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'Push For Parity' Campaign Successful: Society's Bill Passes Both State Houses, Awaits Governor's Signature

'Push' Must Continue For Passage Members Urged to Continue Battle on Final Front

Report by Marsha Wineburgh, CSW, Parity Chair



At 3 AM Saturday, July 3rd, the New York State Senate passed the Society's Parity Bill in an amended form. I was in the balcony of the Senate Chamber as Senator Manfred Ohrenstein, Senate Minority

Leader from Manhattan, asked again for a Message of Necessity from the Governor's office, a request which had to accompany the amended bill before it could be brought to the Senate floor for a vote. The Message finally arrived; the vote was taken; our bill passed, 46 to 12. That same evening, with the active leadership of Assemblywoman May Newberger, our amended bill passed the Assembly and is at this time awaiting the Governor's signature.

During the preceding week, considerable activity was taking place for the passage of this bill. The Senate was unwilling to consider the bill in the form which had passed the Assembly on May 27, 1982. Our opposition—primarily the psychiatric association and the business council—was concerned that social work vendors would dominate the mental health field in the next decade. Too many CSWs would qualify for insurance reimbursement, it is feared, pushing other mental health professionals out of the field. Many amendments were discussed: psychiatric supervision, physician referral, as well as increasing the number of years of supervised experience required for vendorship status. The business council was concerned about state legislation which might affect large interstate companies such as IBM, GM or Xerox. Thanks to the efforts of our lobbyist Martin Steadman, our legal counsel, Barry Mallin, Lyn Hill of the Mid-Hudson chapter, and myself, the Society's views were communicated to the Senate

representatives who were amending the bill. Late Friday, July 2nd, the amended version of the bill appeared. Our leadership reviewed it and decided to support it. This amended version is another important step in further establishing our professional credentials in New York State.

The amended version of the bill in no way changes the current vendorship law, which requires three years of supervised clinical experience satisfactory to the State Board for Social Work to qualify for optional insurance reimbursement. The bill adds an additional qualification: it requires a total of six years' post-degree experience in psychotherapy in a licensed agency or six years' supervised experience in private practice. The supervised experience must meet the requirements established by the State Board of Social Work. Once met, the clinician qualifies for insurance reimbursement from any group health insurance policy sold to a company which does not employ persons outside of New York State. Companies which employ people in more than one state will not be required to abide by this legislation. Initially it seemed to be the Senate's intent to require six years of supervisory experience and replace the current statute with this law. However, the three-year vendorship law was left in place to insure that the 900,000 consumers who have the social work rider can continue to be covered. Until the Governor signs this bill into law, there is still work to be done.

What you can do:

Write immediately to:

Honorable Hugh L. Carey, Governor
Executive Chamber
State Capitol
Albany, NY 12224

Urge him to sign *Senate Reprint 21035 of A4538-A* into law. Describe what it will mean to your clients/patients to have access to

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Federation Spring Meeting:

Members Lobby for Bills' Passage; New Officers Elected

Report by Margaret M. Isbell, CSW,
President, NYS Chapter

Washington: The spring meeting of the National Federation of Societies for Clinical Social Work was held here in May. State Society presidents and various chairs from 28 states attended the three-day event, during which issues concerning clinical social workers were discussed.

Marsha Wineburgh, immediate past president of the New York Society, was elected to the presidency of the Federation, having completed a term as Federation vice president; she succeeds Pat Wellons of Kentucky.

A large segment of the meeting was devoted to an in-depth report by Federation legal counsel and lobbyist, Ken Adams. He explained in detail the procedure regarding passage of legislation in Congress in terms of two bills pending in Congress for clinical social work insurance coverage. He also arranged for Federation members to meet with their representatives to lobby for the bills' passage.

NYS Society president, together with Marsha Wineburgh, chair of the parity committee, met with the legislative assistants of four representatives of New York State.

