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Walker Chosen 1993-94 NCFR President-elect

Alexis Walker Ph.D., professor of Human Development and Family Sciences at OR State University in Corvallis, is the NCFR President-elect for 1993-94. She was elected by the members in the spring election.

Also elected were **B. Kay Pasley**, associate professor of Human Development and Family Studies at the University of NC-Greensboro, program vice-president-elect for 1993-94; **Joan Jurich**, associate professor of Family Studies at Purdue University, W. Lafayette, IN, secretary; and **David Klein**, associate professor of Sociology, University of Notre Dame in Indiana, treasurer.

Chair of the newly elected Nominating Committee is **Anthony P. Jurich**, professor of Human Development and Family Studies at KS State University in Manhattan. Other members of the committee are **Kay Michael Troost**, associate professor of Sociology and Anthropology and NC Japan Center faculty fellow at NC State University, Raleigh; **Patricia M. Wilson**, assistant professor of Family Resources and



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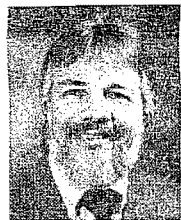
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Human Development, AZ State University-Tempe; **Randal D. Day**, associate professor, Dept. of Child, Consumer and Family Studies, WA State

University-Pullman; **Kenneth Hardy**, associate professor and director of Clinical Training and Research Marriage and Family Therapy, Syracuse University; and **Estella A. Martinez**, assistant professor of Family Studies and Child Development, University of NM-Albuquerque.

The Student/New Professional representative-elect for 1993-94 is **Catherine A. Solheim**, assistant professor, Family and Child Development, Auburn University, Alabama.

A total of 575 members voted in the election--a 15.4 percent return. This compares with 19.3 percent in 1992; 18.4 percent in 1991; and 19 percent in 1990. All national officers will take office at the end of NCFR's annual conference in Baltimore in November.

New officers in the Section elections (to hold office from 1993-1995) are:

Family Policy--Pamela Monroe, chair; Leonor Boulton Johnson, vice-chair; Leslie Koepke, secretary/treasurer; and Tammy

Henderson, student/new professional representative.

Feminism and Family Studies--Katherine Allen CFLE, chair; Leigh A. Leslie, vice-chair; Margaret Crosbie-Burnett, secretary/treasurer; and Sharon K. Dwyer and Pamela B. Lerner, student/new professional representatives.

Religion and Family Life--J. Elizabeth Norrell, chair; Douglas Abbott, vice-chair; Donald Swenson, secretary/treasurer; and Judy Tiesel, student/new professional representative.

Research and Theory--Robert Milardo, chair; Cheryl Buehler CFLE, vice-chair; David Dollahite, secretary/treasurer; and Janice Winchester Nadeau, student/new professional representative.

In addition, the changes to the **Family and Health Section** constitution were accepted.

ATTENTION MEMBERS!

Please return your latest NCFR membership survey concerning the proposed changes to the membership structure. It was mailed to you in early June. Your input will aid the Board of Directors in making their decisions in November. Call Kathy at 612-781-9331 if you have any questions or did not receive a survey.

"Family Matters" According to Speaker

"Families, Communities, and Habits of the Heart," is the title of the plenary address to be delivered by Jean Bethke Elshtain on Saturday, November 13 during NCFR's 55th annual conference in Baltimore, MD.

Elshtain is Centennial Professor of Political Science and professor of philosophy at Vanderbilt University, and a political philosopher and author whose commitment has been to show the connections between our political and ethical convictions.



Elshtain

Elshtain notes that she is "concerned that American children are in peril in part because they are less assured of the sustained care, support, and safety that comes only with order and nurturance in their immediate environments."

During her plenary address she plans to "remind us of why **family matters** and how we, as a society, can help to stem the tide of its decline. She will explore what families do that no other institution

can do, and why we have such a high stake--as individuals and as a people--in the struggle to sustain and nourish families in order that they might sustain and nourish America's children."

Elshtain is the author of several books, including her most recent, **But Was It Just? Reflections on the Morality of the Persian Gulf War** (Doubleday, 1992). She earned her A.B. in 1963 from CO State University, and a master's degree in history as a Woodrow Wilson Fellow.

She earned her Ph.D. in politics from Brandeis University in 1973 and immediately joined the faculty of the University of MA at Amherst. She served as assistant professor from 1973 to 1976 when she was promoted to an associate professorship. She became a full professor in 1981.

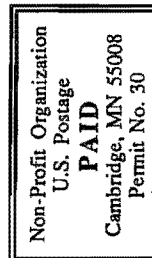
In 1988, she joined the faculty of Vanderbilt University. She has been a visiting professor at Oberlin College and Yale University.

Elshtain has been a National

Endowment for the Humanities Fellow at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. Currently she is a member of the Board of Trustees of Members of the Institute for Advanced Study. She has been a Scholar in Residence, Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Conference and Study Center, Como, Italy; a Guggenheim Fellow (1991-92) working on an intellectual biography of Jane Addams; and a Writer in Residence, MacDowell Colony, Peterborough, NH.

In 1991, Elshtain was awarded, but declined, a National Humanities Center Fellowship. She is the recipient of the Ellen Gregg Ingalls Award for excellence in classroom teaching, the highest award for undergraduate teaching at Vanderbilt University.

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Leadership Focuses on Mentoring

Attracting and maintaining a vital, committed membership in NCFR has been a major focus of the Board of Directors this year. We have studied the results of the 1992 membership survey as well as those presented by the preliminary findings of several focus group sessions recently conducted by the NCFR staff. Each offers instructive insight into the programming needs identified by members and potential members.

The membership profile results (Bowen and Czaplewski, 1992) revealed that attrition among students and those in their early professional years was high, with a substantial number suggesting that they would have liked NCFR to provide greater opportunity for networking, especially at the annual conference.

Former members reported that they had not had meaningful organizational participation during their membership. Both groups suggested that NCFR consider orchestrating opportunities for established scholars/professionals to mentor students and new professionals. One theme apparent in the focus group results seems to echo these findings.

As Board members, we have challenged ourselves to think creatively about the opportunities NCFR can provide to better address the priorities identified by its membership, particularly that of greater involvement with the organization and networking activities. I am happy to report that you will see

some of the results of this thinking and planning in new, interactive events scheduled for the annual conference in November. Not only the Board, but many members, established and new professionals, are enthusiastically participating in development as well as delivery of the sessions and/or events.

For instance:

- **Live on Saturday Night, it's the STUDENT/NEW PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM.**

Sixteen, 30-minute roundtable discussions will each focus on issues of particular interest to those early in their careers such as, "Getting the Most Out of a Professional Meeting," "Ideas for Doing Policy Research," "Teaching Your First Large Class," "Developing a Successful Program of Research," and "Leadership Opportunities in NCFR." At the end of each 30-minute period, attendees change to another topic, allowing them to attend three.

- Among those attending the **FIRST-TIMERS RECEPTION** will be the Membership committee members, the Board of Directors, former officers and Board members, and a contingency of members with a minimum of 25 years of NCFR membership. All established NCFR members are asked to issue invitations to all first-time

conference attendees and introduce them to colleagues during the reception.

- **Tour the Hill.** The NCFR Public Policy committee is offering an optional all-day tour of Capitol Hill on Tuesday, November 16. Open to any member, this event offers a good opportunity to get to know other members in a more informal situation. New members may wish to go "Dutch treat"—and invite an established member to join you or vice versa.

- **NEGOTIATING THE CONFERENCE.** An insert into the conference program will describe "How to Negotiate the Conference." Individuals from the student/new professional group will be posted close to the registration area to answer newcomers' questions.

- **MENTORING OPPORTUNITIES ARE MARKED WITH A SYMBOL IN THE PROGRAM.** Conference attendees, both established and new professionals, can easily identify sessions and/or events designed to enhance networking opportunities.

- **TO DO ON YOUR OWN.** At least once during the conference,

invite a **student or new professional** to join you at breakfast, lunch or dinner. Consider inviting others to join you who have similar professional and/or research interests to those of your guest.

To address the involvement and networking issue long-term and in a broader context than annual conference will be the work of the NCFR Mentoring Task Force. This group of interested and dedicated individuals spans the membership from newcomers to long-termers to those mid-career.

David Wright (KS State) will chair the group. The charge will be to evaluate this year's activities and to make recommendations for continuance, deletion, and additional opportunities not only at the annual conference, but in other NCFR arenas.

I hope you agree that greater involvement by a larger percentage of NCFR members, both established and new, is an important goal inherently related to the long-term health of the association. Also, and perhaps most important, is the investment in the future of our discipline through nurturing the development of our most important resource—our members.

Patricia Kain Knaub
1992-93 NCFR President

Family Relations Issues Call for Family Policy Papers

Family Relations will publish a special collection of papers on Family Policy. The deadline for submissions is March 1, 1994.

Papers are welcomed on any public policy or legal issue related to families and children. Especially encouraged are quantitative analyses or comparisons of current federal policies to the policies of previous federal administrations.

Other relevant topics include, but are not limited to, state and local policies, the

impact of federal legislation on state policy activities, family law, international family policy, the impact of government policies on rural families, corporate or workplace policies affecting families, literature reviews or research-based essays on the future of U.S. family policy, analyses of successful advocacy initiatives, and strategies for teaching public policy.

Instructions for authors are included in the January, 1993, issue of **Family Relations**. Four copies of the manuscript and a non-refundable \$15 processing fee (checks payable to NCFR) should be sent to Pamela A. Monroe, Ph.D., School of Human Ecology, LA State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803; 504-388-1731.

Volunteers Needed for Study

Adults who have survived and transcended a traumatic childhood and feel they are relatively happy, well-adjusted individuals, are encouraged to contact **Dr. Linda Ernst** in Family Resources at St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN 55057.

Volunteers will be sent anonymous questionnaires.

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CFLE Directions

Teacher's Kit Sales Soar!

The past few months have shown big improvements in the CFLE program. Things are definitely on the upswing!

Most of February and March were spent completing the NCFR **Family Life Education Teacher's Kit**. This project turned out to be a lot more work than originally expected, but the results are well worth it! Over 300 orders had been placed for the Teacher's Kit before it was even published! By mid-June, over 500 had been sold, with no slowdown in sight.

The Kit consists of 66 lesson plans based on the ten family life substance areas used as criteria for the CFLE program. The majority of lesson plans are geared toward undergraduate and graduate level students with a fair representation of plans for high school students.

The purpose of the kit is to provide family life educators with tested lesson plans that are, for the most part, ready to use. The intent is that the purchaser of the kit may use the lesson plans, overheads, and handouts at will.

We hope to make this the first in a series of teacher's kits--the next one to be published in 1994--if you have lesson plans you are willing to share, consider submitting. Submission forms can be obtained from the NCFR office. We are interested in including more plans intended for high school audiences and to include a more balanced collection of topics.

Following is the list of Teacher's Kit lesson plan titles for each of the ten family life substance areas:

FAMILIES IN SOCIETY

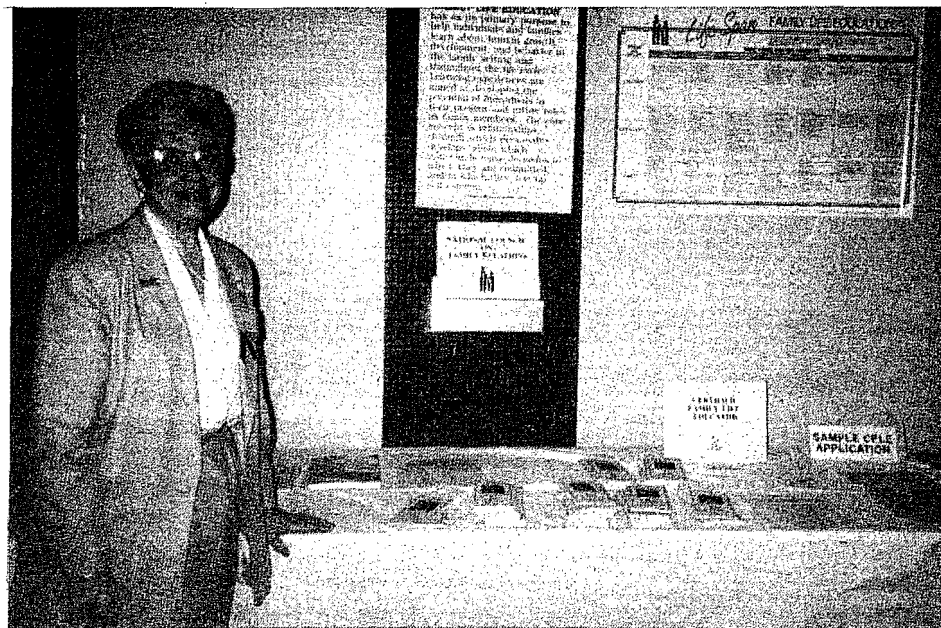
Using Family Treasures ♦ Teaching Strategies for Family Demographics ♦ Tip of the Iceberg ♦ Families in Folk and Urban Societies ♦ The Impact of Ethnocentrism on Culturally Diverse Families ♦ Asian American Families ♦ Native American Families ♦ The Ecological Model of Human Development ♦ Gender Roles in Hispanic-American Families ♦ Television Depictions of African-American Families ♦ Cuban American Families ♦ Electronic Cottage ♦ Hot House ♦ Jam on the Job

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HUMAN GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

Predicting Future Development ♦ Understanding Developmental Needs and Stages ♦ Changes in Financial Resource Needs Over the Life Cycle ♦ Understanding Developmental Tasks of



Carol Rubino, M.S. CFLE, staffed a booth at the recent 10th annual Family Life Education conference in Binghamton, NY. Rubino is the CFLE coordinator for the state of NY. Theme of the meeting was "Celebrating Families."

Early Adulthood ♦ Physical, Social, & Intellectual Development

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ETHICS

Values and Choices

FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION METHODOLOGY

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Certification ♦ Filing FLE Materials ♦ Preparing Presentations on Family Life

CFLEs and NCFR members can purchase the Teacher's Kit at the special price of \$23.95 plus \$3 for shipping and handling. Others pay a total of \$32.95! Ordering information is enclosed. The

Teacher's Kit will be an important source of revenue for the CFLE department and should help to increase its financial stability.

CFLEs ARE ACTIVELY PROMOTING THE CFLE PROGRAM!

It is obvious that CFLEs have been busy promoting the CFLE designation. A request for CFLE referrals was included with the 1993 Maintenance Fee billing. Over 250 names have been received from this effort alone. Many CFLEs have contacted me to request CFLE brochures for distribution to colleagues and students, and several CFLEs have made presentations on the CFLE application process at local conferences.

Of the 34 applications received for the Spring 1993 Review, 14 listed a CFLE as a reference. Several were students applying for Provisional certification. Their applications came as a direct result of completing the application as part of a class assignment. Many

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Family Research Trends, Directions Topic of Series

Present trends and future directions in family research is the theme of NCFR's newest book series. **Jay A. Mancini**, professor and department head of Family and Child Development at VA Tech in Blacksburg, has been appointed senior editor.

NCFR expects to publish at least one book in the series each year. The core of each book (80 percent) will be articles already published in NCFR's journals, **Journal of Marriage and the Family** and **Family Relations**. Depending on the topic, between one and five new articles will be commissioned for each volume.

The series will focus on contemporary family issues. Each volume will contain implications for policy, practice, theory, and research. The collection is aimed at professionals and advanced undergraduate and graduate students.

Mancini is responsible for selecting the theme and topic editor for each book, and for working with that editor on content matters. Each topic editor is responsible for selecting the journal articles to be included and for commissioning any new articles to be written. In addition, the editor will write an introduction, overview and conclusion.

Proposals are being sought on any areas considered contemporary family issues. Mancini welcomes suggestions of NCFR members for possible themes. One idea presently under discussion is men in families.

Return Your Membership Survey

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professors require completion of the application process because it provides the students with excellent evaluations of their preparation in family life education.

A call was recently received from a woman in Maine inquiring about having Maine county extension agents certified. She felt that having the CFLE designation would add to their credibility.

Likewise, Ray Nolton of the Department of Human and Rehabilitative Services in Tallahassee, FL, was interested in having their personnel certified. He said they have 10 to 15,000 degreed employees who would benefit from the certification. He would like to develop a department initiative for career enhancement for DHRS employees through the Certified Family Life Educator program. We'll be keeping in touch to see how we can best facilitate his efforts!

Licensing of parent educators has become a hot topic over the past few years. At least five different parent education organizations have contacted NCFR about requiring the CFLE designation for their educators, rather than developing their own program. While the CFLE designation is probably more comprehensive in family life education issues than a parenting certification might be, they felt that a

Call for Topic Editors

Interested professionals are urged to submit proposals to Mancini at the **Dept. of Family and Child Development, VA Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24061-0416; 703-231-6110; FAX 703-231-7157; Mancini @ VTVM1.CC.VT.EDU.**

Proposals should include the editor's background; rationale for the proposed focus; description of the book's goals; JMF and FR articles (complete citations and brief overview of each article) which are appropriate for inclusion; descriptions of new articles and proposals for authors; and a timetable for completion. **The deadline is August 1, 1993.**

NCFR will provide \$200 to the editor to cover telephone, postage and copying costs. NCFR members who may not be interested in editing one of the volumes are welcome to send their suggestions for collections topics or indicate their desire to author one of the new articles.

Meeting

October 21-24--TX Association for the Education of Young Children 1993 conference, "Celebrate the Kaleidoscope of Childhood," Lubbock, TX. Contact: Marge Hopper, conference co-chair, 806-792-9398 or 792-3947; or Nancy Benz, co-chair, 806-747-0576 ext. 646 or 745-4304.

truly qualified parent educator must have a thorough knowledge and understanding of family life in order to be effective.

