

# IPA NEWSLETTER

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Conference chair Terry Larimore invites you to attend

### The International Primal Association's 1991 New York Regional Conference

featuring keynote speaker Rickie Moore, Ph.D. on

### "Inner Peace - Then the World"

9 a.m.- 6 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 16, 1991 • Check-in & on-site registration begins 8:30 a.m.  
Gramercy Park Hotel, Lexington at 21st St.

Advance registration: \$55 members, \$60 others. \$5 extra at the door.

Psychologist, author, world citizen and goddess Rickie Moore, Ph.D. presents "Inner Peace - Then the World," a dynamic three-hour keynote presentation at the IPA's 1991 NY Regional Conference.

As a therapist and seeker of truth, Rickie discovered that to achieve inner peace, she has to live in the unity of the soma (body), psyche (mind and emotions) and spirit. In her personal search to interconnect these three areas, Rickie developed Tri-Energetics, a transparently simple, though not always easy, method to discover what we need, want and intend.

Rickie will share with us how to use the energy of love - the only real healing agent - to bring flexibility to the body and transform the soma's need for survival, sex and power. With love, survival becomes an issue of global preservation rather than self-indulgence, sexuality becomes transcendent and sacred, and will-power becomes good will.

We will learn more about using love to transform what the psyche wants by awakening tolerance in our mind and emotions. When we activate love, the spirit becomes curious about and open to the intentions of the soul. Communication becomes communion, intuition becomes wisdom and we can have peace and joy.

We dramatically enhance the quality of life when we know what we need, want that for ourselves and are clear in our intentions to

get it. As Rickie writes in her books and teaches in her European training programs, whenever we (as a client or therapist) are stuck, we can ask "What do I/you need?" or "What do I/you want?" or "What is my/your intention right now?" Answers to these questions often provide exactly the information needed - where to go, what to do, what and how to change, etc. Powerful!

In all of her teaching and training, Rickie reminds us that we are one planet, one race of humans faced with the loss of our life-support systems - our air, food and water. With the world filled with sad and tragic situations, Rickie and her life partner, Henry Marshall, Ph.D., have dedicated their lives to helping people learn to cooperate with each other, share their pain and support one another. As feeling people, we all know the truth of Rickie's cry: "We need each other!"

Henry, a powerful therapist and trainer in his own right, will also present during the conference. His afternoon workshop is on "Mantra Chanting - Theory and Practice of Using Sound to Heal the Soma-Psyche-Spirit." U.S. citizens now living permanently in Amsterdam, Rickie and Henry are only in this country one month a year and we are very privileged to have them with us for this day.

Join us for this special time of giving and receiving. We really do need each other.

\*\*See form on page 7 to register in advance.

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### CHANGE OF ADDRESSES

Please let us know if you are moving, or of your name or address is incorrect (see mailing label). Even if you are not a member, we want to stay in touch with you.

### IPA'S STATEMENT OF ESSENCE

The International Primal Association is a community of feeling-oriented people, interacting within an atmosphere of love, acknowledgement, permission and support, who highly value primal process, abreaction, primals and other deep feeling work as modalities for promoting healing, loving, growing, wholeness, authenticity and BEING.

## MEMBERS' NEWS AND NOTICES

**Hal Geddes** has named his practice in Framingham, MA, the Aliveness Therapy Center. This name reflects not only the hoped for payoff from primal work but the nature of the process itself. Giving new life to old trauma (primal abreaction) brings new aliveness to our lives (BEING).

**Barbara Valassis** announces three exciting workshops sponsored by the Primal Integration Center of Michigan to be held at Temenos:

- three-day primal marathon, featuring **Jens Wennberg**, **Nancy Miller**, Barbara Valassis and the PICM staff is 8 p.m. Feb. 8 through 6 p.m. Feb. 10, 1991, for \$210
- past life therapy workshop, lead by **Dan Miller**, Ph.D., is March 1-3, 1991, for \$230
- four-day primal marathon, featuring Jens, Nancy, Barb and the staff, is May 24-27, 1991, for \$310

Reservations are required. Call (313) 478-5559.

