun doing so. See you in New Orleans in November!

Sue Meyers Association of Councils President

Affiliate chapters

British Columbia, Canada

The Spring, 1989 issue of the BC Council for the Family Newsletter is devoted to "Our Young People," and contains articles ranging from early learning to teenage dating.

The cover story concentrates on leisure, teen suicide, the challenges of getting along with peers, parents and other adults, and forging careers.

The issue also contains the center "pull out" section on Marriage Preparation Initiative News.

Idaho/Montana

The Idaho/Montana Council on Family Relations co-sponsored a recent conference with the Idaho Division of AAMFT and the Dept. of Counselor Education and Special Education at ISU.

Members suggested that interested persons attend and participate in the Groves Conference scheduled to meet in Big Sky, MT, in June, 1990.

Michigan

'The Family: Who Cares?" was the theme of the March Michigan Council on Family Relations 40th annual conference. Deborah Strong, MI Governor Blanchard's Human Services Cabinet Council staff member, was a featured speaker.

Four workshops were offered: Caring for Children; Caring for the Elderly; Caring for Families With Special Needs; and Caring for Care Givers.

MI Board members are Beverly Schroeder, president; Maura Pierson, vicepresident; Patricia Mauro, secretary; and Joanne Keith, treasurer.

Oklahoma

The Oklahoma Council on Family Relations held its ninth annual conference on April 14 in Edmond.

Three sections of Research Reporting Sessions were held: 1) The Young Years, featuring "A Framework for Life-Span

Papers sought on culture, aging

Papers are being sought on Popular Culture and Aging for the 20th annual meeting of the Popular Culture Association to be held March 7 through 10, 1990, in Toronto, ONT, Canada.

Topics ideas include: Images and eotypes of Aging in Literature; Mass things went wrong, especially if you Mediated Images and Stereotypes of Aging; Therapies Employing Popular Culture artifacts; Nursing Home Culture and Issues in Elderly Daycare; Demographics of Aging and Coming Trends; Public Policy on Aging; Lifestyle and Activities of Aging Persons; Reminiscence, Nostalgia and Memory Ailments; Aging in Other Cultures; and Open Forum.

All 75 to 100-word abstracts, papers and panel proposals (with abstracts) are due by September 1, 1989.

They should be mailed to Carl Holmberg, Area Chair, Popular Culture and Aging, Dept. of Popular Culture, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH 43404.

Family Life Education," " Sources of the channels of communication between Stress in Clergy Children," and "Oklahoma Community Youth Effort;" 2) Early Adulthood, featuring "Female Sexuality Within Teenage Marriage Following a Pregnancy," Expectations of College Students," "The Changing of Sexual Attitudes," and "Assessing College Students' Sexual Communication, Conflict and Values;" and 3) The Aging Marriage and Family "The Homeless Elderly," "Family Helpers: Which Side Are We On Anyway?" and "Remarriage in Later Adulthood."

William R. Young, deputy director of the Masters and Johnson Institute in St. Louis, MO, was the plenary speaker. He spoke on "Family Sexuality."

OK Council officers are Wayne Matthews, president; Philip Holley, pastpresident; Marge Jennings, presidentelect; Arlene Fulton, secretary; and Mary Lawler, treasurer.

Pennsylvania

The Family and Public Policy: A Council on Family Relations.

Dialogue" was the theme of the May 19 annual conference of the Pennsylvania

New associate editor

Robert M. Milardo, associate professor of Family Relationships at the University of ME, recently was appointed associate editor of Family Studies and Sociology for the Journal of Social and Personal Relationships.

the front line providers of service to families and the legislators who make decision-shaping policies which affect

The keynote address on "Public Policy and the Family," was delivered by the Honorable Michael A. O'Pake, PA Senate Minority Caucus Secretary.

A panel discussion was held on "Family Issues and Government." Ann Schink, past president of the League of Women Voters of PA, gave the luncheon address on "The Family Professional and the Public Interest."

Two workshops were offered: 'Advocacy Within the System" and "Pennsylvania's Families: Who Will Advocate?"

Southeastern

The Southeastern Council on Family Relations held its 38th annual meeting in Chattanooga, TN, April 2 through 4. Theme for the conference was "Families of the South."

The outstanding Service to Families Award was presented to Dr. Gladys Hildreth, LA State University.

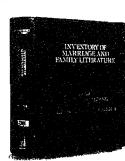
Paula Howker, a student at Erskine The workshop was planned to open College in South Carolina, received the Outstanding Student Paper Award.

The 1990 annual meeting will be held in Charleston, NC, March 15 to 17. The call for papers will be published in the June newsletter and the deadline for submission will be October 1, 1989. The call for papers and the deadline date for submission are earlier than in past years since the conference dates have been moved up.

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NCFR: A leader for 2000 and beyond...



Mary Jo Czaplewski **Executive Director**

What will NCFR be like 11 years from now, at the birth of a new century, and the year 2000? For those of you who read this column, your thoughts most likely took one of the following two directions: "NCFR will be similar to what it already is. After all, it's been around for over 50 years in this same ambiance and structure. Why wouldn't that continue?" Or, perhaps your thoughts on NCFR's future went on "hold" and turned blank.

As the Board of Directors prepares for the strategic planning process, perhaps we should all reflect upon five major issues raised by another association executive, (Ernstthal, 1989) and which will also impact upon NCFR in the 21st century.

DEMOGRAPHICS - The graduating class of 2000 is now in the first grade. This is a much smaller cohort as an outgrowth of the birth-dearth. It is also one that has inherited perceived and real inadequacies of the U.S. educational As the service economy

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continues to expand--dependent more on brains than brawn, member service oriented associations such as NCFR will have to compete for entry-level professionals from a shrinking number of adequately educated young. The slippage in membership numbers which NCFR is now experiencing gives testimony to this trend.

What influences people to join, continue, or drop membership in a professional association? According to Myers, CAE (1989) people join because of:

> •high quality, relevant, wellcommunicated services.

 friendships and peer contacts. •the need to stay informed in the

profession. perceived opportunity to make a contribution to the profession. being asked.

They stay because of:

 perceived staff responsiveness. perceived feeling of involvement with their pers.

 perceived feeling of being important to the organization.

 perceived benefits of membership. being asked.

They drop out because of: feeling the association has lost

•no peer contact.

"touch" with the times. •economic reasons-high dues.

 perceived staff indifference. disagreement with association

leadership. •perceived lack of tangible benefits. •not being asked to renew.

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How will NCFR respond to these demographics and to members' increasing demands for cafeteria-style benefits?

WORLDWIDE COMPETITION -The elimination of European internal trade barriers by 1992; pressures from Pacific rim countries, especially Japan; the move to greater democracy and economic growth in Latin America; the struggle of Africa with racial and inter-tribal conflicts, and government corruption are all factors which continue to contribute to growing world interdependency that compels professional associations such as NCFR to open themselves to worldwide membership and an international forum for discussion. While NCFR has encouraged international membership throughout its history, and circulates its journals, databases, and certification programs worldwide, the challenge to expand continues, as was driven home to me at the recent International Conference on Family Education held in Montreal, Canada. I was privileged to be the sole U.S. and NCFR representative. Over a dozen countries were represented, most of whom know about NCFR's journals, but were unaware of NCFR as an organization. During this week-long meeting, a brand new international organization was officially chartered--THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TRAINING AND RESEARCH IN FAMILY EDUCATION. NCFR has been invited to join as the U.S. Advisory Association. How NCFR responds may

TECHNOLOGY - The use of computers for member records, association accounting, databases and meeting management has been a must, and in the past five years NCFR has crossed those hurdles. But computers have entered the publications field and electronic mail and bulletin boards are even now being supplanted by CD-ROM and FAX machines. NCFR struggles daily to keep up. Most recently, NCFR received a FAX machine as a gift from Graphic Publishing Company. Better-educated association members continue to demand faster services and better participative programs

impact on the future of NCFR.

TAX LAWS - Congress will continue to review and change the tax codes relating to non-profit, tax-exempt organizations. NCFR, a 501.c.3 tax exempt organization has not been taxed on income from

activities within the educational, research purposes for which the tax exemption was granted. As NCFR's member dues income is no longer able to support the cost of services to its members, non-dues sources of income have been added (publications, conventions, certification, etc.). The separation of related and unrelated business income has thus become fuzzier and open to question by the IRS. By the year 2000, NCFR may have to consider a variety of ways to adapt to new tax laws which will tax our currently "protected" activities.

MANAGEMENT SHIFTS - profound shifts in management style for professional associations are now taking place. Participative management aimed at building consensus, able to function in an ever-changing environment, with multiple priorities, and to produce results on a limited budget, will demand that NCFR maintain a highly professional, motivated and effective staff. Peter Drucker (1989) in a recent article pointed out that 20 years ago nonprofit organizations believed they didn't have to "manage" because they had no "bottom line." Now, they must manage because they lack the discipline of a "bottom line." No longer is the idea of existence because of "good cause" sufficient for survival. Rather, accountability, results and the role of volunteers in an organization are keys to the survival of an organization in the 21st

These are but a few issues with which NCFR has been grappling as it looks to the future. As a member of NCFR, you share in that vision. I invite you to share your thoughts and visions with the staff and the Board by writing or calling over the next few months.

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Greek Revival architecture flourishes in New Orleans

Revival architecture in the nation can be seen in the exclusive Garden District. There are also stunning Italianate mansions, Queen Anne concoctions replete with turrets and sweeping verandas, and magnificent homes with Mansard roofs, frilly cast iron galleries, widow's walks, and graceful gazebos.

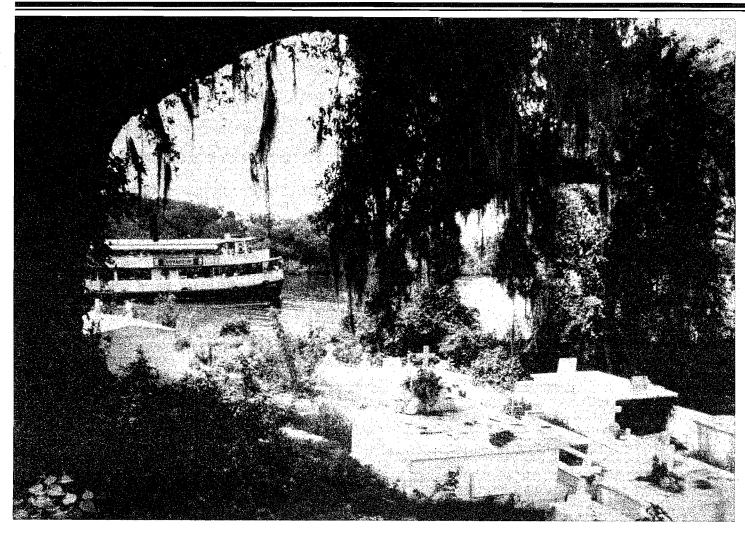
The Garden District, which nestles between St. Charles Avenue, Louisiana Avenue, Jackson Avenue, and Magazine Street, was one of the city's first suburbs. When the Americans began to arrive in the city shortly after the Louisiana Purchase in 1803, they were not exactly made to feel welcome by the Creoles in the French Quarter. Two innovative men - J. H. Caldwell and Samuel J. Peters - selected the area comprising the present Garden District and developed the "American Sector," where the new arrivals built their

From the 1840s until the Civil War, New Orleans' boomtown economy allowed for steady progress and land development. The architecture of the Garden District

Some of the finest examples of Greek reflects the influences of the Victorian Age, as well as those of the French and Spanish periods.

Once part of the flooded Livaudais Plantation, the area was rich in silt and nutrients, which produced a profusion of lush trees and plants. The handsome mansions back beneath canopies of live oaks, surrounded by luxurious banana trees, palms, azaleas, bougainvillea, and all manner of subtropical plants.

Today, many famed New Orleanians, politicians and musicians live in the area. During Mardi Gras, Garden District homes of former kings and queens of Carnival are decorated with royal flags.



Historic Burial Sites

Historic burial sites like these can be seen along the banks of the Mississippi River near New Orleans. NCFR will hold its annual conference in the Louisiana city in November.

Winners named in Media Contest

Winners have been named in NCFR's 1989 Media Awards Competition.

Taking first place in the video category, Human Development Across the Life Span, was "School-Age Child Care: Meeting Developmental Needs," produced by Christine M. Todd, Cooperative Extension, University of IL.

First place in Parenting Issues was "Child Care: Everybody's Baby," produced by Marilyn V. De Angelis, Boston, MA.

"Alcohol and Violence," took first place in the video category Marital and Family Issues and Communication produced by Coronet/MTI in Deerfield, IL.

First place winner in Sexuality and Sex Role Development was "Sexual Responsibility," produced by Neff Productions, Inc., St. Louis, MO.

Two videos tied for first place in Alcohol and Drug Abuse: "Your Alcohol I.Q.," produced by Kevin Quigley, and "Hugh McCabe, The Coach's Final Lesson," produced by Rosenburg and Issembert Production Co.

First place winner in Human Reproduction was "Free to Choose." produced by Rediscovery Productions in Westport, CT.

"The Rehearsal: Understanding Addiction," placed first in Stress, Transition, and Crisis Management. It was produced by Gerald T. Rogers Productions, Skokie, IL.

The winner in Contemporary Social Issues was "School-Age Child Care: Caring Enough," produced by Christine M. Todd, Cooperative Extension, University of IL.

"Coronary Heart Disease," produced by Leicestershire Health Authority, Health Education Video Unit, placed first in Families with Special Needs.

The first place video in Abuse and Neglect was "Abuse," produced by Neff Productions, Inc., St. Louis, MO.

Winners in the film portion of the competition were:

"Hello Baby!", produced by Vida Health Communications, Cambridge, MA, in Parenting Issues; "Haley's

Home Movie," produced by National Film Board of Canada, in Marital and Family Issues and Communication; "One of Our Own," produced by Gerald T. Rogers Productions, Skokie, IL, in Contemporary Social Issues; and "Regular Lives," produced by Tom Goodwin and Gerardine Wurzburg in Washington, DC, in Families with Special Needs.

Winners in the filmstrip competition

"Lollipop Dragon Talks About Family Problems," produced by Kathryn Drug Abuse.

The event was coordinated by Marilyn Coleman, Janice Dempsey and Kim Coldicott, of the University of MO in Columbia.

MAC coordinator needed

For the past four years, the NCFR juried Media Awards Competition has been coordinated from various university campuses. The arrangement has been a successful one. This year, a new "home" campus is being sought.

Marilyn Coleman of the University of MO-Columbia, coordinated the program most recently, and Professors Mullis and Coles of ND State University served prior to her.

NCFR now is seeking another university department willing to coordinate this excellent educational program. Its educational value lies in the opportunities it affords faculty, students, and community members to: a) view the latest media releases in the family field for their own possible use; b) to evaluate the of the media productions; c) to gain visibility for the university department with media producers and consumers; and d) to assist NCFR in performing an important service to the public-at-large by rating quality educational films.

The bulk of the work for the project takes place from February to May and is an excellent opportunity to involve student assistants. NCFR staff do the mailings and clerical work involved in prepreparation and post-notices to award winners. NCFR pays the out-of-pocket expenses of the university department and a stipend for student help.

this two-year project please return the French Quarter. St. Charles Avenue is form below by July 15. Selection must lovely, tree-lined street that leads to th be made no later than August 15.

Hallenstein, in Marital and Family Issues and Communication; and Washington, DC, in Alcohol and

"Straight Talk About Alcohol," produced by National Geographic Society, The competition drew 103 entries.

who work in the Square. And musician in the Square play everything from jazz reggae to rhythm and blues, while tay dancers, mimes, and fire-eaters enterta the on-lookers and listeners. No trip to New Orleans is comple without a look inside ST. LOU] CATHEDRAL. It's the country's olde active cathedral, and it's located right

Free, fun

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Jackson Square.

things to do

New Orleans is noted for its mus and it seems only appropriate that there much here that can be seen and heard fo

The logical place to start is with t MUSIC! MUSIC! MUSIC! I absolutely everywhere in New Orlean and you'll find that even New Orlea street musicians are the best in t business. The music soars fro streetcorners in the Quarter; sings in t French Market, where weekend ja concerts take place the year round; rings Duncan Plaza, where there are period noontime Brown Bag concerts. Ea Sunday at 4 p.m. there are classical mus concerts at Christ Church Cathedral (Saint Charles Avenue. And you can he all sorts of great street musicians

Speaking of which...JACKSO SQUARE is the hub and heartbeat of the French Quarter, and has been from the very beginning. It was originally name Place d'Armes and was the center activity for the French Creoles. Toda the former parade grounds is a pretty gree park, smack in the midst of things. Th fence surrounding the park is decorate with the wares of the New Orleans artis

Jackson Square. You can get a great view of Jackso Square and of the Mississippi River from WASHINGTON ARTILLERY PARK C Decatur Street. And if you want to go closer to Old Man River, stroll along th MOONWALK. Park benches on th promenade offer a ringside view of th

foreign vessels, pugnosed tugs, and frill riverboats on the Mississippi.

