Hanns Sachs Library Newsletter

Sharing projects with the academic and research communities of Boston, as well as those worldwide, can only increase our knowledge while enhancing that of others. The description of archival activities below demonstrates how mutually beneficial such cooperation can be.

Our invitation to authors to meet with us live or on video is on-going. The sharing of their work stimulates our own efforts. The most recent conversation between Drs. Lewis Kirshner and Stephen Sternbach can be seen below.

So many have been generous in their support of our library. Whether they be authors we meet, or book reviewers we read, or the donors who sustain us, or the members whose dues maintain us, we on the Library Committee are thankful. Our task, in return, is to be responsive to your needs while we continue to build a great psychoanalytic library.

~ Dan Jacobs, MD, Director of the Library

Meet the Author

Lewis Kirshner, MD, met with Stephen Sternbach, MD, in our library on September 11, 2018 to discuss his new book Intersubjectivity in Psychoanalysis: A Model for Theory and Practice published by Routledge in 2017. Press on the image above to watch the interview.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

On Monday, Jan 28 at 7:30pm, Lawrence J. Brown, PhD, will discuss his new book Transformational Processes in Clinical Psychoanalysis: Dreaming, Emotions and the Present Moment (Routledge, 2018). The book offers a contemporary perspective on how the mind transforms, and
Thank You for Your Donations!

We are deeply grateful to Deb Choate, Mark Goldblatt, Dan Jacobs, Stephen Kerzner, Malkah Notman, Rita Teusch, Julie Watts, and Anna Wolff for donating their journals to the library.

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Also greatly appreciated are recent donations of books by Roberta Apfel and Bennett Simon, Carrie Bernstein, Lewis Kirshner, Karen Melikian, Cordelia Schmidt-Hellerau, and the families of Christopher Bullock and Peter Wender. Our library is thriving because of you!

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Stay tuned for details and announcements!

In the Library

The 2019 journal subscription season is underway! Those affiliated with BPSI can take advantage of the offers listed below:

1) JAPA and IJP block subscriptions managed by BPSI:

Two core psychoanalytic publications, Journal of American Psychoanalytic Association (JAPA) and International Journal of Psychoanalysis (IJP) are available to members, candidates, students, and partners at discounted block rates. Block subscriptions to these two journals are managed by Olga Umansky, BPSI librarian. If you are affiliated with BPSI, you can send a check with a filled-out form or pay for your block subscriptions online this year! The deadline to subscribe is Monday, Dec 17.

2) Special Rates on 9 journals from Taylor & Francis:

Taylor & Francis is offering special rates on their 9 psychoanalytic journals...
Our Gifford fund helps to purchase books on the history of psychoanalysis.

Donate a Book from the Library Wishlist or Adopt a Journal

Our general Book Sale is still on and getting refreshed with new titles! Check out these great psychoanalytic classics for

Contemporary Psychoanalysis
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Psychoanalytic Dialogues
Psychoanalytic Inquiry
Psychoanalysis, Self and Context
Psychoanalytic Perspectives
Psychoanalytic Social Work
Psychoanalytic Quarterly
Studies in Gender and Sexuality

3) Special Member Rate on American Imago:

BPSI Affiliate Scholar Member and the new editor of American Imago, Murray Schwartz, PhD, has announced another exciting offer for BPSI members. BPSI members can now get American Imago for 35% off a regular price. Print and online options are available. You must contact the publisher by mail to subscribe.

Please contact Olga, if you have any questions about any of these offers, if you have missed announcements about block subscriptions and special rate offers, or if you wish to donate your print journal issues to the library.

In the Archives

Researchers Share

Our archives continue to be used and loved by researchers world-wide. BPSI has a tradition, started by Sanford Gifford, of caring for its research community, not only by responding to inquiries, but also by providing ongoing help. We establish long-time friendships with authors, help them connect the dots in their research, contact related archives they need, look for lost papers and for copyright holders. This ongoing communication advances our mutual knowledge of the psychoanalytic history and enriches our collections. The stories below show how researchers give back to us by sharing their work, discoveries, photographs, and book publications.

