



5-1-1977

Front Matter

Issues in Religion and Psychotherapy

Follow this and additional works at: <https://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/irp>

Recommended Citation

Psychotherapy, Issues in Religion and (1977) "Front Matter," *Issues in Religion and Psychotherapy*: Vol. 3 : No. 1 , Article 1.
Available at: <https://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/irp/vol3/iss1/1>

This Front Matter is brought to you for free and open access by the All Journals at BYU ScholarsArchive. It has been accepted for inclusion in Issues in Religion and Psychotherapy by an authorized editor of BYU ScholarsArchive. For more information, please contact scholarsarchive@byu.edu, ellen_amatangelo@byu.edu.



Journal of the Association
of Mormon Counselors
and Psychotherapists

SPRING 1977 VOL. 3 / ISSUE 1

EDITORIAL BOARD

Associate Editors

Don Lankford
E. Reed Payne

Board Members

F. Lucretia Brown
Wesley Craig
Lynn Eric Johnson
Lynn Tyler

Cover Design

Jeffrey L. Turner

Illustrations

Ron Derfler
Jeffrey L. Turner

Layout

F. Lucretia Brown
Jeffrey L. Turner

- 3 The President's Message**
- 4 Editorial Comments**
- 6 The Single Parents: What Do They Want**
Don Lankford Irv Lindsay
- 10 Counseling Divorced LDS Single Parent Fathers**
Edwin G. Brown, Au-Deane S. Cowley
- 16 Child Custody: Ameliorating the Pain
for Parents and Children**
Au-Deane S. Cowley
- 24 Child Abuse and Neglect**
Brent Q. Hafen
- 33 Do Professionals Have an Obligation
to Report Child Abuse**
Douglas W. Johnson
- 38 Back Page**

President's Message

As this third issue of the AMCAP Journal goes to press, I pause to recollect how far we have come as a group of counselors and psychotherapists whose common bond is "membership in and adherence to the principles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints." Our association is now well established with a set of bylaws to guide us, a group of dedicated leaders to serve us, area coordinators in a number of locations throughout the country, a journal and newsletter, and the funds and know-how necessary to conduct a well organized and meaningful annual convention. We have survived our birth and period of infancy, and are now rapidly growing toward full stature as a significant and effective nationwide professional organization, with the promise of becoming worldwide.

It has been a privilege and pleasure to serve as your president during this, the second year of our life as AMCAP. My thanks to all who have helped to make it a successful year: Don Lankford, Editor of the Journal and the Newsletter, and those who have worked with him; I. Reed Payne, F. Lucretia Brown, Wesley Craig, Lynn Eric Johnson, and Lynn Tyler; the Officers of the association: E. Wayne Wright, Burton C. Kelly, and Richard Heaps; the Governors: Richard Berrett, Myrle Ruesch, Don Lankford, Delbert P. Pearson, Victor B. Cline, and Margaret Hoopes; the Area Coordinators: Richard Bashaw, Steve Bunnell, Alice Clark, Larry Draughon, J. Richard Fletcher, E. Brent Frazier, Jayne Garside, James Hurst, R. Dean Yancey, and Albert B. Byrd; and to you, the members.

We also owe a vote of thanks to Vic and Myrle for the work they have done in planning and preparing for our third annual convention. We hope to see most of you there and would urge those who cannot come this year to start making plans now to attend next and every year. The plan is to hold the convention immediately preceding the Semi-Annual General Conference of the Church each fall, so you can attend both during the same trip. What a feast is in store, both spiritual and professional, for those of us who do so! General Conference always "recharges my spiritual battery," and now I can also get a "professional battery recharge" at no extra cost.

My final message to you as your president is much the same as the others I have sent: It is good to be associated with you! As a "Mormon" who is engaged in counseling as a profession, I was pretty much alone for many years. Now I gain strength and enjoyment as well as professional and spiritual growth through my contacts with you, my fellow LDS counselors. Our association is different from all the rest in that it cuts across two of the most important areas of our lives. We can and should (and do, I feel) strengthen each other in the Gospel as well as in our professional lives. Yes, it is good to be associated with you!

