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NEWSLETTER - MAY 1978

Hello ... Spring (summer!) has finally sprung and it feels very good to me to be out in the sun minus all those layers of wool.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Plans for our annual conference have now been finalized after all kinds of hassles (believe it or not, the roof fell in at our proposed site in the Poconos!) We had to move fast, and couldn't find a suitable place for the scheduled time. So we're going to be back at Appel Farm this year from September 5-10. Although this may create hardship for some people, it was our only choice, and we hope that the beauty of the harvest season will make it all worthwhile. Those of us who were there in 1976 remember Appel Farm with much affection: the home-grown farm food was spectacular, it was isolated and private so that a real sense of community developed, lots of space for buddying and impromptu groups, and -- since Appel Farm is a music camp, music, dancing, etc. happened all over the place. We'll let you know about the program as it develops. The conference theme this year is Feeling Little, Growing Big, which feels apt for our sixth year. (First grade!)

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, SATURDAY, MAY 6

Present: Jean Getoff, Charlotte Saunders, Fred Zielke, Arthur Totman, Alec Rubin, Stephanie Callas, Bill Goss, Susan Cohn-Goss, Loretta Fogel, Alan McFarland, Armand DiMele, Myra Inwood, Nona Wolovsky, Leslie Sherman.

There was positive feedback expressed regarding the regional conference held in Cherry Hill, N.J. Thanks again to Loretta Fogel for making it such a success. We even made a profit!

We are still at a low point financially however, and hope that we'll be out of the red after the summer conference. Lack of funds forces us to reevaluate our goals and priorities for spending

money. We debated whether our dues and conference fees are too low. The Board of Directors and the Editorial Board agreed to each pay \$80 advance registration for the summer conference to help with immediate cash flow.

Bill Goss will chair a fund-raising committee. All those interested in helping should contact him at 135 Washington Lane, Wyncote, PA. 19095 (215-885-8221 or 572-5590).

Some members stated that they did not receive notice of the regional conference -- if you didn't, mail your address to us so that we can check it against our mailing list.

Arthur Totman reported on plans for the summer conference. There were problems with finalizing the site (since resolved via Appel Farm). The call to presenters and registration forms are being sent out. Arthur urges presenters to send their proposals to him as soon as possible.

Stephanie Callas and Alan McFarland are organizing a membership poll to gather ideas on IPA goals and objectives.

PRIMAL COMMUNITY

A new Primal Community is in the works. Susan Cohn-Goss asks that those of you with articles, stories, poetry, drawings, etc. mail to her at 135 Washington Lane, Wyncote, PA. 19095.

LETTER FROM A MEMBER

Dear Editors.

How good it is to feel ... some (how good it is to feel!!) sense of connection to primal people and primal feelings. Because of financial pressures I had to stop my therapy. Now, liberation is starting. I am becoming a self-primaler and I need "buddies" to work with. I would like to start a healing group using primals, art, etc. I need to receive healing and I need to give healing. I know there must be many, many people out "there" in pain, in struggle, who need help.

Won't you be a partner in helping to start this healing work?

I can be reached at (212)966-2941.

In pain but growing. Michael Gottlieb

Nothing new regarding the legal suit with Janov.

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!