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Happy New Year and Welcome to 2021!

by Elana Leigh

imagine many of you have reflected on the extraordinary nature of 2020 and dreamed into your desires and aspirations for this coming year. Presiding over the ITAA during COVID times has brought both rich challenges and unexpected gifts that could only emerge when the collective rather than the individual was prioritized. In 2020 the unexpected became familiar, and we were forced to develop new internal and external templates. Although this was often challenging, it also led to high levels of creativity



as well as learning that almost anything is possible when we work collectively and trust that moving outside an old frame can bring new, expansive life and energy.

This year saw our wonderful former president Diane Salters, whose leadership and energy will be carried inside of us for years to come, move out of her role on the board of trustees to embrace new challenges. After the 2019 Raleigh conference, the trustees made a firm commitment to honor our radical psychiatry roots, and as part of doing that, we asked Diane to establish an ITAA Social Engagement Committee with herself as chair and a multiracial/multicultural group of members who want to work with important issues to make sure we in the ITAA stay true to our history and mission statement. Diane and her committee have already hosted a rich webinar for those interested in social engagement, and another will run early in 2021.

We welcomed Chitra Ravi as president-elect, and her energy and support is both impressive and innovative. With her excellent ability to hold structure and process, she is overseeing many of the fine details of running the association while she prepares to take on the role of president in August.

The cancellation of the 2020 world conference brought unfortunate difficulties. However, even though we were working in unfamiliar territory, we as a world community came together with the best of intentions to create a win-win outcome. This process is now moving toward closure.

This cancellation highlighted the need to consider online events as a viable and 21st-century option. In 2021 we will see online examinations, a possible online conference, and another successful award evening and annual general membership meeting. Our technology team, under the excellent leadership of Deepak Dhananjaya, has done a sterling job helping to launch us into new territory, where we mostly functioned beautifully. Our new website is almost complete and will make for even smoother contact between the association and our members.

Vice President Operations Alessandra Pierini has been actively

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engaged with the conference committee to rework the world conference model to make sure that we learn from the mistakes made this year and to ensure that our structures can withstand the unexpected—another gift from COVID.

In 2020, the Transactional Analysis Journal turned 50, and the coeditors, together with managing editor Robin Fryer, have once again done a stunning job continuing the excellence of our journal in many ways. As one measure of their success, we are thrilled to report that our article downloads in 2020 topped 103,000, up over 40% from the year before. Our relationship with Routledge remains strong and supportive, and we are actively looking at creative ways to extend readership. This and so much more is ably supported by Vice President Research & Innovation Steff Oates, whose energy is contagious.

I also want to give heartfelt appreciation to Laurie Hawkes, Robin Fryer, and Susan Lockwood, who spend endless hours mindfully guiding, editing, and designing *The Script* to ensure that we all receive this wonderful, professional, and informative newsletter to connect us as a community.

Peter Rudolph and I, as the presidents of EATA and ITAA, met regularly in support of our shared vision and philosophy of building a cohesive world community that works collaboratively and harmoniously. This has been a rich and beautiful process and has birthed the ongoing joint EATA-ITAA webinars, the sharing of each other's newsletters three times a year, and encouraging and supporting the importance of the role of the Transactional Analysis World Council of Standards (TAWCS) in the training and certification world. We look forward

in 2021 to continuing to forge new projects that will develop the identity of a world TA community.

The International Board of Certification (IBOC), under the strong, clear leadership of Thorsten Geck as Vice President Professional Standards, had a successful year during which they created a cohesive new team of individuals who are innovative and clear. This has been especially important in these difficult times when all exams had to be cancelled. Thorsten's strong leadership also shines within TAWCS, where he maintains effective communication and collaboration with the Professional Training Standards Committee (PTSC), thus sustaining the ethos of a coherent world community.