Pending Bills

For the past several months the National Federation has been working with a broad coalition of 18 mental health organizations in an effort to obtain a legislative solution to discriminatory benefits cuts in the mental health portion of the FEHB (Federal Employees Health Benefits) insurance plan. In May the Society lobbied for a bill (HR-5995) which was introduced by Congressman Richard L. Ottinger (D-Westchester) which would require all FEHB carriers to provide mental health coverage on an equal basis with coverage for physical health care. The Society lobbied in the hopes of obtaining 100 co-sponsors for this bill. A large number of co-sponsors would indicate a strong showing of broad support for a mental health component in a bill which Mary Rose Oakar expects to introduce. Oakar

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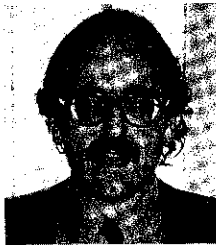
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LEGISLATIVE EXCHANGE

Report by Barry K. Mallin, Esq., Legislative Advocate

Perspective on Parity Bill Passage



As of this writing, dramatic, fast-breaking developments were taking place in the struggle for enactment of the Parity Bill.

On the eve of the Albany legislative recess on July 2nd, with the session going full throttle until 3 in the morning, the Senate passed an amended version of the bill. The bill then went back to the Assembly, which accepted the Senate amendment, but not without intense, last-minute negotiations.

The final week's scenario was a frantic effort to come up with a bill acceptable to both houses before the legislature adjourned for the summer. The Society's representative in Albany, Martin Steadman, and parity

chair Marsha Wineburgh, deserve the thanks of all Society members for the long hours and dedicated work they expended in securing passage of the bill, now called Senate Reprint 21035 of Assembly 4538-A.

Thanks also should go to Senator Manfred Ohrenstein of Manhattan for steering the bill through the Senate floor in the face of strong opposition from Blue Cross and business interests; to Assemblywoman May W. Newburger, who championed the bill's cause on the Assembly side, and to aides for Senator Warren Anderson's office, who found the right formula acceptable to both houses of the legislature.

The measure is now before Governor Hugh Carey and intense lobbying must continue to convince him to sign the bill. This has been a two-year effort that has brought us close to a historic victory.

The bill was reintroduced this past session in January. It then began a tortuous and hard-fought path through the legislative process. The bill was approved by the Assembly Insurance Committee on March 10; by the Assembly Ways and Means Committee on May 19; by the Rules Committee on May 24; and—after heated debate—by the full Assembly on May 27. Meanwhile, on the Senate side, the bill was going nowhere. Lobbyists for medical, insurance and business interests were keeping the bill throttled in Senate Insurance Committee. A compromise had to be found, otherwise no bill would be passed.

Concern was expressed by the opposition that the bill would lead to a flood of new practitioners, thereby pushing up insurance claims and payments. The opposition also wanted medical supervision of clinical social workers.

The idea of medical supervision was one that the Society leadership could never accept; this principle strikes the heart of the parity issue. A compromise amendment was suggested by Senator Anderson's office to break the logjam. The parity provisions of the bill were to be left intact—establishing the principle of full autonomy for clinical social workers—but the number of years of experience necessary to qualify for parity vendorship was to be increased from three to six. At the same time, the current optional law with its three-year experience requirement remained.

In the real world of legislative negotiations, the Society leadership was faced with the choice of no bill or one that established the sought-for principle, but with increased qualifications for obtaining parity vendorship. The leadership decided that the bill had come too far to turn back, and pushed for the Senate amendment. □

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insurance reimbursement for social work services. Ask your clients to write to him about their personal experience. Personal, imaginative, sincere letters are our best approach.

If you have any further questions, call your chapter representative.

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PAC FORMED

A Political Action Committee has been established to serve as the Society's political arm in the effort to attain professional parity under the law. The PAC depends solely on outside contributions, and its funds are completely separate (by law) from the Society.

We need your help. Please join our PAC now. Your contribution of \$25, \$50, \$100—or whatever you can afford—can make a difference.

Make your check payable to: NYS SC SWP-PAC.

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New York, NY 10021

50% of your individual contribution up to \$100 is a tax credit—a deduction even if you do not itemize your taxes.

Spring Meeting

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chairs the House subcommittee which oversees the FEHB program.