**Dan Miller** presented a workshop and lecture on "Science and Past Life Therapy" at the Healing Arts Conference, Nov. 8-11, in London. While there, he visited with **John Rowan**, his wife Susan and two friends, at their home in Walthamstow. On Dec. 11 he lectures on the same subject at the NY chapter of the U.S. Psychotronics Association in Manhattan. On Jan. 16, he will read his own poetry as a presenting host on creativity and spirituality at the NY Penta Hotel, sponsored by the Emissary Foundation.

**Larry King** reminds everyone working on the 1991 Convention that there is a convention committee meeting immediately following the Winter Conference. He points out that you don't have to be a formal member of the committee to attend, offer suggestion, provide help, etc. All input is welcome.

All IPA members who would like extra copies of the newsletter to distribute: Please make that request to the newsletter editor in writing - noting how many copies you can use.

**Calendar:** Feb. 16-17: New York Regional Conference on Saturday and Board Meeting on Sunday. (Board meeting location to be announced.)  
May 18-19: Process Day on Saturday & Board Meeting on Sunday at Appel Farm.  
Aug. 27-Sept. 2: Summer Convention on Primal Joy at Appel Farm.

**Terry Larimore** wants to share that her friend Cindy Freedman has just released her third tape, "Live the Life You Dream." Many of you are already familiar with Cindy's music and will be excited to know that this tape includes the sensuously rhythmic "Dancers in the Light," the classic Kate Wolfe ballad "Give Yourself to Love" and rich melodic songs of compassionate choice such as "Live the Life You Dream," "Sing a Song of Beauty" and "May the Light of Love" as well as two timeless mantra/chants. These tapes are not widely available but can be ordered for \$10 (CDs \$15) plus \$1.50 s/h from Cindy Freedman, Box 66566, Houston, TX 77266.



Madeline, Santo, Howard, Margaret, Teresa and Barbara sharing a special moment.

**PRIMAL PAIN  
PRIMAL JOY  
PRIMAL MUSIC**  
by Hal Geddes

When I attended my first IPA convention at Estes Park, Colorado, in the mid '70s, my name was pain. I was early in my primal work and my need was to lay back and feel it whenever it was safe to do so. The atmosphere of the convention allowed for pain and I was visibly not alone in my need to feel it. Fellow travelers abounded. I avoided the happier folks.

I have attended many conventions since then and have pleased in the gradual lessening of pain in myself and my peers of the earlier days. Perhaps the wonderful blossoming of UP music at the '90 convention reflects where many of us have come to.

BUT new people to primal work today are still closer to pain than joy and need to feel support for their pain being OK at the convention.

I would like to start a Newsletter corner called "Primal Music; From Pain to Joy."

Here is the first contribution: a song called "It will come to You Again" sung by Mary Travers on an album called Morning Glory.

(Editor's note: Thanks Hal! It's done!)

**PRIMAL MUSIC - FROM PAIN TO JOY**  
Featuring the lyrics of songs that touch us

*IT WILL COME TO YOU AGAIN*  
Sung by Mary Travers on the album "Morning Glory"  
Submitted by Hal Geddes

You look to be a hurt one, I've seen your face before.  
You felt so much one time that now you don't feel any more.  
I don't know if you hear me. You hardly ever smile.  
But your hand is 'round my heart so let me sing to you a while.

CHORUS:  
And you can let the music take you. Follow where it leads  
Or take it anywhere you want to and make it what you need  
And lose yourself in dreaming or seek yourself in pain  
Or maybe find yourself in loving. It will come to you again.

Your gaze goes off to nowhere. Your eyes are shining bright.  
Whatever have you seen that left you shaken at the sight?  
I know I can't undo it and I can't pull you through  
But let me give you what I can and let me sing you through.

CHORUS  
I'll sing to you of summer. I'll sing to you of snow,  
The places I have been to and the places I will go,  
A song for you to laugh at, a song to make you cry,  
A song about I love you and a song about goodbye.

CHORUS

**NEWSLETTER NEWS**  
by Terry Larimore, Editor

We heard you !! In response to requests for more communication among the members, we've decided to publish the IPA Newsletter four times a year instead of three. We hope this will give our members (especially the ones who can't attend conferences and meetings throughout the year) a bit more support and more feedback on what's happening within the organization.