Our office, even though virtual, underwent a significant restructuring in 2020, much of it overseen by our warm and astute treasurer John Oates. He gently and professionally facilitated the handover from Ken Fogleman to Susan Lockwood, our new financial administrator, which was a sensitive process because of Ken's failing health. This process took most of the year, and once completed, Ken and his partner Tom left to create the next chapter of their lives. Sadly, this was only a brief moment because Ken passed away in mid November. He will be missed by so many of us. Fortunately, Susan, with her sharp eye for detail and her endless energy, is creating excellent and efficient new structures and processes. Robin, Janet, and Susan are an excellent team and the engine that drives our association. We will sadly say good-bye to Janet this year, and Susan will take over many of her job functions as well.

In the midst of all this change, ITAA Secretary Sumithra Sharatkumar has held, reminded, followed up, taken minutes, and written to us all. Sadly, she will end her term of office this year.

The ITAA would not be the international association it is without all the thriving regions that contribute to making us the colorful, multicultural community that we are. Our regional representatives—Sylvie Monin for Europe, Michelle Thomé for South America, Michael Harsh for North America, Alex van Oostveen for Africa, Ann Tucker for Australasia, and Prathitha Gangadharan for India/Asia—all continue to be innovative and contactful in their regions, where TA is growing and many diverse projects are underway.

Working with our trustees reinforces for me that our strength lies in our collective energy and cooperation. I continue to feel such gratitude toward our team and office, all of whom make the tasks of president a pleasure. Giving and working for our community is an important service, and it carries many voluntary hours and responsibility. We must never take these services, performed by so many so diligently, for granted. Our strength and continuity rely on gratitude, appreciation, cooperation, collaboration, contact, and the positive quality in how we are with each other.

Finally, the ITAA would not be here if it were not for you, our members. Thank you for your ongoing support, and I wish you all a peaceful, safe, and healthy 2021. We, your board of trustees, committees, and staff, will continue to celebrate and honor our history and, at the same time, work to create new options for the future so that we can continue to thrive. §

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ONLINE POSTGRADUATE TA COURSE ON

Autocratic Power by Alan Jacobs

For professionals who graduated from a TA training (anywhere in the world), the Dutch

TA academy offers a **Postgraduate**

Program. The program is supervised by Anne de Graaf (MA),TSTA organizational and CTA psychotherapy. Participants will work with the extremely topical TA article *Autocratic Power* by Alan Jacobs. Alan himself promised to visit our course for an interview!

Practical information

The postgraduate program is offered ONLINE (via Zoom) in 2021 on March 10th, March 24th and April 7th. The days start at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. CET. The costs are € 495, -. The group size is a maximum of 16 participants. To register you must (demonstrably) have completed two years of TA training. **Register here:**

https://ta-academie.nl/opleidingen/online-postgraduate-program-en

Keep Your Address Updated to Receive the Hard-Copy TAJ

Although the mailing of the 2020 bound volume of the *TAJ* has been delayed, it will be going out soon. To make sure you receive yours, please check your account online and verify that both your mailing and billing addresses are current and accurate.

TAJ Theme Issue on Ecological Transactional Analysis

by Giles Barrow, Hayley Marshall, and Sylvie Monin

arlier in 2020, ecological transactional analysis (Eco-TA) was launched with the aim of supporting those in the TA community who are interested in accounting for the planet in TA theory and practice. In our initial articles (Barrow & Marshall, 2020a, 2020c), a number of suggestions were offered about how TA philosophy and practice might begin incorporating our vital alliance with the Earth. These include developing the concept of an ecological self (borrowed from ecopsychology) within TA theory that would account for individual identity being formed as part of the more-than-human world. This sits alongside the suggestion that practitioners work in, from, and through the ecological space (rather than only in the human relational realm) and offers an expansive revisioning of where TA practice takes place. We also highlighted a renewed ecological emphasis on the body-environment connection and a concomitant reframing of physis, incorporating a natural agency present both within and outside of the individual self.

The overriding objective of the article was to sound a clarion call







Hayley Marshall



Sylvie Monin

inviting the professional community to make TA "fit for purpose" as we face the future with our planet in crisis. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted for many of us just how interconnected we all are, and not just to other humans. The kind of relationship we have with the morethan-human world has quite rightly come further into question.