All of these examples point to the increased awareness and respect of the CFLE designation. The committee will be working with these and other organizations to continue to increase the visibility of the CFLE designation.

In June we plan to begin an effort to promote the CFLE designation to employers of family life educators. **Carol Rubino, MS, CFLE, and Maxine Hammonds-Smith, Ph.D., CFLE** are preparing information and statistics regarding the need for family life education in today's society and the necessity of having qualified educators provide that education.

The deadline for the Fall, 1993 Review is September, 3, 1993. Help us to make it the best review yet by encouraging your colleagues to apply!

Correction: In the last issue we incorrectly listed that Dr. Maxine Hammonds-Smith, CFLE, was at The University of Texas Health Science Center. She has been at Texas Southern University for the past five years. We apologize for the confusion.
Dawn Cassidy
Certification Director

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Correction

An error was made in identifying t photographs in the election vita for the **Feminism and Family Studies Section** printed in the March, 1993 issue of REPORT.

Here are the correctly identified pictures:



Karen Headlee



Pamela Lerner

No picture was available for Sharon Dwyer.

We apologize for any problems this error may have caused.

Experts Needed

NCFR headquarters staff receive several requests each week for experts and resource people in many different family field areas. Most of the requests come from the media, policy makers, c researchers.

If you would be willing to be contacted about your areas of expertise research, please send your name, telephone number and preferred contac address to NCFR, Resource Contact, 3989 Central Ave. NE, Suite 550, Minneapolis, MN 55421. **Please include a list of the areas about which you could be contacted.**

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Executive Review

International Family Research Policy Ties

Recently the NCFR Board of Directors sent me on a mission to investigate the practicality of continuing NCFR's affiliation with the International Union of Family Organizations (IUFO)--the international connection with family research and policy abroad.

I attended the meeting of the **Commission on Marriage and Interpersonal Relationships Conference** in Baden/Vienna, Austria, May 6-9. It was a fruitful and insightful experience.

The International Union of Family Organizations was founded in 1947 as an independent body linking family organizations throughout the world. It has consultancy status (category I) with the **United Nations**, a charter of collaboration with the **United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)**, and close working relations with many other international organizations including the **Council of Europe**, the **League of Arab States**, the **Organization of African States**, and the **Organization of American States**.

The **Commission on Marriage and Interpersonal Relationships** was established in 1953 as the Commission on Marriage Guidance, this body is the longest standing of the Commissions of IUFO.

The purpose of the Commission is to promote the exchange of information and experience through encouraging contact between individuals and organizations across the world whose work connects with couple and family relationships. The Commission crosses boundaries of professional disciplines as well as nationality, including social workers, counselors, mediators, therapists, researchers, teachers, lawyers and policy formulators among those who participate in its work. The interdisciplinarity of this group makes an excellent fit with the mission and goals of NCFR.

Several NCFR members act as consultants to this commission, and at the recent meeting in Vienna, NCFR was well-represented by Dr. Wilfried Dumon, Institute for Sociology, University of Leuven, Belgium; Dr. Karen Altergott, Family Research Institute, Purdue University, IN; Dr. Margaret Feldman, NCFR Public Policy representative, Washington, DC; and me as NCFR executive director.

Families worldwide are facing tumultuous changes. Some of the changes are the result of political, social, and environmental developments. Other changes result from an evolution within families and the interrelationship of all these factors. The theme of the Vienna conference was "New Families?"

Of paramount concern to the 80-plus attendees from 20 different countries were questions like, "Is the family of the 21st century a new family?", "Have the needs of individuals within families changed?", "What societal trends have brought about these changes?", "What are the implications of family changes for the

couples and children who comprise them?", "What policy and practice responses should be given highest priority as a consequence of these changes?"

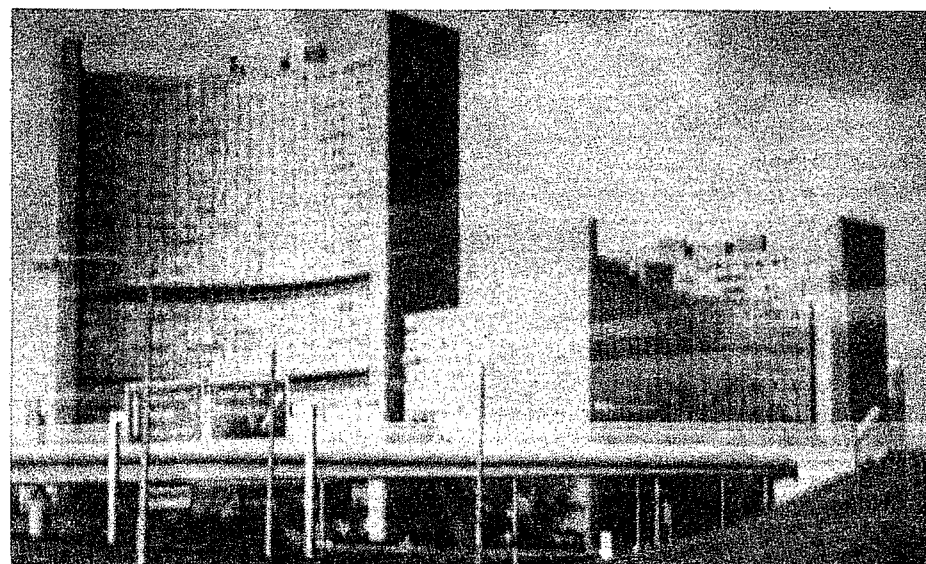
Professor Dumon provided the impetus for discussion as the first plenary speaker. He described "Family in Post-Modern Society," as a complex and time-consuming entity. The organization, or internal operating processes within the family have changed in the way authority is exercised and in the division of labor.

Hierarchical structures with clear roles defined have given way to negotiation-oriented division of power where roles are blurred, and positions are interchangeable. The resulting negative impact is that attainable objectives and expected patterns are not clearly defined, giving rise to great uncertainty in families. The positive outcome is that the family becomes a nest of mutual support.

The two-income family has defined different roles for men. For example, the division between parenthood and marriage ties has occurred. Both partners are now economically independent, necessitating the need for partners to consult and negotiate on who pays for what in the family.

Changes in the family life cycle have been enormous with the increased incidence of cohabitation, marriage, divorce, reconstituted (step) families. This has caused a separation between the marital system and the parenthood system.

Dumon's challenges and those of Dr. Renate Riedler-Singer, systems-psychotherapist of the Institute for the Study of Family Therapy, Vienna, Austria, provided the impetus for intense discussion in the working group sessions throughout the following three days.



Three NCFR representatives recently visited Henryk Sokalski, international coordinator of the UN International Year of the Family at UN headquarters in Vienna, Austria.--Photo by Mary Jo Czaplewski.

Dr. Karen Altergott presented a workshop on "Shared Time: Marital Companionship Across the Life Course," in which she examined time-rich and time-poor marriages across the family life cycle through indepth analysis of U.S. families.

Major discussion topics in the working group sessions included changing gender roles, particularly for men; the impact of parental leave laws in the various countries. (The U.S. has the weakest by far.); the impact of media in portraying as well as influencing family life and violence and in influencing attitudes toward family life.

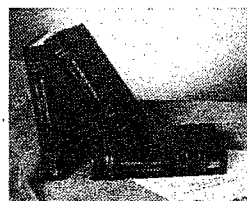
An important conclusion was that family interaction is compressed into small bits of time due to the two-wage earner and single parent family structures. There is increasing need for family support services--both public and private; an increasing number of children without families; and the alienation of youth--especially the 20s group.

Of utmost concern to all those present was the need for family-sensitive

public policy. Delegates from all countries expressed the need to reconcile a better balance between work and family life, the need in every country for a "Ministry of Families" with all government levels, including local, state and federal levels; and the importance of consulting families themselves in the formulation of public policies for families.

The experience of attending this conference has provided NCFR with further international visibility, but perhaps more importantly, it has provided a channel for sharing similar concerns with other international professionals of the family, and for learning how other countries are dealing with them. It provides a basis for comparison of our own U.S. policies and attitudes, and gives ideas on how they might otherwise be handled. The upcoming activities of the International Year of the Family and interaction with this Commission and IUFO during the next year will be important if NCFR is to maintain important organizational contacts. **Mary Jo Czaplewski Ph.D., CFLE**
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A Matter of Membership

Concept Approved on New Membership Structure

At the April NCFR Board of Directors meeting, the Board showed considerable interest in meeting the needs of NCFR members. Approved was a procedure brought before it by the Membership committee to help make the election procedures more open to potential candidates.

The Board also approved changing the name of the annual business meeting to the **"Business Meeting and Membership Forum."** Both changes will require a membership vote. The Board also explore changing to a more flexible membership structure for NCFR that would allow members more choice.

New Election Procedures

In the past, the Nominations committee would select two people to run for each office. Finding candidates was done on an informal basis. The Board of Directors recently approved a process whereby all members of the organization can nominate themselves for NCFR offices if they are interested in a particular office, or they can nominate another person who they believe is qualified and willing to serve.

The Nominating committee's new role will be to select the two candidates who will run from among the nominations submitted and from Nominating committee nominations.

If a member who was nominated for the position was not selected by the Nominating committee to run on the slate, that member may then present a

petition with 60 member signatures to the NCFR headquarters, and they will be included on the ballot. The general membership will be encouraged on an annual basis through notification in *REPORT*, to notify headquarters of their interest in serving as an elected officer.

It is our hope that the new elections procedures will help members feel more involved and an important part of the organization.

Under the current system, many members who may be willing and qualified to run for office may not be known to the Nominating committee. The new process allows **interested people to come forward rather than always being "sought after."**

The new process only applies to national NCFR offices. Sections will determine their own election procedures under the organization's constitutional guidelines. More information will be made available on the new process as we near the implementation period for terms beginning in November, 1994.

Business Meeting and Membership Forum

In other action initiated by the Membership committee at the April Board of Directors meeting, the Board changed the name of the annual "Business Meeting" to "Business Meeting and Membership Forum."

Time will be specifically allocated at the meeting for members to dialogue with

the NCFR leadership on issues of relevance to them. It is hoped that changing the name and informing members about the dialogue opportunities will promote a feeling of greater openness. The dialogue period will also allow members to feel that their input is heard and appreciated.

New Membership Structure to be Explored

The Board of Directors approved the concept of a new membership category structure. The new system would include the following categories:

Colleague (\$80), including both journals and the *REPORT*; Associate

(\$55) including one journal of choice and the *REPORT*; Sustaining (\$30) with no journals, but including the *REPORT*; and Organization (\$110). There would be no specific student category, but students would receive significant discounts on journal subscriptions.

NCFR headquarters and the Membership committee members have sent you a survey to determine how these changes would affect the membership. Be sure to return yours. Your responses will enable the Board to make more informed decisions when the issue is voted on at the November Board of Directors meeting in Baltimore.

Bill Meredith
Membership Vice-president

Questions from Members

"What are the purposes of the various Sections? How do I decide where I fit?"

For those new to NCFR, the organization has ten Sections: Education and Enrichment, Ethnic Minorities, Family and Health, Family Science, Family Policy, Family Therapy, Feminism and Family Studies, International, Religion and Family Life, and Research and Theory.

The Sections allow for members to share and network with members who share similar interests. They can do so through the Section business meeting, other activities, and through their newsletters. Sections also provide a means of building leadership skills. The annual NCFR conference program content is selected by the Sections. Each is responsible for a certain portion of the program. Members should select the Sections they join based on their interests.

A second level of interest groups also exists within NCFR: Focus groups. They are sponsored by the Sections, and are not necessarily time-continuing, but time-limited.

The groups focus on specific issues of importance today. Like Sections, they provide members with an opportunity to meet people with very similar interests. They are also included on the annual conference schedule.

The 17 Focus Groups are: Certified Family Life Educator, Marriage and Family Enrichment, Middle Age, Sexuality and the Family, Single Parent Families, Nursing, Adoption, Family Centers, Peace and Family, Remarriage and Stepfamilies, Rural Families, Work and the Family, Qualitative Family Research Network, Individual Development in the Family Context, Families and Grief, Parent Education, and Men in Families.

Focus On: Ethnic Minorities Section

For NCFR members who have an interest in issues related to ethnic minority families and professional issues, you will want to join the Ethnic Minorities Section. This Section is particularly good for new members because it has an excellent mentoring program.

Section leaders will facilitate you in finding a professional who can provide you with guidance in your career. The Section encourages co-authorship on articles between seasoned professionals and its student and new professional members. Partnership between junior and senior scholars is encouraged. Students and new professionals are encouraged to submit to the Section's poster sessions and roundtable sessions.

The Ethnic Minorities Section provides many leadership opportunities for members via the following sub-committees: long-range planning, program, fundraising, Marie Peters Award, and membership. Leadership positions are also available on the Executive Council.

The Section is committed to showcasing its membership in the annual

conference. Several symposia related to the national conference theme will be held at the 1993 conference: Moral Discourse, Ethnic Minority Families, and the Social Construction of Race/Ethnicity, Gender and Class: Implications for Research, Theory, and Public Policy, Part I: Perspectives on Research and Theory, and Part II: Policy Perspectives: Critique and Development. These symposia will bring together experienced colleagues and members in meaningful and provocative presentations and dialogue.

News of interest to members is distributed to them through the Section newsletter. The Ethnic Minorities Section sponsors a dance open to everyone at the annual conference. This gives attendees chances to interact with one another.

For more information about the Ethnic Minorities Section, prospective members may contact the Section chair, Edith Lewis at 1065 Frieze Bldg., University of MI, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1285; 313-764-5330.

Telephone numbers of other Section officers are: Norma Bond Burgess, 901-678-3731; Robin Jarrett, 312-508-3670; and Robert Taylor, 313-936-2618.

Meet-A-Member

Linda Robinson earned her Ph.D. from the University of TN-Knoxville in 1990 and joined the faculty of Family Relations and Child Development at OK State University that fall. She has taught classes in Human Development, Family Development, Professional Services for Families and Children, Skills for the Helping Professionals, and Human Sexuality.



Robinson

Linda's research interest focuses on interpersonal relationships. Her dissertation was a qualitative study of marital strengths in enduring marriages. Currently, she is involved in the study of individual and family factors which are related to intimate relationships in young adulthood. In fact, she recently had an article published in *Family Relations* on that topic.

Regarding her membership in NCFR, Linda had this to say, "I remember attending my first NCFR conference in Dearborn. I was a doctoral student presenting my master's thesis on joint custody. It was exhilarating to be in the midst of so many people who were concerned enough about the welfare of families to make it their life's work. My exhilaration turned to terror when I discovered my presentation was in a ballroom rather than the smaller, less threatening meeting rooms. The obvious flaws in my study were mentioned by the discussant, and I was ready to flee. Then an amazing thing happened. The audience began to ask questions about my review of literature, and I realized that I had something of value to share with them. As a fledgling researcher, their willingness to focus on my strengths encouraged me to continue learning and growing."



S/NP Snippets

S/NP Council of Representatives Formed

During the last several months, Student/New Professional Section representatives conducted an exploratory study. The purpose of the study was to identify student needs.

The newly formed Student/New Professional Council of Representatives will be meeting at the NCFR conference in November to discuss the findings of the study and to develop action plans in response to the needs identified: Professional Development, Career-oriented Publications, Benevolence Plan, and Conference Steering.

Professional Development

Mentorship Program: Geared toward undergraduates, graduate students, and new professionals.

Career-related Workshops: General and Section-specific types of training at conferences geared toward developing professional skills.

Career-oriented Publications

Resume and vita writing
Interviewing tips
Graduate programs and areas of emphases

The job search: How to proceed
Publishing guidelines for students
Research interests of members

Benevolence Plan

Conference: A plan for helping more students afford to attend the annual NCFR conference.

Membership: A fund to subsidize--new professionals who can only pay the student fee; those students or new professionals who cannot pay anything; members who have temporary hardships and who might benefit from a scholarship (free membership for one year).

Conference Steering

Pamphlet for students: What to expect at the NCFR conference; how to get the most out of a conference, from a student's perspective; how to meet people; how to get involved.



If you would like to be involved in developing services **Blaisure** for the needs identified, please send me a note indicating the particular need you would like to work on. Use the **NCFR Student/New Professional Needs Project Form** provided on this page. With the lazy days of summer quickly approaching, we will wait until after the November conference to get to work on developing these services.

1994 Call for Papers

Plans are already underway for the 56th annual conference in Minneapolis in 1994. The theme is "Families and Justice: From Neighborhoods to Nations". If you plan to submit a proposal, it is not too early to be working on it. The deadline for submitting a proposal will be early in 1994. The specific deadline date will be printed in the Call for Papers.

1994-96 Student/New Professional Representative to the Board of Directors

If you are interested in applying for the Student/New Professional Representative position for November, 1994 to November, 1996, please let me know right away. I will send you a job description for the two phases of this office: S/NP representative-elect (1994-95) and the S/NP representative (1995-96).

The application deadline is September 1. Interviews with candidates will be held during the annual conference in Baltimore in November. Two candidates will be nominated and will run for the position in the 1994 election.

Would You Like to Participate in a Trial Conference Mentorship Program?

Navigating a national conference can be a confusing experience, especially for the student or newcomer. If you would like to follow a seasoned NCFR member during events of the conference in Baltimore, please send me a note with your name, address, and telephone number. We will only be able to

accommodate 20 people for this trial program: Please act quickly.

Wishing you a pleasant summer.

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Health Care Reform Dominates Agenda

The first 100 days are over for the new administration, and the media have had a field day. Most Americans are fully aware of the great difficulties of getting action, and the debate continues about what actions should be taken. NCFR policy issues have been health care reform and poverty, and the Board of Directors now has added violence in the family and in society as it affects families.