Beginning with this issue, we will feature regional news from various facets of the Primal community. Our regional reporter volunteers include Silver Fox in Florida, Bill Caldwell in Michigan and Dan Miller in New York. Do I hear anything from Toronto? England? West Coast? Australia? Germany? Switzerland?

Please note these deadlines : February 15 for the mid-March issue (containing pre-registration info for the Fall Convention), May 15 for the mid-June issue (with cover story on the Fall Convention: Primal Joy) and immediately post-conference for the late September issue (reporting on the Convention).

Members note: There is a special area of the newsletter to announce your workshops, events, goings-on, etc. As always, we welcome book reviews, regional reports, photos (they'll be returned), personal stories, analyses, poems, articles, etc.



Silver Fox (of Florida) provides rhythm for another gathering.



#### SCENES FROM SAUGUS

ABOVE: Jan Millenovich (of Michigan) and Larry King (of New York) working on the 1991 Convention.

LEFT: Our VEEP, Steve Austill, making a point during Process Day in Saugus.



BELOW: New Board members Dan Miller (of New York) and Belinda Lee Yalin (of Boston) ponder some matter of importance during the Board Meeting, Oct. 1990. (Guess that agenda could be a little bit snappier!!)



## TEMENOS: A PRIMAL COMMUNITY CENTER

By Bill Caldwell and Keith Borden

As noted in the summer newsletter, a new primal center was established in Michigan last spring. We call it Temenos. The name, suggested by Paula "NoName" Amsbury at a naming party, is highly symbolic of what we want our new primal center to be.

Temenos is a Greek work for the sacred ground or enclosure surrounding a temple, and signifies that the space within the temenos is sheltered from harmful influences.

Jungian psychologists, beginning with Jung himself, have used the term to signify the safe psychological space which a therapist gives a client, a safe haven where we can expose, explore and heal our vulnerable inner selves.

Jung took the meaning of the word a step further, to the very heart of Primal. He describes temenos as that protected healing space within ourselves: "This is the place . . . of healing and redemption . . . the sacred precinct where all the split-off parts of the personality are united."

Full healing requires more than just therapy. It also requires a community in which we can share not only our past pain but also our new health. The IPA has put this concept into action, and Temenos follows its example. We envision Temenos to be not just a therapy center, but a Primal Community Center. The difference is revealing.

In therapy, we face dark, painful truths with courageous honesty. We form a deep, fulfilling relationship with our own being. But are our relationships with others as fulfilling? A primal community is a chance to bring primal depths to our social life and begin to create the "primal world" we dream of.

At a Primal Community Center, we can bring our whole identity, not just our painful pasts. We can talk about issues in our lives and get present-time creative assistance instead of the therapeutic "Take it to the mat!" And if we have issues with other people in the group, these can be worked out in an atmosphere of loving group support. We can become real friends.

But more than that, we can become a community - relating not just as individuals, but as a group - sharing goals, problems, caring and commitment to a common destiny. And from this small community as a nucleus, we can begin to reach out and influence the larger community in which we live.

Temenos has been open for about 7 1/2 months and the dream is already being realized. We have regular marathons, drop-in groups and full-day primal workshops, as well as men's groups and past-life therapy. Weekly community nights are held every Friday; and we are celebrating together major holidays such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Many of you are personal friends; some have already stopped by or attended workshops. We extend an invitation to all of you to visit, enjoy, and share in our new venture.

### GROUP PHOTO AVAILABLE

Remember gathering on the lawn for the group photo at the 1990 Summer Convention at Appel Farm? Well, the picture came out great! Steve Austill will send you an 8" x 12" color reproduction in a photo mailer for just \$10. Send your money and address to him at 12 Mt. Vernon St., Saugus, MA 01906.

**RAMIFICATIONS OF BIRTH TRAUMA**  
Summary of a study by Bertil Jacobsen, M.D.  
Summarized by Terry Larimore

During the development of computer programs for investigating the occurrence and progress of certain diseases in the United States, researchers noted a remarkable regularity of suicide and alcoholism (and other factors of less interest here) among people born during certain time periods. Using multiple regression they considered twelve possible risk factors. The variations were more closely associated with the rate of birth injury than with the other 11 factors, including socio-economic factors. The surprising results led researchers to repeat the study with separate populations of white males, white females, black males and black females - but the correspondence became even more apparent.