We (Barrow & Marshall, 2020b) offer an initial working definition of Eco-TA as follows:

Eco-TA is an approach for understanding the human and more than human experience that is forged in connection with the ecological context in which it occurs. Furthermore,

this interconnected process incorporates the embodied agency of both human and the more-than-human partners in the encounter. It is, to be more succinct, the practice of transactional analysis in alliance with the Earth. ... What is distinctive about Eco-TA is that its point of origin is outside of any one field of practice ... and is perhaps the first time TA practitioners can share a common ground, to be cultivated, shared, and enjoyed by all of us irrespective of where we practice. (p. 10)

In answer to this call, we are delighted to announce an upcoming special issue of the Transactional Analysis

Journal on the theme of ecological transactional analysis. We invite contributions and are interested in papers from all fields of application and from newcomers to the TA community as well as long-time members. Although eco-TA is a way of thinking about and engaging in practice with the Earth in mind, it is not simply about working outdoors, although that can be a significant feature. The aim is to explore and develop all kinds of human relations practices that make an ontological shift from an egocentric to an ecocentric frame of reference. In this

spirit, we invite contributions from fellow ecological pioneers.

We are especially keen to include perspectives that come out of a range of landscapes and cultural understandings of the human relationship with ecology. Collaborative contributions and innovative formats will be appreciated.

The deadline for submissions is 1 February 2022, and submission guidelines can be found on the ITAA website here. Feel free to contact Giles (giles.barrow@virgin.net) and/or Hayley (hayleymarshall4@hot-

mail.com) for further discussion and/ or questions.

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Online Videos With Authors of Innovations Series Books

e are excited to announce a series of live online interviews with the authors of the first three books in the Innovations in Transactional Analysis series edited by Bill Cornell and published by Routledge/Taylor & Francis. John Wilson from online events is generously hosting the interviews.

The first was in December when Mark Head interviewed James Sedgwick about his book Contextual Transactional Analysis: The Inseparability of Self and World. The interview can now be found online at https://bit.ly/368N9ov

The second will be on Tuesday 12 January at 1 pm (UK time), when series editor Bill Cornell will introduce interviewer Gianpiero Petriglieri and author Zefiro Mellacqua about the latter's book Transactional Analysis of Schizophrenia: The Naked Self. To register for this event click here.

The third will be on Tuesday 9 February with Tess Elliott interviewing Mick Landaiche about his book Groups in Transactional Analysis Object Relations, and Family Systems: Studying Ourselves in Collective Life. To register for this event click here.

The interviews are conducted using a Zoom video link that will be streamed to a live video page. Participants will be able to see and hear the conversation as it is happening and to use a question-and-answer facility to offer comments and questions. Recordings will usually post to the library the day after the live event. All of the events are available to view live without charge. (There is a fee to join the site and view online videos later.) §



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What Does It Mean to You to Belong to an International Community?

by Steff Oates

he third ITAA-EATA webinar was held on Thursday 30 October 2020 and was attended by around 140 people from a wide range of continents and countries. I want to offer a few comments on this gathering now, and a longer article regarding this webinar and the next one will appear in the March *Script*.

Peter Rudolph, EATA President, and Elana Leigh, ITAA President, opened the proceedings with personal acknowledgments letting us know why internationality has been so important to them (see page 7). We are fortunate to have two presidents who are willing to be open about how their childhood experiences in Germany (Peter) and South Africa (Elana) have shaped their passion for

After the opening remarks, webinar participants were asked, "What does belonging to an international community mean to you?" During times when our political leaders are withdrawing into

inclusivity.

"my-nation-first" attitudes, our TA values require us to reflect on how we address issues such as the refugee crisis, increasing poverty levels, huge climate change challenges, and many more sociopolitical issues. As participants considered these issues in the break-out rooms, many assumptions were challenged. One person spoke of the discomfort she felt at realizing her assumption that

everyone would be speaking English. It was acknowledged that our own subjectivity is inevitable as we bring things together.