The second bill in Congress (HR-6092) is a companion bill to a revised version of Senator Inouye's bill (S-123) which was an amendment to the Social Security Act to include clinical social workers with practitioners in other mental health disciplines as independent providers to Medicare recipients.

Other Business

An orientation luncheon for new Society presidents attending their first Federation meeting was sponsored by Abbey Blair, former NYS Society president and currently chair of public relations for the Federation.

NYS Society member Dr. Florence Lieberman has compiled a book of studies written by clinical social workers, which received acknowledgment and commendation by the Federation. The book *Clinical Social Workers*

as *Psychotherapists*, is scheduled for publication this summer.

The proposed changes in the Federation's bylaws, which more accurately reflect the needs of its growing membership, were accepted and approved; the 1982-1983 budget was reviewed; and officers for the new fiscal year were elected.

National Academy Proposed

Dr. Nicholas Cummings, a practicing psychologist in California and the founder of the National Academies of Practice, proposed to the Board of the Federation the formulation of a National Academy of Practice in Clinical Social Work. Having recently established the National Academy of Practice in Psychology, he is interested in establishing within each health care discipline a National Academy which would become part of the National Academies of Practice. Each Academy would bestow membership on distinguished care practitioners who made significant contributions to practice within a particular discipline.

Chapter Update

METROPOLITAN

In this past year several new programs were initiated to provide greater service to chapter members.

A consultation service will advise those concerned with acquiring the "P" for CSWs. The other service is coordination of peer study and supervision groups. Two such groups have been launched to date.

The education committee presented a successful February conference at the Barbizon Plaza, with Saul Tuttmann, M.D., and Ernst Federn, discussing the "challenging" patient. Ten afternoon workshops were led by chapter members.

The committee's new format of presenting workshops on a specific topic began with a workshop featuring Jerry Reardon in an informative three part series on DSM III.

The chapter has been most responsive in the parity campaign. Members have personally called on local representatives and have traveled to Albany to meet with senators and assemblymen. Much credit goes to Dr. Rosemary Lukton for her excellent coordination of this drive.

My two-year term of office as president is over, and I am stepping down, along with Marguerite Perrin-Klein, Katherine Pelly and Alix Weiss-Altaner. I wish to thank all the members of the board for their enthusiasm, cooperation and hard work, and wish them continued success. *Barbara Pichler, CSW*

NASSAU

The Nassau chapter continues to provide interesting professional meetings featuring Society members. These have included a premier showing of a film produced by Alice

Medline King on separation-individuation and a paper on integration of psychoanalytic therapy and behavior therapy, presented by Gerald Adelson. In March Ruth Mohr led a workshop on sculpting in family therapy; in April Marion Bilich spoke on guided visualization used with women suffering from eating disorders. The final offering of the program year was a Panel-Symposium on Divorce Mediation. The program was coordinated and moderated by Carl Bagnini, and included Dr. Harry Grabarz, both Nassau members. A cocktail party in June ended the program year at the home of Sara Rosensweig.

Spearheaded by Roslyn Goldner, chapter members have been participating in a concerted effort toward passage of the Parity Bill through letters and phone calls and personal and group visits to key legislators.

Marla Warrack, CSW

ROCKLAND

The chapter's main thrust during the past year was to increase its exposure to the clinical social work community in Rockland and to expand membership. Both efforts have been successful. Membership has increased by almost a third.

Over the year the bi-monthly meetings featured speakers on topics such as family therapy, transgenerational introjects, and intimacy in therapy sessions. Further, several chapter members gave interesting and stimulating workshops. The education committee is now planning a series of workshops for the next program year.

Currently a new slate of candidates has been selected for chapter elections this fall. Now that membership has grown, we are able to include two members-at-large on the board.

The aim for 1982-83 will be to continue to expand membership and to increase involve-

ment of members in committee work and activities. *Carla Kandel, CSW*

SUFFOLK

The Suffolk chapter, which was reactivated in April of this year, has been most active. All members joined in a very aggressive phone and letter campaign for the Parity Bill, which led to support from 8 of 9 Assemblymen and all 4 of our State Senators.