Dr. Jacobsen decided to conduct a study in Stockholm where Swedish medical records, kept nationally by social security number, made a thorough, long-term study more feasible. He selected all unambiguous cases of suicide victims born at a specific place and time (1940). A random sampling of births in the same place and time were gathered for a control group.

- Two hypotheses were proposed:
- obstetric procedures may cause injuries leading to adult self-destructive behaviour
  - imprinting occurred which caused a tendency for an adult to repeat the traumatic event that occurred during birth.

In other words, the researchers suspected that fetal asphyxia constituted a risk factor for committing suicide by means of asphyxiation (such as drowning, gas or hanging), a "mechanical" birth trauma (breech presentation, forceps assistance, entanglement of the cord) would lead to mechanical means of suicide (jumping from heights, shooting in the head and hanging) and drugs administered to the mothers would lead to a lifestyle as an alcoholic or drug addict (or suicide by overdose).

The results in Sweden were as overwhelmingly clear as the initial study in the U.S. Both hypotheses were alarmingly confirmed. Jacobsen and his team found a strong correspondence between birth trauma and eventual self-destructive behaviour and was even able to eliminate a few of the risk factors as causes. For example, his study's conclusions *exclude* socio-economic factors as a cause of addiction. It also found that the eliciting trauma, whatever its nature, can be very light and still have a strong effect.

He recommends that obstetric procedures be carefully evaluated and modified so as to prevent eventual self-destructive behaviour in offspring.

This study was printed in its entirety in the Summer 1988 issue of the Pre- and Peri-Natal Psychology Association of North America's journal, published by Human Sciences Press. Jacobsen is with the Department of Medical Engineering, Karolinska Institute, Box 60400, S-10401, Stockholm, Sweden.



**BOUQUETS OF ROSES TO . .**

- . . . Dave Wells, Karen Buck, Terry Larimore, Howard Reinheimer, Silver Fox, Dan Miller, Keith Borden, Barbara Valassis, Larry King, Bill Caldwell, Hal Geddes, Sue-Anne Sweeney, Arnold Buchheimer and John Speyrer for submitting material and photos for this issue.
- . . . the *Aesthema* production crew: Arnold Buchheimer, Keith Borden, Richard Charron and Santo Longo.
- . . . all the folks who tend the home fires - enabling the rest of us to attend Process Days and Board Meetings!!
- . . . Steve and Ginny Austill for their hospitality, use of their home and "taxi service" for the Board Meeting in October.
- . . . Yvonne Parma and Steve Austill for reserving the church in Saugus and making it so comfortable.
- . . . Belinda Lee Yalin for masterminding the food for Process Day in Saugus.
- . . . the Saugus Police Officers for their vigilance and care.
- . . . Bill and Anna Smukler for their hospitality, use of their home and "taxi service" for the Process Day and Board Meeting in December.
- . . . Loretta Fogel for handling all the arrangements for food for the Process Day and Board Meeting in Philadelphia.
- . . . Lance and Barbara Wright, Dan Miller, Fred Zielke, Loretta Fogel (and unknown others??) who drove the rest of us to and from buses, trains, airports and the meetings in Philly.

"Roses" are compiled from suggestions and submissions from a grateful and thoughtful membership. If you would like someone to be acknowledged in the newsletter, send your suggestion for a "Roses" listing to the editor.



David Fogel (of Roslyn, PA) gets performing advice from mom Loretta.

**IPA Membership Information**  
1990-1991

Income	Individual	Family
Full-time student (proof required)	\$20	NA
\$25,000 or less	\$50	\$75
\$25,001 - \$50,000	\$60	\$90
\$50,001 - \$100,000	\$75	\$112.50
Over \$100,000	\$110	\$165
Lifetime (payable over 5 years)	\$1000	\$1500

Foreign memberships (except Canada) add \$10.  
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For full membership details, call Loretta Fogel at (215) 885-3843.