Health Care Reform

Those of us interested in health care policy have been following closely the work of Hillary Rodham Clinton and the reform task forces. It was unnerving at the end of April to read in the *Washington Post* that a new survey of 400 heads of household in the Washington area, 90 percent of whom had health insurance, found that 28 percent had not even heard of the health reform task force, and only 16 percent were following its activities.

When asked if they would be willing to choose doctors only from a list approved by their insurance company, and therefore pay less, 42.5 percent said they would be unwilling or not too willing. About the same proportion said they would not or would not be too willing to choose hospitals only from a list approved by their insurance company.

These questions are important since they reflect the ideas of managed competition which seems to be in high favor with the task force. Although three-fourths of those surveyed said they thought Clinton was a "positive force" for change, only one-fourth said he is likely to succeed because Congress, the drug companies, or other groups would interfere.

People in the Washington area may be different than people in the rest of the country. Only one-fifth of Washington area respondents were willing to pay more in taxes to provide health care for all, while nationally half are willing. This discrepancy between local and national surveys is worrisome since most of the task force members live in Washington and cannot help but be influenced by the "inside the Beltway" mentality.

The task forces are composed mainly of academics, policy people, and health care providers with few or no consumer representatives. A speaker from the People's Medical Society, a consumer advocacy group, told a group that in his estimation not enough attention was being paid to reducing the costs of medical care by examining excessive operations (A Rand Corp. study in 1988 found 25 percent of all surgical procedures performed in the U.S. are unnecessary, including 50 percent of Cesarean sections and perhaps 27 percent of all hysterectomies) and paying attention to treatment-induced illness or even deaths.

A new organization called Partnership for Prevention, organized in

1991, is working toward all aspects of prevention which they cite as basic to health care reform. They urge training physicians in prevention, and they link personal/clinical preventive services, community-based preventive services and social policies that facilitate prevention.

The COFO White Paper on "Family Centered and Family Friendly Health Care,"* was essentially a consumers' plea for health care to take into account the ordinary needs of families for access, concern for the caregivers, and attention to the psychological needs of patients in their family lives, all factors leading to better health outcomes. It mentioned prevention and research as well. The COFO White Paper was sent to the task force, and we hope it will have an effect.

A single-payer health system like Canada's, which everyone agrees would save the most money, was earlier declared "un-doable" by Hillary Clinton and other politicians. However, 5 Senators and 74 Representatives are co-sponsors of an **American Health Security Act** which is getting new attention.

CBO and GAO studies have both shown that billions could be saved if the federal or state governments were the single-payers, and the majority of Americans support a single-payer plan. **This movement bears watching. NCFR members should participate in the debate in your local areas to make sure the needs of families, as opposed to individuals only, are addressed. Let your Representative know your views.**

Poverty

Poverty can be variously defined, but a simple definition is lack of money for needs. An economist working on family income data which showed the decline in the value of a fulltime job at minimum wage to meet the needs of a family told me that "scientific" economists have no variable for justice or equity in their economic models. Therefore, whatever increases the average income is good for society—even though some, or even many, people have a lower standard of living than they had before.

Economists who try to force ethics back into the debate are not considered truly "scientific" by their more traditional colleagues. This new ethical analysis is necessary because the two main interventions to eliminate welfare are work and the two-parent family. Without attention to the inadequacy of present low income wages, neither going to work or maintaining a two-parent family will be enough.

The Two-Parent Family

The dilemma for policy makers considering the best for children is that while two-parent families are best, many single-parent families are doing a good job and should be helped and not condemned. The dilemma is how to send this double message without encouraging single-parenthood.

Policy changes which could reward the two-parent family are changing the tax structure to eliminate the marriage tax, make divorce with children more difficult, and find ways to ensure working husbands for welfare women. Increasing the earned income tax credit and making it refundable, requiring training and work for welfare, and aiding with child care would help both the two- and one-parent families, while searching out "dead beat dads" would increase the income of the single-parent family. The idea is to reward work and personal responsibility.

But these measures depend on the national treasury to supplement wages with tax dollars and services. Although many Americans resent paying taxes to support welfare people, there is no organized citizen movement for an increase in the minimum wage. There are rumors that Clinton is open to discussing raising the minimum wage from its current of \$4.25 per hour.

A new group in Washington is focusing on the idea of an ethic of freedom with responsibility to our families and our communities. The **"Communitarian Network" (CN)** was started and promoted through the book **The Spirit of Community** by Amitai Etzioni, professor at George Washington University.

The term "communitarian" is considered the opposite of "individualist." CN is trying to find a middle way between liberals and conservatives to restore a sense of morality in individuals and on the part of communities at all levels. It is time to see the bearing and raising of children as a moral responsibility demanding commitment of self and community. Etzioni cites the oft-mentioned parenting deficit existing today and urges more family-friendly employment policies and more attention to parent education.

Violence in the Family

NCFR's new policy issue of violence in the family and community will fit in well with the 1994 annual conference theme, **"Families and Justice: From Neighborhoods to Nations."** We must address the violence within the home, and also the violence that comes with hate—which starts in the home—and the violence in our communities.

The American Medical Association is planning a conference next March on Violence Against Women which would include people from the medical, justice and women's activist groups. Doctors are concerned about their legal and moral responsibility in answer to the alarming rates of violence against women in the home, and want to learn how they can work with the justice people for new laws to protect women.

But there is more to violence than in the home, although for both boys and girls, violence in the home models and trains in violence. **The Center for**

Women's Policy Studies has issued a Fact Sheet on Girls and Violence which documents the frightening increase in violence committed by girls as well as the high proportion of girls in court who had been abused as children in the home.

What good things are being done? The Southern Poverty Law Center is teaching tolerance through teaching materials and a videotape being distributed to schools all over the nation.

Women's groups in the U.S. are urging a federal Violence Against Women Act, and President Clinton is being urged to request the Senate to ratify the U.N.'s **Convention Against All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.**

Some children are being taught conflict resolution in school which might filter back into the homes. Parent education is needed to help all parents learn how to discipline without violence and how to encourage their child's development. A major concern is teaching men how to be fathers and better spouses.

In the federal government and the service community, there is a new awareness of the need for collaborative nutrition, health, education, and human services. A number of efforts are going forward where agencies are working together to bring comprehensive services into the schools. People are becoming aware that children who are hungry and ill-housed and/or abused cannot learn. Families are important!

Research on family and community efforts to decrease violence and improve services will be important as these issues become more central to policy efforts. Perhaps your research can show that these efforts cut down on costs to society.

Congress and the Four Committees

Despite letters from NCFR and other interested family organizations, all four Select Congressional Committees on Children, Youth, and Families; Aging; Hunger; and Drugs "sunsetting" at the end of March. With their demise, there is no place in the House where family issues as a whole are being discussed. The rationale was that since those committees had no legislative capability, their functions could be served in the numerous other subcommittees which have some jurisdiction over appropriations and budget.

Those of us in the family field feel that multiple committees cannot do the thinking, planning, and investigating needed. Some of us are exploring ways to encourage some form of "family think tank," perhaps a Committee on Family at the Congressional level. It was a family advocate who first worked with Rep.

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UN-NGO Monitor

World Conferences Support Cultural Decade

We're now in the United Nations Decade for Cultural Development, 1988-1997. Within this decade, a number of world conferences will be held, if they haven't been already, on related topics.

The International Year for Indigenous Peoples is being celebrated this year; the

International Year of the Family in 1994; and the International Year of Women in 1995.



Bensman

A number of briefings sponsored by the Dept. of Public Information (DPI) for NGOs address themselves to topics linking culture, the rights of indigenous peoples, technological development, human rights, and the family.

The International Year of Indigenous Peoples is being celebrated around the world with congresses, conferences on sovereignty, commemorative stamps, and art exhibits. A World Congress sponsored by the North American Association for Environmental Education and the Council for Outdoor Educators of Ontario, Canada, brought 500 indigenous peoples together last October in Ontario.

The Maori of New Zealand are holding conferences sponsored by their spiritual elders, and another on women. Conferences on the environment, human rights, youth, peace (under the theme, "Many Cultures, One Family") were also linked to the Year of the Indigenous Peoples.

Natural Resources

On March 11, a special UN briefing for NGO representatives addressed the problem of "Sustainable Development: Long Term Challenges for the Next Century." The major questions discussed by the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research included: How natural resources and the environment can be protected given the need for greater food production, and the growing poverty around the world linked to population growth. The problems of technological development from the point of view of "gender analysis issues" also were discussed.

Human Rights

On April 8, the DPI sponsored a meeting on human rights. It was noted that 130 countries were present at the Third World Conference on Human Rights. They had great difficulty accepting the agenda, particularly such items as how to integrate cultural rights and the development process; the rights of women and men and other "vulnerable groups" such as children who are sexually and economically exploited; and migrant workers and displaced persons. Questions on the criteria by which the UN can judge human rights violations caused considerable conflict. Mechanisms and criteria for enforcing violations were also attacked.

In the discussion that followed, it was noted that the human rights of the mentally ill were not addressed at the Conference on Human Rights, and that women were excluded as representatives

from some countries. An interesting question was posed from the floor about whether there will be more success in enforcement of human rights violations now that the stalemates caused by the cold war will no longer stand in the way. However, the World Congress will not take up specific problems of human rights' violations, such as those in Yugoslavia.

Woman's Day

International Woman's Day was celebrated March 4. Charlotte Bunch spoke at a briefing about violence against women. She noted that women's issues are not separate, but part of universal issues of violence and democracy. She thinks that the International Year of the Family should address the problem of democracy in the world's nations and families.

She also stated that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights must apply to women, it must include violence against women in the home, and in the larger society. She noted that the problem of rape must be seen not only as a form of violence, but as a way of instilling fear in women so that they refrain from participating in men's groups, thereby keeping power in the hands of men.

Bogdan Denitch spoke about his recent trip to Bosnia and about the mass violence perpetrated against women there. He said he believes rape is being used by the Serbs as a method of changing the demography of Bosnia. He also said that Serbian troop commanders are ordering the rapes of Muslim women. He added that negotiations are not helping these women. The international community must make it clear that these commanders are responsible and subject to punishment by international law. Dr. Denitch is a Serb, and conveyed sorrow and shame he felt for his fellow countrymen.

A. Assad Helim spoke about female circumcision as a violent act against women, and not simply as a traditional practice. Women have internalized the values of their society and sexual conduct. They talk about it as a health problem, rather than as violence. With widespread migration, it has become an international problem. Helim does not believe host nations must accept it as a traditional practice, but must prohibit it as violence against women.

Spiritual and Ethical Resources

On March 25, a joint meeting of the Committee on the Family and the NGO briefing of DPI was held. The theme was "The Spiritual and Ethical Resources of the Family." Sree Gururaja of UNICEF spoke about the progress for the International Year of the Family, regional meetings, and themes to be discussed. She stated that preparations were about mid-point.

Gururaja noted two dimensions of commonality of problems facing virtually all families around the world:

1. How can we reach families to make them sensitive to programs already in force?
2. How can we make families and social agencies aware of changing

needs of the family due to changing conditions (political, economic and social, as well as natural disasters, structural adjustment, etc.)?

All agencies, Gururaja stated, are questioning the reasons for the growing number of single-parent families and how to change gender relations so that women are not left with the greater amount of responsibility. Other sources of inequality in the family are birth order, old age, and infirmity.

"We are not attempting a definition of an ideal family," Gururaja explained, "but rather how we can strengthen the smallest democracy at the heart of society."

She announced that a document has been prepared for the upcoming World NGO Forum which noted all UN conventions with clauses pertaining to the family and what governments are trying to do to implement them. About 800 to 2000 representatives are expected to participate in the World NGO Forum in Malta, November 28 to December 1.

The other panelists described the way the family is viewed by their particular religious denominations.

Committee of the Family

The Committee of the Family also has held several meetings recently. Topics have included "Family and Cultural Development: Cultures Changing Families and Families Changing Cultures."

David N. Wegener noted that the decade 1988-1997 is the UN Decade for Cultural Development, and UNESCO formed a World Commission on Culture and Development. Former UN Secretary General Perez-de Cuellar is heading the commission.

The purpose of the Decade is to establish important links between cultural dimensions of development. During the 1970s and 80s, economic development was stressed, but culture is also important in development. The necessity of restoring culture and human values to a central place in societies is now recognized.

Now the role of the family and educational systems, as well as the more general organizational structure of public life, are important for the transmission of values and must also be studied. Wegener noted that the Decade is "a call to action to re-examine the focus on the essential issues of values, families and society." He thinks the IYF should focus on the relationship between development and the family.

Another speaker addressed "Cultural Development and the Changing Family" from an anthropological view. After describing how families vary in structure she noted how the family contributes to the survival of the individual when society is uprooted. She concluded that "NGOs can play an essential role in communicating during the IYF, the importance of culturally sensitive interventions in strengthening and building the smallest unit of democracy,

the family."

Dr. Rosa Maria Torres, senior advisor on Education for UNICEF, spoke on "Towards a New Understanding of the Relationship Between Children's and Adult Education." She stated that age and gender should not be the only way of organizing education. Adults should be educated so that they can be involved in their children's education, and schools should be involved in helping parents learn.

"Families and Mental Health" was a Committee topic in January. Dr. Martin Gittelman and Tom Levin spoke about the attempt of the World Association for Psychosocial Rehabilitation to return mentally ill persons to their communities.

The family is seen as the bridge between the individual and the larger society. Family must be seen as a source of nurturance rather than a source of illness. About 75 percent of people with schizophrenia and epilepsy suffer relapses. For those with bi-polar illness, 20 percent of life is spent being ill.

The World Association for Psychosocial Rehabilitation tries to stretch these periods of wellness and looks for causes of relapses. Five risk factors have been identified: stress, family, unemployment, hunger, or nutrition. Certain kinds of employment either increase or decrease stress, and self-help groups for families may help greatly. Families must be helped to cope with the mentally ill, or they may abandon them.

Gittelman and Levin are particularly proud of their project in China, a country with very few psychiatrists--10,000 estimated in the entire country, a figure that would transpose to seven in the entire city of New York. The World Association has used the risk factor strategy as well as a pyramid strategy, whereby a trained professional becomes an administrator or teachers of others in the system. They, in turn, train others at the local level and then each of these trains ten disabled persons and their families.

The families are educated on the risk factors, medications, and how to tell when a patient is relapsing. The relapse rate was reduced dramatically in the cities where the experiment was conducted. A 49 percent reduction was achieved in the need for hospitalization.

The World Association is helping to found a World Federation of the Families of the Mentally Ill and an organization, Mental Health Professionals Without Borders, to help with families who have been faced with manmade or natural disasters like those in Yugoslavia, Angola, Cambodia, and Laos.

There is now a UN Declaration on the Right of the Mentally Ill, and there is a push to have countries adopt it and bring their legislation into conformity with it. On May 13, a full-day conference on mental health was held at the UN.

Marilyn Bensman
NCFR UN NGO Representative

Ruth Adams Retires After 21 Years at NCFR

Ruth Adams, NCFR electronic data processing clerk, retired June 15, after 21 years of service. She was honored on June 4 at a special reception.



She first worked on bibliography projects for the MN Council on Family Relations in 1972 and 1974, and began continuous employment with NCFR in January, 1977.

She worked with 17 NCFR presidents and two executive directors at three different headquarters sites, endured five computer conversions, and produced typed copy on everything from a manual typewriter to WordPerfect 5.1.

During her years of service, Mrs. Adams keyed membership and subscription records and address changes, completed U.S. copyright documents, keyed invoices and checks, and assisted with annual conference pre- and on-site registrations.

When she first began work with NCFR, the headquarters were on the third floor of the office wing of a church at 13th St. and University Ave. in Minneapolis. The six rooms were located along a single hallway, and storage space consisted of an attic area on the fourth floor. There was no air conditioning, which made the summer months particularly challenging to the staff.

From the University location, NCFR

Family Policy from page 8

Waxman to get Children, Youth and Families started in the first place.

International

Our Executive Director Mary Jo Czapslewski, and I just returned from a meeting of the International Union of Family Organizations in Baden, Austria. (Please read her column in this issue.) Representatives of all the countries present expressed concern about one-parent families, the role of men in the family, family violence, care of the elderly, and decreasing income of families due to economic depressions in most countries. Our speaker said that although the problems are of greater or lesser magnitude in different countries, the trends are the same. International meetings are rewarding because they give us an opportunity to share ideas and to learn that we are all in it together.

Margaret Feldman
NCFR Washington Representative

(Note: The COFO White Paper, "Family Centered and Family Friendly Health Care," is available from AAMFT.)

moved its offices to three large remodeled rooms in a former junior high school in Roseville, MN, in 1984. When that space was outgrown in 1989, NCFR moved to its present location at 3989 Central Ave. NE, in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Adams recalls keying membership and subscription records on IBM cards and putting names and addresses on a stencil area. An addressograph was used to imprint envelopes. The IBM cards were punched to reflect the members' expiration dates and journal choices. These cards were "run" whenever NCFR needed mailing labels.

For many years, NCFR used typewriters for all its correspondence, sometimes using three or more carbons to make copies.

One of Mrs. Adams' specialty areas through the years included operation of an IBM composer, an electronic memory typewriter. The annual conference program, newsletters, ads, financial reports, member and subscriber renewal notices, and letters were set on the machine. It was finally replaced four years ago when NCFR purchased its first word processing package.

Mrs. Adams and her husband, Sandy, have four sons, four daughters-in-law, and six grandchildren.

Sourcebook on Family Theories Hot Seller

The Sourcebook of Family Theories and Methods: A Contextual Approach is off the press and in the bookstores, and already in use in several classrooms!

The collaborative, multidisciplinary handbook incorporates the groundbreaking work of over 150 experts in the field and traces the development of family theory from its origins in religion and philosophy, through the construction of theory and methodology in the mid-20th century, to today's emerging models. It was edited by Pauline G. Boss and William J. Doherty, University of MN-St. Paul; Ralph LaRossa, GA State University, Atlanta; Walter R. Schumm, KS State University, Manhattan; and Suzanne K. Steinmetz, IN University, Indianapolis.