On the downriver side of Washingto Artillery Park, the FRENCH MARKE has been a trading center for over 25 years. The busy and colorful market chock-a-block with specialty shops, fru and vegetable stalls, lots of entertainmen and a flea market. On the other side of th Park, JACKSON BREWERY and TH MILLHOUSE are on the site of a fame brewery. The renovated buildings no house a host of boutiques and eaterie overlooking the Mississippi River.

Follow the FRENCH QUARTE WALKING TOUR, published by th Greater New Orleans Tourist an Convention Commission, and see th historic sights and sites in the Vieu Carre. The brochure also includes driving tour that takes in some of th handsome mansions of the GARDEI If you are interested in applying for DISTRICT, which lie upriver of th Garden District, and a walk or drive dow First Street will give you a tempting tast of what that splendid part of town has t

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Sections announce plans

Education/Enrichment

With the program planning now completed, the November meeting in New Orleans looks very exciting, indeed. The Education and Enrichment Section program offers an array of topics using a variety of presentation techniques.

The Section program will feature three workshops at the 1989 conference beginning with the pre-conference workshop on Sunday, November 5, "Beyond Techniques and Activities: Creating A Successful Workshop Through Design," led by Matti Gershenfeld. Joining us later at an invited round table, Matti will discuss, "Women 50 to 65: Sexuality.'

Cordellia Anderson, director of the award-winning Illusion Theater of Minneapolis, MN, will present a workshop, "Amazing Grace: The Effects of HIV/AIDS," on Tuesday, November 7. The workshop will include footage from the Theater's newest prevention play, of a man living with AIDS and his lover. Also included in this workshop is information from the research and development behind the play and the reactions of rural and urban youth and adults during its tour. The play and this workshop help audiences face their fears about AIDS, homophobia, sexuality and death. By facing fears and personalizing the issues, audiences are better able to face the challenges surrounding AIDS and to see the possibilities for learning about life and sexuality.

"Educating for Healthy Family Sexuality" will be presented by James W. Maddock, University of Minnesota, as our closing activity on Wednesday, November 8. The purpose of this workshop is to provide participants with positive guidelines for promoting healthy family sexuality that can serve as a basis for devising learning objectives and teaching strategies in family life education. Sex, relates Dr. Maddock, must be viewed as an "integral part of family process" rather than being viewed as a problem. Using a variety of teaching techniques in the workshop, the participants will apply several broad principles to family sexual interaction within a framework of ecological balancing.

Of particular interest to Section members will be the Education and Enrichment round tables. Special care was taken in their selection to ensure that the topic and method of presentation was appropriate for spirited participation. For instance, Mary Hammer and Margaret Torrie will lead a discussion on "Curriculum for Sexual Responsibility: Focus on the Adolescent Male," and Catherine Surra on "Can We Teach People to Make Better Decisions About Mate Selection?".

Paper and poster sessions will provide a potpourri of enticing topics. Many are related to the conference theme, "Families and Sexuality," such as "Innovative Approaches to Sex Education" which includes Geneva Brown's paper, "Peertaught Life Coping Skills as a Preventive Approach to Adolescent Pregnancy." Others will address such perennial concerns such as "Confrontation and Conflict Management" by Anne K. Soderman and Lucy J. Pearson, under the session title of "Education for a Positive Family Environment." And, in conjunction with the Family Discipline and Family Therapy Sections, a special session on "Ethical Issues" will be offered which should be of interest to educators.

We hope your plans include the 1989 conference. Be sure to join us for the E & E business meeting and bring your ideas and enthusiasm. We have a number of challenging ideas to consider including the Section's role in providing continuing education opportunities for Certified Family Life Educators.

Patricia Kain Knaub Section Chair

Ethnic Minorities

I have just returned from the Spring, 1989, NCFR Board and program committee meetings which were held at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, site of this year's NCFR annual conference. At the meetings, the program committee worked very hard to finalize plans for what promises to be a professionally and personally rewarding conference for all attendees.

You will recall that the theme of the Conference is "Families and Sexuality." Twenty-two proposals for presentations were submitted to the Ethnic Minorities Section. The proposals were evaluated by three blind reviewers and about 80 percent of them were accepted for inclusion in the

A Networking session will take place on Sunday afternoon, November 5, with Harriette McAdoo as coordinator. This will focus on research, education and service relating to ethnic minorities. The first biennial Marie Peters Lecture will be presented on Monday, November 6, by Andrew Billingsley on the topic, "African-American Families in a Changing Society." Four paper sessions consisting of at least three papers in each session will be presented on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 7 and 8. The titles of the sessions are "Marital Relations in Ethnic Families," "Adolescent Sexuality," "Family Values: Influence on Life," and "Older Adults: Sexuality and Well-Being." These topics will undoubtedly stimulate many questions. The sessions are being designed to allow time for discussion at the end of the presentations.

While you are making plans to go to the Conference in November, please consider ways in which you may assist, or rather ensure, the attendance of at least one student and/or new professional at the conference. It may be necessary to develop creative funding strategies for assisting them. Remember that special hotel rates are available to student groups if reservations are made early. Additional information regarding these special rates may be obtained from NCFR headquarters.

In view of the small size of our Section's membership, it is of vital importance that each member recruit at least one new regular member by the time of the annual conference in November. Additionally, it is also extremely important to recruit/assist students and new professionals to become members of the Section and NCFR. They need to be afforded the opportunity to join the activities of NCFR while they prepare themselves for higher levels of leadership in the organization and elsewhere.

New Orleans is an interesting city and the Sheraton appears to be an hospitable convention hotel. I look forward to seeing you there in November.

If you need to talk with me I can be reached by telephone at 301-636-6983. Ouida E. Westney Section Chair

Family Action

An exciting program is being put together by the Family Action Section for the 1989 annual conference. A variety of papers, workshops, posters and round tables will focus on using research and theory to help advance family policy and family program development. The topics of the sessions are: Care Giving in Later Life Families; Farm Family Life; Sex Education, Sexual Behavior, Family Interventions and AIDS; A Family Impact Analysis of Selected Child Care Bills; Family Policy; Family and Economic Issues: Employment and the Family; Using Research and Theory for Program Development and Family Policy; and Seminar on Family and Poverty.

These various sessions will present papers on topics that should be of interest to all NCFR members who are concerned about family policy and program

development.

Let me highlight some of the possibilities. The workshop entitled "A Family Impact Analysis of Selected Child Care Bills" by Denise Skinner and Elaine Anderson will demonstrate the application of family principles and family impact questions in an assessment of selected child care legislation currently in Congress. Participants should leave this workshop not only with an understanding of the major child care bills before Congress but also with some basic skills in conducting family impact analysis.

The session Family Policy will present papers such as State Initiatives in Family Policy: Results of a National Survey by Steve Wisensale; Parental Leave Legislation in Congress and the States: Development of a Model by Pamela Monroe and James Garand; A Policy Shift in Early Intervention: Implications for Families and Professionals presented by Shirley Geissinger; and Developing Research Based Family Policy Through Legislative Action by Cheryl Wright.

The following have been accepted for the session Using Research and Theory for Program Development and Family Policy: Kathryn Rettig, Donna Christiensen, Carla Dahl-Kregness, and Lois Yellowthunder will present the paper 'Gender Equity and Divorce Settlements with Income Equivalence Calculations;" Joyce Arditti will present "Child Support Noncompliance and Divorced Fathers: Rethinking the Role of Paternal Involvement;" Gary Bowen will present this paper "Expanding Day Care to Low Income Parents: The Recycling Fund Concept;" and Cynthia Price will present "The Use of Child Care Among Low Income Women."

These are just a few highlights of the many Family Action sessions. The other sessions sponsored by Family Action will also include presentations on family policy and program development. Several round tables and posters have also been accepted for inclusion at the conference. There will be three invited master round tables sponsored by the Family Action Session.

Tim Brubaker will present "Family Care Giving." Robert Lewis and Robert Volk will discuss the "Evaluation of Two Family-Centered Drug Interventions," and Shirley Zimmerman will conduct a round table on "Norms for the Intergenerational Distribution of Resources: Perceptions of NCFR Members."

During the conference the various focus groups will also be active. Some of their activities will be highlighted in the

next NCFR REPORT. I look forward to seeing all of you at the conference, and I know that you share my excitement as we look forward to a high quality and fun conference in New Orleans. Charles B. Hennon

Section Chair

Family Discipline

The Family Discipline Section will have several excellent sessions for those attending the NCFR Conference in New Orleans. A special session on methods of teaching family science will be held as well as a networking session for family scientists in small academic departments.

One session includes papers and discussion on issues that relate to the emerging family discipline. Another session will focus on ethical issues for marriage and family therapists, family life educators, and family scientists. A round table is also being sponsored concerning interdisciplinary grant-writing. individual sessions sponsored by the Family Discipline Section, as well as the conference in general, will provide those interested in the study of the family field a place to meet others of like interests.

The Family Discipline Section is conducting a membership campaign to increase Section membership of those interested in the family field. Those who are interested in networking with other family professionals are encouraged to

During June, the Section is cosponsoring a Teaching Family Science Workshop at Brigham Young University. Bill Meredith Section Chair

Family/Health

Greetings to the Section members. I have just returned from the NCFR Board of Directors and the annual conference planning committee meeting in New Orleans. For those of you who have not been to this colorful historic place on the Mississippi, you have a treat in store. There is lots to see, do, and buy! The convention hotel is terribly convenient to jog next to the river and is accessible to shops in the French Quarters and Bourbon Street. If you were ambivalent about coming, change your mind.

The program for the Family and Health Section is exciting and different this year. As you know, the theme is "Families and Sexuality." The review process is finished and the program is lined up. Contributors of abstracts should all be notified by May 1, 1989. Joan Bowers, the chair of the program committee, involved 11 people in the review process this year so that the goal of involving more members was reached.

Thanks go to Tom Campbell, Barbara Germino, Geri Hepworth, Ruth McShane, Darlene McCown, Marilyn McCubbin, Kathleen Knafl, Nancy Artinian, Linda Matocha, and Helene Moriarty. There were so many fine abstracts that it was hard to choose proposals. In total, we had over 85 abstracts. Thank you for submitting your material.

There will be approximately one symposia, two workshops, one controversy and debate, 33 papers, 18 posters and six round tables. Family and Health will co-sponsor two major

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FRD Director's report

User guide ready



Rocky Ralebipi FRD Director

From the many phone calls and letters that we receive, it is apparent that many of our readers have heard of the FAMILY RESOURCES DATABASE (FRD) although few know much about it.

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benefit? How can I limit a search to a specific period, say 1987 to the present? If I purchased a copy of the Inventory of Marriage and Family Literature, do I still need to use the online database?

questions, and to familiarize our members and end-users with this unique information resource, NCFR has published a user guide titled: The Family Resources Database User Guide. (Contact our publications department for ordering information or use the user guide order form in this issue.) The guide is intended to help both the novice and experienced searcher make the best, and most efficient use, of the FRD.

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The second section is devoted to the techniques of online searching. These include easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions and illustrations from login, free text searching, field/paragraph searching, cost, to logoff.

search strategies such as proximity connectors, Boulean logic operators, truncation, root/expand, limit, save search, executing saved searches, and print options or formats. In order to answer these and related Additional information such as a list of journals abstracted in the FRD is provided in the appendix. For more information on the content of this guide, please contact Rocky at the headquarters office (612-633-6933). Rocky Ralebipi Director

Member offers programs in Taiwan

The third section deals with the use of

A member of NCFR from Taiwan has contributed articles to her local newspapers and magazines about NCFR and its 1988 annual conference.

Lee-Shih Wu attended the conference in Philadelphia, and has had many people ask her about the event. She sponsored five activities to celebrate Women's Day in March, including a pre-marriage family life education conference and workshop; a display of feminism and family relations with the theme, "The Life Cycle of Women with its Development in the Changing Family;" and three symposia: "The Intergenerational Interaction and Ethnic Relations in the Family," "The Sex and Gender Role's Development in the Family," and "Yin-Yang Interaction and Balancing Within the Family."

Meetings

October 22-25--eighth Nation Conference on Child Abuse an Neglect, Salt Lake City, UT. Them "Off the Beaten Path--Putting an End Child Abuse and Neglect." Contact: 8 National Conference on Child Abuse a Neglect, P.O. Box 45500, Salt Lake Cir UT 84145; or call Daryl Barrett, 810-53 4100; or Marilyn Sandberg, 801-62

November 6-8--"Winning the Way Drug-Free Schools" Great Lak Student Assistance Conference the Hyatt Regency in Indianapolis, I Three general sessions, five workship sessions, film festival, exhibits. Conta Diane Vella at 313-643-9580.

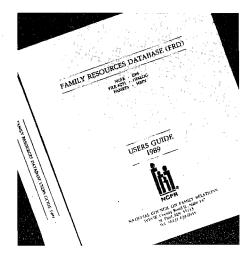
November 15-17--Ninth annu Working with Families conferen at KS State University in Manhattan. I Carl Broderick, noted therapist, author a lecturer, from the University of Southe CA, will be the featured speaker. Mc than 50 workshops and presentations w concentrate on family preservation, ru health care, economics of the family, a community leadership development. T conference is designed to he professionals and leaders who work in t rural community. Contact: Ste Bollman, KS State University 913-53

January 1-13, 1990--11th annu Jungian Winter Seminar in Zuric Switzerland. Contact: Dr. Vince deGregoris, general chair, Jungian Wint Seminars, 5 Essex Square, P.O. Box 33 Essex, CT 06426; 203-767-3112 or 80 544-3110.

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activities this year. Along with the Family Therapy Section we will have a workshop entitled "A sexual health approach to family sexual compulsivity: Integration of family therapy and family medicine in the treatment of sexual dysfunction."

Family and Health and the Feminism Sections will co-sponsor a special session entitled "Recreating motherhood: Ideology and reproductive technologies in a patriarchal society." There will be a symposium, "Families and Health viewed by three disciplines: A research agenda for the 1990s, "and a controversy and debate session entitled, "Sexuality in adolescents and college students: Assessment techniques."

Additional paper sessions will cover topics like: AIDS and the family; contraception and infertility; women's health; men's sexual health; family and child; family caregiving; acute health care in families; sexuality in families; and violent/abuse relationships in families. There are also two invited round tables on the themes of "Attitudes of health professionals toward sexual issues: AIDS" and "Gender specific findings in marital research." And there is lots more.

In 1990, the annual conference will be held in Seattle, WA. The tentative theme is "Children and Their Families." A call for abstracts will go out in December, 1989. Be thinking about your ideas for themes and speakers.

The Section newsletter, Family Health News is being edited from 1988-1990 by Barbara Elliot and Barbara Holder. The spring edition came out a little late but you should all have it by now. The next issue is slated for September/October 1989. If anyone wants to write something for the newsletter, we need copy. Send that material to Dr. Elliot.

One of our activities this year is revising the by-laws of the Section. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions on how to better meet the needs of our

Section, please advise me. Names of the nominating committee will be announced in the fall newsletter.

I am hoping to hear from all who want to participate in Section activities. I will be returning to Portland near the first of July, 1989. Shirley Hanson, RN, PhD, Dept of Family Nursing, OR Health Sciences University, Portland, OR 97201; 503-279-8382.

Shirley Hanson Section Chair

> Family and Health Section National Council on Family Relations Business Meeting Minutes November 14, 1988

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Catherine Gilliss. The following materials were distributed to the members:

- 1. Minutes of the 1987 business meeting.
- 2. Financial report
- 3. Chair's report
- 4. Call for abstracts for 1989 NCFR meeting

The outgoing Section officers for the 1986-88 term were introduced as were the incoming 1988-1990 officers:

Shirley Hanson, Chairperson Tom Campbell, Vice Chair Barbara Germino, Secretary/Treasurer Joan Bowers, Program Chairperson Barbara Elliot, Newsletter Co-chair Barbara Holder, Newsletter Co-chair

The minutes of the 1987 business meeting of the Section were presented by Jerri Hepworth. There were no additions or corrections and a motion was made for approval. Jerri Hepworth then presented the treasurer's report, noting that it was routine for the Section to leave enough money in the treasury for the chair to attend the mid-year NCFR board meeting. This year's balance was greater than the last, representing fewer incidental costs

and decreased cost of producing and mailing the Family and Health Section newsletter. The treasurer's report was accepted.

The chair's report was presented by Catherine Gilliss. The following points were noted by the outgoing chair. The final date for abstract submissions for the 1989 NCFR meeting will be verified in the NCFR REPORT. Members were urged to check that bulletin. The membership has continued to be stable in number. A "dear colleague" letter was sent out by the chair in an effort to recruit additional members. The newsletter and gifts and donations were briefly discussed.