When the group reconvened as a whole, there was silence for a while, which some acknowledged was uncomfortable, as if "we have to do something to be connected" and cannot yet stand the intensity of these moments of being together. The moment of silence was somehow one of deep encounter in which we as "word artists" were just together—and it was good.

A question was raised: "How do we account for the collective and not the self?" Since curricula throughout the world will be different, how can we reflect the differences for ourselves and for the collective? Some people mourned the loss of the personal when belonging to the collective; others found safety in the collective. It is important that we take on an international role, but how do we be more inclusive if we believe in cocreation?

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Peter raised an important question: "How do we make relationship out of encounter?" Our task is to organize encounter, to develop relationship on this base, and to form structures that help to continue the deep encounter. In this year particularly, we have had to step out of the familiar and stand in the strangeness. Participants from China, India, France, Germany, Russia, the United States, and many more countries were excited and touched by this encounter and are willing to take responsibility for a cohesive worldwide TA community.

Some participants said they would like to have these webinars monthly. Although there was no agreement to do that, we did commit to providing such forums on a regular basis in 2021. The next one is scheduled for 12 February 2021 at 6 pm GMT. Invitations will be sent out at the end of January, and we hope that many of you will join us.

Peter Rudolph's Introductory Remarks

Who and how am I in the international community? In my role as EATA President, as a TSTA, as a counselor, as a father or partner—what does it mean to me? Let me start with my first experiences with internationalism. When I was 5 years old, my parents and I visited the beaches of Italy. We were German tourists in a southern country. We were one group, and those southern people were the other. We were different and strictly separated. Being German was connected with an anti-Semitic religion teach-

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er, with West/East conflict, with first- and third-world phrases, with fear, hostility, and coalitions. It was a strange time, one that again and again touched moments of being nationalistic and rigid. It was a time of we and the others: We are the good ones, and they are bad and not good enough. Below the surface of hostility was the fear of being guilty and not OK. Reentering the global world meant being confronted with the fact and the task of taking responsibility for German history. The 5-year-old boy became 65, visited some continents and many countries, and realized that the identity of and as a nation is based on the way we connect in the world.

Becoming a transactional analyst opened to me a perspective that as well as being German I might be OK, and other persons and nations are OK as well independent of their leaders and actions. The idea of OKness opened a national identity that is based on the diversity of peoples, nations, and persons.

As EATA President I experience the tension between different cultures, for example, when we speak about different expectations about exams, exam standards, and training standards. It does not work to have the same standards in Madrid, Paris, St. Petersburg, Bangalore, Sidney, and so on. We are different and those differences are the basis for our diversity—in the meaning of a common richness. We must take care that we do not withdraw into the comfort of our well-known familiar community. We must take responsibility to step out of the familiar into the world of the enriching other, even if we never understand them deeply. To tolerate the strangeness of the other and not to force them into my frame of reference is a capacity that we must learn as transactional analysts.

This intercultural competence should be a much larger part of our training for CTA and PTSTA. But as Ruth Cohen said, "Contact is before cooperation," so let us organize contact between EATA and ITAA members and among members of the worldwide community and beyond.

As EATA President I learn each day that we are different, that there are borders between us, and that we are responsible for building and maintaining bridges. They do not exist on their own. Using these bridges and living the contact provides a richness of encounter that I experience again and again. Our task is to organize experience, to transform it into reliable relationships, and to use those relationships to contribute to a world that is based on the idea of mutual OKness.

Elana Leigh's Introductory Remarks

In these COVID times and just before the crucial USA election, our topic of internationalism and what part this plays in our transactional analysis identity is so pertinent. Although in some ways the world feels smaller and more accessible, at the same time we face issues of borders that were once closed now opening and others that were open now closing because of the pandemic. Millions of people are fleeing to escape horrific social and political issues, and we watch how and by whom they are either accepted or rejected.