• JACKSONVILLE - reported by Silver Fox

A training group of ten people has complete ten months of weekly sessions. Members include a couple who are career Navy, massage therapists, a small-business woman, a carpenter-contractor, orthodontics assistant, nurses and others. For information, contact Silver Fox (Harvey Mettie, Ph.D.) at (904) 764-0305.

• NEW YORK - reported by Dan Miller

The Tuesday evening support group of former Ark participants, commonly referred to as the "dinghy," has a new meeting place on 28th Street. The group includes Karen Buck, Dina Paisner, Harriet Geller and Debbie Caplan. They also meet monthly with an group of Arkites from the Philly area and other Arkites whenever possible.

• MICHIGAN - reported by Bill Caldwell

See article on Temenos elsewhere in this issue.



Yvonne Parma works on a drawing next to Margrit Romang at the Process Day in Saugus, October 1990.

A FAIRY TALE

by Sue-Anne M. Sweeney

Once upon a time there was an ovum yearning to mate and create a baby. And along came this feisty, fearless sperm that shot through and plunged headlong into the ovum; joyfully exploding to meld with her and become One. A burgeoning, furiously dividing gastrula, spinning, moving, burrowing, nesting. Nestled, warm, protected, welcomed in the rich vascular moistness of the womb. Busily dividing, multiplying, differentiating, forming - a Person. While Mother beamed, and patted her belly, and meditated, and basked in her fecundity. Her womanliness, her maternal connection to Gaia - source of life on Earth.

Mother grew huge and heavy, protected and pampered by Father. Showing off her bulging belly, full of baby Suzy - wiggling,

... continued next column

ECHOES: MEMORIES OF AN IPA CONFERENCE

by Dave Wells

Winter is a time to turn inward. A time to reflect internally on the here and now, a time to look forward to the new growth and the new experience of the forthcoming year, or a time to simply reflect on the experiences of the past year, and remember . . .

For me, 1990 is highlighted by six days at the end of a hot, steamy August. The Summer IPA Convention, my first, was a time of joy, pleasure, pain and growth. I remember my arrival at Appel Farm, the parking lot and the signs pointing to "registration," my early shock at the wonderful luxury of the "Appel Farm Hilton Chicken Shack Hotel" accommodation, the feeling that a kid has on his first day at Summer Camp. (You know, the one that says "I wanna go HOME!")

I even remember looking over at people naked around the pool and wondering if I would ever go over there with or without a swimsuit on. Well, the shocks, such as they were, lasted all of about 45 minutes (actually it took about a day before I went in the pool without a swimsuit).

The feeling of warmth as I met people I knew, and the feelings of being welcomed and accepted by people I didn't know, accumulated throughout the first evening. I remember about halfway through that first evening thinking about how comfortable I felt, and how much energy started to flow through my body.

It was as though the stresses, worries and anxieties of my everyday existence just fell away from me. And when this happens, new experiences and new potentials are allowed to enter. In as much as I can feel uninhibited, I did down in New Jersey.

With the theme of the conference being Creativity, I actually felt my creative energy begin to flow. And what better environment to feel the flow of my creative juices than one in which opening to new experiences is encouraged? And new experiences there were! I cannot believe I actually got up on the stage and sang a song. An experience which myself and the audience managed to survive without too much noticeable damage.

It was about a month after I got back to Toronto that I began to reflect on this convention and what it meant to me. I almost wanted to get in my car, take the two-day trip back to Appel Farm, and sit on a bench behind the chicken shacks and listen to the echoes of summer. I almost felt as though I would still be able to hear the people where were there and feel their energy. I didn't go, but the memories still linger, and the energy still exists within me.

Driving back on Labour Day, I thought "I'll be back next year." In a different space probably, and with a different energy and emotions. But, nevertheless back to explore whatever is going on in August 1991. I think it is going to feel like going home again.

turning, poking, stretching. Fat and sassy, getting ready to burst forth into the warmth of Sun and family arms. Mothers readied for Labor, too.

And the day came when the rumbling began; and the waters gushed; and the head poked out; and Mother grunted and pushed; and baby emerged, pink and bloody and squalling into the air of her new life. Mother and Father cradled her till she was calm. Then Mother put Baby to her breast, and taught her to suck, and nursed her with warm, sweet milk. And she slept.