The meeting was then turned over to the incoming chair. S. Hanson presented to C. Gilliss a token of appreciation for her hard work as Section Chair, accomplishments acknowledged by members present with a round of applause. The chair then asked that members (and potential members) present introduce themselves.

New business was called for. Tom Campbell noted that the Section goals for the coming year included improved collaboration between family medicine, family nursing, and family social science. He then invited members to the Family and Behavioral Medicine Meeting at Amelia Island, Florida, for which brochures will be coming in the mail soon. Interdisciplinary attendance would be, he noted, a way to help recruit more family medicine physicians into NCFR and the Family and Health Section.

Catherine Gilliss raised a number of issues about the newsletter for the members' consideration. Included in these were its importance, costs and benefits, and other resources for its production, including whether NCFR could help to reduce costs of the newsletter to the Section by printing camera ready copy and mailing instead of just doing the mailing. Questions were raised and discussed about whether the newsletter content is meaningful and timely and whether the effort to produce it was the best use of our time and resources. Another issue discussed was whether the Section might want to save money to do things like sponsoring plenary speakers and doing workshops. It was noted that the "best" meetings have been those where there has been dialogue and discussion. After some discussion of these issues, the point was made that many members cannot always attend the annual meeting and the newsletter is very important in member communication. There was also positive acknowledgement of the content. In order to reduce costs, the suggestion was made that we might want a less glossy format, depending on the purpose of the newsletter (information and/or public relations?). After some discussion, it was decided to keep the current format.

The next order of business was to nominate members for this year's nominating committee. The outgoing nominating committee was thanked for their efforts. Members were reminded that, while serving on the nominating committee, they are not eligible to run for office. Nominations were made from the floor and include the following members: Jerri Hepworth, Janice Bell, Maureen Frey, Jane Carden, and Gail Houck. The ballot will come to members in early

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All business for the meeting having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned with members being invited by Catherine Gilliss to remain for a reception in honor of the publication of Tom Campbell and Bill Dougherty's book, Families and

Health, proceeds of which will be donated to the Family and Health Section.
Respectfully submitted,
Barbara B. Germino
Secretary/Treasurer

Family Therapy

Family and Health Section

New Orleans is noted for its wonderful food - gumbo, crawfish pie, jumbalaya, pralines - as a start. The French Quarter is a unique experience. The NCFR annual conference offers much more than this. You will be able to take advantage of a great program sponsored by the Family Therapy Section. Here is just a sample of what is in store for you this year.

On Monday afternoon the Family Therapy and Religion and Family Life Sections are co-sponsoring a workshop on "Changing Family Patterns at Family Transition Points," presented by Ed Bader. The workshop takes place during the Section sessions and continues during the Round Tables on Monday afternoon, November 6

Joseph LoPiccolo, one of the plenary speakers will be presenting an intensive workshop on Tuesday, November 7, entitled, "Psychotherapy with Adult Survivors of Incest and Childhood Molestation." This workshop also begins during the Section sessions and continues during the Round Tables.

Other Section sessions include:

"Family Therapy Techniques,"
"Integration of Family Therapy and
Family Medicine in the Treatment of
Sexual Dysfunction," co-sponsored with
the Family and Health Section; "Sexual
Addiction and Co-addiction: How to
Recognize It and What to do About It?",
"Intergenerational Therapy," "Divorce and
Family Therapy," "Drugs, Alcohol and
Sexuality and Intimacy," "Marital Rape,"
"Family Therapy and Incest," and "Family
Therapy with Special Populations."

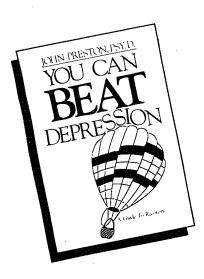
Poster sessions will include such topics as: "Issues of Sexuality and Sexual Function for Women Sexually Abused as Children;" "A Clinical Analysis of Couples' Interactions: Phases and Complaints;" "Faces II and FAM III: A Comparison of Family Assessment Instruments;" "Factors Predictive of Outcome in Marriage and Family Therapy;" "Efficacy at Posttest-Yes; Not Follow-up: Evaluating a Problem Solving Program for Remarried Couples;" "Survey of Ethical Practices Among Marriage and Family Therapists;" "The Effects of an Adolescent Social Skills Training Program on Adolescent Sex Offenders; and "Sexual Attraction, Limerance, and Romantic Love: Forgotten Variables in Marital Therapy."

Three roundtables will be sponsored by our Section: "Supervisor-Supervisee Co-therapy: A Supervisory Model;" "Challenging Cases in Sex Therapy;" and "Treatment Issues for Physically and Sexually Abused Clients."

Plan now to attend these sessions and grow professionally as practical workshops and papers are presented. The networking with colleagues is fantastic. Come join us in New Orleans. Tony Jurich

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Anti-Depressant



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Feminism

As reported in our recent newsletter to Section members, submissions to the Feminism and Family Studies Section for the 1989 program more than doubled. Each abstract was reviewed by three Section members. A special thanks, again, to the 45 reviewers who put considerable time and care into their reviews

Of the eight sessions allocated to our Section, several will be devoted to paper sessions focusing on the following themes: (1) Family Stress and Violence: A Micro Look (Sunday, Nov. 5); (2) Sexuality and Gender Roles: Challenging Attitudes Toward Our Bodies (Monday, Nov. 6); (3) Women's Concerns in the Mid and Later Years (Tuesday, Nov. 7); (4) Work and Families: Understanding the Allocation of Paid and Unpaid Labor in Families (Tuesday, Nov. 7); (5) Work and Families: From Hypothetical Responses of Undergraduates to the Realities of Child Care Arrangements (Wednesday, Nov. 8); (6) Family Therapy and Human Sexuality: Teaching from a Feminist Perspective (Wednesday, Nov. 8); and (7) Family Relationships: From Divorce to Single Parenthood, Cohabitation and Remarriage (Wednesday,

The quality of the papers and juxtaposition within session themes promise a productive and lively interchange. Remember, while allocated program time to Sections is heavily dependent on the number of abstract submissions and number of Section members, attendance at Section sessions is also taken into account. Thus, let's attend our Section sessions whenever possible, not only to lend our support but also to add our contributions.

Our eighth session is reserved for the Distinguished Lecture which is cosponsored by our Section and the Family and Health Section. Shirley Hanson, Joan Bowers (Section chair and program chair of Families and Health) and I pooled resources and worked diligently on securing a distinguished lecturer with strong links to the concerns of both Sections. We are happy to report Barbara Katz Rothman accepted our invitation. The title of her distinguished lecture is "Recreating Motherhood: Ideology, Reproductive Technologies and Patriarchy and is scheduled for Monday, November 6, 1:45 to 3:00 p.m. In addition to Katz Rothman, two of the Plenary Speakers are feminist scholars who have challenged biases embedded in traditional theory and research on sexuality: Estelle Freedman and Carol Vance.

Our Section was also allocated three round tables and nine poster sessions. These focus on a variety of critical issues in substantive areas ranging from women abuse, to women and labor, lesbian lifestyles, gender roles and abortion attitudes. The formats of roundtables and poster sessions will allow for quality individual time with presenters.

In response to our newsletter request for each member to contribute \$3.75, if possible, to guarantee our Section "small grant award" for the first two "start-up" years, contributions have been trickling in. (Three members have generously contributed \$25 or more.) Thanks to each member who has responded. For those who still wish to do so - send your check to NCFR, 1910 West County Road B, Suite 147, St. Paul, MN 55113, made out to "NCFR - Feminism and Family Studies Section," with a note on the check "for the small grants award," so that it will be kept in the special fund. A special thanks also goes to the 30 members who have returned the newsletter form to me,

generously offering their time and expertise for Section committees and activities. Let me hear form the rest of you soon!

Karen Polonko Section Chair

International

Plans are now well underway for the November meeting in New Orleans. The Board and the program committee met in New Orleans in April to finalize the program. Our Section will have four paper sessions, three roundtables (two invited), and three poster sessions. Presenters will be presenting material about family life in 15 different countries.

Paper session topics are: Familial Issues Affecting Children: Cross Cultural Perspectives; Intergenerational Relations: World Perspectives; Friendship, Intimacy and Sexual Issues: Cross Cultural Patterns; and Canadian Fertility and Divorce Policy Issues. We will also cosponsor a session with the NCFR Public Policy Committee on Stake Holding and Public Policy. The program looks like an exciting one. We hope you will plan to attend the meeting.

At the Board meeting there was an extensive discussion of how we might develop more vital Sections. One of our concerns has been membership in the Section. We are interested in increasing the number of student and young professional members. Why not sponsor a few of the student or young professional members as members of this Section? This is a wonderful mentoring action. We would like to see that our young professionals and students begin to take a more active role in the Section. If you are a student or young professional member or know of one who might like to serve as a presider or recorder at one of our sessions at the annual conference please let the

Policy issues related to the family are continuing to be important for the work of family professionals. We will be focusing on how we might become more active in developing family policies that respond to family needs. If you are interested in participating in an international family policy focus group please contact the chair. At the recent Board meeting it was decided that any Section could sponsor focus groups. We have much to learn from others with respect to family policy. Sharing international perspectives can be both rewarding and useful in moving forward in this area.

Due to a glitch in the preparation of the ballot for vice chair of the Section, you received a second ballot with the names of both of the candidates for this office: Dr. Margaret Arcus and Dr. Kay Troost.

Dianne Kieren Section Chair

Religion/Family

Preparation of the program for our Section at the forthcoming annual conference in New Orleans is occupying the time of Section officers as this issue of *REPORT* goes to press. Section chairs met in New Orleans on April 13 and 14 preceding the mid-year NCFR Board meeting. Drafts of each NCFR Section's programs were shared and the overall program coordinated in intensive meetings with Brent Miller, 1989 program vice president and conference coordinator Cindy Winter.

The time slots in the program available to the Religion and Family Life Section increased this year, due to an increase in Section membership and a 50 percent increase over 1988 in abstracts and proposals submitted. This year seven sectionals, or "section tutorials" as they are officially called, will be scheduled. A special symposium "Gender Differences in the Relationship Between Religiosity and Premarital Sexual Permissiveness," will be led by Jeremiah S. Strouse. Nineteen papers have been selected for presentation, along with three round table presentations, one of which is in the special "Invited" category. Five presentations have been approved for the poster session.

Religion and Family Life will cosponsor, with Education and Enrichment and the Association of Councils, a Distinguished Lecture by Sol Gordon on Sunday at 2:45 p.m. We will also cosponsor a workshop with the Family Therapy section entitled "Changing Family Patterns at Family Transition Points" presented by Ed Bader. As we have done for each of the last two years, we will present an Interfaith Worship Service on Sunday morning, November 4.

Watch for the next edition of our Section newsletter which should be completed soon. In it we summarize some of the highlights of 1988's program and preview with more detail that of 1989.

Bron Ingoldsby and Beth Norrell are moving ahead with the guest-edited special issue of Family Science Review on "Religious Precept and Family Practice: The Impact of Religion on Family Life" to be published later this year. Submissions to the special issue have been blind-reviewed and selections made. This project promises to be a highlight of our Section activities for this year. Ron Flowers

Section Chair

Research/Theory

1989 Conference Program

An exciting program is taking shape for this November's conference in New Orleans. Fourteen regular paper sessions under our Section's sponsorship will be offered. Three of them deal directly with the conference theme, "Families and Sexuality." You will notice that there is an especially great interest in the sexual attitudes and behaviors of adolescents, and how families contribute to or are affected by their adolescents' sexuality.

I have been firm this year about limiting all paper sessions to three presentations. I am sure that the newly elected Section Chair would appreciate your feedback between November and next Spring on how this limitation influenced the quality of the sessions.

Our Section is also inaugurating two new session formats, with four sessions demonstrating them on a trial basis. Three sessions will be "didactic seminars." These are intended to provide "inservice" training or continuing education experiences for family researchers and educators. Two will deal with issues in research methodology, and the other will address an interesting theoretical approach to moral reasoning. The fourth "new" session is designed as a controversy or debate, and it concerns intergenerational relations when parents are elderly.

Although several submitters tried, many seemed to have difficulty preparing proposals that would make good use of the debate format. Perhaps the idea is too new, and we need to think more about how to make it effective. Please write me with your suggestions. This will also be

on the agenda of the November Section business meeting.

The Section is pleased to be able to sponsor almost three dozen poster session papers and roundtables this year. Each promises to be a valuable learning experience, and I trust all of you will take full advantage of at least a portion of these presentations. The Section is also helping to sponsor a plenary address by Estell Freedman on the history of sexuality and the Burgess Award address by my closcolleague and friend, Joan Aldous.

Last, but not least, we will announce the winner of the annual Reuben Hill Award at the conference. Section members interested in serving on the committee which judges journal article for this award should contact the Hill Committee Chair, Alexis Walker, Deptof Human Development and Famil Studies, OR State University, Corvallis OR 97331-5109.

Section Services: We Need Your Ideas

As one of the largest Sections i NCFR, we currently have about \$4,000 i our general account. Section dues fror 500 or more members permit our balanc to increase faster than we can spend th money. We should be thinking of worthwhile ways to invest these funds i further services to our Section members. briefly discuss two possibilities below but I want to hear from you about these and other ideas.

One possibility is to start our ow Section newsletter. The Executive Offic estimates that it would cost the sectio about 55 cents per member for each issue This depends on such things as how man copies we make, how many pages would run and the cost of producing th master. Postage plus mailing labels ar quite inexpensive (only about 12 cent total per copy), if we use the help provide by the Executive Office. I would favo starting a Section newsletter, probabl doing two issues per year, but only if suitable and dedicated editor can b recruited. Also, the newsletter shoul contain some short, but substantiv articles and not be limited toorganizational news. Volunteers for the editorship and others interested in working on this project should contact me before the November meeting.

Another way to productively use or Section funds is to create a "student travscholarship program." We all know ho expensive it is to attend the annuconference, regardless of who we are o where we live. Even with all the speci "breaks" NCFR tries to give student attendance still is often prohibitive. L me know if you are willing to serve on committee to study and formulate th program. If reactions are positive ar forthcoming soon enough, I will appoint committee and ask for a preliminary repc at the November Section busines meeting. A motion for or against th program will be entertained at the meetir so that, if passed, it could begin in 199 but no later than 1991.

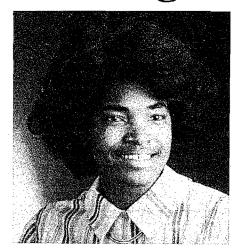
The fact that the Section is as large it is must mean that we serve some usef purposes. I feel strongly, however, th our Section can provide more services its members than we currently do. Whi the Section officers can concoct son ideas with potential, it is only the membership itself which knows what

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Students encouraged to attend conference



Kay Young McChesney



Norma Bond Burgess

The mid-year meeting of the NCFR Board of Directors was an exciting one! We are looking forward to New Orleans with increased enthusiasm and excitement. The role of the students and young professionals continues to be a vital one. The possibilities for involvement are endless. Becoming actively involved in sessions that you are interested in is sure to enhance your professional growth.

Activities within the Sections may include serving on committees, and volunteering your services as discussants and presiders at the annual conference. Let your Section chair know that you would like to become a more active member. Further, there are always opportunities to volunteer during the annual conference for registration or other conference-related activities.

Our Skills Exchange is guaranteed to provide you with practical information for continued socialization as professionals. The Sunday evening session will involve presentations designed to assist you in finding your way at the annual conference and making and renewing acquaintances. Definition and function of networking will be the highlight of the session.

Discussions will also include helpful information on competitive program submissions, and the role of professors in job placement.

On Monday, the social event of the year is being planned - the student/young professional party. It is shaping up to be one of the best ever. Tuesday morning, bright and early, we will greet you for breakfast with more valuable information regarding formal conference presentations using graphics and computer enhancements and the presentation of the professional self.

An exciting program has been planned for NCFR in New Orleans, one that you would not want to miss!! Put this on your list of "things you must see" at NCFR. If we can help in any way, please feel free to write or call either Kay McChesney or Norma Burgess.

Norma B. Burgess

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wants. Spotty attendance at the annual Section business meeting does not signify an active membership. Please let us know what you want, and we will try to provide it.

David M. Klein Section Chair

Focus groups Remarriage

The Remarriage and Stepfamilies Focus Group of the Family Action Section is conducting a survey of its members. If you have not returned your survey, please do so. If you have questions or comments about the survey, please send them to Dr. Larry Ganong, School of Nursing, University of MO, Columbia, MO 65211.

Our Focus Group will have time to meet and network again at the 1989 annual conference in New Orleans. Check the program for time and place.

Margaret Crosbie-Burnett will again send you a letter in the fall with notice of all the presentations on remarriage and stepfamilies that will be on the program.

