

EDITORIAL

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At the 1999 annual meeting of the Association for the Development of the Person-Centered Approach (ADPCA) in Ruston, the journal's commitment to a future publisher was left undecided. The choices for consideration included our current publisher, Elliott and Fitzpatrick; a publisher located near the editor's work, Kutztown Publishing Company; and PCCS Books located in Llangarron of the United Kingdom. Though left undecided, the Business Membership did consent to a choice made by the current editor. As I write this editorial, I plan for the current issue that you now have before you to be coming from Elliott and Fitzpatrick in Athens, Georgia.

I am currently communicating with Pete Sanders of PCCS Books to review PCCS costs. One potential cost to the ADPCA if the journal's printing is transferred to the UK is that of lag time in communications, which, with today's communications technology, is nearly virtually eliminated. Future financial costs in overseas internet are uncertain. Proximity between journal staff and subscribers, with a UK based publisher, may possibly inhibit growth in US memberships if person-to-person contact is believed to be constraining. While the ADPCA was not established as a purely U.S. association, its roots and its 14th annual history are rooted in U.S. workshops and training programs. Members have treaded on U.S. soil for meetings and affiliate meetings, and its journal has been published since 1994 by U.S. hometown publishers. Of some concern on an emotional level is the challenge of overcoming the seas. There may indeed be practical consequences of an enhanced European (and more nearby to Europe) membership should PCCS Books be chosen.

One of the benefits of choosing PCCS Books is the commitment to and interest in publishing person-centered works that has been demonstrated by its founders since its inception in 1993. Their specialization in person-centered works is evident in about two dozen books and in their journals *Changes* and *Person-Centered Practice*. Although Elliott and Fitzpatrick has served ADPCA well for five years, and although Kutztown Publishing would serve the current editor's personal proximity needs best, I believe that at this time the future of the journal might be best served using PCCS Books. If PCCS Books publishers can provide a comparable cost service, then my decision will be to contract with them for the Spring 2000 issue.

Another major crossroad for the journal involves its indexing status. Associate Editor Marge Witty will manage the resubmission of TPCJ to the PsychInfo Indexing committee for a Spring, 2000 consideration. I have no doubt that the quality of our authors' contributions to

the journal deserve to be indexed. I am hopeful that the committee will agree with my evaluation.

I hope you enjoy the present issue of the journal. A common thread woven throughout it is the interrelationship between and the vitality of the core conditions. Tomorrow, my parents Adele and Stan, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Understanding, acceptance, and genuineness, along with trust in each others' commitment to the marriage, have all served as foundations bringing them to this day. Another 50th anniversary celebration is also taking place; the memory of which was brought to my mind in reading several of this issues' contributions. In 1949, Betty Sheerer published her "analysis of the relationship between acceptance of and respect for self and acceptance of and respect for others." Betty found that these forces of relatedness occur in tandem-- enhancing one another. Accepting and respecting self and others is a cybernetic growth process that constitutes a significant foundation for person-centered practice. Authors in this Fall, 1999 issue have expanded inroads for more authentic experiencing with clients by creating deeper theoretical and practical understanding of Rogers' revolutionary system of psychotherapy and personality change.

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