Since April chapter membership has grown to over 40; there is considerable interest in the chapter throughout the area. A recent business/social meeting produced chairs for referral, parity, public relations, social, newsletter and membership committees.

As an added incentive to attract new and old members, a cocktail party will take place on September 10th. Plans for the fall include an active public relations campaign; the chapter's first educational workshop; development of a speakers bureau; and the establishment of a program to promote contacts with local industry and business.

Victor Goldman, CSW

Statutory Fees Amended

Philip R. Johnston, CSW, Executive Secretary of the State Education Department in Albany, has submitted the following information regarding statutory fees in New York State.

The statutory Professional Licensing fees have been amended, effective July 1, 1982. Listed below are the basic new fees. All fees received by the Division of Professional Licensing on or after July 1, 1982, must be at the new rate.

Licensure by Exam	Re-Exam	Licensure w/o Exam	Biennial* Registration	Triennial* Registration
\$100.00	\$50.00	\$65.00	\$60.00	\$90.00

*The statutory amendments provide for the progressive establishment of triennial (3-year) registration periods to replace the current biennial (2-year) registration periods. Please note that the registration period *expiring* on February 29, 1984, will be at the biennial rate; the registration period that begins on or after March 1, 1984 will be on the triennial basis at the triennial fee. □

IN COMMITTEE . . . Psychoanalytic Training— Continued Controversy

Dear Editor:

The December 1981 issue of the SCSWP *Newsletter* published an article, "Psychoanalytic Training—In Whose Hands?" On behalf of the National Psychological Association for Psychoanalysis (NPAP) Training Institute, I take issue with the basic premise of the article and significant erroneous data pertaining to [this] Institute, as indicated in the "Rating Sheet—Training Institutes."

It is . . . a disservice to mental health professionals, social workers or otherwise, who aspire to train and function as psychoanalysts, to link psychoanalytic training to an academic discipline such as social work, psychology or psychiatry. It is true, unfortunately, that psychoanalysis, in this country, has been identified with "psychiatry" for the past 55 years. In recent years "psychology" has been entertaining the idea that psychoanalysis is a discipline which should only be considered as continued education in "psychiatry" or "psychology"

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ANNUAL MEETING HELD IN MAY

Approximately 100 members and guests attended the Annual General Membership Meeting on Saturday, May 1, at the Gramercy Park Hotel, following brunch.

After President Margaret M. Isbell introduced officers and committee chairs and guests, she spoke on the goals and philosophy of the Society and how it differs from other social work associations. She stressed the need at this time, for a concerted public relations effort directed to the general public to increase awareness of clinical social workers as competent, functioning professional psychotherapists.

Treasurer Monty Kary presented the financial report, after which each committee chair reported on that committee's activities.

Barry K. Mallin, the Society's legal advocate, was the featured speaker. He recounted the history of the Parity Bill, the many obstacles that had to be overcome, and the excellent chance for passage during the current legislative session.

Complete arrangements for the brunch and meeting were at the direction of Thomas W. Ruggiero, newly elected president of the Met chapter. □



President Margaret M. Isbell, Crayton E. Rowe, Jr. (center) and Barry K. Mallin talk at Annual Meeting.

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Given the fact that there is no *proven*, substantive relationship between "psychiatry" and psychoanalysis or "psychology" and psychoanalysis, [this] training institute . . . has never required tri-discipline academic background as an entry requirement. [We] have admitted psychiatrists, lawyers, psychologists, historians, social workers, art therapists and many others to the training program. The criteria for analytic training has been geared to one's capacity for disciplined training, theoretical comprehension, and competent clinical capacities.

Finally, I would like to call your attention to serious errors in the "Rating Sheet" summation presented in the *Newsletter*. On the basis of research of the SCSWP committee, the NPAP Training Institute was indicated as having a student body of 70% social workers. This data is incorrect. Our student body currently has approximately 35% social workers. Secondly, we are indicated to have 19% of our faculty as social workers. This data is incorrect. Currently (1981-1982) one third of our faculty members are social workers. Finally, we are indicated to have 23% of our supervisors as social workers. This data can neither be considered as correct or incorrect. Supervision at NPAP . . . is selected privately and is constantly evolving. Consequently, no data is available.