We have to get out a newsletter this summer. If you have news for Focus Group members, please send it to Mark

Fine, Dept. of Psychology, University of Dayton, Dayton, OH 45469.

Margaret Crosbie-Burnett

Work/Family

The co-chairs of the Work and Family Focus Group of the Family Action Section are finalizing plans for the annual meeting during the NCFR annual conference in New Orleans.

We expect to have several corporate representatives to speak about work and family policy development and programming efforts occurring at their respective worksites.

Presenters will speak to the need for future lifespan programming at the worksite, including dependent care, information and referral, alternate work week schedules and other flexible benefits.

The Work and Family Focus Group meeting time is 10 to 11 a.m. on Sunday, November 5. We hope you can join us.

For those of you interested in joining the Work and Family Focus Group, please contact either Dr. Leslie Koepke, HE 263, University of WI-Stout, Menomonie, WI 54751, or Roma Hanks, University of DE, Individual and Family Studies, Amy Rextrew House, Newark, DE 19716. Leslie Koepke and

Roma Hanks

Public Policy report

Defining family health policy parameters



Margaret Feldman

(Editor's Note: This is the first regular column by NCFR's Washington Representative Margaret Feldman. It was first delivered at the **Groves** Conference on the Family in April, 1989. NCFR members are invited to share their views and information they may have on public policy issues.)

Defining the Parameters of Family Health Policy

Working in Washington for the past few years has been a wonderful education in practical politics. Many of us have ideas about what should be done, or at least what the goals should be, but when you are working here you learn that not only is there disagreement about the goals, but also there are political ideologies which set the parameters of the argument and potential solution. The family seems to be at the core of many of the arguments.

What are the main parameters which determine what will be spent and on what, and what supports will be given individuals and families? This paper will deal with the parameters affecting families. It is a personal view, which may or may not correspond to what other observers inside the beltway would say.

Events, phenomena, inertia, ideology, "the bottom line," financial constraints, pressure groups, egos, and finally data are some of the forces which determine what everyone talks about, hold hearings on and finally moves toward legislation which does or does not get passed, has regulations formulated, is funded and takes effect on the lives of families. The process is long, and the movement from idea to final implementation is usually very long, and sometimes never.

Family well-being is affected by many forces, some of which we ordinarily do not consider. For example, a paper from the American Jewish committee on family policy points out that foreign policy, which is not usually thought of as a determiner of family well-being, actually has tremendous effect on the family if it leads to war, or to military expenditures which stress the budget. Government regulation of the economy with its setting of the interest rates and efforts to control or allow inflation also heavily impact on all purchasing but, perhaps most severely on the ability of families to purchase or rent housing.

Each spring we become very aware of the impact of the Internal Revenue Department and taxation in general on our well-being because of the way exemptions and allowances are determined.

But what about the policies which are directly addressed to individuals and

families? The crucial factor is the degree to which the problem is defined as one about which government should do something. Drawing again on the American Jewish Committee paper, it was President Kennedy who first articulated a policy of reforming welfare in a way which would enhance the preservation of the family unit. Nixon proposed the "negative income tax" to help poor families, and in the '70s there started to be concern with the "breakdown of the family."

Walter Mondale in 1973 held a hearing before his Committee on Children and Youth on "American Families: Trends and Pressures." After that came the Family Impact Seminar and the attempt to articulate what governmental policies should be enacted in order to strengthen American Families, but here they ran into ideology. Even if people could agree on what the data showed, there was an ideological split on what or who was responsible and what should be done.

You remember those days. Groves was talking about the "non-traditional family" while the traditionalists were talking about the "breakdown of the family" from the traditional two-parent family with mother at home. How could policies be directed toward support for children and adults in their new forms of relationships? Some of us who attended the 1977 Women's Conference in Houston were astonished to see the New Right women wearing buttons stating they were "Pro-family, pro-life, and pro-God." The clear assumption was that those who did not share their ideology were not only infidels but, by implication, not true Americans. They co-opted all the good code words, leaving the rest of us sputtering to restate our belief in good values and the family as human beings.

Some of you remember the 1980 White House Conference on the Family. The New Right organized at that time to push their agenda of anti-feminism, anti-abortion, and insistence that values should be taught at home and that school was to be "back to basics" with no so-called "secular humanistic influences."

This minimal statement of history is instructive to help us remember how we grew in awareness of the ideological split which still remains and is a major problem in addressing family policy.

The two divergent ideologies are being played out in Washington today on the basis of several slogans which set the genda and define the parameters of the debates. The main ones are: 37 million uninsured, "Read my lips," Gramm-Rudman, Work and Family, 1000 points of light and a "kinder, gentler nation." Each agenda item potentially has at least two ways of looking at the problem.

For example, "37 million uninsured:" By stating the terrible health situation in this way the problem is defined as "no insurance." The debate rages then, how to get business to assume health insurance for all workers, and then allow the poor to buy into Medicaid, the government insurance of last resort. Instead, if the problem were defined as 37 million people without adequate access to health care, the problem would be looked at in an entirely different way. The public debate is all on insurance, but when you talk privately to most staffers and certainly to most agency people, they admit that the only solution is to have a program that is now being called, "equal access health care."

Everyone is now distressed and discouraged by the high cost of care. As you all know, there are efforts being made to devise rules and regulations to make it pay off for doctors to talk to patients rather than do surgery, to make the doctors more accountable, and to cost out the

value to health and survival of various surgical procedures. Some recognize that a national program could rather easily deal with the malpractice insurance problem. In my estimation, only as the costs are contained in some way, will it be possible to truly consider a national program. I hope I am wrong.

There are some strong players working toward a continuation of the insurance solution. Foremost among these, of course, are the insurance companies themselves. But other businesses are being increasingly vocal about the high cost of insurance and are resisting the expectation that they should carry all the load for social programs. In speeches I have listened to, I have not heard them mention the alternative they would approve. With no program, it sounds as though they just wish their workers would come to work as long as they are healthy, and then just leave if they get sick. There is wide recognition that the problem of inadequate access to health care, not to mention access to preventive care, is becoming a national emergency and has an impact on worker retention and recruitment.

Joseph Califano, former Secretary of HHS and Chrysler Corp. executive, has been a vocal spokesperson in pointing out the costs and the problem. He points out that the present system costs his company \$500 per car, and thus helps make American cars less competitive on the world market than the cars of other nations with health programs. He states that our present system wastes 25 percent of what we pay due to heavy administrative costs.

The doctors have always been vocal about avoiding "socialized medicine" and always cite Canada as a negative example. U.S. doctors are frustrated by the paper work, the inefficiency, and the delays in payment. Over half our doctors now work as salaried persons and more and more are coming to see that the present system is not working. A new compromise of some sort is necessary.

"Read my lips" is clearly setting the agenda to make it difficult or even impossible to get the upper income people to pay their share in our national costs. "Taxes" seem to be defined as "income taxes." Those who feel that we should support social programs and invest in human capital point out that the wealthiest one percent of our population in 1976 owned 19.2 percent of the nation's total wealth, but by 1983, after the first of the tax reforms, the top group owned 34.3 percent. The latest tax reform turned out to be even more helpful to the top five percent of the wealthy.

I regret that the women's movement in Washington joined Sen. Bill Bradley in pushing for what he termed a "fair tax" with a top of 28 percent. We all certainly were hoodwinked or else did not do our homework very well. These tax changes have broken a 50-year tradition of progressive income tax. The changes have clearly had an impact on families and contributed greatly to the increasingly large split between the rich and the poor. With "read my lips" in effect, the only acceptable way to get additional income is from "user fees," which of course impact more heavily on the poor and middle class.

The third buzz phrase in Washington is "Gramm-Rudman." This bill was passed by persons who were interested in saving the social programs from being cut in order to give more money to the military. Recently at a Senate hearing Senator Obey told Sec. Baker that he would rather go for "Gramm-Rudman" than accept the cut which was being proposed. He meant that at least the social programs would be cut the same

percentage as the military rather than more. The Gramm-Rudman Bill serves as a fall-back position which can protect human capital programs in worst case situations, but it still does not make it more probable that the military will be reassessed to the benefit of social programs.

The phrase, "Work and Family" has been around Washington for several years, but is now generally recognized as standing for a list of bills and programs which include the minimum wage increase, the Family and Medical Leave Act, and some bills for child care. Women's and children's groups are favoring these bills, but the recent debate on minimum wage was fought by the Chamber of Commerce and business groups in general as the "camel's nose" which would legitimize concern for the other family bills which they firmly fight. This is a very interesting position for business since research now has documented the tremendous loss to business from concerns of their workers about their family responsibilities. A recent book by Thurow on the "World Class Economy" has pointed out that women and minorities are the necessary workers for the future and that their training and family responsibilities must be taken into account.

I think the Welfare Reform Bill has passed because of the recognition that people need training and child care before they can work, and that their work is necessary for the work force as well as their own support. This turned out to be a bi-partisan issue.

COFO, the Coalition of Family Organizations to which NCFR belongs, is trying to frame an acceptable stance on families that family organizations can agree upon. So far, the Act for Better Child Care (ABC) Bill and the Family and Medical Leave Bill are being supported and yet, even the Medical Leave Bill was resisted by our member organizations because of the impact the requirements would have on their own offices - 10 weeks of unpaid leave at the time of the birth or adoption of a baby or for a medical emergency. The Senate bill exempted businesses with fewer than 20 employees, while the House set 50 employees as the limit.

The conflict about child care is between the women's and children's groups who want the federal government to provide standards and up the pay of workers versus the Bush program which would allow families a "choice" by giving child tax credits. Senator Dodd introduced the ABC bill with Senator Hatch cosponsoring and Senator Hatch introduced the tax credit bill with Dodd as cosponsor. This show of bi-partisanship is surely to be commended and shows the serious consideration which is being given to the problem of child care.

As you might expect, the tax credit would be very difficult to administer and make worthwhile for poor families. The maximum of \$1,000 credit would be given to a family with earned income of \$8,000 with lesser amounts for those making less (who we might think would need it more) and those with incomes above \$8,000 would get 20 percent less for each \$1,000. There would be no credit for families making above \$12,000 in 1990 with the cut-offs going up each year after that. The top of \$12,000 is very low if you are a single mother trying to raise a family Many bills with variations are not being considered.

The "1000 points of light" is an ideological statement that we should

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Bills to watch, consider

Family And Medical Leave Act S.345 and H.R. 770

The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee marked up Senate Bill 345 on April 19. The House Education and Labor Committee on March 8. and Post Office and Civil Service Committee on April 12, reported out H.R. 770 with no significant changes. The House bill is expected to come to the floor

for a vote in June or July.

Opposition from business and the Administration to the provision for mandated leave has led Secretary of Labor Dole to say she will advocate veto if that provision is retained. Congressional Republicans are apparently favoring dropping the family leave aspect and retaining only maternal/paternal leave. No one outside the aging community seems to be pushing for spousal leave. It will be difficult for advocates to keep from narrowing the bill in order to get some sort of action.

Since the bills will now be going to the total Senate or House, calls by NCFR members to each Senator or Representative will be useful. Margaret Feldman

BLS Statistics On Women

The Bureau of Labor Statistics has just released a new publication, "Where to find BLS Statistics on Women." Researchers and teachers will find this publication is a comprehensive resource for all the BLS publications. It gives information on which publication to consult to get the latest figures for labor force status, employment, and unemployment, earnings and hours of work, education, occupational injuries and illnesses.

The annotations indicate the frequency of the publications, the characteristics of the data including race, sex, Hispanic origin, family relationship, and other information so researchers can select those of most interest.

To get a copy of this publication write for:

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House Bill 1573 - One to Watch

Representative George Miller, chair of the House Committee on Children Youth and Families, has introduced a bill called "The Child Investment and Security Act," HR1573. This bill is based on extensive research by the Children's Defense Fund. It's purpose is "to implement a 4-year, comprehensive, cross-program strategy, building on existing prevention programs of proven effectiveness, to ensure that every vulnerable young child up to the age of six has an opportunity for full mental and emotional development, educational readiness, and good health."

In the rationale for the investment, Rep. Miller cited a study by the

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encourage volunteerism rather than have governmental invasion. We might all agree that individuals and the private sector should do more, but this sets the agenda for less governmental help.

We can all hope for the "kinder gentler nation," but exactly what this means is still up for implementation. Margaret Feldman

Committee for Economic Development composed of leaders of the Fortune 500 companies which estimated that each year's high school dropouts cost the country \$240 billion in lost productivity and foregone taxes. The Children's Defense Fund, at their annual meeting this year, cited this study to announce the proposed strategy of phasing in their total program during the four years of the Bush presidency which they predict would save nearly a trillion dollars and set the stage for further advancement in future years.

The various sections would expand Medicaid coverage to pregnant women and infants, set-aside funds from the Maternal and Child Health Services block grant for additional prenatal services, extend the infant mortality initiative of community and migrant health centers, extend Medicaid coverage to young children living in families up to 200 percent of poverty, provide immunizations to all young children, extend the WIC program to all eligible mothers and infants, create enough places in Head Start for all children who want them, and finally, develop plans for a single entry. All of these programs are cited as being costeffective.

Each separate section of the bill has future. We cannot afford to fail. been referred to a different committee and Margaret Feldman scheduling of hearings is moving forward.

A "Dear Colleague Letter" has been sent out inviting co-sponsors, and a number of Democrats and one Republican have been signed on with more expected.

The sections on expanding Medicaid coverage to pregnant women and infants and to children living up to 200 percent of poverty include state mandates for their phase-ins. Even though action on social programs is slow this year in Congress, NCFR state affiliates should attend to the provisions of this bill and anticipate a lobbying effort from their own states.

Interested members should contact: U.S. House of Representatives Select Committee on Children, Youth and Families

Washington, D.C. 20515 Many thinkers today are advising that the real security of America will come from a healthy economy and a productive and creative work force. This bill is called a Child Investment and Security Act, but it is also an investment in families. By investing in the children of today and making them and their mothers secure in health and nutrition, we will be creating the necessary conditions for economic security for the America of the

Free things to do on New Orleans

You can spend a full day browsing through the city's GALLERIES. There are 48 of them that feature rotating exhibits! And on Thursdays, the NEW ORLEANS MUSEUM OF ART is free to the public, courtesy of the Shell Oil Foundation.

The FOREIGN PLAZAS pay tribute to four nations that have figured prominently in the city's history. Piazza d'Italia features an open-air temple and a fountain in the shape of the map of Italy; Sir Winston Churchill jovially waves a cigar in English Place; a small but dazzling statue of Joan of Arc marks Place de France; and the splendid Spanish Plaza is awash with fountains and handsome mosaic tiles.

There are many other STATUES AND MONUMENTS that salute the city's heros and heroines. The Crescent City's founder, Jean Baptiste le Moyne, Sieur de Bienville, stands on the corner of Howard and Loyola Avenues. In Jackson Square, there is a colossal equestrian statue of General Andrew Jackson, the hero of the Battle of New Orleans in 1815. Confederate General Robert E. Lee, the South's most beloved warrior, stands guard at Lee Circle.