Maryrose Hall from Australia shared an English summary of Jacob Kasanin - Alexander Luria correspondence, translated from Russian by the Harvard researcher Miriam Berlin per Sanford Gifford's request and believed to be lost. One of the founding members of the 1930 Boston Psychoanalytic Society, Jacob Kasanin started his analytic training at BPSI, then moved to Chicago and worked with Franz Alexander, then founded the San Francisco Psychoanalytic Society in 1940. He helped translate Lev Vygotsky's works into English and corresponded with Vygotsky's student, Luria. According to
Sanford Gifford's *Recollections about Kasanin*, "In 1930 Kasanin spent part of a year in the Soviet Russia, studying with Alexander Luria, who was engaged in research on the origin of language in children and in primitive society." (Gifford, 1989). Mrs. Hall is working on the dissertation about speech development and pathology in Vygotsky's "Tool and Symbol". BPSI Archives hold Jacob Kasanin's correspondence with Franz Alexander and Ives Hendrick.

**Ilonka Venier Alexander** visited BPSI Archives in August to look at the archival materials on the BPSI Training Reform of 1930-1933. According to the BPSI history written by Sanford Gifford, "four newly trained young analysts, Ives Hendrick, M. Ralph Kaufman, John Murray and Leolia Dalrymple, returned from Vienna to Boston determined to transform our 3rd Boston Psychoanalytic Society into a training institute, comparable to the institutes in New York, Baltimore-Washington DC, and Chicago... A period of intense strife followed, among the Jungians, Rankians, and Schilderians, who had coexisted peacefully before. Of about 20 members, about half were asked to resign and reapply when they had been 'regularized' by a properly Freudian analysis. Many of these re-analyses were carried out by Franz Alexander, our first training analyst in 1930." (Gifford, 2003). Franz Alexander’s granddaughter and a psychotherapist herself, Ilonka used our archives to learn more about the year Franz Alexander lived in Boston. She the author of *Growing up Alexander* (Karnac, 2018), the book she kindly donated to the library, and also of *Love and Survival in Budapest: The Memoir of Artur Renyi* (Karnac, 2017) and *The Life and Times of Franz Alexander: From Budapest To California* (Karnac, 2015). In 2016, she was interviewed by Shari Thurer for our Meet the Author video series.

**Karl Martin, PhD**, from Kent State University shared some photographs from his recent visit of Sophie Freud Lowenstein who was the Putnam Children Center social worker in the 1950's. Using materials from the BPSI Archives, Dr. Martin wrote a dissertation about another social worker at Putnam Center, Marya Barlowski. He sent us his new article, "*Finding Marya: The Beginnings of a Doubled Currere Narrative*” published in the Currere Exchange Journal in May 2018. The "Method of Currere" is an approach to education based on post-modern philosophy and psychoanalytic technique, first described in a 1975 paper by William Pinar. Sophie Freud Lowenstein is the author of *Living in the Shadow of the Freud Family* (Greenwood Publishing, 2007). After escaping a Nazi-occupied Europe, she came to the United States and attended Radcliffe and the Simmons School of Social Work. For decades she had an impressive career as a social worker and educator, chairing the Human Behavior Sequence at Simmons College where she remains a professor emerita. The BPSI Archives hold several photos showing Sophie at the Putnam Children Center in the 1960's.

**Knuth Muller**, a psychologist from Berlin and BPSI archival researcher in 2011, sent us his finally published book *Im Auftrag der Firma: Geschichte*
New Hampstead Clinic Materials

The Hampstead Clinic papers from 1967-1971, recently discovered at the BPSI off-site storage and processed by Olga Umansky, have been kindly reviewed by our member, **Ava Bry Penman**. Trained at Hampstead in the early 1970's, Dr. Penman possesses first-hand knowledge of the studies in question, providing crucial context for understanding of the files. On her advice, some clinical materials have been shredded, the statistics and theoretical papers have been added to our existing Hampstead collection, while the samples of the Diagnostic Index and Profile have been offered to the Welcome Library in England, which holds other Hampstead Clinic archives.

Fall Internship

Our fall intern from Simmons College, **Nicole Baas**, organized a box of new Karen Horney's papers, digitized 10 audio cassettes of Karen Horney's lectures published in a book as *Final Lectures* (Norton, 1987), and processed the box of M. Robert Gardner's Van Gogh materials donated by the Gardner family last summer. The new and updated finding aids will soon be posted on the collections website. Nicole has 9 years of experience with digital marketing strategies and advertising campaigns, holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Ohio State University, and is working toward her Master's degree in Library and Information Science and Archives Management.

