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“Older and Growing”

EDITORIAL

It is a privilege to return to the editor's desk of *The Person-Centered Journal*. The current volume begins with an incisive treatise on person-centered communication between people with and without dementia by ADPCA 2009 preconference presenter Claudia Strauss. Following Strauss, ADPCA veteran and 2009 keynote speaker Edwin Kahn details an integrative model for understanding client self-concept development and therapy process. Kahn draws from person-centered, self-psychology, inter-subjectivity and relational psycho-analysis theories, and he evokes Redekop and Grant to respond with consonant and dissonant opinions, respectively. Stimulated by their responses, Kahn furthers his analytic person-centered rapprochement with the article, *Sandor Ferenczi, A Proto-Rogierian*. Volume 17(1) concludes with veteran therapist Jon Rose's case of client-centered therapy, in an integrated care setting, with a client with years of untreated PTSD.

Volume 17(2) commences with Fred Redekop's adroit examination of the practical limitations of the non-directivity paradigm, followed by Helen Hamlet's expert illustration of the core conditions as a foundation for school counseling practice. Next, Ian Mayes shows that Rogers' conditions are implicit in Nonviolent Communications training. Three outstanding student papers follow beginning with Debra Weikert's review of research on success and limitations of client-centered therapy (and therapy in general) with highly masculine and violent clients; Liz Eager's commanding overview of the six core conditions, Sarah Walker's *Inclusion as a Natural Extension of the Person-Centered Approach*.

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-Jo Cohen Hamilton

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