We are now getting the "Spirituality" issue ready to mail and you will be receiving it within a few weeks. I am very excited about it and know you will enjoy reading John Rowan's keynote presentation from the 1989 convention.

You have until Feb. 1, 1991, to get your submissions in for the next issue of Aesthema. Remember that this is the issue without a central theme, so there's no restriction on subject matter.

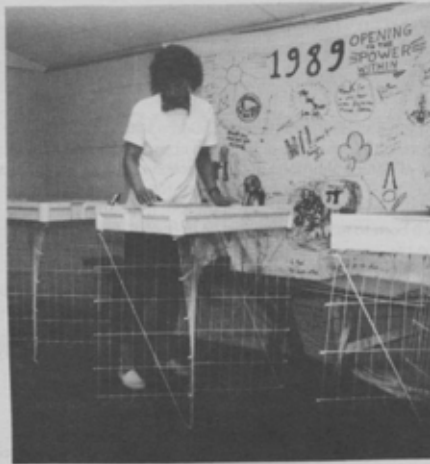
The deadline for the issue after next, on "Creativity," is Oct. 1991. It will contain material chosen from the many excellent presentations at the 1990 Summer Convention along with independent submissions. Once again, I get to work with Louise Rockman as co-editor on this issue.

I invite you to submit your articles, suggestions and comments on material in past issues. We welcome dialogue on primal-related issues and will publish your letters with authors' responses. Submission guidelines for articles are below. We edit for clarity and content, correct English and general readability but not for substantive content.

You can reach me at 130 Appleton Ave., Pittsfield, MA 01201 or (413) 442-2261.

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- Generally 2,000-2,500 words but may be shorter. Longer pieces may be published in two parts.
- Typed, double-spaced with large margins.
- Submitted in triplicate!
- Please follow University of Chicago Manual of Style for bibliographic references.
- Please send a 100-150 word biographical sketch of the author.



Madeline Longo (of New York) making a sandbox.



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## BOOK NOOK

BORN UNWANTED - Development Effects of Denied Abortion by H.P. David et al.  
Spring Publishing Co., New York, 1988.

Reported by John Speyrer

Born Unwanted studies the effect on children whose mothers were denied an abortion. The book first gives a synopsis of five other studies on the effects of denied abortions in various countries. The book deals mostly with a Czech study. Since applications for abortion in Czechoslovakia are not automatically approved, it was possible to study children born to mothers who had been denied abortions for the same fetus on two separate occasions. The long-range study of 120 subjects was begun in 1960. The control group consisted of mothers who unequivocally wanted their children. Matched pairs were based on sex, birth order, social class, etc. The study was double blind so neither the parents, children nor researchers knew which group was being interviewed. The unwanted pregnancy mothers had significantly more complications during pregnancy, but delivery records and early pediatric records show that both groups had equal health status.

The first follow-up was made when the children were age nine. Tests showed that intelligence was about equal, however the unwanted pregnancy children were not doing as well in school and were described by their mothers as being "naughty, stubborn and bad-tempered." The unwanted pregnancy children were more often rejected as friends by their schoolmates than the control group. They

were also considered greater "cowards," more "audacious," more of a "loner" and the more "clowning and showing off" by their classmates than the wanted pregnancy children.

In 1977 another follow-up study was made when the children were 14. At this time it was found that the children born as a result of an unwanted pregnancy perceived their mothers as showing significantly less parental interest in them than the children in the control group. The unwanted pregnancy children also complained of a lack of job satisfaction and had more drug and alcohol abuse than the control group. The authors also discuss the possible effects of prenatal influences in the unwanted pregnancies.

A future phase of the study will examine what kinds of parents these unwanted children become and whether their being unwanted influences their ability to be a good parent. The authors conclude by stating that emphasis should be placed on the prevention of unwanted pregnancies since studies show that children develop optimally in an atmosphere where parents want to be parents. Involuntary parenthood does not provide a good social environment for a child and happy parents make happy children.

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Please recycle this newsletter!

*Hi sweetie!*

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