Facts shared on rural poverty

compiled by the Select Committee on Children, Youth and Families of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Rural Poverty Increases; Rivals Central City Rates

- In 1986, for the first time since 1975, nonmetro poverty rates were higher than poverty rates in U.S. central cities. In 1987, 16.9% of persons living in nonmetro areas in rural America lived in poverty, a rate nearly as high as the 18.6% poverty rate in central cities and higher than the 12.5% metro poverty rate. (Census 1989)
- * The 9 million poor persons in rural America make-up one-quarter of the total poverty population. One in four children in nonmetro areas compared to one in five children in metro areas lives in poverty. (Census 1989)
- Between 1979-1986, poverty among young adults and children increased twice as fast in nonmetro areas as it did in metro areas. (Population Reference Bureau [PRB], 1988)

Work Is A Fact of Life For Low-Income Rural Families

- In 1987, 71% of nonmetro non elderly or disabled poor families had at least one worker in the labor force. In 25% of all poor families, both parents worked. (Census 1988; Center for Budget and Policy Priorities, 1989)
- * The number of young adults in poverty in rural areas who worked parttime increased by 70% between 1979-1986. About 25% of young adults in the rural labor force in 1986 held at least two jobs but were still poor. (PRB, 1988)
- Two-thirds of the rural working poor are employed in three sectors: service (28%); trade (25%); and farming (13%). Census 1988)

The following information was Changing Economy Fuels Poverty pension plan compared to 44% of Growth in Rural America

- From 1986-1987, net rural outmigration totaled nearly one million persons, up from 630,000 in 1985. (PRB, 1988)
- Between 1979-1985, the number of jobs in rural counties grew by 3% compared to 10% in urban counties. (PRB, 1988)
- Between 1981-1987, an estimated 594,000 farms have gone out of business. Almost one-third of all farm households fell below poverty in 1986. (USDA,
- During the last decade, Iowa towns with populations of 5,000 or less have lost 41% of their gas stations, 27% of their grocery stores, and 17% of their variety stores. (Chicago Tribune, 1989)
- Between 1979-1986, median family income dropped 10% in rural areas. compared to a 1% decline in urban areas. (Prairiefire Rural Action, 1988)
- In 1986, more than half of all nonmetro households were distributed among the bottom two-fifths of all households compared to 30% of all metro households. (Census, 1988)

Low Earnings, Few Benefits Characterize Rural Employment

- In 1987, the median income for metro families was \$33,131 compared to \$24,397 for nonmetro families. Between 1973-1986, nonmetro income as a portion of metro income, fell from 78% to 72%. (Census 1988; Hoppe, 1988)
- In 1986, over one-third of poor rural children lived in families with no health insurance. Forty-one percent of poor young rural adults are uninsured. (PRB,
- More than half of all metro workers are covered by an employer-sponsored

nonmetro workers. (PRB, 1988)

Rural Poor Receive Fewer Public Benefits

- Only one-fourth of the rural poor qualify for Medicaid, compared to 43% of the poor in inner cities. (Special Committee on Aging, United States Senate, 1988)
- 18% of the nonmetro poor receive cash welfare assistance compared to 24% of the metro poor. (Greenstein, 1988)

Rural Homelessness Increases Among Rural Working Families

- Of the estimated three million people currently homeless in the United states, a minimum of 750,000 persons are found in our nation's non-urban areas. Of these, at least 100,000 are children under the age of 18. (Stark, 1988)
- In a survey of 98 rural Community Action Agencies, 75% responded that underemployment was a chief cause of the significant increase in rural homeless families between 1982-1987. (Housing Assistance Council, 1987)

Rural Economic Distress Increases Family Stress

- Colorado: Between 1979-1986, 24 rural mental health centers surveyed reported, as a percentage of all admissions, increases in child abuse (12.2% to 18.3%); spouse abuse (9.6% to 15.9%); child and adolescent depressions (35.6% to 54.8%); child anxiety admissions (45.9% to 66.3%). (CO Division of Mental Health, 1986)
- * Minnesota: A study of 3600 rural adolescents found that "a change in parents' finances" was commonly associated with the onset of stress, depression and attempted suicide. (Garfinkel, Hoberman, 1988)

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Member shares testimony on drug abuse

examining the problem of drug abuse among adolescents.

The hearing was the first of the 101st Congress to deal with issues related to drug abuse and youth.

Among the witnesses was Dr. Robert Lewis, NCFR member, and professor of family studies at Purdue University, W. Lafayette, IN. His text begins below:

Testimony Before The House Select Committee On Children, Families, Drugs and Alcoholism 101st Congress of the United States

Hearing on: Adolescent Substance Abuse: Barriers to Treatment

> May 2, 1989 Hon. Christopher Dodd, Chair

by: Robert A. Lewis, Ph.D. Professor of Child Development and Family Studies, and Principal Investigator of a study of Family Therapy for Drug Abusing Adolescents, at Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907, and Program Vice-president, National Council on Family Relations,

Mr. Chairman, committee members, and others of you who are concerned about adolescents, families and substance abuse. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak today on a topic which is very important to me, not only as a researcher and educator, a sociologist of the family at Purdue University, and a family therapist (a clinical member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists), but also as a father of two sons and a grandfather of one young boy, Scott Alan Lewis, who himself someday in the future may be confronted with difficult temptations related to using alcohol and other drugs.

One of my colleagues, Dr. Fred Piercy, has reminded me about two surveys done here in the United States, one done in the 1940s and one done in the 1980s. In the 1940 study (when I was going to high school), teachers listed the top seven discipline problems in public school as talking, chewing gum, making noise, running in the halls, getting out of turn in line, wearing improper clothes, and not putting paper in waste baskets. In the 1980 study a similar survey listed these top seven discipline problems: drug abuse, alcohol abuse, pregnancy, suicide, rape, robbery and assault. And, rounding out the list are arson, gang warfare, and venereal disease (Will, 1987). This more recent list of school problems are problems that my own parents in the 1940s probably would never have thought to be possible problem areas for their own children, grandchildren or greatgrandchildren. And, yet, for many children and adolescents today these are everyday issues, concerns and temptations.

Mr. Chairman, three colleagues of mine at Purdue University, Drs. Fred Piercy, Douglas Sprenkle, Terry Trepper, and myself have conducted during the last four years a research study whose primary focus is to get teen-agers off of drugs and to prevent younger siblings from ever becoming involved in drugs (Lewis, Piercy, Sprenkle and Trepper, 1989). This study has been funded for the past four years by the National Institute on Drug Abuse. We began the study back in 1985 by locating 127 teen-agers throughout Indiana who had drug-related problems. We randomly assigned these adolescents and their families to only one of three

On May 2, Senator Christopher J. treatment programs. These outpatient, Dodd (D-Conn.) chaired a Senate hearing intervention programs lasted 12 sessions/weeks. Two of the programs were family-centered programs, which demanded that all members of the adolescents' family needed to attend the treatment sessions. One of these familycentered programs was a special kind of family therapy. This model, The Purdue Brief Family Therapy Model, is not really new but was culled out of already existing therapy models which have been effective with both juvenile delinquents and adult heroin addicts. The second family-oriented program was an educational intervention, a didactic family and drug education program known as TIPS (Training in Parenting Skills). The third program was what we call "treatment as usual," that is, whatever the agencies with whom we worked usually provided their clients. In most cases, this treatment was individual-based drug counseling of adolescents.

> The Purdue Brief Family Therapy Model is a brief, 12-session program which integrates some of the most effective elements of structural, strategic, functional and behavioral family therapies to stem the current drug abuse of an adolescent and prevent the development of drug abuse by a younger sibling. It has been geared to help a therapist gain entrance into a family, understand the family dynamics and modify the dynamics in ways that will reduce adolescent substance abuse. In short, the goal is to modify or change the entire family system into a healthier, supportive environment. In sum, the therapy attempts to: a) decrease a family's resistance to drug treatment; b) redefine drug use as a family problem; c) re-establish appropriate parental influence; d) interrupt dysfunctional sequences of behavior; e) assess the interpersonal function of drug abuse; f) implement change strategies consistent with the family's interpersonal functioning; and g) provide assertion training skills for both the adolescent and siblings to resist peer pressures to engage in chemical abuse.

The Training in Parenting Skills (TIPS) Program is also a twelve-session, educational intervention program. This cognitive-based, instructional intervention program uses family and drug education strategies to provide information to all family members about addictive drugs, the effects of these drugs upon individuals and entire families, and methods family members can use to help eliminate drug use. This model incorporates a view of chemical-abuse as a chronic problem/disease which is cumulative and progressive and potentially may lead to It uses educational, not confrontational, treatment methods. As with Alcoholics Anonymous and A Anon, its ultimate goal is total abstinence from all chemical dependency.

There are many more details that could share with you about this research. In short, however, the two brief, family based drug interventions together appeared to reduce the drug use of nearly one-half (46%) of the adolescents who received them. We suspect that this success was due partly to the fact that both of these outpatient interventions focused on the systemic treatment of entire famil groups, not just one individual. However the family therapy intervention seems to have been more effective in significantly reducing adolescent drug use for a greater percentage of the adolescents (55%) than the family education intervention (38%) An even more dramatic result of the study was this: Although more than twice as many adolescents in the family therapy condition (41%) were hard drug users at their pretest, twice as many of these hard users (44%) moved to no use at all by the post-test time, compared to only the 25% of the hard users in the family education condition who moved to no drug use.

Mr. Chairman, I have been working in the family and substance abuse area for more than ten years now. When I first became active in this field, very few drug treatment programs actually brought spouses, parents or other family members directly into their treatment of the drug user. Today, however, family therapy is the treatment of choice with most drug abusers (Coleman & Davis, 1978). And today, there is a growing body or research evidence (Szapocznik, Kurtines, Foote, Perez-Vidal & Hervis, 1986; Stanton & Todd, 1982) which has revealed that systemic (family-systems centered) drug interventions and treatments are very effective in getting family members off and keeping them off drugs (Lewis & McAvoy, 1984).

And, as we found, there is other evidence that adolescents given family interventions or treatment have a higher success rate, that is, decreased drug dependence and less recidivism. In contrast, if an adolescent is treated individually and his/her family system has not changed, the adolescent may return home to play out the same roles which earlier had fostered his/her addictive behaviors. The family systems approach views an adolescent's addiction as possibly serving a function/role in the psychosocial economy of a family. For example, an adolescent may use drugs to gain his or her parents' attention and to get them to stop fighting (Haley, 1980).

The addition of other family members in treatment, however, may greatly add to the complexity of the drug interventions. Yet, this addition often gives much greater leverage for sustained and successful drug treatment (Lewis & McAvoy, 1984; McAuliffe, 1975). This is because one of the strongest motivations for eliminating drug use may be a drug-abuser's desires to maintain his or her love and family relationships.

In other words, family "love bonds"

can be utilized to work for successful drug treatment as well as to work agains treatment. That is, in some cases the addiction of one family member may directly contribute to (contaminate) the addiction of another. Thus, there is ofter an interaction between addictions and meaningful relationships in that effective family relationships may be used to reduce or eliminate individuals' addictive behaviors. It is only when one views the interplay of meaningful relationships and addictions that one may make full use of the motivations inherent in good family relationships which may help addicts overcome their addiction (Lewis & McAvoy, 1984).

In summary, I assert that family therapy appears to be a potent and viable treatment program which has helped the majority of our adolescents get off or greatly reduce their drug use. Our own particular family therapy intervention program, we believe, is effective, tested, ethical, and low cost, since it is an outpatient modality. It can be replicated in most any type of outpatient setting. Furthermore, we have developed quality videotapes which family therapists and drug counselors can use by themselves to further train themselves in our model.

We have worked with many kinds of adolescents and families in this project. We have given our program to both black and white teen-agers, to rich and poor, to better and less-educated youth, and to urban and rural kids. But, we don't have all the answers, yet. For example, we are analyzing our data right now to see whether our therapy program is as effective with teen-agers from all ethnic groups and whether it works as well with single parent families as it does with intact (two-parent) families. We hope to know some of these answers within the next year. We also are not as sure whether our family therapy program is as effective for the prevention of adolescent substance abuse as it is for treatment. We will still need a couple of years to know how well

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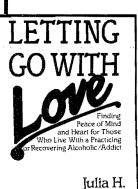
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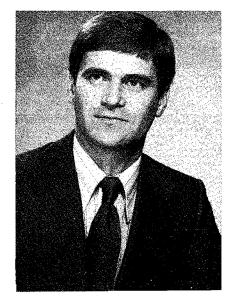
Dear Friends and Colleagues:

I hope that you are making plans to attend the NCFR Conference on "Families and Sexuality" November 5-8 in New Orleans. In mid-April the program committee met in the convention hotel, the New Orleans Sheraton. I am very pleased by the location of our convention, by the results of our recent committee meeting, and by the way that the program is taking shape.

Our convention hotel, the New Orleans Sheraton on Canal Street, is a very short walk from the Mississippi River and the French Quarter. As you might guess from the fact that I live in Logan, Utah, I am not a heavy night-life person. In spite (or because) of my normally quiet lifestyle, I thoroughly enjoyed the French Quarter. It stretches for block after block of interesting shops, markets, and restaurants. It is fascinating just to wander around. With music accompanying everything, activities in the same block range from rank (female mud wrestling) to refined (elegant dining). The variety, quality, and uniqueness of foods was absolutely wonderful!

Our annual conference program begins on Sunday, November 5, and ends on Wednesday, November 8. The program committee decided that we would not begin sessions until 8 a.m. in New Orleans (we have been starting at 7 in recent years) and we left Tuesday night open. Plenary sessions are scheduled on Sunday afternoon and Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings. (I will include a paragraph about each plenary in the next REPORT). Distinguished lectures and other special activities also are scheduled every day.

Of course, the body of the program consists of individual presentations given by you. The program committee was impressed by the number (nearly 500) and quality of submissions. Those selected have been organized into eight Section meeting times and five poster sessions arranged across the four days, and two



Brent Miller 1989 Program Vice-President

roundtable sessions on Monday and Tuesday. During the concurrent sessions, we tried to arrange the presentations to minimize your having to choose between topically similar sessions.

I will take this opportunity to thank the program committee, especially the Section chairs and local arrangements committee, for their efforts in helping to wrestle the program into shape. Similarly, I would like all of you to join me in thanking Cindy Winter for her useful application of 25 years of "conventional" wisdom. She is the person who really makes our annual conferences come off, and her 25 years of experience are crucial to our success.

Please make arrangements to join us for "Families and Sexuality" in New Orleans, November 5-8. See you there. Brent C. Miller

Program Vice-President

Plan a tour in New Orleans

Loving New Orleans is easy! Deciding where to start enjoying "the Crescent City" is not so easy.

The St. Charles Avenue streetcar offers one of the best tours of the city. For just 60 cents you can take a ride on one of the oldest continuously operating street railways in the country. Catch the streetcar anywhere on St. Charles Avenue to view the beautiful mansions of the Garden District, the Loyola and Tulane University campuses, and Audubon Park, home of the top-rated Audubon Zoo.

To see the historic sites and sights in the Vieux Carre, follow the French Quarter Walking Tour, published by the

Council seeks program ideas

The Carnegie Council on Adolescent Development is searching for programs that support and strengthen families with adolescents.

The council is primarily interested in programs that are preventative in orientation and that involve parents.

If you are involved in a program or know of one, please contact Stephen Small, Programs for Families of Adolescents, Dept. of Child and Family Studies, 1440 Linden Drive, University of WI, Madison, WI 53706; 608-263-5688.

You may enclose a brief description of the program.

Greater New Orleans Tourist and Convention Commission. The brochure also includes a driving tour of some of the city's older neighborhoods as well as the historic Garden District and Downtown New Orleans.

A trip to explore New Orleans' many museums is a must. Take a look at the exhibition gallery of the Historic New Orleans Collection of Royal Street, one of the foremost private museums in the country. The Louisiana State Museum is really many museums in one. Buildings include the Cabildo, the Presbytere, the 1850 House, and the Old U.S. Mint. The jewelry, gowns and costumes of Germaine Wells, who was queen of more Mardi Gras balls and parades than anyone else in history, are on display in an upstairs exhibit hall in Arnaud's Restaurant on Bienville Street. Other fascinating exhibits can be seen at the Old Pharmacy Museum, Cabrini Doll Museum, Confederate Museum, and Musee Conti Wax Museum.

For outdoor activity, visit the Audubon Zoological Garden, the Louisiana Nature and Science Center, or the Botanical Garden in City Park.

Do you want to see plantation homes, swamp country, churches, Cajun country? Don't want to plan your own sightseeing? Extensive tour services are available. All you have to do is find the time and decide how to spend it.

Patricia Retherford

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it will prevent a younger sibling in the families from developing a drug addiction.

Again, thank you for inviting me to speak before you and to share the results of our latest study of adolescents, families and substance abuse.

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Conference fees announced

On March 13-14, the 1989 program committee met for six hours to finalize the program for this year's conference. Everyone sat on the edge of the seats as each Section chair unveiled his/her portion of the program. It was exciting! This year there are over 400 presentations on a variety of topics, but many dealing with the theme of "Families and Sexuality." Please carefully read the materials from other members of the program committee. I know that you will agree with me that this promises to be the best year ever for an NCFR Conference.

One of the major reasons people attend conferences is to network with leaders and other colleagues in the field. NCFR offers attendees many opportunities to network. Each year at the conference it is exciting to see NCFR attendees everywhere throughout the hotel discussing "family" issues.

The third part of the conference you will enjoy is the Fais-Do-Do sponsored by the Louisiana Council. The local committee has worked hard to make sure NCFR attendees receive a warm, Southern welcome. They have carefully checked every detail. There will also be a boat trip offered on Tuesday evening. Imagine relaxing, dancing, listening to New Orleans jazz, and cruising down the Mississippi. It sounds wonderful, doesn't it?

This is just a small sample of the excitement, learning experiences, and fun that are in store for you in New Orleans.

Conference Program and Registration Materials to be Mailed in August:

The complete conference program and registration materials will be mailed in early August to all NCFR members and others who are interested in attending the conference.

The August issue of REPORT will feature stories about the main conference speakers and other important details.

Registration Fees:

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NCFR Member	\$100
Second Family Member	75
Student NCFR Member	45
Emeritus NCFR Member	70
Non-Member of NCFR	150
Non-Member Student	60
Membership/Registration	
Package (for non-NCFR	
members)	175
Membership/Registration	
Package (for student	
non-NCFR members)	85
One-day Registration	70
One-day Registration	
for Students	20

Hotel Rates:

Single Room
Double Room

\$80 plus tax \$95 plus tax

There is a hotel reservation form inserted in this issue.