The editors hope readers find the book useful and thought-provoking. Persons wishing to publish a review of the book should contact **Paula Boc at Plenum Publishing** for a review copy. Her number is 212-620-8426.

If you find any typographical error, spelling errors, etc., please contact Pauline Boss, 1985 Buford Ave., University of MN, St. Paul, MN 55108; FAX 612-625-4227. Plenum Publishing is planning a second printing and would like to make any necessary corrections.

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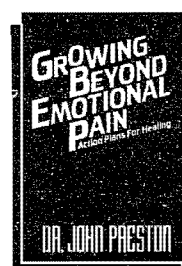
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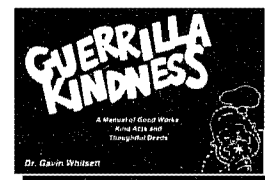
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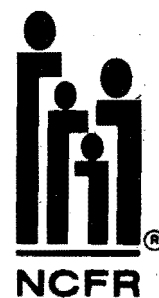
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AC Develops Financial Resource Plan

As I write this "Corner," I'm excited about the program that your NCFR Program Committee has planned for you in Baltimore in November.

What is always needed for our events are dollars to support making it all happen. A number of Association of Councils events are on the 1993 agenda--Theory to Practice models from researchers/practitioners/educators; a jointly sponsored forum with the Public Policy Committee and NCFR's representative in Washington Margaret Feldman; an invited open question/answer session with Patricia Langley, liaison with Washington and advocate for family needs; and a roundtable demonstration by a Minnesota educator about how a needed Early Childhood Family Education program became funded by a state tax levy.



Steele

The Association of Councils (AC) had enough funds to support these programs, but only through a non-positive means: AC funds come only from individual state councils that have "folded" and returned their funds to NCFR.

Here's how it works: AC has an account which receives monies only if 1) its affiliates terminate operation or 2) there are not enough members in a state or region to form a Council, and no membership rebates are made.

Under the present system, the AC account will **increase ONLY** as the AC fails to stimulate affiliate activities or to increase affiliate memberships. If the AC functions as the organization for carrying out stimulation of affiliate concerns and their work with families, it makes no sense that it derives its financial health directly from weak or terminated affiliate councils.

Therefore, as your AC president, I need to know your wishes as **AFFILIATES** to the following tentative proposal. The various items will be considered and voted on as recommendations to the NCFR Board of Directors at the 1993 AC business meeting

Here's the proposal: **That the Association of Councils' annual budget be derived from a \$1 rate per NCFR member, with affiliates receiving \$4 per NCFR member.**

In this way, the Association of Councils would be funded by the **activity** of affiliates, instead by their demise. For these funds, the AC would provide the following benefits for affiliates and all NCFR members:

1) Continue the expanded circulation of **Affiliate Connection** within the NCFR REPORT. It costs more than the previous **FEEDBACK**, but increases the visibility of affiliate activities and offers wider publicity of affiliate programs.

2) **Special sessions** at NCFR annual conferences. For example, if this budgetary support were in effect now, the Marketing Strategies Workshop planned to "sell our messages about families and their needs," would be offered without a registration fee. Right now, a \$25 fee will be charged to prepare materials for workshop participants and to defray expenses of the workshop presenter, Dr. Carolyn Love.

3) AC could offer, with NCFR Board approval, complimentary one-half paid registration for affiliate presidents attending the NCFR annual conference. For example, if the registration were \$115, the affiliate president would register for \$57.50.

4) AC, with NCFR Board approval, might be able to offer 25 percent discounted first year NCFR membership for previous year's affiliate members who would join NCFR for the first time.

5) With the approval of the Board and headquarters, AC might be able to encourage the publication and mailing of each state or region's newsletter to other affiliates (if the copy could be prepared on disk or camera-ready). Costs would need to be determined and a few worked out.

6) AC could offer to fund one proposal per year to support a major need by an affiliate. All affiliates would be encouraged to submit proposals. For example, in 1992-93, AC received two proposals requesting funds for special meetings on strategic planning. One was funded for \$500.

Discussing the above proposal in Baltimore in November is particularly appropriate for the conference theme, "Moral Discourse on Families." The contradiction of purpose in terminating affiliates to fund AC work seems, at best, unethical.

I honestly want the Association of Councils to perform supportive means for contributing to the work of the state and regional affiliates. This proposal could be expanded at the request of the affiliates. I welcome hearing from you so that we can make decisions in November that will take **your programs for families to all our populations.**

I'm looking forward to our meeting in Baltimore. Thanks for all that you do for all of us!

Connie Steele
AC President

Touliatos Elected President-elect

John Touliatos Ed.D., CFLE, professor of child studies at TX Christian University, is the new president-elect (1993-94) of NCFR's Association of Councils. He will be president in 1994-95.



Touliatos



Troost



Morrow

Kay Troost Ph.D., associate professor of sociology and anthropology and NC Japan Center Faculty Fellow at North Carolina State University, is the program chair for 1993-94, and **Betty Hearn Morrow**, associate professor of sociology at FL International University, is the new secretary/treasurer for 1993-94.

The officers were elected by the presidents of NCFR's affiliate councils.

New Council Presidents

New Affiliated Council Presidents announced since the March issue of **Affiliate Connection** are:

Illinois: Randy Hayes CFLE, 401 N. Congress, Polo, IL 61064; 815-946-3464

Louisiana: Dr. Alice Pecoraro CFLE, 706 First St., Morgan City, LA 70380; 504-448-4691.

North Carolina: Dr. Dennis K. Orthner, Human Services Res. Lab, School of Social Work, University of NC, Chapel Hill, NC 27599; 919-962-2282.

Pennsylvania/Delaware: Brenda Hayes Johnson, CFLE, 1010 Stratford

Av., Melrose Park, PA 19126; 215-540-5860.

Texas: Linda Cash CFLE, 5512 28th St., Lubbock, TX 79407; 806-796-8800 ext. 382

Southeastern: Norma J. Bond Burgess, P.O. Box 382443, Memphis, TN 38183; 901-678-2770.

Please send your list of new officers to Kathy at NCFR, 3989 Central Ave. NE, Suite 550, Minneapolis, MN 55421.

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96 Countries Celebrate IYF

In my recent visit with Henryk Sokalski, the UN International Year of the Family (IYF) coordinator, in Vienna, Austria, I learned that since 1991, over 96 countries of the world have begun plans for the 1994 IYF celebration.

The unique focus of this proclamation is on national, regional, and local activities encouraged by the UN. The central office for this first-ever worldwide recognition of families as the basis of society, is based at the UN headquarters in Vienna.

Several NCFR state affiliated councils have begun preparations for special events in their states. Further encouragement and support is being provided by North Americans for the International Year of the Family and the United Nations Association-USA (UNA-USA).

State coordinators are being appointed who wish to link their activities with other states, especially NCFR's state affiliates. Here is an opportunity for states to form linkages with their neighbors to focus their 1994 statewide activities on families in an international context.

NCFR will be happy to provide information about the state activities through **Affiliate Connection** and to send each interested state further information about IYF. Let us know what you are doing. Who is your state coordinator? What are your special activities and when and where are they meeting? We will publish them in future issues.

Several states already have plans underway:

California--Dr. Nona Cannon, San Diego, a long-time leader in the UNA-USA and a member of the UNA-IYF committee, is assisting with activities in CA and all across the nation. She will represent NCFR next November in Malta and will help your state with information needed to start planning your activities. She can connect you with the two above-mentioned organizations. Call her at 619-221-0211.

New Jersey--Mark Hutter, Glassboro State College, is the state coordinator. Special activities will be held on that campus early next Spring. You can reach him at 609-863-6080.

Massachusetts--Donald Wertlieb, University of MA, is the state coordinator working through UNA-USA and NA-IYF groups to coordinator special activities. Since this state has no NCFR affiliate group, other NCFR members in Massachusetts may wish to contact Donald at 617-381-3355.

Indiana--T. Quentin Evans, North Manchester, has volunteered to spearhead IYF activities in the IN Council. He is looking for others interested in the efforts. His number is 219-982-6300.

North Carolina--Barbara Darden is working with UNA-USA in this state.

Her number is 704-697-7951. She also is on the UNA-USA board at the national level and is helping to coordinate that group's activities. Dennis Orthner, University of NC-Chapel Hill, and president of the NC Council on Family Relations; and Cynthia Johnson, past president, have offered the services of that council in preparing for NCFR's summer workshop, July 29 to August 1, 1994, in Black Mountain, NC. They can be reached at 919-737-2770 and 919-962-2282, respectively.

British Columbia, Canada--Carol Matusicky, executive director, is coordinator activities in that province. Her number is 604-660-0675. Ms. Lise Lavoie is the coordinator of IYF activities in Canada. Contact her at the Dept. of National Health and Welfare, Room 956, Jeanne Mance Bldg., Tunney's Pasture, Ottawa, ONT, Canada K1A 0K9; 613-957-7303.

Taiwan--Dr. Lee Shih Wu CFLE is organizing activities in the Taiwan Council on Family Relations to celebrate IYF. She can be reached at 881-41-45. She is also linking with Singapore.

Minnesota--MCFR is in the process of planning its activities in conjunction with the NCFR annual conference in Minneapolis, November 8 to 13, 1994. Greer Litton Fox, program vice-president, has chosen the theme, "**Families and Justice: From Neighborhoods to Nations.**"

MCFR will conduct a pre-conference on "Men and Families" and will conduct "teaching tours" to various family service agencies and model programs in the area during the conference. Contact David Bredehoft, Concordia College and MCFR president at 612-641-8827.

If your state is planning IYF activities, please call NCFR headquarters (612-781-9331) and request IYF booklets, mementos (posters, pins, etc.), commemorating IYF. Look for more information about what other states are doing and link with one another in making your voices for families worldwide heard in your state. **Mary Jo Czaplewski Ph.D. CFLE**
NCFR Executive Director

'94 IYF Summer Workshop Speakers

Henryk Sokalski, UN coordinator of the International Year of the Family Worldwide, will open NCFR's IYF summer workshop on Friday evening, July 29, 1994.

Dr. Sylvia Hewlett, renowned economist and author of **When the Bough Breaks**, will address workshop attendees on "The Economic Status of Men, Women and Children in American Families: How Do We Compare?" on Saturday morning.

Please check the ad on page 21 for more information on the 1994 IYF Summer Workshop.

Just Thinking Out Loud

Leland J. Axelson Ph.D.
Past-president
Association of Councils

Since completing my term as President of Association of Councils, I have sensed that many issues about the affiliated groups trouble me. Before proceeding, let me quickly reaffirm my strong support for affiliation, but only that, affiliation.

The issues that concern me most are the philosophy of comprehensiveness in the structure (all structure emanates from the central organization), the lack of real recognition of the historically strong state, regional and urban councils, organizational structure, the direction from which organization flows, and the problems in dues and funding. There are also the problems of time, interest, and resources among the professionals to whom we appeal.

Let me begin with the issue of comprehensiveness. As I understand the focus of NCFR, it is the long term goal of the organization to have a council in each of the 50 states, and hopefully, in the provinces of Canada. In order to achieve this goal, the dues structure of the national includes funds to support these units fiscally. I am not sure that NCFR should be in the position of collecting dues for organizations--even before they are organized and in operation.

As I see it, NCFR has essentially ignored the historically strong regional groups such as the Southeastern Council on Family Relations (SCFR) and the Tri-state Council. For the SCFR and others, they must seek their own funding as well as pay dues to NCFR while the states from which they draw their membership have an automatic voice in NCFR, and

their income and membership require little effort on their part. The thrust for organization is not, for the most part, a felt local or regional need, but specified and directed from above. And if the state affiliate does not meet the terms determined by NCFR, it does not receive its dues.

The most apparent problem in funding the elected leadership of the affiliated councils--the Association of Councils--is the lack of specific monies earmarked for their use. Up until now, money not distributed to the state organizations because they do not qualify has been used for the general expenses of the elected leadership of the affiliated councils. If all states had functioning councils, there would not be funds for this elected leadership. Money not used for state or affiliated organizations is used for other purposes after a specified period of time.

Because of this cumbersome dues structure for state affiliated councils, I would suggest that we cease having NCFR collect these dues, and let each council, whether state, local, or regional, determine its own dues structure and collect those funds. If it is felt necessary to have an elected set of national officer for affiliates, let the expenses be paid for by the affiliating groups through their dues structure.

We know that most professional organizations have noticed a shrinking in their membership, especially organizations such as NCFR. In part, this decline in membership is the consequence of lesser funding for professional travel on the part of many state and university funding decisions. The time/performance demands on the professional in the family life specialties are such that it is difficult to actively participate in more than a few groups. This leads to my concern with what will be the focus of these individual professionals.

I suggest that NCFR focus on its traditional role of meeting the needs of family/child specialists and those who contribute to the special needs of the family, i.e., nurses, counselors and educators, and leave the organizing of regional, state, and local councils to the spontaneity of those who wish to organize. In this way, we, NCFR, can compete more effectively for the attention of individuals who have limited time, limited resources, and considerable need for professional affiliation.

News from Affiliates Encouraged

Our first newsletter with its new look and new title

Affiliate Connection received rave reviews. It was incredibly heartening to highlight the activities of so many Councils. Thanks again to all who forwarded updates and information on the events and activities taking place in their state or regional councils. The next Newsletter is in September. Send your news - conferences, plans, activities, lists of officers, etc. FAX or mail your material to me by August 1, 1993:



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CFLE Program Offers New Products

The Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE) department is one of several departments within the National Council on Family Relations. While the CFLE department's main function is to administer and market the CFLE program, we offer several other products and services of benefit to NCFR members and non-members.

Family Life Education Products

The CFLE department offers excellent resources for family life educators. The Family Life Education Life Span Poster describes family life education by specifying major content and learning concepts. The framework is ideal for curriculum design, program development, continuing education, classroom instruction, career development and program assessment. It is available for \$9.95.

The Family Life Education Curriculum Guidelines offers guidelines for developing or assessing family life education programs over the life span. It includes college and university curriculum guidelines in addition to other helpful resources, and is available for \$12.95.

The Family Life Education Teacher's Kit is the CFLE department's newest product. The Kit consists of 66 lesson plans based on the ten family life substance areas used as criteria for the CFLE program. The majority of lesson plans are geared toward undergraduate and graduate level students with a fair representation of plans for high school students. The purpose of the kit is to provide family life educators with tested lesson plans that are, for the most part, ready to use. The intent is that the purchaser of the kit may use the lesson plans, overheads and handouts at will. We hope to make this the first in a series of teacher's kits--the next one to be published in 1994. If you have lesson plans you are willing to share, consider submitting. Submission forms can be obtained from NCFR headquarters. The Teacher's Kit is available to CFLEs and NCFR members for \$26.95, which includes shipping and handling. Non-members may purchase the kit for \$32.95.

The **CFLE Coordinators program** provides a networking opportunity among CFLE state and regional coordinators and members of Affiliate Councils. Coordinators can provide information on family life education products as well as the CFLE program. Many are available to present workshops on the CFLE process at your state or local meeting.

The deadline for the Fall, 1993, review is **September 3, 1993**. Your state/regional coordinator is available to help you complete the application process. Contact me at NCFR headquarters (612-781-9331) for your coordinator's name.

The CFLE department also approves meetings for CFLE continuing education credit which can be used by current

CFLEs for updating their designation, or as part of an original application. Pre-approval provides recognition and credibility to your meeting. The process is very easy. Contact NCFR headquarters for the pre-approval form. Pre-approval also provides promotion for your meeting because all approved meetings are listed in the Calendar in the CFLE newsletter, Network.

There is a great wealth of information, knowledge and experience available among the membership of NCFR and CFLEs. The CFLE department will continue to tap these resources and provide quality, research-based materials for use by family life educators.

Dawn Cassidy
Certification Director

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

Since February, 1991, the British Columbia (Canada) Council for the Family has been working on a plan to celebrate the 1994 International Year of the Family (IYF). The plan is a proactive one and based on assumptions and beliefs that reflect family diversity in British Columbia.

The plan consists of four strategies which offer family members the opportunity to 1) learn more about family life; 2) participate in a process to make public places and places of employment in BC more family-friendly; and 3) obtain ideas to strengthen family relationships. The four strategies of the IYF plan are:

- IYF: Family-Friendly Place project.
- Take a Break with Your Kids Activity Cards project
- Community Video-conference Workshops project
- Communications Plan.

The goal of the **Family-Friendly Place** project is to engage families and the managers of public places in a process which will recognize those places which are family-friendly. In addition, the project will provide incentive to other public places to adapt their facilities, programs, and services to be more inclusive of family needs.

The goal of the **Take a Break with Your Kids Activity Cards** project is to make these cards, which offer a wealth of childrearing information, suggestions for activities, and information to strengthen family relationships, available to as many BC families as possible.

The **Community Video-conference Workshops** offer families in six locations in BC to simultaneously "attend", through new technology, one or several of eight workshops being offered throughout the year. Each workshop will focus on one issue which families address in the various stages of family life.

The **Communications Plan** is designed to encourage families and communities to celebrate IYF. The plan has two main elements--a print kit and radio and television messages. Both the kit and the media spots reinforce the messages the total program is designed to convey: Families have strengths, and these strengths can be increased and are a cause for celebration.

These ideas have been put together as an invitation to BC community groups, corporations, government departments, funders, community colleges, and media outlets, to become partners in this endeavor.
Phil Sunderland
President

Carol Matusicky
Executive Director

ILLINOIS

The IL Council on Family Relations held its annual conference April 16 and 17 in Lisle. The theme was "Families in the Age of AIDS." It gave a comprehensive look at issues, challenges, and needs that families and society encounter.

