

North Carolina Psychoanalytic Society
2009-2010 Scientific Program Series



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**Bruno Bettelheim and His
Window to the Soul**

Presented by
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Bruno Bettelheim (1903-1990), a clinical psychologist, was among the most respected voices among American intelligentsia in the twentieth century. His writings covered vast territory and focused on topics ranging from society, art, education, the Holocaust, and child-rearing to the hidden meanings of fairy tales. He had an astonishing capacity for entering the inner-life of others, and his pioneering clinical work with deeply troubled children brought him international acclaim. Yet, subsequent to his death, high-profile controversies about him and his ideas erupted and his reputation was left in near-tatters. This talk will explore different sides of this complicated man while demonstrating why his extraordinary contributions remain vital for those who wish both to understand themselves and provide assistance to others.

William S. Meyer, MSW, is a clinician who is an Associate Clinical Professor in the Departments of Psychiatry and Ob/Gyn at Duke University Medical Center and holds adjunct faculty appointments at Smith College and the University of North Carolina. He is on the faculty of the Psychoanalytic Education Center of the Carolinas and, with Dr. Harold Kudler, has taught the Basics Course for over a decade. He is a past-president of the American Association for Psychoanalysis in Clinical Social Work and is on the Editorial board of the Clinical Social Work Journal. He is the recipient of numerous awards, including, in 1999, "The Heart of Social Work Award" granted by the North American Field Educators and Directors, of the Council On Social Work Education and, in 2005, the Edith Sabshin Award for teaching from the American Psychoanalytic Association. In August, 2009, Bill will be providing Grand Rounds for psychiatry faculty, staff and psychiatry residents at Tripler Army Medical Center in Oahu, HI. The title of his talk: "On the diagnosis and 'treatment' of homosexuality: When prejudice masquerades as science."



Schedule:

9:30-10am Registration and refreshments
10-12:00noon Presentation, discussion, Q&A

Location:

The Lucy Daniels Foundation
Building Cary, NC

Cost: \$45 (\$50 at the door) **Registration prior to the date of the program is encouraged and appreciated.**

The presentation is offered at no charge to NC Psychoanalytic Society Members. Pre-registered full-time students with ID and trainees in Departments of Social Work, Psychology, and Psychiatry are admitted without charge as well. Scholarships are available for others for whom the admission fee is a hardship. Please contact the Administrator (contact information listed below) if interested.

How to Register:

Payment by Credit Card: You may register online beginning August 25th at www.ncpsasoc.org/registration.shtml or mail your contact information and credit card information to: NC Psychoanalytic Society, 901 Paverstone Drive, Suite 11, Raleigh, NC 27615

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Society members should register by e-mailing your reservation to info@ncpsasoc.org

Special accommodations may be made for participants with disabilities. Please contact the Society Administrator at the number below before August 28, 2009 to make arrangements.

Our refund/cancellation policy is available upon request. Contact the Administrator for further details. Up to 2 Category I CME credits are offered through the American Psychoanalytic Association. NCPS is approved by the American Psychological Association to offer up to 2 Category A CE hours for Psychologists. Letters of attendance will be provided to all others. See below for details.

If you have any questions, please contact the Administrator at 877-572-6778 or info@ncpsasoc.org.

Directions: Lucy Daniels Foundation (LDF) is located at 9001 Weston Parkway in Cary, NC. From I-40, take exit 287, Cary/Harrison Avenue. Proceed toward Cary on Harrison Avenue, approximately one-half mile. Turn right onto Weston Parkway and travel for 1.5 miles. The LDF is across the median on the left. Continue driving another 0.1 mile and make a U-turn at the median break to return to the LDF, now on your right. After turning into the LDF drive, you may park alongside the building or in the upper parking lot. (The LDF is located in the end of the building closer to Weston Parkway; the section of the building housing the Lucy Daniels Center for Early Childhood is at the far end, closer to the upper parking lot.)

Target Audience: Open to mental health professionals and anyone else with an interest in this topic. This program is at an intermediate instructional level.

Educational Objectives:

- 1) To learn how Bettelheim's experiences, particularly in two concentration camps, influenced his views on the understanding and treatment of troubled children.
- 2) To appreciate the forces at play which contributed to the controversy that surrounded Bettelheim and his ideas after his death.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of The American Psychoanalytic Association and the North Carolina Psychoanalytic Society. The American Psychoanalytic Association is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians and takes responsibility for the content, quality, and scientific integrity of this CME activity.

The American Psychoanalytic Association designates this educational activity for a maximum of 2 hours in category 1 credit towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

The North Carolina Psychoanalytic Society is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The North Carolina Psychoanalytic Society maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

IMPORTANT DISCLOSURE INFORMATION FOR ALL LEARNERS: None of the planners and presenters of this CME program have any relevant financial relationships to disclose.

Patient confidentiality is maintained throughout the program.