Exhibits and Video Festival:

Professionals in the family field always strive to keep abreast of the latest printed and video materials. The Exhibits and Video Festival offer the opportunity to do just that. Ollie Pocs is ready to serve attendees at the Exhibits, and Martha Calderwood is always ready to personally help those who want to view the Video Festival. Plan now to block out time to visit both of these important events.

A Personal Reflection:

Brent Miller noted that I have been with NCFR for 25 years. This has been a very rewarding experience for me, and it has been wonderful meeting many NCFR members. I want to personally invite you to attend this year's conference. In my estimation, each year in NCFR is better than the one before. I believe this conference will be the best so far. Won't you join me in New Orleans?

Cindy Winter Program Coordinator

Affiliate focuses on Louisiana's problems

In the past few years Louisianians have been forced to learn the cost of having a poor economy. Higher than national average unemployment rates, bank failures and chronic joblessness for many citizens are all serious problems. The decline in oil and gas and the lack of new industry in the state are at the very root of the problems. Needless to say these conditions have had a major affect on families and individuals. It seems that the state is cutting services at a time when more families need to turn to the state for help. Social and health problems become greater; infant mortality, school drop-out rates, and other health and medical problems exist. Perhaps the governor of Louisiana put it best in a speech he recently gave which appeared in the newspaper of one of the State's Major Universities (The Daily Reveille, March 23, 1989).

> "Gov. Buddy Roemer pledged Wednesday to find ways to deal with the large number of infant deaths in Louisiana and to pump as much money as a crisisplagued budget can stand to do

> " 'I was shocked and angered to learn over the last year that Louisiana has the seventh-worst record in infant mortality in our nation.

"A society is built on its children, but in 1987, 870 of Louisiana's precious children did not reach their first birthday,' he said. That's not counting at all the thousands who reached their first birthday undernourished, unattended, unfulfilled.

"Roemer said infant mortality is linked to the state's high rate of teen-age pregnancies. which must be dealt with to cure the infant mortality problem.

"Education remains the key, he said, noting that President John Kennedy said that "miseducation" creates a lost

"'Adolescent pregnancy is contributing significantly to the miseducation of our children, both for the children born and those children who give birth,' he 'For the (adolescent) unmarried mother, childbirth usually means the end of education, not the beginning. It's a life of periodic unemployment, low paying jobs and welfare dependency.'

"The governor said he also was concerned that more than twice as many black babies die in the first year of their life as do

'While we've made great progress toward becoming one state, in the recent past many of us have treated our black neighbors in ways that opened deep wounds in our society,' he

" 'There is well-deserved distrust - I fight it every day which divides and weakens our people and can only be banished by showing that we mean what we say. All of our children born in our state, without exception, are essential elements in the future greatness of Louisiana. And none, none can be valued more than any other.' "

So much for the old and bad news. Let's focus on what is being done to assist people to cope, adjust, and improve their lives. According to forecasts from the Louisiana Econometric Model, the economy will bottom out and experience modest growth in 1989-90. This will allow more money to be used for educational improvements at all levels. Major efforts are underway to encourage industry and small businesses to locate in the state.

How can family scientists help? The Family Relations Council of Louisiana is aware of the problems in the state and is

involved in many activities seeking solutions. Members of the Council are conducting research in their individual professional settings on such topics as Unemployment and Family Support; The Effects of Off Farm Employment; and Wellbeing of the Elderly. The theme of their annual program was "Families Getting Healthy, Staying Healthy: Avoiding Addiction," which featured a series of workshops on the family environment, addiction education, and intervention processes.

Family scientists are also assisting in the public policy arena. A lot can be gained to assist families by testifying before committees of the legislature, interim committees, and task forces. Other involvement includes serving on task forces and advisory committees. National Council on Family Relations members can offer expertise relating to the family which is an abundant resource that costs the state little or no money to harvest. Speaking at conferences or on public forums, attending public hearings, city or parish council meetings, and school board meetings are all activities in which members can participate.

Gladys Hildreth Pam Monroe

Local Arrangements Co-Chairs 1989 NCFR Annual Conference

Theory and Methods workshop set announced

The 1989 Theory and Methods workshop should be as interesting, challenging, and rewarding as ever. An outstanding set of papers has been accepted for review and discussion at the workshop. These include critical assessments of major theoretical frameworks currently used in family studies, new techniques for measuring family phenomenon, and challenging attempts to apply new theories and methods to substantive areas of research.

In addition to regular sessions, three special sessions will be held for workshop attendees. These will focus on issues which frequently challenge family research. These special sessions will be presented in the form of mini-workshops emphasizing skill building presentations and exercises. These three miniworkshops include sessions on the use of survival and hazard models in family research, techniques for presenting family research findings to policy makers, and procedures for managing data in survey

An early evening "dialogue with the authors" of the new theory and methods handbook is also planned. This will provide an opportunity for persons who are interested in the ideas being developed for a particular chapter to discuss their ideas with the authors who are responsible for its development. The session will be informal and will stimulate dialogue around critical issues in our field while the authors and editors are still working on finalizing chapters for the book.

As always, all NCFR members are invited to attend the Pre-Conference Theory and Methods Workshop. There is a separate registration fee of \$30.00 if received by September 1, 1989; after that, registration is \$45.00. Students may register as a group. One student must pay the full \$30.00 fee and will receive a full set of papers. Other students in the group pay \$10.00. For registration information, contact Dennis K. Orthner, Human Services Research Laboratory, 910 Airport Road, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3570 or call (919)962-2282.

1990 theme for conference

I am pleased to announce that the theme for the NCFR annual conference in Seattle in 1990 will be "Children and Their Families." This theme idea was presented to and approved by the Board at the mid-year meeting in New Orleans. It was perceived to be a very useful and timely theme for the organization and for a new decade.

As we move into the 1990s it is important to come to a theme that may be useful for program development, research focus and action groups. It is interesting to note in reviewing NCFR themes over the past 51 years, we have never focused on parenting, children, children in families, or a topic directly on children.

We want to focus on children in their own right, as developing persons in a variety of rearing situations, as males and females, as children in a very complex world, as individuals who are very valuable to societies now--not just when they become adults.

For your long-range planning, please keep the theme in mind. It promises to be a theme that is broad, should be useful to all the various sections, and one where our plenary speakers should be most stimulating. Papers and program ideas can, of course, vary from this theme on children and their families," but a broad theme of this type should be a useful one for the conference, and hopefully will permit NCFR to broaden it's base with other groups interested in children and their families.

Jay D. Schvaneveldt 1990 Program Chair-elect

Employment service readied for conference

One of the most popular parts of the NCFR annual conference is the Employment Service. Each year universities, colleges, and other employers who have job openings list the positions in the job bank. Candidates who are seeking employment fill out an application form. Many wonder what happens after the conference opens. Here employment service is trying to do:

1. All jobs are listed in alphabetical order by employer in a large notebook. All candidates for positions are listed alphabetically in another notebook.

2. Candidates carefully check the listing of positions. When they discover one of interest and wish an interview, they write a message to the representative who is present at the conference. A message center is kept up to date. representative contacts the candidate and makes arrangements for an interview.

3. Employer representatives carefully read through the candidates' application forms and biographical materials. If a potential candidate is of interest to the employer, a message will be left at the message center. The candidate then contacts the employer representative, and they arrange an interview.

There have been several times when positions have been filled as a direct result of the conference Employment Service.

We encourage all who are seeking jobs, and employers who may have position openings to take advantage of Write for a copy of the to "try it!" You'll like it. application forms. Be sure to indicate whether you are seeking a

job or have a job opening to list. Write to Cynthia Conference Coordinator, NCFR, 1910 West County Road B, Suite 147, St. Paul, MN 55113 (phone: 612-633-6933). Forms will be mailed to you. You will then need to complete four copies and return them to NCFR headquarters.

haven't visited the this service. The process is simple: Employment Service, we encourage you

The next deadline for REPORT is July 15, 1989

NCFR I	Program At A Glance	1:45 - 3:00 pm	Section Tutorials III
	November 3-8, 1989	3:15 - 4:15 pm	NCFR Presidential Address by David Olson - "2001: Challenges for Families and NCFR"
New Orleans Sheraton Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana		4:15 pm	Presidential Reception (Open to all Conference Attendees)
Theme:	"Families and Sexuality"	5:00 - 6:15 pm	Informal Round Table Seminars Sponsored by Sections and Association of Councils Refereed Poster Session III
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3	, 1989	6:30 - 7:30 pm	Annual NCFR Business Meeting
12:00 - 5:00 pm	Theory Construction and Research Methodology Workshop	7:30 pm	Networking Reception: NCFR Certified Family Life
8:00 - 10:30 pm	Theory Construction and Research Methodology Workshop Special Session	7:45 - 9:00 pm	Educators Section Business Meetings Ethnic Minorities
SATURDAY, NOVEMBE	R 4, 1989		Family Action Special Session - "Methods of Teaching Family Science" Parel members Wesley Parel Regular Day
8:30 am - 3:00 pm	Association of Councils Workshop and Business Meeting		Science" - Panel members: Wesley Burr, Randal Day, Tom Holman, and Kathleen Bahr Focus Groups Sessions
8:30 am - 5:00 pm	Theory Construction and Research Methodology Workshop Continued		Tips for Publishing in Journal of Marriage and the Family - Alan Booth and Gay Kitson
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Pre-Conference Workshops AIDS	8:30 - 10:00 pm	Ethnic Minorities Section Oral History by Leanor Johnson
	How to Translate Research into Testimony (sponsored by Public Policy Committee)	9:00 pm	Party Sponsored by Students/Young Professionals
7:30 pm	Theory Construction and Research Methodology Workshop Business Meeting and Reception	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER	7, 1989
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5 7:45 - 9:45 am	Association of Councils Breakfast Seminar	8:00 - 9:00 am	Section Business Meetings Feminism and Family Studies International
8:00 - 11:30 am	Pre-Conference Workshop on Family Life Education	9:15 - 10:30 am	Section Tutorials IV
	Sponsored by and Education and Enrichment Section "Beyond Techniques and Activities: Creating a Successful Workshop Through Design" - Matti Gershenfeld	10:45 - 12:00 pm	Plenary Session Address: "The Reunification of Sexual and Marital Therapy" by Joseph Lo Piccolo
10:00 - 11:00 am	First Timers Reception Focus Group Sessions	12:15 - 1:30 pm	Refereed Poster Session IV Focus Group Sessions
11:15 am - 12:00 pm	Interfaith Service Sponsored by the Religion and Family Life Section	1:30 - 2:45 pm	Section Tutorials V Mini-Workshop in Family Therapy with Joseph Lo Piccolo
12:00 - 1:15 pm	Grand Opening of Exhibits Refereed Poster Session I	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Burgess Award Address by Joan Aldous "Two Perspectives on Family Change: Family Development and Life Course Analysis"
12:00 - 8:00 pm	Video Festival	4:15 - 5:30 pm	Distinguished Leader Round Tables
1:15 - 2:30 pm	Opening Plenary Session Address: "Intimate Matters: The Changing of Sexuality in America" - Estelle Freedman		Refereed Poster Session V Focus Group Sessions Therapy Mini-Workshop continued
2:45 - 4:00 pm	Section Tutorials I	5:30 - 6:45 pm	"Meet the Authors" and Closing of Exhibits
4:15 - 5:45 pm	Presidential Panel - "2001: Preparing Families for the Future"	Evening	Optional Boat Trip
6:00 pm	Fais-Do-Do Opening Conference Reception Sponsored by the Louisiana Council	WEDNESDAY, NOVEM	BER 8, 1989
7:15 - 8:30 pm	Section Business Meeting - Religion and Family Life Tips for Publishing in Family Relations - Timothy	8:00 - 9:00 am	Section Business Meetings Family Discipline Family Therapy
	Brubaker Focus Group Sessions	9:15 - 10:30 am	Section Tutorials VI
8:00 - 10:00 pm	Qualitative Family Research Task Force Meeting Student Skills Exchange Family Discipline Section Networking Session for Family	10:45 am - 12:00 pm	Plenary Session "Pleasure and Danger: Exploring Female Sexuality" - Carol Vance
	Scientists in Small Academic Departments	12:15 - 1:30 pm	Focus Group Sessions
MONDAY, NOVEMBER	6, 1989	1:30 - 2:45 pm	Section Tutorials VII
8:00 - 9:00 am	Section Business Meeting Research and Theory	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Duvall Distinguished Lecture "Adolescent Sexuality" by Catherine Chilman
9:15 - 10:30 am	Section Tutorials II	4:15 - 5:30 pm	Section Tutorials VIII
10:45 am - 12:00 pm	Plenary Session Address: "Biosocial Models of Human Sexual Behavior," - J. Richard Udry		
12:15 - 1:30 pm	Refereed Poster Session II Section Business Meetings Education and Enrichment Family and Health Open Forum: "Stake Holding and Public Policy" (Sponsored by the NCFR Public Policy Committee)		er ar alkar alkaran. Menengan kang kang dengan di di dan kang di dan alkar dan dan dan dan dan dan dan dan dan Be

Questions answered on Medical Leave Act

Questions and Answers On The Family and Medical Leave Act of 1989

Q. - How Much Will The New Bill Cost?

A. - According to preliminary estimates from the GAO, the bill will cost less than \$236 million annually. (This amounts to \$4.35 per covered worker per year.) The agency's comprehensive study last year found that the entire cost of this legislation stems from the continuation of health insurance coverage for workers on temporary leave. GAO found that "there will be little, if any, measurable net costs to employers resulting from a firm's method of adjusting to the temporary absence of a worker taking unpaid leave under this legislation."

Q. - <u>How Will This Bill Affect The Workplace?</u>

A. - According to GAO's analysis and studies of firms with parental leave policies, there will be no measurable effect on workplace routines or productivity. After an intensive survey of 80 firms in two metropolitan labor markets, GAO found that only 30 percent of workers are replaced. Instead, employers tend to reallocate the work of those on leave to other employees. GAO also found that

the cost of replacement workers is generally similar to or less than the cost of the worker replaced and employers believe the replacement does not result in a significant loss of output. Based upon this survey, GAO estimated that the legislation will result in fewer than 1 in 300 workers being absent from work at any one time.

The legislation also requires employees to provide reasonable notice of family leave and, when possible, to schedule the leave to accommodate the needs of the employer. In addition, the employer may substitute any of the employee's accrued paid leave for any part of the unpaid leave. The revised bill also would have no effect on existing collective bargaining agreements for at least one year.

Q. - Which Employees Will Be Eligible Under The Bill?

A. - The bill covers workers in firms of 20 employees or more who have completed one year of service and who have worked an average of half-time or more over that 12 month period. The GAO estimates that approximately 47 percent of U.S. employees will be covered by the bill although far fewer workers will actually take unpaid leave

under this legislation.

Q. - <u>Does The Bill Cover Small Employers?</u>

A. - No. The legislation exempts all employers with fewer than 20 employees. The GAO estimates that only 12 percent of U.S. firms will be covered under the bill. According to data from the National Federation of Independent Business, over 80 percent of NFIB's member firms will be exempted under this bill.

Q. - What Benefits Will The Employer Have To Pay To Workers On Temporary Leave?

A. - Only health insurance. All other employee benefits - such as pension and life insurance - are frozen during the leave period. In addition, only preexisting health insurance arrangements will continue during leave. For example, if an employer paid 50 percent of the premium and the employee paid 50 percent prior to leave, the same arrangement would continue during the leave period.

Q. - How Can An Employer Be Sure Medical Leave Is Necessary?

A. - Under the bill, an employer may

require medical certification of a serious illness when an employee requests medical leave. In addition, the employer may request a second opinion and periodic recertifications.

Q. - What Is Considered A Serious Illness Under The Bill?

A. - A serious illness is a physical or mental condition which requires treatment in a hospital or health care facility or which requires continuing treatment by a medical practitioner. Examples include heart attacks, strokes, cancer, appendicitis, pregnancy and pregnancy-related medical conditions.

Q. - What If The Employer Has To Lay Off Workers - Does An Employee On Leave Still Have The Right To A Job?

A. - No. If a layoff occurs, an employee on leave is to be treated the same as any other employee not on leave. If the job no longer exists, there is no right to

Government Accounting Office (GAO)

Analysis of Family and Medical Leave Act of 1989

Cost of Legislation:

\$236 Million

Covered by Legislation: % of U.S. Firms 12 percent

% of U.S. Firms 12 percent 47 percent

•The cost of this legislation to employers results exclusively from the continuation of health insurance coverage for employees on unpaid leave.

Actual Cost of Legislation Less Than Estimate:

- •The cost estimate for this legislation would be substantially less if all existing leave coverage could be factored out of the estimate.
- Many businesses already offer unpaid leave similar to this legislation; and
- Some states already have comparable leave laws.