Letters of Note

**Lou Andreas-Salome and Anna Freud Correspondence**

In the course of her research of Marie Bonaparte's and Lou Andreas-Salome's biographies for an upcoming Freud Museum project, BPSI archival researcher, Sue Quinn, suggested we add the Andreas-Salome and Anna Freud correspondence to our collection: "...als käm ich heim zu Vater und Schwester". *Lou Andreas-Salome Anna Freud Briefwechsel 1919-1937* ("... as if I came home to father and sister"). *Lou Andreas-Salome - Anna Freud, Correspondence 1919-1937*, Wallstein Verlag, 2001. This unique publication documents an extraordinary friendship between two women since they had met each other through Sigmund Freud. Anna, 26 years old, had just finished analysis with her father and Lou Andreas-Salome, 60, had already been established as a prolific writer and a legend who inspired Rilke and Nietzsche, and was one of the first psychoanalysts to write about female sexuality. The letters span nearly two decades and reflect the struggles of Anna's and Lou's lives, their psychoanalytic ideas, as well as cultural and political events of the era. Published only in
German so far, the volume is bound to become an important resource for historians and biographers. Cited below are excerpts from a letter Anna wrote following Lou's stay in Freud's household (p.10-12), generously translated for our readers by Cordelia Schmidt-Hellerau:

Anna Freud to Lou Andreas-Salome, Dec 26, 1921:

“My dear Lou,

I have to start my letter with many greetings from house companions: Betti again wants to kiss your hand and say thank you, and Fanny wants me to tell you that she thinks every day of you. But the whole house thinks of you often: early in the morning when it would be time to bring you your breakfast; at snack time when someone is needed to eat the crusts; and in the evening with Papa; and Sunday evening when we clean the dishes. Even the hot water in the kitchen is offended that nobody really appreciates it like you did. And if the house, which had you just for a bit, thinks of you that much, it's most understandable that I do so, much more often. It is as if, while you were here, I put on a lot of weight and can now slowly feed on it while still savoring how good it all was <...>

<...>

I'm a bit embarrassed that it's so easy for me to say du (informal, instead of Sie) and Lou. If the others knew (fortunately they don't) they would think of me as brazen, but I don't think of it that way. And now since you have to listen to me, I will list everything for which I'm grateful to you: first of all that you came at all, of course, and then that you are unlike anyone I've ever known. And also that I could be with you so much and get to know you, and that you remember me kindly, and finally I'm grateful for your letter, which was the most wonderful Christmas event. And as regards this "bit of me" I want to add something: if ever you thought you could use all of me, (even if only it were in a Bavarian village, where you should be taken care of like this summer), then promise to let me know; I'll be always somewhere and would quickly come and do what you want. I know you won't believe it, but I always imagined that this to-be-in-the-world is something hostile, and good and beautiful are only those I can love.

Finally again all greetings from all within and outside the house, Papa, Mama, and Aunt Mathilde and Robert, Mausi and Edith and grandma, who always asks about you.

My saying goodbye is as heartfelt as it is reluctant ... And if you don't mind, I send you a kiss.

Yours, Anna"

What Are We Reading?

What is it like to grow up as the child of a Nazi? How does it feel to share genetic material with fathers who orchestrated the extermination of millions of innocent people? "Like father, like son," we say. But are the sins of the fathers visited upon their offspring? The Old Testament, Euripides, Horace and Shakespeare would have us believe that bloodlines are destiny. Of course, modern thinkers reject these ideas as unscientific. So, what was the fate of the Nazi children, who, after the fall of National Socialism, found themselves facing the monstrous reality of their parents' complicity? How do these folks cope with the immense cognitive dissonance of knowing that the hand that rocked their cradle perpetrated the Holocaust.

French lawyer Tania Crasnianski explores this question in her book *Children of Nazis* in which she presents the portraits of eight offspring of the Third Reich leaders - the grown-up children of Himmler, Goring, Hess, Frank, Bormann, Hoss and Mengele. She had hoped to meet her subjects in person, but in the end, she interviewed only one: Nicholas Frank, and had to rely on extensive research to describe the others.

In 1940, she tells us, the German offspring of the Nazi elite were privileged little aristocrats. They were raised by caring, affluent parents and nannies. For them, the Nazi defeat was an earth-shattering family rupture, an alarming fall from grace, abrupt downward mobility, and a jarring discovery of Hitler's atrocities. Some children of Nazis, such as Himmler, Goering and Hess, despite knowledge of their fathers' barbarism, could not stop idealizing them, spending their lives trying to repair their fathers' reputations. Others, like Bormann's and Frank's sons, vociferously condemned them. Crasnianski sensibly attributes the difference to the strength of their early bond. The psychoanalytic reader may find these accounts less than nourishing as there are no psychodynamic conjectures or explanations of these Nazis' children's behavior, merely objective descriptions. But, given the restrictions on her research, the author did a commendable job collecting and organizing the information available. This book is a meaningful addition to knowledge about the long-term consequences of evil.