Humans have always migrated, which has led us to a multilayered, multicultural, multiracial world in which inclusivity and exclusivity go hand in hand with need. When we need something, we are more open and inclusive as opposed to when we are full and satiated and become more excluding, perhaps to protect what we have.

How do we in the TA community reflect on our internal and external borders? Who do we on a personal and collective level let in and who do we wall out? What is our relationship to the collective, and where does our primary identity lie?

Growing up in South Africa and attending a Jewish youth camp, I was asked at the tender age of 11 "What are you first—Jewish or South African?" I knew that question meant trouble. Why did I have to choose and buy into a false binary? I came to know that my identity is multilayered, and my safety lies in the collective. Therefore, being part of an international community represents safety and inclusivity. We are all part of regional, national, and international communities—how is this for you?

Peter and I have been meeting regularly for over a year, and our growing relationship has been forged through our mutual interest in international cooperation and contact. In our many meaningful interactions we have discussed how true unity comes about not through merger but rather by respecting our differences and working closely together to support each other's associations and finding where we meet and where we do not. I look forward to hearing your thoughts about such issues and what belonging to an international community means to you. §

TA Conferences

27 February 2021:

Transactional Analysis Cumbrian Conference (online only). Contact: https://tacumbria.co.uk/

Make Sure You Are Getting ITAA Emails

We have changed and consolidated the email addresses used for ITAA, so you will want to make sure you are getting all our messages to you.

The Script teaser emails are now being sent from script@itaaworld.org.

Membership renewal emails come from membership@itaaworld.org.

General ITAA messages from Susan come from info@itaaworld.org .

General IBOC messages from Janet come from iboc@itaaworld.org.

TAJ Theme Issues

What Went Wrong and Why? Cathexis Theory and Reparenting Reexamined"

Coeditors: William F. Cornell and Diana Deaconu Deadline: 1 February 2021



"Systemic Oppression: What Part Do We Play?"

Coeditors: Helen Rowland and Karen Minikin Deadline: 1 August 2021



"Ecological Transactional Analysis"

Coeditors: Giles Barrow, Hayley Marshall, and Sylvie Monin Deadline: 1 February 2022

Please follow the submission requirements posted <u>here</u>.
Email manuscripts to
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MSW, at robinfryer@aol.com.

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In Outlook, Mac Mail, and other email programs, the process is similar, although you have no Promotions tabs to worry about. Go to your spam or junk folder, select the email, then choose "Not Junk"/"Not Spam," and always be sure to add the emails to your contacts.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan via email at info@itaaworld.org . §

ITAA Change of Address and Email

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All ITAA communications should now be sent to info@itaaworld.org and all IBOC communications should be sent to iboc@itaaworld.org .

Maria Gilbert

aria Gilbert was born, grew up, and qualified as a clinical psychologist in South Africa. Although of Afrikaans background, she was educated in English-speaking institutions and rejected the racist ideology of the Apartheid government. No doubt this was the beginning of a lifelong commitment to helping those she saw as oppressed. Maria searched to expand her understanding beyond South Africa, which at the time suffered from increasing academic and professional condemnation and boycotts because of the political situation.

Maria was exposed to transactional analysis and various other humanistic approaches to psychotherapy from books and travel abroad. She also managed to invite several trainers willing to visit South Africa. Consequently, she began teaching and then set up a training group to teach TA. She quickly gathered a group of enthusiastic, well-educated, and qualified young therapists around her, eager to learn the "how to" of therapy.

This early teaching had a significant effect on a number of therapists and teachers of therapy in South Africa. TA was a relevant and appealing modality because it speaks across cultures and educational levels to the diverse and multilayered society, thereby conveying helpful understanding of central and powerful psychological principles.