Little or No Replacement Costs and Productivity Losses:

- •"[T]here will be little, if any, measurable net costs to employers resulting from a firm's method of adjusting to the temporary absence of a worker taking unpaid leave under this legislation."
 - •Only 30 percent of workers are replaced. Instead, employers tend to reallocate the work of those on leave to other employees.
 - •The cost of replacement workers is generally similar to or less than the cost of the worker replaced and employers believe the replacement results in no significant loss of output.

•Fewer than 1 in 300 workers will be absent from work at any one time under this legislation.

The Family and Medical Leave Act of 1989

Family Leave:

10 weeks/2 yrs childbirth adoption child's serious illness parent's serious illness

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Families and Sexuality

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Joseph LoPiccolo The Re-Unification of Sexual and

Marital Therapy

J. Richard Udry Bio-social Determinants of Human

Sexual Behavior

Carol Vance Pleasure & Danger: Exploring Female

Sexuality

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(September)

New Orleans offers food, culture

Statistically Speaking A Few Facts About New Orleans

First of all, it is a fact that New Orleans is a unique city. It is a city with its eye on the 21st century and its heart in the 19th century, and it manages-beautifully--to blend the old and the new. That blending is immediately apparent in the architecture of the city. Stand in the French Quarter and look toward the Central Business District. Beyond the dormer windows and filigreed balconies of the quaint, carefully preserved 19th century French Quarter structures, you can literally see the growth of the city in the sleek skyscrapers of the CBD.

The Port of New Orleans is, of course, a key factor in the city's growth. Located right on the Mississippi River, this primary outlet has grown to become one of the largest U.S. ports. The Port allows for each access of Louisiana's vast supply of raw materials--oil, natural gas, sulphur, salt--and agricultural products, as well as shipment of petrochemicals, petroleum, and food products to various places in North, South, and Central

Greater New Orleans The metropolitan area covers 363.5 square miles, of which 198.4 square miles is land. The city is on average about five

feet below sea level. There are four parishes (counties, in other states) that make up the Greater New Orleans metropolitan area: Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, and St. Tammany. According to the 1980 census, the greater metropolitan area had a population of over 1,200,000; about 600,000 people in New Orleans

The average annual rainfall in New Orleans is 59.74 inches. The average monthly temperature is 68.2 degrees F.

The World-Famous Food of New Orleans

Hot beignets draped in shawls of powdered sugar. Succulent blackened redfish. Feathery light souffleed potatoes, delicately seasoned and totally irresistible. Steaming dishes of red beans and rice. Pompano en papillote and Oysters Rockefeller. Great platters of boiled crawfish, and raw oysters on the half shell. Sugary sweet pralines, Bananas Foster, creamy bread pudding swimming in whiskey sauce, and strong coffee liberally laced with chicory.

Ah, but that's just a tempting sample. This city is famed the wide world over for its Creole and Cajun food. The city was founded by French Creoles, so it is only natural that the Creole influence is very

strong here. (Here, you'll find not only French Creole restaurants, but Italian Creole and even Chinese Creole restaurants. How about Spicy Szechuan Alligator?)

Creole cuisine was the creation of the French and Spanish settlers and their black servants, and it is perhaps best characterized by the sauces. Creole sauces are creamy and full-flavored with the rich use of herbs and spices. Oysters Bienville and Oysters Rockefeller are examples of haute Creole dishes, while red beans and rice exemplifies a category referred to as lower Creole cuisine.

The city's other culinary artform, Cajun cooking, is, generally speaking, a countrified version of Creole cuisine. It tends to be more robust and hot-peppery than its city cousin. Many Cajun recipes being, "First you make a roux..." Roux is a mixture of fat and flour that adds body and flavor. The Cajun uses a variety of sausages, like andouille and boudin, as well as duck, chicken, pork, and the uniquitous sea creatures of this region. Crawfish bisque and crawfish etouffee. sauce piquante, and andouille gumbo are good examples of Cajun coking.

As for the differences between Cajun and Creole cooking, Paul Prudhomme, owner and celebrity chef of K-Paul's Louisiana Kitchen, says that the two have blended over the past several years into a new kind of cooking that's called "Louisiana food."

'Nowhere else have all the ethnic groups merged to combine all these different tastes," says Prudhomme, "and the only way you'll know the difference. honey, is to live 'em!"

In New Orleans, a meal is to be lingered over, critiqued, savored, and remembered. Food is not something to be gobbled down in a frantic race to get on to the next attraction. Here, food is the main

Joe Cahn, Director of the New Orleans School of Cooking, sums up the

local attitude toward dining. He says, "In South Louisiana, food is not looked upon as nourishment, but as a wonderful way of life. We want to say "wow" with every bite; to clap and cheer and make noises. With food, nobody is ever wrong, for it is the only thing in the world in which everybody is allowed to have a personal taste. To us, food is not only on the plate; it is also in the heart."

The Vieux Carre The French Quarter of New Orleans

A mule wearing a silly hat slowly clip-clops through the narrow streets drawing a fringed surrey filled with delighted tourists. Music pours out of lively jazz clubs and spills into the street where tap-dancing kids vie with each other for the attention of the on-lookers. Down the Moonwalk, a long saxophone player stands silhouetted against the mighty Mississippi River, not far from where the off-key calliope of the Steamboat Natche: beckons one and all to come aboard for a cruise. Caricaturists and portrait painters work in Jackson Square, along with fire eaters, unicyclists, and flirtatious red-nosec clowns. Quaint two-and three-story structures, all dolled up with fanciful ironwork and dollops of gingerbread, hold hotels and homes, restaurants and real estate offices, boutiques and bookstores, museums and T-shirt shops. It is the French Quarter--the Vieux Carre.

The history of New Orleans begins in 1718, when Jean-Baptiste le Moyne, Sieur de Bienville, established a small colony on the high ground next to the might rushing river. The Vieux Carre, meaning "old square", covered an area 4,000 ft. by 1,800 ft. not a square at all, but a rectangle. In

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Children's programs get support

substantial endorsement of the Children's Budget Initiative proposed by Senator Christopher J. Dodd, D-Conn., has recommended significantly increased federal funding to improve the health, welfare and education of the nation's children.

The committee, releasing spending details on a \$1.16 trillion fiscal 1990 budget approved in broad terms by a 16-7 vote April 19, has proposed its largest increases in the category of funds embracing children's programs - \$3 billion in discretionary program budget authority, \$1.6 billion in outlays over fiscal 1989 levels. Dodd, a member of the panel, outlined the plan for what he described as "early childhood investment" in a budget mark-up session March 17.

Included in the committee's report is language specifically reserving funds "for initiatives for quality, new affordable child care for working parents." The Act for Better Child Care Services, a \$2.5 billion measure offered by Dodd to improve the quality and supply of child care and make it more affordable for lower-income working families, was a major component of the \$3.517 billion major component of the \$3.517 billion cbl proposal. The ABC bill was from page 19 approved by the Senate Labor Committee March 15.

"The recommendations lay the foundation for a long-term program to improve the lot of the nation's children," said Dodd, who also Total Cost: chairs the Labor Subcommittee on Children, Families, Drugs and Alcoholism.

"This is only one step in the budget process; the Senate and House committees' budget blueprints have some differences, and the appropriations committees in both chambers have yet to do their work. And there is still much to do to meet critical health, education and child welfare needs too long neglected by our government.

"But this is a crucial statement of priorities - an endorsement of the emerging bipartisan consensus in this

The Senate Budget Committee, in a country on the importance of early childhood investment. It demonstrates that Congress can produce a fiscally responsible budget, one which meets Gramm-Rudman deficit reduction requirements, while strengthening our commitment to America's children."

Dodd's budget initiative called for new or expanded funding for child care; Medicaid; the Women, Infants and Children nutrition supplements program; child immunizations; Head Start; education of the handicapped; community health centers; and the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant.

The increased spending authority in the Budget Committee report for so-called Budget Function 500 - to a total of \$29.5 billion in fiscal 1990 discretionary programs in education, training and employment, and social services - will allow new funds for child care, Head Start and education of the handicapped. Specific spending totals for each program are to be determined later in the congressional appropriations process.

Medical,

Temp. Medical Leave: 13 weeks/1 yr Budget Committee's Number of Workers Per Site: 20 Qualifying Employment: 1 yr on job (900 hrs.)

less than \$236 Million

Other Provisions:

- •Two year study on effect of legislation on business. Medical certification - second opinion
- recertification. •Reasonable notice and scheduling of
- leave to accommodate the employer. Employer may substitute accrued paid
- leave for any part of the unpaid leave. •10 weeks total for spouses employed by the same employer.
- •No effect on existing collective bargaining agreements for at least one year.

MEET THE AUTHORS

The "Meet the Authors" program is back again in 1989 by popular demand. This year the program will take place on Tuesday, November 7 from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. in the Exhibits area as part of the concluding ceremonies of the Exhibits.

If you have published a book which relates to the conference theme and would like to be featured as an author, please complete the following steps:

- 1. Fill out the form below and return to the NCFR Conference Coordinator by July 15, 1989.
- 2. Notify your publisher about this program.

3. Books which were featured in the "Meet the Authors" previous showcases will not be eligible for the 1989 program.

- 4. Publishers who have reserved full exhibit space at the conference will be given first priority for the authors they wish to feature and will not be charged the \$25 fee. The remainder of authors featured will be on a firstcome-first-serve basis.
- 5. There is a \$25 fee for being featured in the "Meet the Authors" program. In addition, publishers who have not reserved full exhibit space must enter the book to be featured in the Combined Book Display at a cost of \$50.

I would like to be featured in t conference. Please contact my publish	the "Meet the Authors" program at the and make arrangements.	e 198 9
Name of Author(s):		
Address:		
	Contact Person:	
Address of Publisher:		-
	ea code):	
Title of book:		
Date of publication		

Mail form by July 15, 1989 to Conference Coordinator, NCFR, 1910 West, County Road B, Suite 147, St. Paul, MN 55113

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1721, Adrien de Pauger designed the Vieux Carre along the lines of a typical French village. In its center was the parade ground-the Place d' Armes-and the church and government buildings, which were the heart and soul of the little colony. Facing the river and the square was the most important edifice in the community - the church.

The old Ursuline Convent at 1114 Chartres Street is the only surviving structure of Bienville's original village. Two disastrous conflagrations, the first on Good Friday of 1788 and the second in 1794, completely devastated the town. The Convent is an outstanding example of pure French Colonial architecture. New Orleans was a busy port city when it passed into Spanish hands and reconstruction following the two great fires reflects the influence of many different nationalities: Creole cottages with grey mansard roofs, stuccoed Spanish buildings with filigreed arches; Italianate courtyards with sculpted fountains and lush tropical plants; carved gingerbread curlicues dripping from the eaves of early American homes.

The French Quarter today is a 90 square block area bordered by the River, Esplanade Avenue, and Canal and Rampart Streets. The Quarter is under the watchful eye of the Vieux Carre Commission, which was formed by the State Legislature in 1936 following several generations of disrepair and decay. The Commission maintains rigid guidelines pertaining to any and all construction or alteration, its aim being the preservation and protection of the historic district.

In 1856, Place d'Armes was renamed to honor General Andrew Jackson, the hero of the Battle of New Orleans. Jackson Square is now the hub and heartbeat of the Quarter, just as the parade ground was when the town was founded.

Flanked by the Cabildo on one side, the Presbytere on the other, the quiet white St. Louis Cathedral gazes benignly over the heads of portrait painters and caricaturists, mimes and street musicians, chess players, roller skaters, camera-toting tourists, tap dancers, break dancers, fire eaters, and hot dog vendors. The church bells chime, and a wild flutter of pigeons soars out over the milling throng. It is a scene reminiscent of the Piazza Navona in

Across the Square on the riverside is the recently renovated Jackson Brewery, looking for all the world like a Bavarian castle. Inside the former brewery is a multi-tiered beehive of modern shops and fine boutiques. A romantic promenade called the Moonwalk sweeps beside the river between the Jax Brewery and the sprawling sidewalk tables of Cafe du Monde, a 24 hour haven where natives and tourists enjoy cafe au lait and beignets. Stretched out like a fairy tale behind the cafe, the French Market is another renovation blending the old and the new. The trail leads through an astonishing array of elegant shops, culminating in the long open sheds of the original farmer's market. For more than 200 years farmers have brought their produce here, piling tier upon tier of fresh fruits and vegetables for the townspeople to pick through and

Leading away from the river, Pirate's Alley creeps along the side of the Cathedral to Royal Street and a veritable paradise of antiques, jewelry, rare books, oriental rugs, and art galleries. Gallier House and the Historic New Orleans Collection are on Rue Royale--as is the 50-year-old Royal Street A&P, where French Quarter denizens buy their groceries amidst all the glitter and the hurly-burly.

Sexy, sassy, brassy Bourbon Street. It's a pedestrian mall, a food fair, a jazz festival, and a carnival midway complete with barkers. It's Picadilly Circus and the Plaka, the Ginza and Times Square, all rolled out on one fascinating street and punctuated with the infectious beat of all that jazz, jazz, jazz. Dixieland, rhythm and blues, and cajun music pour out of the jazz clubs, the sounds blending together and flooding the side streets. Around the corner on St. Peter, two bucks in the basket at Preservation Hall buys you the best traditional jazz in the world.

The French Quarter is a quiet pastelcolored Mediterranean fishing village, and a blaring garish sex shop. It's honkytonks and haute cuisine, haunted houses and world-class hotels. It's the sharp clipclop of hooves on the pavement, and a fringed surrey full of sightseers. It's sedate French restaurants and fast food chains. The French Quarter combines the earthy and the ethereal, the chi-chi and downright cheap, the old and the new.

New Orleans is a class act, and the French Quarter is a great place to catch the first show.

Editor-elect named for Journal of Family Issues

Editor-elect of the Journal of Family Issues is Patricia Voydanoff. Her term begins with the March, 1990,

Effective immediately, new manuscripts should be sent to Patricia Voydanoff, editor-elect, Journal of Family Issues, Center for the Study of Family Development, University of Dayton, Dayton, OH 45469.

The Journal welcomes manuscripts which contribute to the understanding of theory, research, and application pertaining to the family. It is devoted to contemporary social issues and social problems related to marriage and family life, and to theoretical and professional issues of current interest to those who work with and study families.

You may contact Voydanoff or consult a recent issue for submission guidelines.

Cajuns, Creoles in New Orleans

It was French explorers who founded thoroughbred...born in the colonies. Nouvelle Orleans in 1718, and French engineers who established the design for the colony in 1721. The Old Ursuline Convent at 1114 Chartres Street is the only remaining structure from the original colony, and New Orleans was for many years a Spanish possession. But the Gallic influence is still strong, and New Orleanians cherish the city's French

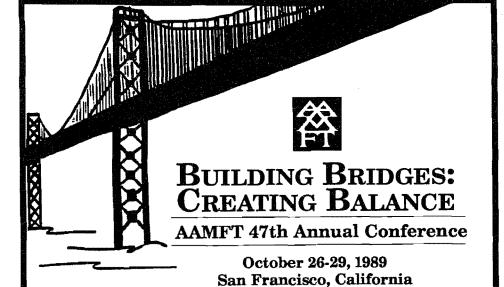
Two of the most frequently heard words in New Orleans are Cajun and Creole. Each describes a people, a culture, and a cuisine.

The Spanish word criollo and its cousin, the Portugese crioulo designated a full-blooded child born in the West Indies, and distinguished that child from the offspring of colonists who intermarried in the colonies. The French in the West Indies gallicized the word to creole, and

The story of the Cajuns dates back to the early 17th century, when a group of French colonists settled in the present-day Canadian Maritime provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. They called the area in which they settled l'Acadie -Acadia.

Some of the Acadians returned to France. Others came to New Orleans, which at that time was under the rule of the Catholic Spaniards who were sympathetic to the plight of the exiles. The devoutly religious and delightfully carefree Cajuns - the word is a corruption of Acadian - brought a new exuberance and zest to the region.

Today most of southwestern Louisiana is called Acadiana, or Cajun Country. The devil-may-care Cajun spirit flavors the food, the language, the music, even the very atmosphere of South Creole was a French Louisiana, and of New Orleans.



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Call For Nominations and Applications

for the position of

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Journal of Marriage and the Family

The Publications Committee of the National Council on Family Relations is accepting nominations and applications for the position of Editor of The Journal of Marriage and the Family (JMF). JMF is a quarterly publication that serves as a medium for the presentation of original theory, research interpretation, and critical discussion of materials related to marriage and the family. The term of the current Editor, Dr. Alan Booth (University of Nebraska-Lincoln), will be completed with the publication of the November, 1991, issue.

The four-year term of the new Editor will begin with the publication of the first issue of JMF in 1992 (February). However, editorial responsibilities (including the processing of manuscripts) will be transferred to the new Editor beginning in March, 1991. Moreover, NCFR anticipates making the selection of the current Editor before the March, 1991, transfer of responsibilities.