Among the presenters were representatives from Family Life/AIDS Education of the Chicago Public Schools, STOP AIDS Chicago Latino Program, African-American AIDS Network, American Civil Liberties Union, and the AIDS Program of the Dupage County Health Dept.

Graduate students from IL State University and Northern IL University also made presentations. The final conference session was given by two young women who spoke of loved ones lost to AIDS. The conference was dedicated to AIDS victims.

Dr. Anne Juhasz CFLE was presented with the Distinguished Member Award in recognition of her many contributions to the IL Council and to the family studies field.

New officers for the year are Randy Hayes CFLE, president; Beatrice Bagby, president-elect; and Board members: E. Maurlea Babb Ph.D., Wallace Hamlin, Debbie Hettinger CFLE, Frances Murphy Ph.D., and Joann Thompson.

The 1994 annual conference will be April 22 and 23 at Allerton Park Lodge near Monticello and will focus on "Families and Intergenerational Relationships." Beatrice Bagby is program chair.

Jim Slavik Ph.D. CFLE
Past president

NORTHWEST

British Columbia, Canada, has joined the Northwest Council on Family Relations, according to Jim Ponzetti, Northwest President. The Northwest Council now has about 235 members in two Canadian provinces and five states.

The first regional conference will be held in Calgary, Alberta, June 17-18, 1994. The theme will focus on the 1994 International Year of the Family. The meeting also will be part of the Learned Societies Conference, an umbrella label given to 80-90 different conferences that will be meeting in early June in Calgary.

All conference attendees--Northwest's and others--will be able to attend each other's meetings.

Please send your ideas about speakers and workshops to Jim Ponzetti, Dept. of Home Economics, Central WA University, Ellensburg, WA 98926; 509-963-3360. The budget is very limited: Please suggest speakers who are not too expensive. If you would like to lead a workshop or know of someone who would do a good job, please contact Ponzetti.

Jim Ponzetti
President

OHIO

The Spring Board meeting of the OH Council on Family Relations was held in Dublin, OH, on April 16.

Among the topics discussed were a decision to review and revise the Council by-laws, explore the possibility of a regional meeting, and establish and maintain more effective contact with family professionals--including students--throughout the state.

A preview was provided on the seventh annual Conference on the Family set for October 22 and 23 at the Columbus Marriott North. Don Bubenzer, president-elect, is the program chair.

A Nominating committee will be formed to prepare a slate of officers. The next Board meeting is July 9.

Charles B. Hennon
President

PENNSYLVANIA

The Pennsylvania Council on Family Relations voted in February to put special emphasis on advocacy positions which support the needs of children whose parents are divorcing according to Brenda Hayes Johnson CFLE, president.

Issues the members will continue to study include parental support for college education; use/availability of mediation services; mandated educational model and/or counseling for parents regarding children's needs in divorce situations, corporal punishment in the school, and availability of Medical Assistance funds for children under six, especially for home health and dental care.

Brenda Hayes Johnson CFLE
President

TAIWAN

Dr. Lee Shih Wu CFLE of Taiwan and a graduate of KS State University, has been invited to speak about the Taiwan Council on Family Relations activities and her work in family life education at the Asia-Pacific Conference on Family Life Education in Singapore on August 23.

Dr. Wu recently published a book, *Children's Family Life Education for Parents*, in Taiwan. It is receiving great acceptance there and is generating enthusiasm in China for the need for family life education.

TEXAS

For the first time in their history, four Texas organizations concerned with the well-being of families joined together for a "Congress of family professionals."

As part of the 75th anniversary of the TX Home Economics Association (THEA), the organizations held a joint annual meeting. Participating were THEA, the TX Council on Family Relations, the TX Nutrition Council, the TX Association of Extension Home Economics, and the Home Economic Students' section of THEA.

Over 500 persons met in February at the Southpark Hotel in Austin with the theme, "Capitalizing Resources for Texas Families." Attorney Bart Bernstein provided a four-hour workshop on "Ethics for Family Professionals." He provided legal information affecting individuals involved in working with families.

The NCFR Certified Family Life Education program was explained by Dr. Maxine Hammonds-Smith CFLE and Dr. Britton Wood CFLE.

Rep. Bob Hunter (R, Abilene) opened a question-and-answer session on pending legislation concerning children and families. Keynote speakers included David Lowery, Austin American Statesman, and Rich Casey, San Antonio; Dr. Jared Hazelton, director, Center for Business and Economic Analysis, TX A&M University; Paula Campbell, administrative assistant to Rep. Wihelmina Delco; Richard C. Ladd, commission of Health and Human Services; David Marowitz, TX Hospital Association; Dr. Gloria Rodriguez, director of Avance Organization; and Norma Soria, USAA Insurance.

The Moore-Bowman Award was made to Dorthy Taylor during the meeting. The Award is the highest recognition TCFR can bestow.

At the close of the conference, the presidents of the hosting organizations met to look at future directions for their associations and their support families.

Minutes

Association of Councils
Business Meeting
November 9, 1992
Orlando, FL

President Lee Axelson called the meeting to order at 7:40 a.m. He voiced his hope that the amount of interaction among Councils could be increased. He also asked for nominees/volunteers for the Nominating committee.

Don Bower provided a brief secretary/treasurer report, noting that as of August, 1992, the AC has approximately \$5,700 in its account at NCFR. Some discussion ensued regarding the lack of an actual line item in the NCFR budget for AC. Connie Steele agreed to pursue this issue.

Joan Comeau summarized the AC program at this meeting, which included two board meetings, two roundtables, a session on the research/practice interface, and a day-long pre-conference for Council officers.

Other Old Business: Felix Berardo noted the recent article in "Feedback" by Mary Jo Czapslewski decrying the apparent decline of state council activities. Perhaps alternative structures should be considered. Kay Troost suggested that the recent NCFR member survey pointed out that active councils are vital in public policy and leadership development. Libby Blume noted that the suspended member survey did not include questions on annual conference attendance or local council involvement. A motion to accept the 1991 business meeting minutes was made and accepted.

New Business: Lee Axelson introduced the new AC president, Connie Steele, who assumed office at this point. Connie introduced other new officers: Carol Matusicky, president-elect; Richard

Brown, program chair; and Connor Walters-Chapman, secretary/treasurer.

Connie Steele and Richard Brown presented a proposed program of work. After some discussion, it was approved unanimously.

Considerable discussion ensued regarding inter-council and NCFR-council communication. Jane Dill moved to cease production of "Feedback" as currently disseminated, and in its place create a special page (front and back) for inclusion in REPORT, specifically devoted to AC issues. The advantages of such an approach will be lower cost and wider dissemination. The need was noted to coordinate this change with the NCFR marketing thrust. Motion passed.

Lee read a request from Beth Norrell, Southeastern Council on Family Relations president, for \$1,000 from the AC President's Fund to support a SCFR strategic planning process. While final action will be determined by the AC Board, the sense of participants in this meeting was to deny the request.

Finally, Lee requested clarification of policy to reimburse the AC president for his airfare and half of room costs to attend the NCFR annual conference. Vote was unanimous in support.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 a.m.
Submitted by Don Bower
Secretary/treasurer

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AC Calendar

August 1 Copy Deadline for news items for the August issue of *Affiliate Connection*. Mail or FAX to Carol Matusicky, BC Council for the Family, 204-2590 Granville St., Vancouver, BC, Canada V6H 3H1; FAX 604-732-4813.

Please call Kathy at NCFR headquarters, 612-781-9331, if you have any questions about Affiliate activities.



Harbor View

NCFR's 55th annual conference will be held November 10-15 in Baltimore, MD. This skyline view of the Inner Harbor is just a glimpse of the local spots to visit. All conference events will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, across the street from the Inner Harbor.--Photo by Roger Miller, Baltimore.

Baltimore Calls You!

If you've never visited Baltimore, the NCFR conference in November will provide you with a wonderful opportunity to spend some time in this exciting city. Visitors find Baltimore to be an enjoyable place, with the biggest challenge choosing which of the many attractions to visit and which of the excellent restaurants to try.

The award-winning waterfront complex, The Inner Harbor, located right outside the front door of the conference hotel, is a magnet which visitors and Maryland natives find impossible to pass by. The two Harborplace pavilions are close enough to catch a quick bite to eat during a break between sessions, and house an amazing variety of interesting food stands, as well as shops of all sorts. Another food/shopping complex adjacent to the pavilions is the Gallery, also an easy walk from the Hyatt.

Eating and shopping are not the only great Inner Harbor activities. The National Aquarium at Baltimore houses an extensive collection of marine mammals and fish in a unique building, which includes a coral reef and even a rainforest under a glass pyramid on the

roof. The Maryland Science Center, with its hands-on displays and Imax theater, is a fun place to spend an afternoon, especially if you are bringing your children with you. A tour of the U.S. Frigate Constellation, at almost 200 years of age, is the Navy's oldest surviving warship and offers a fascinating look at history. For those who would like to view the city from a different perspective, the Inner Harbor boasts the Top of the World, an observation deck in the World Trade Center building, and sea-faring vessels offering harbor cruises of varying lengths.

Although the Inner Harbor provides enough variety to keep visitors busy, there are other Baltimore attractions worth exploring, most just a short cab ride (or a water taxi ride) away. For those planning ahead, more information about the many museums, historic sites, and attractions in the area can be obtained through the Baltimore Area Convention and Visitor's Association at 1-800-343-3468. You will find Baltimore to be a very hospitable city, just waiting to welcome you in November.

Anne Luebering
Chair, Local Information
1993 Annual Conference

Need A Job? Have An Opening?

Don't forget to check out the NCFR Conference Employment Service during the conference in November.

What happens at the Service?

Prospective employers and candidates both use the service. Two notebooks are provided: One contains job opening information, and one has candidates' vitas. Notices are posted for interviews, and an interview room is reserved.

Costs are minimal: \$25 for each job listed by an employer and FREE vita listings for all conference attendees.

How can you participate? Write the NCFR conference coordinator, Cindy Winter CMP, at 3989 Central Ave., NE, Suite 550, Minneapolis, MN 55421, and

ask for a job listing or a candidate listing form.

Mail four copies of each form (and four copies of your vita if you are a candidate) to the conference coordinator by **Friday, October 29**. Employers must also include \$25 for each job opening they are listing.

When you arrive at the conference in Baltimore, check in at the Employment Service room. If you have not pre-registered, you may do so on site.

Employment Service hours have been expanded this year: 5 to 9 p.m., Thursday, November 11; 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, November 12 through Sunday, November 14; and 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Monday, November 15.
Mary Ellen Shachat CFLE

Child Care Offered

The Local Arrangements Child Care committee for the conference in Baltimore has investigated several possibilities for child care in November.

There are two options: 1) the Hyatt Regency Inner Harbor, the conference host hotel, offers limited supervised group activities, and 2) a locally based home health care agency can be contracted.

Camp Hyatt, a hotel-based service, offers group activities (games, movies, healthy snacks) for children aged 3 to 15 years, whose parents are staying at the Hyatt Regency, Friday and Saturday evenings from 6 to 11 p.m.

Parents arrange for their children to attend the activities by registering at the Concierge's desk in the hotel lobby. Arrangements must be made by noon of the day the service is needed. The charge is \$4 per child per hour.

For conference attendees whose children do not fit the **Camp Hyatt** age groupings, or who need child care during the day and/or evenings other than Friday and Saturday, or for attendees staying in other hotels, the Hyatt staff has referred committee members to a **local, home health care agency**. Hotel guests are regularly referred to this service.

The agency charges \$12 per child per hour. A charge of \$1 per hour is added for each additional child. Each caregiver can care for a maximum of three children

at a time, and caregivers are hired for a minimum of two hours.

The care is provided in the parents' hotel room. With written permission, the caregiver can escort the child (or children) to the hotel pool, but will not take the children outside the hotel.

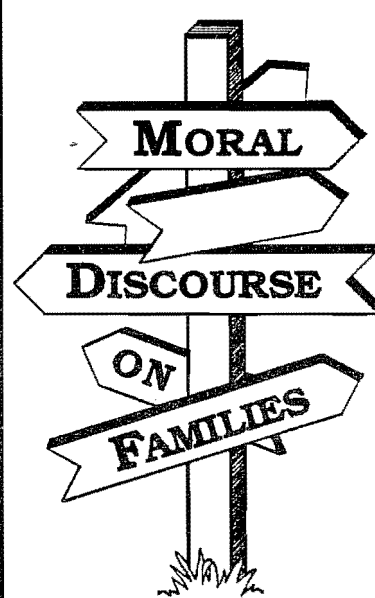
Parents who wish to use this service must contact Sheila or Lorraine at **Personal Touch**, 410-321-8448, by Wednesday, October 20, to make reservations.

Calling All Authors!

The editors of *Journal of Marriage and the Family* are now asking authors whose submissions have been accepted for publication to provide copies of their articles on computer diskette.

Two files are being requested: One in the author's word processing program, and one saved in ASCII.

The diskettes, along with hard copies of the articles, will be sent to the journal printer where they should improve both efficiency and accuracy in the typesetting of the journal. The diskettes will be retained by the printer and will not be returned to the authors.



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William J. Doherty, Univ. of MN
Program Vice President

Plenary Speakers

- ❖ Andrew Billingsley, *Family Values Reconsidered*
- ❖ Jean Bethke Elshtain, *Families, Communities, and Habits of the Heart*
- ❖ Susan Moller Okin, *The Gendered Family and the Development of a Sense of Justice*

International Health Policy Forum Panelists

- ❖ Stephan Lewis, UNICEF; former Canadian Ambassador to the UN
- ❖ Julia Walsh, Harvard University
- ❖ Cynthia Myntti, Ford Foundation Health Program, Jakarta, Indonesia

Research Updates for Practitioners (RUPS)

New to the NCFR conference, RUPS are designed to meet the needs of practitioners within the scope of NCFR's research focus. RUPS are 90 minute sessions in which an expert on a specific family topic summarizes the latest research on that topic, synthesizes it, suggests applied implications, and gives an overview of the current state of scholarly consensus about the topic.

Other Conference Events

- ❖ Symposia
- ❖ Video Festival
- ❖ Round Tables
- ❖ Workshops
- ❖ Exhibits
- ❖ Posters
- ❖ Papers
- ❖ Panels
- ❖ Seminars



For more information contact:
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300 Light St., Baltimore, MD 21202-9990

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Address _____

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Daytime Phone Number (____) _____

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Type	Rate	Date and Time of Arrival	Date of Departure	Number of Nights
<input type="checkbox"/> Single (1 person)	\$99 plus 12% tax	_____	_____	_____
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To guarantee your reservation, please enclose a 1 night room deposit including 12% tax or send your credit card number, expiration date, and authorization for billing of deposit.

Card Type _____ Card # _____

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Name of Roommate(s) if applicable _____

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Pre-Conference Workshops

Ethics and Family Life Education.
Sponsored by the NCFR Education and Enrichment Section and CFLE Program.

Date: Thursday, November 11, 1993,
8:00 am - 12:00 pm.

Cost: \$15 for NCFR Members; \$30 for Non-Members.

Workshop Leader: **Margaret Arcus, Ph.D., CFLE**, Univ. of British Columbia.

This workshop provides an overview of the major theoretical perspectives on ethics, and a review of the central concepts, principles, and issues in ethics. Attention is directed to educational strategies for dealing with ethical questions and issues in family life education. Issues related to codes of ethics are also introduced.

Marriage Preparation: Working with the Family From the Point of Origin. Sponsored by the NCFR Religion and Family Life Section.

Date: Thursday, November 11, 1993,
1:00 - 5:00 pm.

Cost: \$15 for NCFR Members; \$30 for Non-Members; \$10 for students.

Leaders: **David H. Olson, Ph.D.**, Univ. of Minnesota; **Walter Schumm, Ph.D., CFLE**, Kansas State Univ.; **Ruth Hatch, Ph.D., CFLE**, Private Practice, Kansas City, KS; **Benjamin Silliman, Ph.D., CFLE**, Louisiana Tech Univ.; **Roseanne Farnden Lyster, Ph.D.**, BC Council for the Family; **Roger Ferris, Ed.D.**, Washington Conference, Seventh Day Adventist Church.

This workshop examines some of the theoretical bases for marriage preparation, surveys recent research, demonstrates methods of practice, and provides opportunities for networking.

Marriage Enrichment Models Integrity/Ethical Leadership.
Sponsored by the NCFR Education and Enrichment Section and Association for Couples in Marriage Enrichment (ACME).

Date: Thursday, November 11, 1993,
1:00 - 5:00 pm.

Cost: \$15 for NCFR or ACME Members; \$30 for Non-Members.

Leaders: **Britton Wood, Ph.D., CFLE**, Private Practice, Ft. Worth, TX; **Bobbie Wood, Ph.D.**, Teacher, Ft. Worth, TX; **Bill McConahey, M.D.**, Private Practice, South Boston, VA; **Linda McConahey, Ph.D., CFLE, ACME**, South Boston, VA

This workshop demonstrates the unique ingredient of vulnerability and personal modeling in the leading of enrichment events. It will benefit family life educators, therapists, clergy, extension service personnel, and group process leaders.

Putting More Harmony in Your Marriage: Valuing Your Marriage Partner. Sponsored by the NCFR Education and Enrichment Section, and ACME.

Date: Thursday, November 11, 1993,
7:00 - 10:00 pm.

Cost: \$15 per couple for NCFR or ACME Members; \$30 per couple for Non-Members.

Leaders: **Britton Wood, Ph.D., CFLE**, Private Practice, Ft. Worth, TX; **Bobbie Wood, Ph.D.**, Teacher, Ft. Worth, TX.

This experiential workshop is for couples who want to enhance their marital relational skills.

