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PRESIDENT'S REFLECTIONS

By Joe Moore; PhD, LCSW, Psychotherapist

I hope everyone's summer was good – relaxing and enjoyable – even though the weather was not the best. Our summer was rather busy. First we went to Moab, Utah. (The National Parks are absolutely beautiful.) Then we went to Abiquiu, New Mexico. (This is where Georgia O'Keefe did most of her painting.) Then we went on to Taos, New Mexico.

I was particularly interested in returning to the Taos Pueblo where the Tawa Tribe lives. I had been to the Taos Pueblo been more than 25 years ago. At that time, I did not know that Carl Jung had been to the Pueblo in 1923. I did have a feeling 25 years ago that I had a special connection to this land and the creek that ran through it. It was only several years ago that I found out that Jung had had a rather pivotal experience when he met and spoke to Chief Mountain Lake. As Jay Sherry writes in his new book: <u>The Jungian Strand the Transatlantic Modernism, (Palgrave Macmillan 2018)</u>.

"There were two important things that Jung took away from their conversation on the roof of the pueblo as they looked out across the plateau at the sacred mountain. The first was his appreciation for Mountain Lake's trenchant critique of the white mentality and its history of imperialistic exploitation. The other stemmed from their talk about religion and the Pueblo sense of responsibility towards the cosmos. "(pp. 82-83)

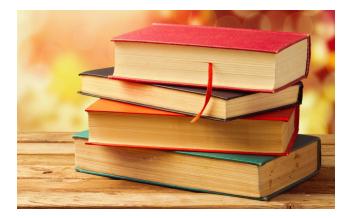
It was after this that Jung began to explore his concept of the "Primitive Other." And for me, my visit to the Pueblo renewed my psychic energy and connection to the spirit. I spent several hours just sitting by the Red Willow Creek watching it and listening to it gurgle.

The guide that showed us around the pueblo shared an interesting fact about the "sacred mountain." Teddy Roosevelt made the mountain public and the Tawa petitioned constantly for its return. Richard Nixon returned it to the tribe. So as the guide said, while some people might have strong negative feelings for Nixon, the Tawa honor him for his action.

We are planning a very exciting year at the APC. The Tuesday Night agendas will be very interesting. On October 13, we will be celebrating two authors; Jay Sherry and Sanford Drob who has written: <u>Archetype of the Absolute: The Union of</u> <u>Opposites in Mysticism, Philosophy and Psychology.</u> On November 3, Juana Yepes, an analyst in training, will be speaking about astrology. (Please see bulletin for more details.)

I hope to see many of you throughout the year.

KML News



Donations!

Bring your gently used books desired for the Library to sell at the Fall Fundraiser. Jungian titles as well as those focused on Jung's interests (Mythology, Symbolism, Spirituality, Dreams etc.)" would be great.

Book Discussion Group Meetings

The Book Discussion Group meetings will be on the 4th Wednesdays of the month. Please join the club and become a member of Face Book.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP LEADER Robert McCullough: <u>metafizz@gmail.com</u> phone: 212-532-8379

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A BOOK CELEBRATION

Featuring

The Jungian Strand in Transatlantic Modernism Jay Sherry: PhD

And

Archetype of the Absolute: The Union of Opposites in Mysticism, Philosophy and Psychology Sanford L. Drob: PhD

> Saturday: October 13th, 2018 1PM to 4PM

Wine and Cheese to Be Served

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The Jungian Strand in Transatlantic Modernism

Jay Sherry: PhD

In studies of psychology's role in the modernist movement, Carl Jung is usually relegated to a cameo appearance, if he appears at all. After his break with Freud, Jung was promoted in New York by Beatrice Hinkle, M. D. who translated his work and was a founding member of the APC. My book maps how he connected with and influenced a surprisingly extensive transatlantic network of artists, educators, feminists, and writers. This talk will highlight some of those individuals and how Jung applied his unique approach to the image-making capacity of the psyche to such modernist icons as Joyce and Picasso, an approach that appealed to such creative talents as Jackson Pollock and Joseph Campbell.

Jay Sherry, PhD is a Kristine Mann Library board member and teaches in History and Psychology Departments, Long Island University-Brooklyn. His book *Carl Gustav Jung, Avant-garde Conservative* (2010) won the Gradiva Award.



Archetype of the Absolute: The Union of Opposites in Mysticism, Philosophy and Psychology Sanford L. Drob: PhD C. G. Jung held that the self is a *coincidentia oppositorum*, a unity of opposing ideas, attitudes, emotions, and impulses. In making this claim, Jung was affirming, in psychological language, an idea *about the cosmos* that is present in various forms of Eastern and Western mysticism, was a significant undercurrent in ancient, medieval, and renaissance thought, and which, in the nineteenth century, played a central role in the philosophy of Hegel.

In my talk I will briefly trace the "problem of the opposites" in the mysticism of the Tao and the Kabbalah, the dialectical thinking of Hegel, the quantum physics of Neils Bohr, and the deconstructionist philosophy of Jacques Derrida. I will then examine Jung's views on the role of *coincidentia oppositorum* in alchemy, and its importance in psychological theory and therapy. I will address the question posed by Jung in *Psychological Types* of how one chooses among and/or reconciles different perspectives on the psyche and will outline how the principle of the coincidence or interdependence of opposites can be applied to resolve the current fragmentation within contemporary psychological theory and practice. I will describe how Jung and others have used the coincidence of opposites to provide a model of "wholeness" that is relevant to both the self and the world. Finally, I will explore the ethical pitfalls and possible limits of the "unity of opposites" idea.

Sanford L. Drob is a Core Faculty Member in the doctoral program in Clinical Psychology at Fielding University and is on the faculty of the C. G. Jung Institute in New York. He holds doctorate degrees in philosophy and clinical psychology, is a prolific artist, and has made contributions in the fields of philosophy, theology and clinical/forensic psychology. For many years, he served as the Senior Forensic Psychologist and Director of Psychological Assessment at Bellevue Hospital Center in New York.

Dr. Drob is known for his writings that explore the relevance of Jewish mysticism to contemporary thoughts. In a series of books (*Symbols of the Kabbalah*, 2000, *Kabbalistic Metaphors*, 2000, *Kabbalah and Postmodernism*, 2009) as well as on his website, <u>www.newkabbalah.com</u>.

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TUESDAY EVENING DISCUSSION GROUPS

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Meeting: September 25th, 2018

Members and Students with valid IDs = \$10 Non APC Attendees = \$20

As most members know, the APC was started because patients of Mann, Harding and Bertine wanted to come together to learn more about Jung and Analytical Psychology and to form a community of people. These deliberations often lasted many hours and were the core of what the Club did during these early days.

The format of Tuesday Evenings will return to the beginning of the Club and examined the various aspects of Analytical Psychology and explore further what is this method of growth and to see how this method has helped and continues to help us individuate. Non-members are invited to attend.

Discussion Topics 2018-2019

Jung and the Nature of Evil, Anima, Issues	Animus and the Psychology of Gender
Jung's Relation to Catholicism,	Modern Man in Search of a Soul
Jung and the Nature of Death,	The Personality Types
Jung and the Idea of the Self,	Jung and the Religions of the East
Jung and the Self (AION),	Jung to Live By

Tuesday Discussion Dates 2018-2019

Sep.25, Oct.23, Nov.20, Jan.15, Feb.19, Mar.19, April 16, May 21

Wine, as well as coffee and tea, will be served.



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