Thank you for letting me serve you. You may count on my continued support and active participation in years to come.



H. L. Isaksen

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Dear Members:

A new year for AMCAP is upon us. The editorial committee has now worked together for over a year to develop publications for you, the members.

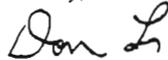
During the past year we have received concerns from you that indicate your interest. On "Changing Views and Status of Women" (Fall 1976), some members threatened to quit if we published those articles, others threatened to quit if we didn't. Over 15 members have expressed concern that we would offend the General Authorities; none of the General Authorities of the L.D.S. Church have voiced concerns. One irate letter was concerned that our last cover (Fall 1976) indicated that we (AMCAP) would clean up the Kingdom. However the cover page was in reference to Bro. Hartman Rector and his presentation "Keeping the Kingdom Clean."

We have enjoyed working together this year and have appreciated all of your concerns. The board members have sometimes felt that our assignment was similar to the instruction given Alice . . .

"A slow sort of country," said the Queen. "Now, here, you see, it takes all the running you can do, to keep in the same place. If you want to get somewhere else, you must run at least twice as fast as that!"

Lewis Carroll—Alice Through the Looking Glass

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don L", written in a cursive style.

Don Lankford, Editor

Irving Lindsay, M.S.

Counselor, Utah Technical College, Provo, Utah. He received his Masters Degree in Counseling and Guidance at Brigham Young University. Mr. Lindsay is currently employed in Arizona. He has a family of two children.

Don Lankford, M.S.W.

Family Therapist in private practice at Rocky Mountain Family Institute, Orem, Utah. He received his M.S.W. from University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mr. Lankford has served as President of the Mental Health Association of Utah County and has been a member of the State Mental Health Board. He received certificates of honor for working with low-income families, 1973-74, and in 1973 an award for service to the mental health field of Utah County.

Mr. Lankford has a family of six children and is presently serving in the Sunday School Presidency of his ward.

Edwin G. Brown, Ph.D.

Dean of Graduate School of Social Work at the University of Utah. Dr. Brown obtained his Ph.D. at the University of Chicago and is presently a professor and consultant, primarily in social work. He received Honors from the American Academy of Human Services, 1973, and was chosen Outstanding Teacher from the Graduate School of Social Work, 1972.

Dr. Brown is a member of Counsel and Social Work Education and National Association of Social Workers. He is also a licensed social worker in Illinois and a licensed marriage and family counselor in the State of Utah.

Dr. Brown is married and has six children. He was recently released from the high council of the institute church group. He is now serving as Cub Master in his ward.

Au-Deane S. Cowley, Ph.D.

Director of Practicum for Graduate School of Social Work, University of Utah. Dr. Cowley obtained her Ph.D. and M.S.W. at the University of Utah and is now a professor working primarily with marriage and family counseling and divorce adjustment. She is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Beta Kappa. Dr. Cowley received the Josephine Bean Scholarship, Outstanding Sociology Student of the Year Award and is listed in Who's Who Among American Women, 12th Edition.

Dr. Cowley is married and has four children.

Brent Q. Hafen

Professor of Health Sciences, Brigham Young University, Dr. Hafen received his Ph.D. in Health Sciences from Southern Illinois University. He is presently engaged in research, writing and teaching, primarily in behavioral areas of health, drug abuse, death and dying, suicide and related fields.

He is a member of ETA SIGMA GAMMA National Professional Health Science Honorary Society.

Dr. Hafen has five children. He is currently serving as Teachers Quorum Advisor in his ward and recently has been released as branch president.

Douglas W. Johnson, M.S.W.

Certified Social Worker Division of Family Services. He receives his B.S. at Idaho State University and his M.S.W. at University of Texas. He is presently working with Protective Services Supervision and Family Counseling, primarily with family counseling. Mr. Johnson is married and has five children. He is now the Seventy's Teacher in his ward.

Authors