From the Director

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This year will be one of challenge and change for BPSI: a new form of governance and new programs that derive from it. Our library will face the sometimes difficult tasks of maintaining its high caliber of service, of finding space for an increasing number of books and archival documents, and of providing materials for our many educational programs.

We are fortunate in having a dedicated librarian Olga Umansky and her skilled assistant Stephanie Bennett. Olga has done a superb job in attracting students from Simmons School of Library Science as well as volunteers, all of whom are so helpful in cataloguing and preserving our historic collections. Thanks to Olga, BPSI is one of the leaders in forming a psychoanalytic library forum for the American Psychoanalytic Association.

We are very pleased to welcome Rita Teusch, PhD and Malkah Notman, MD as new members of our Library Committee.

Innovations in our library last year included the possibility of using Moodle as a teaching aid (an online system, which enables course participants to access many readings, discuss weekly readings in forums and live chats, and upload assignments). We have also switched to a quarterly electronic version of our library newsletter, although those who love the printed page may request the newsletter in that form.

The library staff wish all of you a happy and healthy New Year. Thank you for your gifts of books, photographs and furniture; for programs you participate in and we record; for the art that decorates our walls. We are grateful for the generous budget that allows us to be one of the best psychoanalytic libraries in the country. Most of all, we thank you for using the library, for making it a living, breathing place where new ideas are welcome and old ones cherished.

Grete Bibring’s Culinary Biography

Hanns Sachs Library and Archives is working on the publication of Grete Bibring’s Culinary Biography featuring half a century of Austrian and American recipes as well as unique household notebooks of our well-known and respected psychoanalyst. We hope to highlight the life and career of this extraordinary woman through her love of cooking, teaching, and hosting parties for family and friends at most crucial historic times. We are now in the final stages of collecting personal memories and impressions of Grete Bibring from those who knew her. If you have any memories to share, please come forward and contact Olga Umansky at the library.
Of Note

Among the new books, recently acquired by our library, is Christopher Turner’s *Adventures in the Orgasmatron: How the Sexual Revolution Came to America* (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2011). The book, widely discussed in the press this fall, gives an account of Wilhelm Reich’s eccentric life and his influence on the American intellectuals, such as J. D. Salinger, Allen Ginsberg, Jack Kerouac, William Burroughs, Saul Bellow, Norman Mailer, and many others. Favorably reviewed by Christopher Hitchens in the New York Times, Ariel Levy in the New Yorker, and Henry Allen in the WSJ, this book has a special connection to our library. The author visited the BPSI Archives a few years ago to research Wilhelm Reich’s materials and interviews of our early members. Several photos from our archives, including those of the Vienna GschnasFest costume parties, are published in the book.

Although not a recently published book, Judith Butler’s *Giving an Account of Oneself* (Fordham University Press, 2005) is a new addition to our library. Hers is a scholarly and valuable contribution to our thinking about ethics. Butler, Professor of Rhetoric and Comparative Literature at the University of California, explores, among other things, questions that are at the heart of the analytic dialogue: “Who are you? Who am I? What are the limits in knowing ourselves and one others? What are our ethical responsibilities to one another?” As one reviewer (Hayden White) noted, Butler suggests that “the height of self knowledge may very well consist of the realization that, in matters of the self, insight is perilous, perception is flawed and judgment is weak.” Given these difficulties, how do we build a model of professional ethics that does justice to all involved?

Meet the Author Series

We started a new academic year by opening two new exhibits in our building. The ground floor displays the artwork by Jonathan Palmer, MD, while the 3rd floor library features paintings by Jane Hanenberg, EdD.

On Tuesday, September 20th, 2011, Dr. Ernest Hartmann discussed his two new books *The Nature and Functions of Dreaming* (Oxford University Press, 2010) and *Boundaries: A New Way to Look at the World* (Sircc, 2011). If you missed this event, but are still interested in the discussion, you can always request CDs from BPSI Archives.