About a year ago Crayton Rowe contacted me and asked for statistics regarding the percentage of social work students, faculty members and supervisors. I explained to him, at that time, that we did not care to provide such data, and by so doing, implicitly support the import of tri-discipline background. These statistics have been provided at this time, however, to demonstrate that a training institute which attends to the psychoanalytic aspects of training, as criteria, will *in fact*, have a reasonable balance of mental health professionals as well as others from diverse backgrounds and points of view.

*Sy Coopersmith, President
NPAP Training Institute, New York, NY*

Dear Mr. Coopersmith:

Thank you for your letter of May 24, 1982, expressing your views about my article in the December 1981 issue of the *SCSWP Newsletter* and the Report of an Evaluation of Advanced Training Institutes #2, 1980-1981.

In your opening comments you have highlighted the extremely important issue—whether or not psychoanalysis is a subspecialty of practice of various mental health professions or is, indeed, a separate profession. You have strongly concluded that it is the latter. I do not believe that such a sharp line need be drawn. For example, the New York State Society of Clinical Social Work Psychotherapists has supported the position that psychoanalysis is within the scope of the clinical social work profession. (A position paper on training for psychoanalysis for clinical workers, the first in the history of the profession, was recently approved by the State Society's Board.) On the other hand, the New York State Society has given support to legislation for the licensing of psychoanalysis as a separate discipline.

Your opinion that psychoanalysis should not be "linked" to academic mental health disciplines poses serious problems for the clinical social work profession. Your view, which does not support psychoanalysis as a subspecialty, sets boundaries for the practice of

clinical social work and, therefore, limits the profession itself. Secondly, your view implies that the clinical social work profession should withdraw from the sub-specialty concept of psychoanalysis, even though you point out that psychiatry and psychology clearly consider psychoanalysis as their sub-specialty exclusively.

Finally, I am concerned for the individual clinical social worker who is not alert to these political issues involved in psychoanalytic training and who enters an institute with the idea that he or she will receive equal opportunities upon graduation. This is one of the basic myths of psychoanalytic training referred to in my article. The majority of training institutes, as indicated in a 1975 survey and confirmed by this recent survey, show a gross imbalance between clinical social workers who form the major part of the student body and those who supervise and instruct.

I do, however, agree with you on one major point. As you stated, "a training institute which attends to the psychoanalytic aspects of training, as criteria, will *in fact*, have a reasonable balance of mental health professionals. . . ." It is this point which needs to be re-emphasized to clinical social workers who seek advanced training. The current survey was compiled for just such a purpose.

Thank you for submitting your percentages. I wish that we could have had your data at the time it was requested so that the information could have been cross-checked with this committee's figures, which were carefully obtained by students and faculty at your Institute. All data submitted to us by each institute has been double-checked. To do this with the percentages you are now submitting, we would need the exact figures used to arrive at these percentages. We would be happy to re-evaluate NPAP at that time and incorporate these figures into this survey.

Hopefully, both of our letters will be published in the *SCSWP Newsletter*, to open these very important issues to the membership.

*Sincerely,
Crayton E. Rowe, Jr., Chair
Committee on Psychoanalysis*

Comment . . .

The NYSSCSWP welcomes the opportunity for open dialogue with the many training institutes and other related organizations. We regret that space considerations preclude our publishing all comments, particularly those submitted to us by "individuals" as opposed to organizations, regarding Crayton Rowe's recent article. We appreciate the response from everyone who has contacted us about Mr. Rowe's article, which the State Board accepted with such acclaim. We hope that your interest remains high in the future!

*Margaret M. Isbell, CSW
President*

A Question of Ethics

The adoption of the revised Code of Ethics by the State Society's Executive Board in June 1981 has provided a forum for discussion and clarification of questions of ethics in the practice of clinical social work psychotherapy. Questions and problems received by the Ethics committee will be addressed in each issue of the Newsletter. Issues for discussion are welcome and should be addressed directly to David G. Phillips, DSW, Postgraduate Center for Mental Health, 124 East 28th Street, NYC 10016.