A detailed position description can be obtained by writing the JMF Editor Screening Committee at the NCFR national headquarters. The Screening committee consists of Drs. Raymond T. Coward (The University of Vermont), Harlan London (Syracuse University) and Linda Thompson (The University of Wisconsin-Madison). Please feel free to contact directly any of the members of the Screening Committee for additional information.

The deadline for nominations and applications will be Aug. 1, 1989. The NCFR Publications Committee intends to interview leading candidates for the position at the 1989 NCFR annual conference in New Orleans in November. The Editor will be appointed by the NCFR Board of Directors following a search and the recommendation of the NCFR Publications Committee.

Meetings

August 24,- -1989 Ackerman Institute convention in New Orleans, LA. Over 20 for Family Therapy summer workshops. Topics include school problems; family therapy with the elderly; addiction, violence and the mental health industry; Bowen family systems; therapy skills development; treatment of intrafamilial sex abuse; and the Tao of family therapy. Contact: Ackerman Institute for Family Therapy, 149 E. 78th St., New York, NY 10021; 212-879-

July13-16--Association of America, Inc., presents the eighth annual National Stepfamily Conference, "Camp California: The Conference for Kids of All Ages. . . " at the University of CA in Irvine. Rd., Baltimore, MD 21204.

July 17-21 in Seattle, WA; July 31- 415-346-7929. August 4 in Minneapolis, MN; and August 7-11 in San Francisco, CA-- National "Taking the Next Step", ETR Associates sixth annual Family will be presented from experts in Associates, P.O. Box 1830, Santa Cruz, CA 95061-1830; or call 408-438-4060.

July 18-21--"Diversity, Strength and City of Industry, CA 19746. Freedom: A New Declaration of Independence" National Coalition Sexual Against Assault Conference at the Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel in Philadelphia, PA. Keynote: Sandra Butler, author, feminist, therapist, and Sonya Sanchez, author, Institute keynote: Angela Davis, author, feminist, activist. Workshops, healing institute, entertainment and special activities. Sponsors: PA Coalition nursing workshops in the Pacific Against Rape and Women Organized Against Rape. Contact: 800-692-7445 in PA or 717-232-6745 from other states.

July 23-August 5--Assessment and Analysis o f Severe and Challenging Behavior in Los Angeles, CA. Sponsor: Institute for Applied Behavior Analysis. Contact: IABA, 6169 St. Andrews Rd., Suite 123, Columbia, SC 29212.

July 26-28--Training-for-trainers workshop in Chapel Hill, NC, by the Center for Early Adolescence of the University of SC at Chapel Hill. Directed at professionals who work with 10-to-15year-olds and their families. Contact: Center for Early Adolescence, University of NC at Chapel Hill, Suite 211, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro, NC 27510; 919-966-

July 27-30--Conference on codependency and addictive behavior, at the Holiday Inn, Santa Cruz, CA. Contact the Institute for Integral Development for more information: P.O. Box 2172, Colorado Springs, CO 80901; 719-634-7943.

August 2-4--"The Assessment and Victims of Sexual Abuse," in Minneapolis, MN. Contact: Dianne Trombley, 2688 Crystal Circle, Dunedin FL 34698; 813-786-5576.

August 6-12--Sixth international Organization Foster Care Education Conference, "Lasting Connections," at Eastern MI University in Ypsilanti. Daily themes: Empowering Families; Cultural and Minority Issues; Needs of Children and Youth in Care; and Advocacy, Policy and Systems Change. Contact: IFCO Conference, Eastern MI University, P.O. Box 15350, Ann Arbor, 37219; 615-741-3816. MI 48106.

August 11-15-- American

June 5-29, July 3-27, and July 31- Psychological Association annual continuing education workshops and six academic/scientific seminars are planned. Contact: APA, 1200 17th St. NW, Washington, DC 20036; 202-955-7600.

August 14-18--annual summer divorcing, post-divorced family; family institute on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, in Colorado Springs, CO. Institute for Integral Contact: Development, P.O. Box 2172, Colorado Springs, CO 80901; 719-634-7943.

August 17-20--"Creativity and Consciousness--Meeting the Challenge of Stepfamily the 90s," 27th annual conference of the Association for Humanistic Psychology meets at Stanford University in Stanford, CA. Speakers, institutes, plenary events, exhibits, video festival, workshops, morning meditations, Contact: Stepfamily Association of bodywork center and evening celebrations America, Inc., 602 E. Joppa are planned. Contact: AHP, 1772 Vallejo St. No. 3, San Francisco, CA 94123;

September 6-8--fifth annual Pediatric AIDS Conference at the Century Plaza Hotel, This is an Los Angeles, CA. Life Education Institute. Trainings interdisciplinary meeting concerned with current issues in the care of HIV infection adolescent sexuality. Contact: ETR in children and their families. Contact: LAPAN, c/o Public Health Foundation, 13200 Crossroads Parkway N., Suite 135,

September 13-15--National Conference on Family Nursing at the Portland Hilton, Portland, OR. Sponsors: Family Nursing Continuing Education Project, Dept. of Family Nursing, OR Health Sciences University. Plenary sessions with internationally scholar and poet. Women of Color recognized experts, concurrent sessions, poster presentations. This conference is the culmination of a three-year project that included a series of four regional family Northwest. It is also based on on-going projects generated by special interest groups formed at these workshops. Contact: Lynne D. Craig, secretary, Family Nursing Continuing Education Grant, OR Health Sciences University, Emma Jones Hall, Room 217, 3181 SW Sam Jackson Park Rd., Portland, OR 97201; 503-279-8383.

September 14-16--Widowed Persons Service 12th national conference in Minneapolis, MN, at the Center City Marriott Hotel. Theme: "Building Bridges: You and Your Community." Highlights ways that local widowed support groups can build bridges to other social institutions and supporting professionals to develop a community wide response to the needs of newly Volunteers, widowed persons. professionals, students, and other interested persons are invited. Contact: Widowed Persons Service, 12 NC, AARP, 1909 K St. NW, Washington, DC 20049; 202-728-4370.

September 20-22-- Families conference with the theme: "Strong Families in Changing Winds. Treatment of Juvenile and Adult Sex Keynoters are Dr. Carlfred Broderick, Dr. Offenders Against Children and Male Randy Chatelain, Carol Lynn Pearson, Bob Dematteis, Cynthia Parsons. Location: Weber State College in Ogden, UT. Contact: Kay T. Rawson, director, Family Education Center, Weber State College, Ogden, UT 84408-1307; 801-626-6948.

October 11-14--fifth annual National Correctional Trainers Conference, "A Direction for the 90s--Dedicated to Training," in Knoxville, TN. Contact: Robert A. McCluskey, program chair, 500 James Robertson Parkway, Suite 750, Volunteer Plaza, Nashville, TN

Remember: On August 1, 1989 Headquarters will move to 3989 Central Ave., NE Suite 550 Minneapolis, MN 55421

Student volunteers sought for November meeting

Each year during the Annual Conference, NCFR student members have the opportunity to volunteer their services for 8 hours in exchange for a "free" Conference registration. The number of positions is limited: Send in your form soon!!

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- A representative of the National Council on Family Relations to those who attend the conference.
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- Be at your assigned position 15 minutes before you are scheduled to work to be briefed on the day's progression of events and information pertinent to
- Be willing to do any task necessary for the smooth operation of your specific assigned project and the conference as a whole. (Note: Some positions may include lifting and moving boxes and equipment.)
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To be considered for a volunteer position please complete the application form and return to: Janice G. Weber-Breaux, Ph.D., C.F.L.E., C.H.E., University of Southwestern Louisiana, School of Home Economics, PO Box 40399, Lafayette, LA

STUDENT VOLUNTEER FORM

The National Council on Family Relations 1989 Annual Conference will be held November 3-8 at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, New Orleans, LA. Student volunteers will be needed for local arrangements at the time of the conference. Your help will be appreciated.

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What to see--for free--in New Orleans

There are spectacular VIEWS OF THE CITY from the Top of the Dome on the 32nd floor of the Hyatt Regency, the River View on the 41st floor of the Marriott, the Rainforest in the Hilton, and from the many eateries in the Jackson Brewery and the Millhouse.

Do as the locals do and spend a refreshing day at the LAKEFRONT, enjoying the sun, picnicking on Lakeshore Drive, and watching the sailboats on Lake Pontchartrain.

Don't miss the luxuriant PARKS of New Orleans. City Park, located on City Park Avenue, is a 1,500-acre urban oasis with moss-draped oaks, lazy lagoons, hiking and biking trails, gold courses, a tennis stadium, spectacular Botanical Gardens, an amusement park (with a turnof-the-century carousel!), and ample grounds for picnicking. Things are likewise lush at Audubon Park on St. Charles Avenue. In addition to golfing, the park offers a 1.8 mile jogging path, shaded by giant oak trees, and 18 exercise stations. It's also a wonderful place for relaxing beneath a tree and building castles in the air.

New Orleans ARCHITECTURE is a very special treat. The French Quarter holds quaint two-and three-story structures of frame, old-brick, and pastel-colored stucco, decorated with dollops of gingerbread and swirls of fanciful ironwork. The Garden District is awash with Greek Revival, Italianate and Queen Anne mansions surrounded by luxuriant lawns. But the city has a modern face, too. The fabulous Superdome is the world's largest facility of its kind, and other modern structures include the New Orleans Convention Center, the Rivergate, Place St. Charles, the LL&E Building, the World Trade Center, and One Shell Square - the tallest building in the city.

You can watch experts make the city's famed PRALINES, then get the recipe and take a little bit of New Orleans home to your own kitchen.

WINDOW SHOPPING is a favorite New Orleans pastime, for locals as well as visitors. Browse through the antique and souvenir shops, boutiques and galleries of the French Quarter. Then head toward the river to find the Jackson Brewery, the Millhouse, the Marketplace, Canal Place, Riverwalk, and the New Orleans Centre. Magazine Street offers a full six miles of antique shops in quaint old structures. Next, venture out to Uptown Square, Riverbend, the Rink, Clearview, Esplanade, Belle Promenade, Oakwood, Lake Forest Plaza, and Lakeside shopping centers for yet more browsing.

New Orleans is home to a number of UNIVERSITIES: Tulane and Loyola on St. Charles Avenue, the University of New Orleans on the Lakefront, and Dillard and Xavier Universities. Most offer regular concerts, films, and lectures free of charge and open to the public.

The FRENCH CULTURAL SERVICES CENTER offers French programs, classes, videocassettes, a library, periodic exhibits, film festivals, and lectures. It's at 3303 St. Charles Avenue. Just call 891-6901.

No matter what time of year you visit New Orleans, you're sure to find a FESTIVAL! The Carnival season begins annually on January 6, and the excitement builds, with more balls and more parades, until Mardi Gras! Mardi Gras--the greatest free show on earth--is the last two weeks of Carnival. On Lundi Gras (Fat Monday) the city hosts a splashy free-to-the-public masked ball at the Spanish Plaza, and on Fat Tuesday, the final day, there are parades all day long, eye-popping costumes, and about a million people having a grand old time. Visitors to the city are encouraged to enter the Mask-A-Thon contest that takes place annually on the big day.

soon follow, with yet more parades and parties around the city. Next up is Spring Fiesta, which lead in to the French Quarter Festival and the Tennessee Williams/New.

St Patrick's Day and St. Joseph's Day Orleans Literary Festival. In July the Louis Armstrong Classic Jazz Festival pays tribute to one of the city's best-loved native sons, and on Bastille Day New Orleanians honor the city's French connections. La Fete spotlights one of the city's most celebrated attractions: New Orleans cuisine!



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Here's how to speak 'N'Orlyuns'

A Brooklyn cab driver once visited New Orleans and returned home flabbergasted by the New Orleans accent. "Hey," he said "Day sound just like us!"

Brooklynese? Smack in the South? It's true. You will not hear a Southern accent in the Crescent City. As in any city with a port and a past, the New Orleans accent is a many-splendored thing - a blending of cultures and climates. And when you consider the nationalities that populated both the port city of New York and the port city of New Orleans, it isn't so surprising that the accents would be similar. The New Orleans version of Brooklynese is softer, gentler, and has a slight Southern lilt to it. But the similarities are unmistakable.

Because of the city's legendary French heritage, French restaurants and famed French Quarter, many visitors expect to find here a predominantly French city. Well, it is...and it isn't. True, there are

many streets with French names. Ah, but the local pronunciation of those streets! Here, Chartres is said like the English work "charters." The accent in Burgundy is on the middle syllable, and the "i" in Conti rhymes with "eye." And many Orleanians say Eye-berville Street.

The local pronunciation of "New Orleans" is almost unprintable. What it is not is New Orleens. (Except in song, or when Orleans refers to the parish or street of that name.) It is Nawlins. N'awlines. NyOrluns. N'Orlyuns. N'yawlyuns. Almost unprintable.

And there are yet more linguistic idiosyncrasies, to wit:

Banquette (ban-ket) - a French word meaning bench, and what we call a sidewalk. That goes back to when the first city sidewalks were made of wood with a slightly raised edge on the street sides to help protect the ladies' skirts from the mud and the mire.

Bayou (bye-yoo) - an Indian word meaning creek. South Louisiana has a whole network of bayous.

Beignet (bin-yea) - a pastry which is a cross between a cruller and a doughnut without the hole, a square-shaped confection served hot and liberally sprinkled with powdered sugar.

Cafe Au Lait (caf-ay oh-lay) -French, meaning, literally, coffee with milk. It is half-and-half blend of strong chicory coffee and hot milk.

Cajun (kay-jun) - Slang for Acadians, the French-speaking people who came to South Louisiana from Canada.

Chicory (chick-ory) - An herb, the roots of which are dried, roasted, ground, and used to flavor coffee.

Crawfish - sometimes spelled crayfish, but always pronounced craw-fish, these little critters resemble toy lobsters and turn up in an astonishing variety of local dishes.

Creole (cree-ole) - Refers to the firs settlers of the region, as well as to a culture, a cuisine, a style of architecture and to produce indigenous to this area.

Dixie - The local favorite and only beer produced in the area. The brewery is located on Tulane Avenue, and is open to the public for tours. (The word "Dixie" originated in New Orleans before the Wai Between the States. Because of the strong French influence in the city, pape currency was printed on one side in French, the other in English. Ten dolla notes were printed on the French side with the word "Dix," and became known as "Dixies." New Orleans was the firs Dixie-land.)

Doubloons (dub-loons) - Trinket: shaped like coins, which are tossed by float-riding masquers during Mardi Gra parades. Thousands line the parade router and beg the masquers to, "Throw me something, mister!"

Dressed - An adjective applied here to food (not individuals), meaning "serve with the works." It generally refers to sandwiches "dressed" with mayonnaise ettuce, and tomato.

Etoufee (ay-too-fay) - A succulen omato-based sauce. Crawfish etoufee and hrimp etoufee are wonderful loca

Gumbo - Another dish indigenous to lew Orleans, a thick soup prepared with eef, seafood, countless spices, and lots o

Jambalaya (jum-bo-lie-ya) - New orleans chefs "sweep up the kitchen" and oss a kitchen-full of ingredients into the ot - yellow rice, sausage, seafood egetables and, of course, spices.

Krewe (krew) - a social club whose embers stage the parades and pageantry of Mardi Gras. There are scores of krewer n New Orleans, only a few of which are ex, Comus, Endymion, Iris, and √lomus.

Lagniappe (lan-yap) - French fo oonus,' the "little something extra" tha our trip may bring. Fourteen oysters fo he price of twelve, or eight postcards fo he price of six.

Mardi Gras (mar-di-graw - Literall) at Tuesday in French. It is the last day f Carnival, the night before As Vednesday and the beginning of Lent.] s "the greatest free show in the world, elebrated for several weeks with parade ind carnival balls.

Parish - In any other state, a county One of the first things any Louisian school child learns is that his state is th only one in the country which ha parishes instead of counties.

Muffuletta - An extravaganza of andwich. Italian sausage and meats and nustard and pickles, piled high on grea hick buns.

Neutral Ground - A median; the trip of land running down the center of oulevard. When the Americans cam lown to New Orleans, they lived on on ide of what is now Canal Street and th creoles lived on the other, in the Vieu Carre. The canal for which the street wa named was never built, but the stri lesignated for the canal and separating th Americans from the Creoles was called the neutral ground.

Praline (praw-leen) - No, not pray een. A candy patty made with suga vater, and nuts, with several variation vailable in candy and gift shops.

Po-Boy - a submarine or hoagi andwich prepared on French bread an served "dressed" with a variety of meat nd cheese.

Vieux Carre (Vieu-ka-ray) rench, meaning old square. The origina ity of New Orleans, now the Frenc uarter.

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