On Monday, January 30th, 2012, Dr. Lance Dodes will present his new book *Breaking Addiction: A 7-Step Handbook for Ending Any Addiction* (Harper, 2011). This new book is a comprehensive guide for health-care professionals and families. Through his practice and research, Dr. Dodes has found that virtually every addictive act is preceded by feelings of helplessness. In his refreshingly clear style, Dodes incorporates case stories to illustrate exactly how these feelings set addiction in motion, how to recognize the path toward addiction—and then how to take back control.

Dr. Nancy Chodorow will talk about her new book *Individualizing Gender and Sexuality: Theory and Practice* (Routledge, 2012) on Tuesday, April 3rd, 2012. In her latest work, Dr. Chodorow examines the complexity and uniqueness of each person’s personal creation of sexuality and gender and the ways that these interrelate with other aspects of psychic and cultural life.
New Acquisitions

Our library has been contacted by the children of our benefactor and trustee, David R. Pokross, who was Hanns Sachs’s lawyer and friend. Mr. Pokross’s daughter, Mrs. Joan Curhan, has offered us a donation of Hanns Sachs’s personal desk, which Sachs had used in his Marlborough Street house from 1934 to his death in 1947. The desk is now placed in the 3rd floor library to serve as a patron’s workstation. In addition, the Pokross family has given us a well-known photograph of Hanns Sachs with Sigmund Freud, Marie Bonaparte, and Prince Bonaparte (see above), as well as portraits of Helene Deutsch, M. Ralph Kaufman, and a very good selection of psychoanalytic books from a personal library of Muriel Pokross.

Recently acquired are also twelve boxes of Dr. Arthur Valenstein’s archives related to the history of BPSI and PINE. This new collection will be processed, with the finding aid published on the web, next spring. Another BPSI member, Dr. Samuel Kaplan, has donated some of his papers to complement our Putnam Children Center archive.

An interesting item, an intriguing 1943 letter to Walter Langer from Col. Donovan of the Office of Strategic Services (OSS), was found by our German correspondent, Mr. Knuth Mueller (see “Research Inquiries” below). The letter is a request for Dr. Walter Langer, who worked for the OSS, to explore the effects of marijuana “for military purposes.” These are vaguely suggested, presumably related to interviewing techniques. There is also a reference to experimental studies at Harvard on the use of this drug in evaluating military officers. This recalls a public scandal of some years ago, when the government was accused of using LSD on unsuspecting subjects, one of whom committed suicide. If any of our readers recalls more details about this episode, we would be glad to hear from them.

Research Inquiries

Mr. Knuth Mueller, a psychologist and candidate of a Berlin Psychoanalytic Institute, has been in contact with our archives in the course of his thesis research on collaboration of psychoanalysts with the US-intelligence community between 1940-1975. He is researching archives of Drs. Walter Langer, Samuel Guttman, Lawrence Kubie, and other analysts that may shed some light on the so-called "OSS Truth Drug Committee” project meant to explore mental effects of marijuana and other drugs.

Dagmar Herzog, a professor of history at the Graduate Center, City University of New York and an author of Sex after Fascism: Memory and Morality in Twentieth-Century Germany (Princeton University Press, 2007) visited our archives this summer to look at our collections of interviews and transcripts. Professor Herzog talked to Dr. Sanford Gifford about the effect of historic events on psychoanalytic theory. Her latest book, Sexuality in Europe: A Twentieth-Century History (Cambridge University Press, 2011) explores the complexities of the "century of sex" from the waning of Victorianism to the collapse of Communism and the rise of European Islam.

An unexpected inquiry to identify a person in a photograph came from a German writer Dr. Wolfgang Habermann, who is working on a book about evidence of German excavations in Egypt in the first two decades of the 20th century. One archaeological expedition member, Walter Honroth, was a family friend of a New York psychoanalyst, Karen Horney, whose archival collection is held at BPSI Archives. Dr. Horney’s group photos depicting Walter Honroth helped Dr. Habermann correctly identify the same man in the archaeological expedition picture.