A series of recent court decisions has cleared the way for advertising by professionals, who are now doing so in all media. Clinical social workers who are considering the use of advertising should be familiar with both the stipulations on Public Statements in the Code of Ethics and those in the Rules of the New York State Board of Regents relating to Definitions of Unprofessional Conduct. The Code of Ethics was designed to be consistent with these Rules, which were adopted in 1977, and establish parameters of professional conduct which apply to every member of a licensed or certified profession in New York State. The Rules, however, contain a number of conditions not included in the Code, such as those dealing with record keeping and the accessibility of records to clients on demand.

One of the basic requirements—of both the new Code as well as the Rules—is that professional advertising must conform to professional, not commercial, standards. Professional advertising informs the public in a simple and accurate way of the services available, the qualifications of the person offering the services, and the fee or fee range charged for the services. The professional must, for instance, accurately state the nature of his affiliation with professional organizations listed in the advertisement. If the professional uses the word "Doctor" in an advertisement, he or she must also indicate the profession in which the doctorate is held.

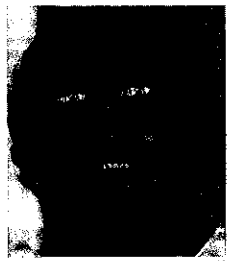
Intimidation is not permitted in professional advertising, nor are guarantees of the results of services. Sensational or flamboyant statements are not allowed. Testimonials from "satisfied customers" are not permitted in professional advertising. Any claim related to the nature of the professional service must be substantiated by the professional, who carries the burden of proof. Professionals may advertise in any media form, but may not dramatize or portray professional practice on the radio or television. The professional is responsible for keeping an exact copy of any advertisement in whatever form it appeared, and must make that copy available on demand to the New York State Education Department for at least one year after the final appearance of the advertisement.

One of the most important tenets of professional advertising is that it must not be false, misleading, deceptive, or fraudulent. There are cases which have already come to the attention of the Ethics Committee in which clinical social workers were in violation of this condition. One clinical social worker, for instance, was listed in the Yellow Pages on the list of "Psychologists" and did not take action to have this listing changed. This was a violation since the public was being falsely informed of the qualifications of the clinical social worker. Another example of false advertising stated that the clinical social worker was a "licensed psychotherapist". The professional in this case was certified as a *social worker* and was advertising the service of psychotherapy, but it was fraudulent to claim to be a "licensed psychotherapist". Since there is no licensing law for psychotherapy in New York State, there is no such thing in the state as a "licensed psychotherapist". In this case, it would have been appropriate for the professional to advertise as a *certified social worker* who was offering the service of *psychotherapy*.

David G. Phillips, DSW

PROFILE

MARGARET M. ISBELL, CSW



Margaret M. Isbell, newly elected Society president, says she'd "known all my life that I wanted to be a social worker." As a child, Peggy recalls observing some of the horrors of the Depression; during her college years at a small southern university she became aware of "a new kind of poverty—blacks and whites alike struggling for survival"—which reinforced her career determination.

Born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, where her father was a teacher, the family moved early to Philadelphia, then New York. She received a BA at The New School for Social Research in New York City, where she met and married Jack Isbell, a writer/journalist; his job required their move to Wilmington, Delaware.

There she began to fulfill her early desire (although "They didn't call it social work").

Sponsored by community organizations, she began work in the state's penitentiary system. She takes great pride in having the "first ungraded classroom outside of Harvard." Her teaching efforts encompassed all grades, all subjects—including astronomy, she recalls, with the aid of her son's telescope, through the prison bars into the night sky. After the first year the state took over funding for this pilot project which had proved so successful.

Her work with prisoners (including leading a drug therapy group) and ex-convicts paralleled a reform movement within the state and prompted Governor Russell Peterson to use her expertise to further prison reform activities. Her work in this area led to sponsorship—during the tenure of Attorney General Robert Kennedy and U.S. Commissioner of Prisons James A. Bennett—of Peggy's two-month study of prisons in Europe, culminating in a published report as well as a series of lectures.