Post Conference Tour to Capitol Hill

Tuesday, November 16, 1993. Cost: \$25.

Baltimore is one hour from the Nation's Capitol. The **NCFR Public Policy Committee** is sponsoring a 1-day visit to Capitol Hill, coordinated by **Margaret Feldman**, NCFR's Washington Representative.

Tour participants will take a **MARC** train on their own from Baltimore's Camden Station (2 blocks from the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Hotel) to Union Station in Washington, which is a short walk from the Capitol. The cost of the train is **\$5 one way or \$9 round trip**.

The following events are planned for the tour:

- ◆ Attend a House or Senate committee hearing of interest to you from list provided
- ◆ Attend a seminar with speakers from four Congressional support agencies
- ◆ Meet with your Representative/staffer to talk about family issues
- ◆ Attend a lunch seminar (lunch provided) at the **Library of Congress** with speakers from the four Congressional support agencies.
- ◆ Attend a legislative briefing on family violence organized by Sen. Wellstone's (D-MN) office in a Senate hearing room.
- ◆ Visit an agency if you have a special interest

Sign up on this form. Further information will be sent to you after you register.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (____) _____ FAX (____) _____

Is this your ☐ Day or ☐ Night number?

☐ **Enclosed is \$25 for the tour** (includes lunch).

Method of payment: ☐ Check ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

Payments by check or draft must be drawn on a US bank in US dollars.

Signature: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Note: You may register by FAX (612-781-9348) between 8:00 am - 4:30 pm CDT, Mon.-Fri. (for credit card registrations only).

Return this form by **September 15, 1993**. Mail to **Cindy Winter, CMP**, Conference Coordinator, NCFR, 3989 Central Ave. NE, Suite 550, Minneapolis, MN 55421.
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1993 NCFR STUDENT CONFERENCE HOUSING

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Name _____

Address _____

Phone - Day (____) _____ Night (____) _____

Date and Time of Arrival _____

Date of Departure _____

Type of Room Desired:

- ☐ Triple \$119 (\$39.67 per person per night plus tax)
☐ Quad \$139 (\$34.75 per person per night plus tax)

Are you ☐ Female? ☐ Male?

Names of roommates if you have already selected them:

Name	Address	Phone (day or night?)	Date and Time Arriving	Date Leaving

- ☐ I do not have a roommate. Please match me with roommates.
How many roommates do you need? ☐ 3 ☐ 2 ☐ 1
☐ Non-Smoking ☐ Smoking

Nights you need housing: ☐ Wed. 11/10 ☐ Thu. 11/11
☐ Fri. 11/12 ☐ Sat. 11/13 ☐ Sun. 11/14 ☐ Mon. 11/15

☐ Enclosed is my check for the first night's deposit - **\$40 (check made payable to Hyatt Regency Baltimore Hotel)**. Checks will be deposited and applied to your hotel bill.

Each student member is responsible for his/her own room costs. If roommates fail to attend, the person(s) in the room will be responsible for the total cost of the room. It will not be assumed by NCFR or the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Hotel. If this situation arises please contact **Linda Airsman** immediately so other arrangements can be made.

Student housing reservation service is available only until **September 15, 1993**. After that date you will be responsible for making your own reservations directly with the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Hotel.

Return this form and a deposit check by SEPTEMBER 15, 1993 to DR. LINDA A. AIRSMAN, Dept. of Soc., Anth., and Soc. Welf., Campus Box 28, Metropolitan State Col. of Denver, Denver, CO 80217-3362. Phone: 303-556-8347.

1993 NATIONAL COUNCIL ON FAMILY RELATIONS ANNUAL CONFERENCE ABBREVIATED PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**November 10 - 15,
Hyatt Regency Hotel
Baltimore, MD**

Theme: "Moral Discourse on Families"

Please Note: Call the NCFR office for a list of program changes which may occur before the Conference begins.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1993

- Pre-Conference Events

- 10 am - 6 pm NCFR CRC Comm. Mtg.
- 12 pm Theor. Const./Res. Meth. Workshop (Continues through Thursday evening)
- 2 - 6 pm Ext. Family Life Specialists Workshop
- 4 - 5 pm NCFR Finance Comm. Mtg.
- 5 - 7 pm Assn. of Coun. Exec. Board Mtg.
- 7:30 - 9 pm 1992-93 NCFR Exec. Comm. Mtg.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1993 -

Pre-Conference Events

- 8 am - 12 pm Pre-Conf. Workshop - *Ethics and Family Life Education* (Spon. by EE Sect.)
- 8:30 am TCRM Workshop Continued
- 8:30 - 10 am NCFR Long Range Planning Comm. Mtg.
- 10 am - 12 pm NCFR Publications Comm. Mtg.
- 12 - 6 pm Ext. Family Life Specialists Workshop
- 1 - 5 pm Pre-Conf. Workshop - *Marriage Preparation: Working with the Family at the Point of Origin* (Spon. by RF Sect.)
- Pre-Conference Workshop - *Marriage Enrichment Models Integrity/Ethical Leadership* (Spon. by EE Sect. and ACME)
- 1:30 - 3:30 pm NCFR CEC Comm. Mtg.
- 2 - 3 pm 1993 Local Arrangements Comm. Chairs Mtg.
- 2:30 - 5:30; 6:30 - 9:30 pm 1992-93 NCFR Board Mtg.
- 7 - 10 pm Pre-Conference Workshop - *Putting More Harmony in Your Marriage: Valuing Your Marriage Partner* (Spon. by EE Sect. and ACME).

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1993 -

Official Conference Begins

- 7:30 - 8:30 am Assn. of Coun./Public Policy Comm. Workshop; Leader: Margaret Feldman
- Focus Groups Session I
- 7:30 - 9:30 am 1994 NCFR Nominating Comm. Mtg.
- 8 - 9:30 am DIDACTIC SEMINAR - "The American Family Data Archive: A New Teaching and Research Resource"
- 8:30 - 9:30 am FIRST TIMERS RECEPTION
- Focus Groups Session II
- 9:45 - 11 am OPENING PLENARY SESSION (Spon. by RF Sect.) - "Family Values Reconsidered," Andrew Billingsley
- 11 am - 12 pm GRAND OPENING OF EXHIBITS
- 11:30 am - 12:30 pm BURGESS AWARD ADDRESS - David Reiss
- MARIE PETERS AWARD ADDRESS - Leonor Johnson
- 11:45 am - 1 pm POSTER SESSION I
- ♦ Adolescence and Childhood ♦ Cross Cultural Issues ♦ Public Policy
- SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION I
- ♦ A Parent Education Model (EE) ♦ Family Caregiving (FH)
- ♦ Family-Religious Interaction (RF)
- PUBLIC POLICY PANEL (Spon. by NCFR

- Pub. Pol. Comm./FP Sect.)
- "Family Impoverishment: Central Program and Policy Trends"
- 1:15 - 2:45 pm SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION II
- ♦ Moral Discourse, Ethnic Minority Families, and the Social Construction of Race/Ethnicity, Gender and Class: Implications for Research, Theory and Public Policy, Part I (EM) ♦ The Effects of Community Violence on Children and Families: Moral Issues for Families, Therapists, and Researchers (FP) ♦ Family Relations in China and Southeast Asia (IN) ♦ A Close Relationship Perspective on Dating and Marital Relationships (RT)

- RESEARCH UPDATES FOR PRACTITIONERS, "Families and Health," William J. Doherty
- 3 - 4:30 pm SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION III

- ♦ Moral Discourse, Ethnic Minority Families, and the Social Construction of Race/Ethnicity, Gender and Class: Implications for Research, Theory, and Public Policy, Part II (EM) ♦ Impassioned Teaching (FF) ♦ Family Process and Chronic Illness: Conceptual and Methodological Issues in Assessing African Families (FH) ♦ Housing and Homelessness Among Families with Children (RT/FP) ♦ Adolescent Issues: Sexuality, Pregnancy, Parenting (EE) ♦ The Lost Generation (FP) ♦ Family Science Issues (FS) ♦ Families in Context: Historical and Cultural Variations (RT)
- ASSN. OF COUN. WORKSHOP - Steve Small
- 4:45 - 6 pm ANNUAL NCFR BUSINESS MEETING AND MEMBERSHIP FORUM
- 6:15 - 7:45 pm STUDENT/NEW PROFESSIONALS SKILLS EXCHANGE
- SECTION BUSINESS MEETINGS (FP, RF, RT)
- CFLE RECEPTION
- Marie Peters Award Comm. Mtg.
- 8 - 9:30 pm SECTION BUSINESS MEETINGS (EE, IN)
- ASSN. OF COUN. INFORMATION FAIR AND MIXER (Show and Tell)
- Special Session on "How to Write for NCFR Journals"
- 9 pm Receptions Sponsored by Sections/Universities
- 9:15 pm 1994 Local Arrangements Comm. Mtg.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1993

- 7:15 - 8:30 am Int. Year of the Family Comm. Mtg.
- 7:30 - 8:30 am Focus Groups Session III
- 7:45 - 9:45 am NCFR Comm. to Select Nominating Comm. Members Mtg.
- 8:30 - 10 am SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION IV
- ♦ Concerns of Midlife Women as Mothers, Grandmothers, Caregivers, and Employees (EE) ♦ What is Marriage and What is Family? (IN) ♦ Stress and Coping Theory (FH) ♦ Economic Conditions and Family Life (RT)
- RESEARCH UPDATES FOR PRACTITIONERS, "Marriage Preparation," Benjamin Silliman, CFLE
- Journal of Marriage and the Family Editors Mtg.
- 10:15 - 11:30 am PLENARY SESSION - "Families, Communities, and Habits of the Heart," Jean Bethke Elshtain
- 11:45 - 12:45 pm Exhibits Break
- Student/New Professionals Forum, "Interviewing for an Academic Position," Sharon J. Price, CFLE
- Focus Groups IV
- Special Session, "How to Become a Certified Family Life Educator," Dawn Cassidy
- NCFR Affirmative Action Comm. Family Relations Editors Mtg.
- 12:30 - 2 pm POSTER SESSION II
- ♦ Ethics and Values; Religion; Family Theory/Methodology ♦ Divorce, Remarriage, Single Parent Families ♦ Health, Stress, and Coping
- 12:45 - 3:45 pm ASSN. OF COUN. OPEN FORUM - Carolyn Love
- 1 - 2 pm

- ROUND TABLES SESSION I
- 2:15 - 3:45 pm SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION V
- ♦ Risk-Related Sexual Behaviors Among College Students: Reason or Rationalization? (EE) ♦ Training Marriage and Family Therapists to Work with Diverse Families (FT) ♦ Towards a Redemptive Model for Family Life Education (RF) ♦ Considering Work-Family Relationships as a Function of Organizational Size (RT) ♦ Implementing Family Life Education (EE) ♦ Bioethical Issues (FH) ♦ Family: Strengths and Structures (IN) ♦ Family Relationships and Development in Adolescence and Young Adulthood (RT)
- 4 - 6 pm SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL HEALTH POLICY FORUM (Spon. by Family and Health & Family Policy Sect. and NCFR Public Policy Comm.)
- Panelists: Julia Walsh, Stephan Lewis, Cynthia Myntti; Moderator: Barbara Elliott
- 6 pm INTERNATIONAL RECEPTION AND INTRODUCTION OF NCFR IYF MONOGRAPH
- 7 - 8:30 pm SECTION BUSINESS MEETINGS (FS, FT)
- Special Session - "The National Survey of Families and Households: Using the 1992/93 Followup Data," Vaughn Call
- STUDENT/NEW PROFESSIONALS DEVELOPMENT FORUM
- 7 - 9 pm Orientation for New 1993-94 NCFR Bd. of Dir. Members
- 9:30 pm ETHNIC MINORITIES SECTION FUND RAISER DANCE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1993

- 7:30 - 8:30 am Focus Groups V
- Int. Year of the Family Comm. Mtg.
- Stud./New Prof. Coun. of Reps Mtg.
- 1994 NCFR Nominating Comm. Mtg.
- Journal of Family Issues Editors Mtg.
- 7:45 - 8:30 am INTERFAITH SERVICE
- 8:30 - 10 am SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION VI
- ♦ Family Life Education Research: The Promise of Alternative Modes of Inquiry (EE) ♦ Ethical Issues in Research with Rural Families (FP) ♦ Float Like a Butterfly, Sting Like a 'WASP': Respecting Client Values and Experiences in Community Correctional Facilities (FT) ♦ The Ebb and Flow of Motherhood (IN) ♦ Contextualizing the Study of the Family (RT) ♦ Preparing for Effective Family Relationships (EE) ♦ Antecedents to the Development of Differential Perceptions About Families of Color (EM) ♦ Family Grieving (FH/FS) ♦ Adult Development and Relationships in Later Life (RT)
- 8:45 - 9:45 am Mtg. of NCFR Staff, Editors, Pub. VP
- 10:15 - 11:30 am PLENARY SESSION - "The Gendered Family and the Development of a Sense of Justice," Susan Moller Okin
- 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Exhibits Break - Half Price Book Sale
- NCFR Mentoring Comm. Mtg.
- CFLE State Coordinators Mtg.
- 12 - 1:15 pm POSTER SESSION III
- ♦ Marriage; Middle and Later Life Families; Living Environments; Military Families ♦ Work; Parenthood
- EDUCATION & ENRICHMENT SECTION RESOURCE EXCHANGE
- SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION VII
- ♦ Exploring Ethical Guidelines for Family Life Educators (EE) ♦ Household Labor (FF) ♦ The Predictors of Marital Quality (RT)
- 12 - 2 pm 1994 Annual Conference Prog. Comm. Mtg.
- 1:30 - 3 pm SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION VIII
- ♦ AIDS (FH) ♦ New Approaches to Addressing the Individual-Family Interplay (RT) ♦ Valuing Work and Family: The Challenges of the 21st Century (FP)
- RESEARCH UPDATES FOR PRACTITIONERS, "Remarried Families," B. Kay Pasley
- 3:15 - 4:45 pm PRESENTATION OF NCFR AWARDS, NCFR PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS, Patricia Kain Knaub

- 5 - 6:15 pm OPEN MEETING OF NCFR PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE
- 6:30 - 8 pm SECTION BUSINESS MEETING (FH)
- Focus Groups VI
- Special Session: Gerhard Neubeck Inter Assn. of Coun. Business Mtg. and Presidents' Orientation
- 6:30 - 9:30 pm ETHNIC MINORITIES SECTION BUSINESS MEETING AND ORAL HISTORY
- 8:15 - 9:45 pm SECTION BUSINESS MEETINGS (FF; S/NP)
- Focus Groups VII
- Mtg. of Incoming and Outgoing Assn. of Coun. Officers
- 9 - 10:30 pm Receptions and Meetings Sponsored by Universities and Sections
- 10 pm - 1 am PARTY HOSTED BY NCFR STUDENT NEW PROFESSIONALS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1993

- 7:15 - 8:15 am Int. Year of the Family Comm. Mtg.
- 7:30 - 8:30 am Teacher Kit Comm. Mtg.
- Focus Groups VIII
- Information Session for NCFR Section Chairs
- 7:30 - 9:30 am NCFR Membership Comm. Mtg.
- 8:30 - 10 am SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION IX
- ♦ Women 50-65: The Forgotten Stage Adult Development (EE) ♦ Formulating Ethical Guidelines for Family Scientists (FS) ♦ Stress and Standards as Drivers the Allocation of Family Work (RT) ♦ Impact of Desert Storm Separations on National Guard Families: Personal Distress, Marital Happiness, and Child Behavior (RT) ♦ Understanding Parenting Strategies of Stepfamilies and Grandparents Raising Grandchildren (EE) ♦ Women Children (FF) ♦ Untangling Complicated Relationships (FT)
- 9 - 10 am ASSN. OF COUN. OPEN FORUM - "New Directions on FP: An Open Forum," Patricia Langley
- 9:30 - 11:30 am 1993/94 NCFR Publications Comm. Mtg.
- 10:15 - 11:45 am POSTER SESSION IV
- ♦ Family Life Education, Family Science ♦ Family Processes, Intervention, Violence ♦ Sexuality, Mate Selection, Gen Issues
- PUBLIC POLICY FORUM (Spon. by NC Public Policy Comm. and Family Policy Sect.) - "Family Research and Public Policy," Invited Panel: Jeffrey Evans (NICHD), David Ellwood (ASPE), Katherine Wallman (Government Statistics). Chair: Margaret Feldman
- PAPER SESSION X
- ♦ Parenting Decisions and Behavior
- 10:45 - 11:45 am ROUND TABLES SESSION II
- 11:45 am - 1:45 pm 1993-94 NCFR Board Mtg.
- 12 - 1:30 pm SYMPOSIA/WORKSHOPS/PAPERS SESSION XI
- ♦ Integrating a Computerized Assessment Using AWARE Inventory in Family Life Education (EE) ♦ Enhancing Personal Autonomy in Health Care: Ethical Dilemmas and Challenges (FH) ♦ Perspectives on the Family and Intergenerational Exchanges (RT) ♦ Ethics, Values, and Beliefs in Marriage and Family Therapy (I) ♦ Youth: Perceptions and Problems (I) ♦ Marriage and Religion (RF) ♦ Qualitative Analyses and Meaning of Family (RT)
- 1:45 - 4:15 pm FORUM ON FAMILY DATA AND FAMILY HEALTH POLICY - Gerry Hendershot, Natl. Ctr. for Health Statistics

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1993

- All Day Optional Tour of Capital Hill led by the NCFR Public Policy Comm.

Headquarters

612-781-9331

NCFR Conference Expands Outreach

NCFR is known for its excellent research on Families. This research needs to be translated into useable resources for family practitioners.

The NCFR Conference will expand its outreach by providing materials to non-profit agencies which work directly with families. The current NCFR budget doesn't allow for these projects, so we are looking for sponsors to help fund these needed projects.