~ reviewed by Shari Thurer, ScD


This precious little book consists of a series of six lectures given by Melanie Klein to students at the British Psychoanalytic Society beginning in 1936. They were discovered in the Melanie Klein Archives housed in the Wellcome Medical Library and have been previously described by Elizabeth Spillius, but have never before been published. Also published for the first time, this book includes annotated transcripts of a recording of a seminar Melanie Klein held in 1958 (two years before her death) with young analysts at the British Psychoanalytic Society. John Steiner, a leading Kleinian Analyst and writer has expertly edited these Klein lectures and her seminar. In his introduction he highlights their importance for understanding Klein’s work and shows their continued relevance for contemporary psychoanalysis. I thoroughly enjoyed this book because it shows us a very personable Melanie Klein who speaks expertly and openly about clinical challenges and how to manage them in the context of her clinical findings and her
theory. The reader will feel enriched by the range of her thought and her ability to clearly address analytic challenges that are still being discussed in our seminars today, such as questions about what constitutes an analytic attitude, issues around transference and countertransference, when, how and why to make interpretations, how to manage the dialectic between phantasy and reality. Klein also reflects on the dynamics of love, hate, envy, omnipotence, and how to modify an early destructive superego. I came away from reading this book with a renewed admiration for Klein and her humanity " She writes: " The analyst is only capable of approaching and understanding his patient as a human being if his own emotions and human feelings are fully active, though they are well kept under control. ...the analyst [needs to possess] a really good attitude towards the patient as a person. By that I do not mean merely friendly human feelings and a benevolent attitude toward people, but, in addition to this, something of the nature of a deep and true respect for the workings of the human mind and the human personality in general" (p.30). Klein reveals her unfailing confidence in the psychoanalytic method as the only one that explores the patient's unconscious, which is the seat of the patient's deepest anxieties. She writes:" In all other psychotherapeutic methods the physician attempts to take control, more or less, of the unconscious, partly, I think, as a defense against his anxiety of the unconscious. It is true that insufficient knowledge of the unconscious contributes to feelings of anxiety it arouses but it is also true that it is anxiety which inhibits the exploration of the unconscious and can even lead to complete denial of its existence" (p. 55). I strongly recommend this book to all clinicians. It is highly accessible and surprisingly timely.

~ reviewed by Rita Teusch, PhD

In the Media

Archiving of the Leston Havens Teaching Website

On Tue, Oct 23, the Countway Library Center for the History of Medicine celebrated the archiving of the Leston Havens Teaching Web Site with the special reception "Constructing Livable Lives". Dr. Leston Laycock Havens, MD (1924-2011) was a BPSI psychoanalytic member until 1992, an American psychiatrist, a Harvard professor, and a prolific author. His unique teaching web site, now archived and cataloged as one of the Counway collections, features his lectures, books, papers, videos, and audio recordings. The archived version of the web site can be accessed here, while the finding aid for the materials is posted here. Anyone interested in the history of psychiatry in Boston will enjoy a collection of videos from the Havens website, indexed and posted to the Countway library website.

IPA Webinars

The International Psychoanalytic Association (IPA) announced their ongoing webinar program. Psychoanalysts throughout the world can watch online presentations, lectures, and participate in discussions on a variety of psychoanalytic topics without traveling to London. You can become a webinar speaker, register for the next online event or watch recordings of the webinars you have missed. Visit the IPA Webinar website for more information and the schedule of past and future events.
The following is a list of books and films acquired by, or donated to, the Hanns Sachs Library since August 2018:


Apekina, Katya. (2018). *The Deeper the Water the Uglier the Fish: a novel* [donated by author].


Bertrand, Michèle. (1994). *Ferenczi, Patient et Psychanalyste* [donated by Lewis Kirshner].


Ferenczi, Sandor; Groddeck, Georg. (1986). *Sandor Ferenczi / Georg Groddeck Briefwechsel 1921-1933* [donated by Lewis Kirshner].


Friedman, Lawrence. (2019). *Freud's Papers on Technique and Contemporary Clinical Practice.*


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