During these years Peggy and Jack raised a daughter and son, Linda and Ken. Moving back to New York in 1966, Peggy became involved in the federally sponsored Head Start programs and instituted a reading program for 4-year-olds, which was reported on in *News-*

day. She also functioned as Executive Director of Child Day Care Center in Great Neck, a facility for poor working mothers. Next, as Head Teacher with the Luther Woodward School for Emotionally Disturbed Children, she again continued her work in teaching those hardest to teach.

To fully realize her dream of a social work career, Peggy returned to school for formal credentials, receiving both a BSW and MSW from Adelphi University, directly after which she became Director of Social Services for the Martin Luther King Health Center in Wyandanch, her present position. She also holds a faculty position at Post College and maintains a private practice. Her focus on social work has been consistent "even when I didn't know that's actually what I'd been doing all the time."

What does she want to accomplish during her term as president? "The public should know more about social workers in every field—especially as private practitioners. We work with people who need services—as clinical social workers, we perform the same services as other psychotherapists. The Society can do much to enlighten the public about our services—and we must do that." □

Executive report

Hails and Farewells . . .

The first half of our first year in office is now behind us carved with new terrains for activity and thought. Let us consider both!

Thanks to Tom Ruggiero, our member-at-large par excellence, the Annual General Membership Meeting was a smashing success. The site was delightful, the cuisine an epicurean feast, and the program presented with alacrity and aplomb. A big thank-you to each participant for his/her thoughtful and informative contribution. However, although a hundred people may resemble a crowd, it's all relative—considering the size of the Society's membership, many more are needed to make a "crowd." Those absent not only missed a treat but sidestepped a clear-cut means of meeting with one another to discuss and better understand the issues facing clinical social workers today.

See you next year!

Every "hail" regretfully involves a farewell. To Jay Fischer, retiring president of the Brooklyn chapter, our thanks and best wishes. And to Karyn Reader, Brooklyn's new president, welcome aboard! The Brooklyn chapter is one of the Society's most influential groups, harboring within its scope many key figures featured in Albany and Washington. We hope that this chapter will continue to contribute to the Society in both savvy and clout!

Our thanks to Westchester's outgoing president, Rita Benzer. Fortunately, Rita vacates only that office and will remain in her Board position as the State's membership chair. Succeeding her in the presidency with our best hopes and wishes is Marvin Sicherman, a longtime member. Westchester has become one of the most innovative and active chapters—we will continue to count on it as a 'mover and shaker'!

Since Alan Shanel, former chair of the State's education committee, found it necessary to resign, Micki McCabe, also of the Met chapter, has taken hold of the position with care and consideration. We thank Alan for his many years of service and extend our appreciation to Micki.

Another official whose departure all of us who have served with her over the years regret is Met's president, Barbara Pichler. If we have any say in the matter, however, this will not be the end of Barbara's insightful contributions to the Society.

Another bravo for Crayton Rowe, chair of the committee on psychoanalysis. Crayton continues the good fight in defending his right to speak out for clinical social workers as qualified professionals with parity fully deserved at every level.

Additionally, we acclaim the new president of the National Federation, Marsha Wineburgh, immediate past president of NYSSCSWP. Marsha's energy and talent appears boundless—in addition to her new post, she continues to chair the all-important legislative committee within the Society.

Finally, we welcome all those new members who have joined with us—and extend support and encouragement to those who continue their work on important issues. From our newest chapter Upstate, formed under the leadership of president Ken Herrmann—down through the Mid-Hudson and Rockland chapters, which worked so diligently in our recent press for parity—to Nassau's neighbor, the newly reactivated Suffolk chapter—Welcome.

To all those throughout the length and breadth of the State who support the Society—we want you! We need your creativity, skills, support and, yes, critiques. At the least, your voices are the essence of our progress at all levels of endeavor. So raise them!

Margaret M. Isbell, CSW
President

Social worker, part-time, with New York State Teacher's license, interested in doing psychotherapy and special tutoring for children with learning problems in innovative psycho-educational program at a mental health clinic.

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