1993 projects which we would like to undertake:

- ♦ Audio cassettes of the Health Policy Forum provided free to family service agency personnel. Cost: \$1,500 for 125 tapes
- ♦ Scholarship program for practitioners working at family service agencies in the Baltimore area to attend the Conference, especially the **Research Updates for Practitioners teaching sessions**. 10 scholarships at \$1,000 each.
- ♦ Videotapes of the most outstanding conference sessions (health policy forum, teaching sessions). Copies of the videos will be given to practitioners working in family service agencies; other copies will be sold to attendees. Cost: \$1000 for each set of tapes.
- ♦ Funding for publishing and

distributing a series of pamphlets, written in lay language, which can be placed in family service clinics for families to use. Cost: \$5,000 per pamphlet.

♦ Funding toward cost of editing, publishing and distributing a book which translates conference research into practitioner articles. 500 copies of the book will be given to family service agency personnel. Cost: \$12,000.

If you know someone in a corporate foundation whom we could contact for corporate sponsorships or if you would like to donate toward a project, please call either **Cindy Winter**, Conference Coordinator, or **Sonja Almlie**, Marketing Coordinator at **612-781-9331**.

According to the fourth annual Human Development Report issued by the United Nations Development Program, women are the largest "excluded group" in the world, lagging behind men in earning power, political influence, literacy and recognition for contributions to the world's economy.

The report calls women the "nonparticipating majority." Although they comprise more than half the world's population and work longer hours than men, they hold just over 10 percent of parliamentary positions and fewer than 4 percent of Cabinet-level government posts in the world.

Students! Earn a Scholarship to NCFR's Annual Conference

At this year's annual conference, November 10-15, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Baltimore, NCFR student members will once again have opportunities to earn scholarships towards their conference registration fees. Conference registration fees will be refunded in return for 8 hours of help. The number of positions needed is limited--**Return your form in soon!**

What is a Student Aide?

- A person who represents the National Council on Family Relations and is committed to helping attendees feel welcome.
- A student member who works for 8 hours during the conference and in return receives a refund check for the student registration fee. (Checks are mailed 2 weeks AFTER the conference.)
- Someone who would like to be part of the behind-the-scenes activities of a national conference and become better acquainted with other students and professionals.

What are the responsibilities of a Student Aide?

- Attend a training session before beginning work.
- Check in at the Student Aide desk upon arrival at the conference.
- Be at your assigned position 15 minutes before the scheduled work time to be briefed on information pertinent to your job and shift.
- Be willing to do ANY task necessary for the smooth operation of your assigned project and the conference as a whole. (Note: Some positions may include moving boxes and audio-visual equipment.)
- Acquaint yourself with the conference program BEFORE coming to the conference so that you are able to answer questions asked by attendees.

How to sign up?

Complete the form below and RETURN BY SEPTEMBER 1, 1993, to:

Courtrina P. Johnson
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Baltimore, MD 21208

Call Courtrina Johnson or Ann Gearhart at 410-889-2861 for more information.

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Please check the areas in which you would be willing to volunteer your time:
____ registration ____ employment service ____ special event set-up
____ press room ____ local information ____ audio-visual set-up
____ workshop reg. ____ exhibits ____ miscellaneous
____ liaison for emergencies (must have access to car)

Please check the TIMES you are able to work. A total of 8 hours is required; you must work a minimum of 4 hours at a time.

Wed., Nov. 10 ____ afternoon	Thur., Nov. 11 ____ morning ____ afternoon ____ evening	Fri., Nov. 12 ____ morning ____ afternoon ____ evening
Sat., Nov. 13 ____ morning ____ afternoon ____ evening	Sun., Nov. 14 ____ morning ____ afternoon ____ evening	Mon., Nov. 15 ____ morning

VISIT THE EXHIBITS & VIDEO FESTIVAL

1993 NCFR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

One of the highlights of the NCFR Conference is the **Exhibits and Video Festival**. Visit all the exhibit booths, browse through the combined book and take one displays, and view the latest videos. Many of your colleagues have materials in the exhibits. Dates: Fri., Sat., and Sun., Nov. 12-14, 1993.

- ♦ Discover the latest materials for your classroom or job!
- ♦ Great prizes will be given away daily at the exhibits! You must be present in the exhibits area during the drawings to be eligible for prizes.
- ♦ Half-price sale of books exhibited in the Combined Book Display, Sunday, Nov. 14, 11:30 am.
- ♦ Ongoing Video Festival from 12:00 - 6:00 pm, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Watch for the award-winning videos from the 1993 Media Awards Competition.

Special thanks to Ollie Pocs, IL State Univ., Exhibits Chair, and Martha Calderwood, Consultant, Charlottesville, VA, Video Festival Chair.

Attention Authors!!

Be savvy and market your latest book at the NCFR Annual Conference! Have your publisher exhibit in Baltimore. Leaders in the family field will look at your books for use in the classroom. Exhibiting at NCFR gives you good exposure at reasonable prices.

Send the name, address, and phone or FAX number of your publisher to **Cindy Winter, CMP**, Conference Coordinator, by **August 15, 1993**. She will contact the publisher for you.

Theory Construction, Research Methods Meeting Set

The Theory Construction and Research Methods Pre-conference Workshop will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Baltimore, Wednesday and Thursday, November 10 and 11, immediately before the NCFR annual conference.

The Workshop offers the opportunity to be involved in the creation of theory and research methods in family-related disciplines. Scheduled for presentation this year are 33 papers, ranging from Asian perspectives on family theory to couple's decisions about breastfeeding.

There will be a session of five-minute updates of prior Workshop presentations. The deadline for the updates has been

extended to June 30. New to this year's sessions will be four "brainstorming" sessions; authors are looking forward to your ideas and feedback early in the process of theory construction.

Also highlighted this year is the continuing debate about quantitative and qualitative research, including new issues in both types of methods—for example, handling couple and family level data and the use of children as research subjects.

Papers aimed at advancing family theory cover a broad array of topics. Philosophical underpinnings of our theories are brought to light. Morality in research and in family relations is considered. A new paradigm for studying

home management is suggested. Other topics include boundary ambiguity, fathering, stepparent families, three-generational families, gay and lesbian families, and socialization in cultural context. Family policy issues do not escape scrutiny.

The Workshop is different from other conferences because papers are not read at the sessions. A packet of papers is mailed to all who register. At the Workshop, two discussants comment on the papers, the author(s) respond, and a general discussion is held.

It is not too late to become involved. Discussants and moderators are needed. For more information or to receive registration materials or copies of the papers to be presented, contact Margaret Crosbie-Burnett at the University of Miami, P.O. Box 24806, Coral Gables, FL 33124-2040; 305-282-2808; FAX 305-284-3003.

Registration before August 1 is \$30. On August 1, the fee increases to \$45. Fees include the packet of papers. Please make checks payable to "NCFR 1993 Theory Workshop".

Communitarian Network Balances Rights, Duties

For those who have read Robert Bellah's books, *Habits of the Heart* and *The Good Society*, the Communitarian Network will not be a surprise. It was started in 1990 by Amatai Etzioni of George Washington University and other noted scholars, Jean Bethke Elshtain, Vanderbilt University; William Galston, University of MD; John Gardner, Stanford University; Mary Ann Glendon, Harvard; and Alice Rossi, University of MA.

The network consists of people and organizations committed to shoring up the moral, social and political environment of the U.S. It holds that strong individual rights carry corresponding strong individual and community responsibilities.

The Communitarian Network is based at George Washington University, 2130 H St. NW, Suite 174, Washington, DC 20052; 202-994-7907. The associate director is Paul Downs.

NCFR has been invited to join in planning the third national "Teach-in" in Washington, DC, the first week of November. It will provide information and resources on family life education.

State affiliates are also being initiated for this group, such as the one gearing up for its first "teach-in" in Minnesota, September 17.

The coalition publishes a quarterly journal, *The Responsive Community: Rights and Responsibilities*. Subscriptions are \$20 per year. Call 1-800-245-7460 or 202-994-8142 for subscription information.

A position paper on the family is also available. If you are interested in more information on representing NCFR or attending the November "Teach-in", please contact Mary Jo Czaplewski at NCFR headquarters or contact Margaret Feldman, NCFR representation in Washington at 202-554-0242. Mary Jo Czaplewski Ph.D. CFLE

In Memoriam

NCFR headquarters has been notified of the deaths of several members in the past few months. Included were:

Liela D. Boniferno, of the Family Life Department, Sault Ste. Marie District, Roman Catholic Separate School Board, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada. She had been a member since 1976.

Dr. Stephen W. Mamchur of Taylor, MI. He was a charter member of NCFR and served in several leadership capacities through the years. He died on February 16.

Nancy Spinner CFLE, a member since 1989. She was with the Rutgers Cooperative Extension in Hunterdon County, Flemington, NJ.

Ernest White Ph.D. of the South Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY.

NCFR extends its sympathy to the families and friends of these members.

Canadian Member Alert!

Canadian members are reminded that they **MUST** pay the Canadian Goods and Services Tax (GST) on ALL membership dues and products purchased from NCFR.

According to Canadian law, all membership dues are taxable if publications received with the membership package account for more than 30 percent of the dues amount.

NCFR membership dues fall under this law. Please contact Kathy at 612-781-9331 if you have any questions.

NCFR MENTOR/PROTEE' PROGRAM

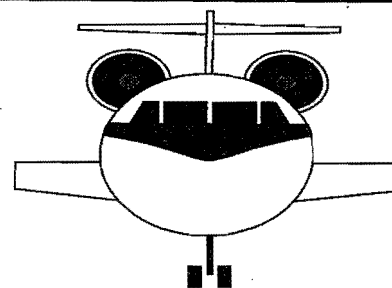
The National Council on Family Relations is embarking on a **Mentorship/Protee' Program**. This program will help first-time conference attendees and new NCFR members become acquainted with other members, learn about NCFR's programs, and become active in the organization. If you are interested in helping, please complete this form and return to **Dr. David Wright**. You will be contacted with the name of a protegee' for you to mentor.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (indicate if day or night number) _____

Return by **September 15, 1993** to NCFR Mentor/Protee' Program, **Dr. David Wright**, HDFS Justin Hall, KS State Univ., Manhattan, KS 66506-1403. Phone: 913-532-5510; FAX: 913-532-5504.



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The National Council on Family Relations has negotiated through **The Travel Concern**, discounted fares to **Baltimore, MD** for the Conference in November.

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International Year of the Family Events

NA-IYF

One of the efforts inspired by the United Nations International Year of the Family 1994 (IYF) is the creation of a non-profit organization, NA-IYF (North Americans for IYF), to advance the objectives of IYF throughout the U.S. and Canada.

NA-IYF is an all-volunteer, non-profit, non-governmental effort suggested to Nona Cannon by Henryk Sokalski, UN-IYF coordinator at the seminar/conference on **Family Life Education for Peace (FLEP)** that was co-sponsored by the IYF Secretariat and the University of Peace.

Cannon coordinated the seminar/conference as FLEP coordinator for the University for Peace. It was held on Costa Rica.

Dr. Jane Carney Schulze agreed to coordinate NA-IYF. She wrote a four-page information/suggestion paper that has been distributed to hundreds of individuals and organizations, and has contacted legislators to encourage the passage of legislation beneficial to families and children. She also has addressed many groups about IYF, helped in the selection of Advisory Board members, and led in the promotion of IYF goals.

A steering committee of nine and a number of consultants have assisted in disseminating information about IYF and urging creative thinking by individuals and organizations to promote family well-being. Although suggestions are provided, the purpose is not to tell people what to do, but to encourage them to be innovative in meaningful ways and ways that are most needed by families and individuals in their particular communities.

Since NA-IYF thinks it is helpful for groups and individuals to know what is being done by others, the group plans to publish at **Networking** newsletter. If funds are available, the first issue will go out in June and quarterly thereafter.

Family issues will be brought to the attention of the public and to government officials in the U.S. and Canada. It is hoped that policies damaging to families and to children's development will be changed. For example, NA-IYF appreciates NCFR's IYF work and would like other groups to learn about it.

There are many materials that can be used. The steering committee has previewed and recommends the video, "Sex, Love, and Babies: How Babies Change Your Marriage." (Injoy Productions, 1490 Riverside Ave., Boulder, CO 80304).

NA-IYF encourages more family/child research, family life education, and activities to promote needed changes in people, and society. **Please send information concerning your activities for family well-being or requests for information to Dr. Jane Carney Schulze, NA-IYF, P.O. Box 15381, San Diego, CA 92175; 619-286-5050; FAX 619-495-7050.**

NA-IYF thanks Drs. Lynda and James

Walters for representing NCFR on the NA-IYF Advisory Board. Appreciation also goes to Lynda Walters, Dr. Mary Jo Czaplewski, and other NCFR members for their support of IYF.

In previous REPORT issues, readers have been introduced to IYF, its proclamation by the United Nations General Assembly, its principles and objectives, its relationship to NGOs (Non-governmental organizations) and other U.N. activities, and its work with the U.N. Committee on the Family.

Thanks goes to Marilyn Bensman for her report on her role as NCFR's UN representative and work with the International Union of Family Organizations.

In her March, 1993, REPORT column, Dr. Mary Jo Czaplewski CFLE, NCFR's executive director, expressed her belief "...that NCFR can and will have an important role to play in shaping the new world order."

This is part of what IYF means. We are approaching a time when humanity will either destroy itself, or become mature enough to resolve our many crises. Such maturity means being self-esteemed, loving/caring of all humanity, and responsible, willing, and able to lay aside our greed and reform our socioeconomic-political structures. Families provide the greatest influence for the development of such maturity, and NCFR can be the most significant organization in this movement. If we all work together, we can make a big difference.

Nona H. Cannon Ed.D.
1994
International Year of the Family




MALTA Forum

On May 6, NCFR Executive Director Mary Jo Czaplewski, Washington Public Policy Representative Margaret Feldman, and Karen Altergott, NCFR's IYF book editor, visited Henryk Sokalski, international coordinator of the U.N. International Year of the Family (IYF) at UN headquarters in Vienna Austria.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss NCFR activities in preparation for the U.N. IYF and to learn more about what other countries and organizations are doing to prepare for the historic event.

Sokalski related his plans to open NCFR's summer workshop in Black Mountain, NC on July 29, 1994. He will contribute an introductory chapter to the

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National Council on Family Relations Sponsors UN International Year of the Family Events

1993-94 Events

**International Health Policy Forum
1993 Annual Conference - Baltimore**
Chair: Barbara Elliott, Ph.D.
Purpose: to discuss global comparisons regarding health care policies and their impact on families. Panelists include:
◆ Stephan Lewis, UNICEF
"Global Perspectives on Families & Health Policy"
◆ Julia Walsh, Harvard University
"Programs that Work in Delivering Health Services for Families"
◆ Cynthia Myntti, Ford Foundation
"Perspectives on Family Participation in Health Projects"

New Book
One World: Many Families
Editor: Karen Altergott, Ph.D.
Release date: 1993. A book of essays on global family issues intended to provoke thoughtful, informed discussion by bringing information, exemplary policies, programs, and practices from other countries. It is intended to expand international dialogue on family issues.

1994 NCFR Annual Conference
Nov. 7-13, 1994 - Minneapolis, MN
Program VP: Greer Litton Fox, Ph.D.
The theme is "Families and Justice: From Neighborhoods to Nations."
Sessions will include discussion of recommendations from the IYF Summer Workshop.

**Workshop Proceedings:
Mandate for New Initiatives**
Release date: 1994. A summary of the policy recommendations from the task forces which will meet at the '94 Summer Workshop. It will include recommendations for further research, educational programs, intervention, and policy on and for families worldwide.

1994 IYF SUMMER WORKSHOP

July 29-August 1, 1994
Blue Ridge Assembly, Black Mountain, North Carolina
Chair: M. Janice Hogan, Ph.D.

Workshop Format:
A 3 day working conference to address international family issues for *research, education, policy and practice*. Keynote sessions feature Henryk Sokalski, U.N. Gen. Coordinator of the IYF and Dr. Sylvia Hewlett, Harvard and Cambridge economist and author of *When the Bough Breaks*. Small working groups will study one issue and develop written positions with recommendations. Daily culminating sessions will summarize outcomes and recommendations for a future publication.

NCFR Invites Participation of:
Experienced researchers, educators, practitioners, and policy makers who are concerned about the social, economic and environmental impact of change on families worldwide. **Participation is limited to 250.**

Participants are requested to bring a short proposal, a model initiative or annotated bibliography for the members of their task force. Prerequisite reading for the participants will be the NCFR

book, *One World: Many Families*, edited by Karen Altergott. Other U.N. materials may be available before the workshop. Resources such as international bibliographic and empirical databases can be explored during the workshop.

Location:
YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly and Conference Center is located 28 miles from Asheville, NC airport, in the Blue Ridge Mountains. It has recreational facilities for families. 2-3 bedroom family cabins are available.

Costs:
Workshop registration for participants is \$395.00. This includes housing, meals, ground transportation, conference registration and required reading material. Additional family member rates available.

Reserve your place! Send in your \$150 Registration deposit today. Deposit must be received by Feb. 15, 1994. This deposit is refundable, less an administration fee of 35%. Refund requests must be postmarked no later than June 1, 1994.

**1994 International Year of the Family Summer Workshop
(This is not a registration form but a request for information.)**

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Return this form for more information to: International Year of the Family Workshop, National Council on Family Relations, 3989 Central Ave. NE, #550, Minneapolis, MN 55421 Phone: 612-781-9331; FAX: 612-781-9348

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book, **One World, Many Families**, edited by Altergott and published by NCFR. He suggested that the book become a U.N. publication and was impressed with the gift volume of **The Inventory of Marriage and Family Literature**. He expressed his wish that a special volume could be done for the 1994 IYF to include all world literature on families published that year.