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In the Archives

Helping Family Historians

Daniel Celm from Australia contacted our archives this summer in search for his genealogical roots. A great-grandson of Helene Deutsch’s first cousin, Cecilia Zelazowska, Daniel was interested in Helene Deutsch biographical materials to share with his grandmother, still living in Australia. He paid a visit to our library and shared some interesting Australian publications about Helene Deutsch, as well as photos of his grandmother and a reconstructed family tree. According to the family lore, Helene and her cousin were friends and remained in some contact until Cecilia Zelazowska’s tragic death in Poland during World War II.

Another family historian from Australia, Kathryn Wright, inquired about her first cousin, once removed, and our founding member, Dr. Leolia Dalrymple. We learned from Ms. Wright that Dr. Dalrymple’s father had been originally from Scotland and emigrated to Manitoba, Canada around 1879, while his brother had left for Australia. Leolia A. Dalrymple was an important member, who helped reorganize the Boston Psychoanalytic Society and Institute in 1935 and served faithfully as treasurer and trustee to the society until her retirement in 1969. She graduated from the Toronto School of Medicine in 1925, had her first analysis with Martin Peck, and soon joined his Rankian colleagues George Wilbur and John Taylor at meetings with Otto Rank in New York. During 1930 to 1931, she had her second analysis in Berlin with Franz Alexander.

Leolia Dalrymple

Fall 2011 Internships

Two intern students and one volunteer from Simmons College GSLIS worked in our archives this fall:

Dan Zavala has been organizing, cataloging, and making preservation recommendations for Felix Deutsch’s correspondence, found in the attic of our building last spring. The finding aid for this big addition to our Felix Deutsch archive will soon be published on the web. Dan Zavala holds a BA in English from Florida International University and is working toward his Master of Library Science degree with an archival management concentration.

Kayleigh Sprague has been conducting her archival field study converting and publishing descriptions and short clips of BPSI Event Records and Oral History Interviews. Kayleigh helped us process close to 150 sound recordings including the most recent Meet the Authors and Scientific Meetings. New podcasting samples can be accessed via Events and Interviews finding aids, updated and improved by Kayleigh. She holds a BA in History from Quinnipiac University and is graduating from Simmons College with the MLIS degree this January.

Amber De Angelis, MLS continued volunteering for our archives this fall overseeing audio cassette conversions and CD productions. Amber transferred many historic BPSI Events and Oral History Interviews into digital format and more recently created an XML finding aid for the Ives Hendricks archive.
Books for Sale and Donation

This fall we were also able to donate books to San Francisco and Cincinnati Psychoanalytic Society libraries. Our sale and donation program is beneficial for libraries, researchers, new candidates, and other psychoanalytic societies. Sales and donations have been made possible by generous donations from our members and friends.

We sincerely thank Mrs. Joan Curhan, Dr. Stephen Kerzner, Dr. Ira Lable, Dr. Joan Wheelis, Ms. Susan Sachs, Dr. Charles Welch, and Dr. Michael Robbins all of whom recently donated very good books and journals to our library.

The Book Sale is ongoing in the 3rd floor library, child analysis room, and on the ground floor. Most titles are psychoanalytic classics, which our library already has. All hardcovers are $5, paperbacks - $2. Your purchases help us to support our library and make shelf space for recently published books. In addition, we are currently selling two complete sets of Freud’s Standard Edition for $600 each. If you are interested, please contact Olga in the library. All proceeds from the sales will be used for library and archival projects, such as audio conversion and restoration of over 200 reel-to-reel tapes.

In the Library

The following is a list of books recently acquired by, or donated to, the Hanns Sachs Library:


Caldwell, Lesley, Joyce, Angela (2011) Reading Winnicott. New York: Routledge


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Library Services for All

Our library offers excellent services to a worldwide community of researchers at minimal fees, which can now be paid online. Wherever you are, you can always request current articles, reference and quote verifications, bibliographic searches, scans of archival documents, and audio CD’s of events by calling or emailing our librarian. Below is a list of our frequently provided services. Thank you for using our library resources!

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- Emailing of Article Reprints—$5 per article
- Mailing of Article Reprints—$10 per article
- Audio CD Production—$10 per disc
- High Resolution Scanning of Photos—$25 per image
- Archival Reference Search—$25 per topic

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