By 1985, shortly after a state of emergency was declared in South Africa, Maria left for England with

her son, Matthew. In London, she joined Petruska Clarkson, Sue Fish, and Brian Dobson, who had begun to teach TA and other humanistic approaches to therapy and counseling at the then-named metanioa psychotherapy training institute, which they founded in 1984. Maria was instrumental in systematizing the teaching and organizational structure of what was to become the flourishing, highly successful Metanoia Psychotherapy Training Institute in West London. It is fair to say that Metanioa could not have become what it is today without Maria's organizing skills and perspicacity. She was also one of the early group of professionals who set about regularizing and creating qualifications and endorsements of trainees in humanistic modalities. initially through certificates and diplomas and then university recognition by establishing a system of degrees. She sat on the United Kingdom Council for Psychotherapy and various other accreditation bodies. The TA system of oral-based examinations of practitioners' clinical competence and knowledge was successfully adopted by the institute across its other modalities.

In addition to teaching, Maria was an influential supervisor of both clinical and academic work. She traveled widely throughout the United Kingdom (UK) and Europe teaching, giving lectures and workshops, and speaking at conferences, often as a keynote speaker. She was also an active force behind the professional-



ization of psychotherapy. Maria read widely and kept up with the field through its recent rapid development. She coauthored and published a number of core books for those interested in or learning about psychotherapy, many of which are now used as standard texts in the UK and other parts of the world.

Maria engendered loyalty, gratitude, and admiration in many. She could be extremely kind and helpful and also fierce when challenged. Her staff in the integrative department at Metanioa affectionately called her "Attila the Honey," a nickname she rather liked. Undoubtedly, she leaves a valuable contribution and made an impact on the development and flourishing of wider and more accessible approaches to therapy. Her work remains an important legacy. Sadly, she suffered in her later years. She died recently in hospital in London of a non-COVID-related illness.

Maria leaves behind her son Matthew Gilbert and a small family in South Africa. Condolences may be sent to Matthew at matt@chimpfactory.com . §

Diana Shmukler, Katherine Murphy, and Charlotte Sills

Call for ITAA Board Nominations

The following positions are open for nominations now. Deadline for nominations: 31 January 2021 5 pm PST.

Vice President Operations (2021-2023)

Vice President Research & Innovation (2021-2023)

Vice President Professional Standards (2021-2023)

Treasurer (2021-2023)

Regional Representative North America (nomination and election only by members of the region) (2021-2023)

Regional Representative Africa (nomination and election only by members of the region) (2021-2023)

Regional Representative Latin America (nomination and election only by members of the region) (2021-2023)

Nominations require the name and consent signature of the nominee (it may be yourself), the name of the person making the nomination (if not the nominee), and the names of two people seconding the nomination (one may be the person making the nomination). To be eligible for nomination, trustees may not have already served two consecutive terms of office in any position on the board. Position statements (charters) that describe the function and selection criteria for each of the officer positions are available on the ITAA website at itaaworld. org and from nominations chair C. Suriyaprakash at suriya.sunshine@

gmail.com. Nominees are encouraged to read and understand these and the full nomination/election documents before accepting nomination. Send nominations to ITAA Nominations Chair C. Suriyaprakash at suriya.sunshine@gmail.com.

Welcome to New Members

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2020 Bound TAJ On Its Way Soon

To ITAA members who are due to receive the bound volume of the four *TAJ* issues for 2020, we are happy to say that it will be on its way soon! This hard copy celebrating our 50 years of publication (1971-2020) is a bit later than usual, but it will arrive chock full of wonderful articles reflecting the breadth and depth of transactional analysis today.

Readers will note that there are a number of blank pages in the October issue that represent an article that had to be withdrawn. We worked solidly with both the author and Routledge/Taylor & Francis to avoid this, but because of legal processes and publication rules it was not possible. Just be assured that nothing is actually missing that should be there.

We hope you will enjoy the 2020 bound volume and will join us in celebrating our 50 years of providing important TA literature to our global TA community.

Steff Oates, VP Research & Innovation

Addition to 2020 Long-Time Members List

In the long-time ITAA members list published in the November *Script*, Susanna Ligabue and Anna Rotondo should both have been listed as members since 1980.