Sokalski also shared numerous monographs on world family issues now being published and distributed by his office. Topics covered include aging and the environment. He also showed the group various samples of IYF souvenirs which will be available to groups that are sponsoring IYF activities. Proceeds will go to handicapped children around the world.

Of special interest to the group was the proceedings report of the Preparatory for IYF which was held in Valetta, Malta, April 26-30. Dr. Arlene Skolnik represented NCFR at the conference and presented a paper.

The next Malta conference--the official launching of the 1994 U.N. International Year of the Family--will be held November 28 to December 2. The conference will be a world NGO Forum to which NCFR members and IYF committee chairs are invited. The conference theme is **"Promoting Families for the Well-being of Individuals and Societies."**

The Forum objectives are:

1. To motivate NGOs, governments, and intergovernmental bodies to implement action for IYF and beyond.
2. To provide a platform for information exchange on major family issues, policies, research agendas, successful family programs, leading to partnerships and cooperation between regions and organizations.
3. To assess progress made in IYF and identify common strategies.
4. To reach areas of the world not yet included in IYF networks, especially developing countries where the importance of family in development is crucial.
5. To ensure effective follow-up action as part of an on-going process towards a more "family-friendly" society.

The conference will include plenary sessions, special interest meetings, "how to" sessions, and regional exchange meetings. Drs. M. Janice Hogan, chair of NCFR's 1994 IYF Summer Workshop and Nona Cannon will present papers on behalf of NCFR.

It is imperative that NCFR members take personal responsibility to encourage the Clinton administration to support this effort. To our discredit, the U.S. has never ratified a single human rights instrument of the U.N. This is an opportunity to change that pattern.

For more information on this meeting and other IYF activities, contact NCFR headquarters at 612-781-9331.

For information on the Malta Conference contact IYF-NGO Secretariat, Ingrid Gelinek, An der Hulben 1/15 A, 1010 Vienna, Austria; Tel:43-1-513 86 87; FAX 43-1-512 16 38 75.

Registrations and paper presentations are now being accepted.
Mary Jo Czaplewski

UN-NGO

Many activities are scheduled around the world in support of the International Year of the Family. According to Alba Zizzamia, chair of the Committee on the Family, a Dept. of Public Information committee, an International Day of Families was observed May 15.

"The Guiding Principles of the Family," a rights of the family document will be circulated among member states. In Geneva, the Subcommittee on Family Life Education has proposed a Conference on Youth to be held in Cairo at the same time as the Population Conference.

A first **World Congress on Family Law and Children's Rights** will be held in Sydney, Australia, July 4-9. "First Ladies for the Family" will be held in San Jose, Costa Rica in September.

A world conference on **"The Cultural Rights of Families,"** sponsored by IUFO will be held in Cairo, Egypt in October. The 23rd session of the Conference of European Ministers Responsible for Family Affairs will meet in Paris in October.

The International NGO Forum, **"On the Road to the International Year of the Family-1994: Strengthening Families-Strengthening Society,"** will meet in November 28 to December 1 in Valletta, Malta. The meeting is sponsored by the Vienna NGO Committee on the Family in cooperation with the IYF Secretariat.

In 1995, IUFO is sponsoring an International Conference on the Family in Beijing.

The Dept. of Public Instruction is planning to co-produce a video on female-headed households, a book on **Housing and Health**, and another on **Reunification of Families**, based on a study they are doing.

Zizzamia announced the book, **The Family: New Dynamics**, published by the UNESCO NGO Standing Committee on the Family. It is available for \$10 from the Paris office.

The International Movement ATD Fourth World representative described their activities which include a study on "Families in Extreme Poverty," a study partly funded by the IYF Secretariat. They also published **Let's Talk About the Family, Our Family, Families in General and What They Mean to Us.**

The International Movement ATD Fourth World also is sponsoring a seminar in Washington in November, **"From Assistance to Partnership,"** for grassroots workers working with very

poor families in North America, and an International gathering of families (poor and non-poor) in tandem with the **International Day for the Eradication of Poverty**, October 17 in New York.

Ruth Norman, representing the International Federation of Home Economics, spoke of that organization's efforts to launch IYF, including their book, **Families in Transition**, and a conference.

Marilyn Bensman, NCFR representative, announced plans for the book, **One World, Many Families**, edited by Karen Altergott, and for the workshop to be held July 29-August 1, 1994, in Black Mountain, NC. She also distributed copies of NCFR's IYF flyer listing "Opportunities to Participate."
Marilyn Bensman

Notable Dates in 1993

June 14-15 World Conference on Human Rights, Vienna, Austria.

October 17 International Day for the Eradication of Poverty.

November 28-December 2 World NGO Conference on launching IYF.

December 3 International Day of Disabled Persons

Notes From UN

The world is currently in the middle of a demographic transition that should stabilize in about 150 years at approximately 11.5 billion people. By that time, 25 percent of the world's population will be 65 years old or older. A large number will be poor and living in unclean areas. What are we doing now to meet those challenges?--Note from the United Nations.

Nine of 10 casualties of war are now civilians as compared to 8 percent in World War I. Children were 26 percent of the people killed in Sarajevo. 253,000 children worldwide die weekly from preventable diseases (pneumonia, diarrhea and measles). It would take \$25 billion to stop this tragedy--the amount spent in one year by Europeans for beer.--UNICEF Reports.

Family Diversity Featured

The July, 1993, issue of NCFR's journal, **Family Relations**, will contain 16 articles centering on family diversity.

They address such topics as values regarding families, definitions of families, single-parent families, gay stepfathers, lesbian mothers, African-American families, family structure, differences in division of household labor, parenting behaviors and their relations to child adjustment in different family structures, teaching about diversity, and translating assessment instruments into another language.

Despite the wide-ranging nature of the articles, they center on a common theme--families vary in many important ways, and family professionals need to be

Slingerlend Ends Service as NVOILA Rep

NVOILA is the acronym for National Voluntary Organizations for Independent Living for the Aging. In April, the Delegate Council meeting was held in Anaheim, CA.

NCFR's representative, Margaret Slingerlend, presented the nominating committee report, and Joyce Walsh, National Council on Aging (NCOA) vice-president, gave a status report on the National Eldercare Institute on Volunteerism and Employment.

Sharon Hartwell is the new NCOA vice-president, with responsibility for membership, the constituent units and conferences. To date, no money has been appropriated for the long overdue White House Conference on Aging.

Reports were given on NVOILA's 1993 Awards for Volunteerism in Action. The awards were presented to Mid-County Senior Services in Newton Square, PA, and the New Jersey Geriatrics Center of Workmen's Circle, Elizabeth, NJ.

Plans were made for the fall symposium to be held in Washington in November and for the 1994 annual conference.

The other main NVOILA session was the annual luncheon keynoted by Dr. Harold Freeman of the Harlem Hospital in New York City. He spoke on the "Many Faces of Aging," dealing mainly with aging in various ethnic groups.

During the NCOA conference, several congresspersons addressed issues of aging. One was sponsored by the Older Woman's League where a member of the Task Force on Health Care Reform (headed by Hillary Rodham Clinton) brought attendees up to date on the Task Force plans.

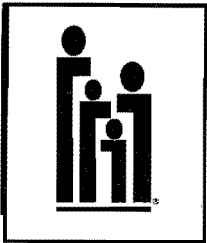
This is the end of my eight years as NCFR liaison to NVOILA. I hope I have made some small contribution. I received a plaque that I will forward to NCFR headquarters.
Margaret Slingerlend
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sensitive to and promote understanding of both the similarities and differences across families.

Please contact Kathy at NCFR headquarters, 612-781-9331, for information on ordering single or bulk copies or for information on using the issue as a classroom text.



Sections Announce Conference Plans

Many thanks to all of the **Ethnic Minorities Section** members who graciously participated in the review of proposals for the 1993 annual conference! Your assistance has resulted in an outstanding program for November, and we are hoping that all of you will join us in Baltimore.

Among the highlights of interest to Section members during the conference are the two symposia coordinated by Andrea Hunter (in conjunction with the Section's Program Planning sub-committee) entitled, "Moral Discourse, Ethnic Minority Families and the Social Construction of Race/Ethnicity, Gender and Class Implications for Research, Theory and Public Policy." Ten nationally known scholars will participate in these excellent symposia.

On Friday, November 12, two major presentations will be given by Section members. Andrew Billingsley opens the conference with his plenary address, "Family Values Reconsidered."

Later than morning Leonor Boulton Johnson will give the **Marie Peters Award address**. If you are not already planning to attend one of the pre-conference workshops, arrive in Baltimore early enough to hear these two speakers.

We will highlight the contributions of our students and new professionals at this year's conference. Please consider the role you play in the professional development of new scholars and teachers, and attend as many of the paper, poster, and roundtable sessions as you can.

The Ethnic Minorities Section business meeting and Oral History will be on Sunday, November 14. The Section also plans to host its second dance--bring your dancing shoes!
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The annual NCFR spring Board meeting was held in Minneapolis at the end of April. It was good to participate in NCFR's governance and decision making--and to represent the **Family and Health Section** to the rest of the organization.

Among other things, we finished the 1993 Conference program, made decisions about the 1994 conference to be held in Minneapolis, discussed new publications and membership structuring, and renewed Mary Jo Czaplewski's contract as our executive director for another term. It was an intense and

productive three-day meeting.

The Family and Health program for the Baltimore conference in November looks good. THANK YOU to the 30 Section members who helped review our 48 submissions. We have been able to schedule 43 of them for presentation--2 symposia, 1 workshop, 4 roundtables, 15 papers, and 21 posters.

All of you have been scheduled to present in one of your requested or acceptable formats, which was important. It was good that you indicated more than one acceptable format because it can be a challenge to get all of the various presentations appropriately scheduled. As you can tell, with 43 of 48 submissions accepted, the papers were fewer in number than last year, but also stronger.

The International Year of the Family is coming up in 1994, and we are co-sponsoring the **Family Health Policy Forum** at the annual conference as our first celebration. It is planned for Saturday, November 13, and other sponsors are NCFR's Public Policy committee and the Family Policy Section. It promises to be a remarkable forum that will give us information to enable us to take leadership in our communities around Family and Health issues.

Another NCFR International Year of the Family celebration is the conference in July, 1994, in Black Mountain, NC. Our Section will have three representatives. If you are interested in attending, please contact me.

As you know, our mission statement was proposed by our sub-committee and appeared on the national NCFR ballot. It was passed by our Section members.

The first of two annual Section newsletter issues should have been sent to you in March. I hope you read Pat Tomlinson's article on MinnesotaCare, that state's effort to provide health care to its residents. We hope to continue having substantive articles in each issue. If you have something you would like Section members to know--about your work, some research findings, a program--please contact me or Sandra Burge, University of TX Health Science Center, 7703 Floyd Curl Dr., San Antonio, TX 78284; 512-270-3920.

Have a good summer and keep sharing your ideas about Families and Health. These are exciting times regarding how we provide and deliver health care to all Americans. It is up to us as family professionals to keep the debaters informed about the importance of focusing on care for family units, not just on individuals. If we don't keep the policy makers reminded of family needs, they may be overlooked. We each have an important role to play.
Barbara A. Elliott, Section Chair
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The major activity for many **Family Policy Section** members during the past couple of months was preparation of the 1993 annual conference program. Discussions continued during the early part of the year with several focus groups and individual Section members about possible symposia, papers, or other proposals. Following these discussions, many proposals were submitted.

The number of submissions to our Section remained stable again this year. As a consequence, we will have as many policy sessions on this year's program as last year. We had even more members volunteer to review submissions this year--over 60 members!

Because of this incredible help, each proposal was blind-reviewed by at least 2 persons, with most reviewed by 3. Thank you to each reviewer not only for the time they spent preparing the reviews, but for their thoughtful comments and the timeliness with which they returned their score sheets. These reviewers, along with Kari Morgan, our Student/New Professional representative who coordinated the paperwork, certainly made my job much easier. I appreciate all of the diligent, responsive, and professional help.

I am very excited about the 1993 program. I will discuss some of the details in my next newsletter article, once all the details are finalized. However, I think the program format is exciting, with several special activities planned for students and new professionals, and ideas for Section socializing.

By now you all should have received a Section mailing which included a list of Section members, a letter from Denise Skinner about the **Teaching Family Policy** book, and a preview from Kari Morgan about possible policy newsletters available on subscription. If you think you are a Family Policy Section member, but did not receive the mailing, please contact me, and I'll send it to you.

Let me encourage you to send syllabi or other teaching aids you use in your family policy courses to Denise Skinner, 122 Home Economics Bldg., University of WI-Stout, Menomonie, WI 54751; 715-232-2522. **This request is the last formal announcement about the book.** We will be working for the next two months to compile and print the material. Copies of the book will be available for purchase at the conference in November.

Finally, let me say that I hope you voted for our new Section representatives. (See related article on Page 1.) I was pleased with the willingness of those who agreed to submit their names for office. I believe we have an excellent slate of nominees and look forward to working with the

new officers. Good luck to all.
Elaine Anderson, Section chair
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News from the Family Science Section on the 1993 NCFR annual conference program was very positive. We are planning a variety of contributions:

We will offer a seminar on ethical guidelines for family scientists. Interest has been expressed by a number of people on the possibility of such guidelines within NCFR, and we are excited about discussion on what the guidelines should include that would allow them to be sensitive to the unique issues of family scientists.

Our Section will sponsor a paper session on professional issues as faculty guide, teach, and work with students. We will co-sponsor a session with the Family and Health Section on families and grief.

Two roundtables will be sponsored by the Family Science Section--one on internships and the process of securing sites, and one on assessment in family science.

Finally, our contribution to the program will include 8 posters covering a wide range of topics from professional issues related to the multidiscipline of Family Science to application of Family Science principles to various content areas.

All in all, we were pleased with the contributions made through our Section, I would like to thank the reviewers for volunteering their time and effort and encourage all Section members interested in working on the 1994 program to contact me.
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All proposals for conference presentations have been reviewed--thanks to those who reviewed **Family Therapy Section** proposals--and the program is final. It's going to be a great one. There are two workshops and many presentations related to the conference theme and a nice mix of others as well.

At the recent NCFR Board meeting in Minneapolis, we learned that the Family Therapy Section, with 646 members, currently is the largest Section. (Research and Theory has 626 members.) That's a lot of people, but nearly half of NCFR's

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members belong to no Section at all--so don't start thinking of any take-overs.

There are a few things I would like you to start thinking about. Later this summer I will send out another newsletter. In it, I'm going to ask for feedback about why you joined our Section, what you desire from it, what you dislike, etc. I also want to know more about what, in particular, you would like to see the Section do for the 1994 conference. "The theme is Families and Justice: From Neighborhoods to Nations".

For example, we haven't done a one-day pre-conference workshop for awhile. Would you like to see those reinstated? If so, what topics most interest you?

Recently, I have had a couple of people suggest that our Section sponsor a journal. With the existence of desktop

publishing software and sophisticated word processing programs, it might be possible to keep production costs very low. Do you think there is a market for such a journal? Are there other products you think we should consider?

I received several manuscripts for the Family Therapy Section Graduate Student Research Award for 1993, and they are being reviewed. The deadline is July 1.

Qualifications are: 1) Current membership in the Family Therapy Section, and 2) A strong record of contributions to the discipline of marriage and family therapy. Nominations (feel free to nominate yourself) should include a copy of the nominee's vita, selected reprints, and a letter describing why the nominee should be recognized with the award. Send five copies of the materials directly to me.

I am still looking for members willing to serve as mentors to new members.

Contact me if you are interested. Also send me your questions, thoughts, ideas or feedback. I would especially like to hear from students.

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The annual NCFR spring Board meeting was held in late April in Minneapolis. We met in the Hilton Hotel which will host us for the 1994 annual conference. It is a new and very nice facility.

Section chairs and other program coordinators met for many hours to work

out details for our November conference in Baltimore.

The Religion and Family Life Section had a total of 36 submissions, a 56.5 percent increase over last year, and probably the greatest number in the Section's history. As a result, we will have two paper sessions, one symposium three roundtables, and nine poster presentations.

In addition, we will have our business meeting, the worship service, a Research Update for Practitioners on premarital counseling, and a half-day pre-conference on marriage preparation. Finally, we are co-sponsoring the opening plenary session by Section member Andrew Billingsley on "Family Values Reconsidered." Look for more details in our Section newsletter this summer.

We appreciate all of you who submitted proposals for the conference and are sorry we were not able to use all of them. In most cases, proposals were not accepted either because they did not fit the required format, or were projects which were not yet completed. We would also generally accept only one proposal per person.

Congratulations to our newly elected officers. (See related article on Page 1.) They will take office after our Section business meeting in Baltimore. We look forward to their leadership.

Some of you may remember that in a tongue-in-cheek column last year, I mused on words starting with the letter "N" that could replace the National in NCFR. Someone at the Board meeting suggested to me that perhaps we could consider words beginning in "IN" since it sounds the same as N.

This opens a whole new world of imagination: inaccessible, inbred, incandescent, incognito, incomparable, incredible, indecent, indigent, inestimable, inerrant, infectious, etc.

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Work, Family Featured in Journal

In commemoration of the 1994 United Nations International Year of the Family, the Journal of Family Issues will publish a special issue on "International Perspectives on Work and Family."

Contributions are invited from scholars in other countries and the U.S. whose work focuses on issues related to the interface of work and family functioning and relationships.

Manuscripts must be postmarked by September 1, 1993, and mailed to Masako Ishii-Kuntz, guest editor, Journal of Family Issues, Dept. of Sociology, University of CA-Riverside, Riverside, CA 92521-0419, USA. Instructions to authors are included on the back of the title page in each issue of Journal of Family Issues or are available from the guest editor.

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