

# INNOVATIONS! EXPERIMENTS!

*Lots of them this year!*

Here's a sampling of what we're trying:

## THAYER WHITE OPENING PROGRAM

Family and primal therapist Thayer White has organized the first full day of the convention, Tuesday. Thayer says... "I participated in many types of growth/learning/therapy groups in California in the early 70s and many of them were joyous experiences full of growth, fun, trust, love, and sharing. I think similar sparkling experiences will likely happen for most who participate in what I have organized. These good feelings don't just feel good. They also will serve us all later in the convention by improving our learning in workshops, by making for more fun and loving interactions between us, and by promoting more effective primal/growth work."

Initially, Thayer will lead us for about 3 hours in various easy-sharing experiential processes for two major purposes: 1. to develop caring, camaraderie, and trust with other participants and 2. to learn through experience some self-help tools that can support both our future growth and our primal processes. His plan for us is then to meet three times in smaller leaderless peer group(s) of perhaps 15 people (Thayer will not be present). The plan for the first 3 hour meeting of these peer groups will be shared experiential activities, similar to what we have done at IPA Spring Retreats. These same peer groups will then meet twice more as peer-facilitated working groups, which will serve participants as have peer/women's/men's groups in past IPA conventions (for talking, sharing, feeling, getting feedback, or working on issues).

## KEYNOTE "SOUL-SEARCH" PANEL SYMPOSIUM

Additionally this year, instead of a single Keynote speaker, we're going to have an intensely audience-participating Keynote Panel Symposium. Here's the theme of that:

**The Passion For Primal:  
Where Should It Be Going?  
And How Can We Ensure It Gets There?**

I (Sandy) will moderate a panel of Primal professionals from the philosophically far-flung corners of the Primal universe. The topics:

1. What does Primal mean? What has it done for me personally and for people with whom I've shared it professionally?
2. What are the dangers of Primal? What kinds of harm has occurred?
3. What do we want to see happen to Primal?
4. How exactly do we get it there?

Panelists: **Rick Benson, Barbara Bryan, Alice Rose, Chris Wright.**



## WORKSHOPS, ETC.

Here's a sampling of the presentations planned:

**The Enneagram and Addiction Rehab, Rick Benson**, founder of the residential Algamus Recovery Centers of Florida and Arizona. Rick has found the Enneagram integral to tapping the core of addiction.

**Family Constellations therapy, Randy Goldberg**, a Family Constellations graduate of the Hellinger Institute of DC. How might actions of or occurrences to family forebears you never heard of affect your consciousness and quality of life today?

**Negotiating from authenticity, Philip Rivers, MS.**, taking material from the 35-hour graduate course he taught for 30 years at Indiana University of Pennsylvania: negotiating between any two parties in conflict can result in win-win solutions only if both sides become authentic. How do you get to authentic? How do you know you're there? And how do you *stay* there?

**Meditation and Primal, the linkage is big, Alice Rose, Ph.D.**, Clinical Psychology, 20 years post-doc training in pre- and perinatal psychology with the field's pioneer, **William Emerson**. People tend to think that meditation is about being peaceful and stuffing your feelings. Not so.

**And lots more: Barbara Bryan**, record-holder for number of terms as IPA president, will again offer the **Mays Landing Pool Party**. Bring bathing suit and go deep! Barb will also give workshops for **Primal beginners** and for **Primal facilitators**, including buddies; Ithaca NY therapist and author (EVOLution of an Orgasm) **Diane Kohl** will present again **TEARS at Orgasm: What Do They Say About LOVE?**; and IPA veteran **Jean Rashkin** will again offer **Primal Theatre** (is that 'er' or 're', Jean?), I (Sandy again) went for the first time at this year's IPA Spring Retreat. Was I blown away!

**Robert Clover Johnson** will address **male infant circumcision** from a new, more personal perspective. And licensed massage therapist **Jan Owens** will look at the tight connection between feelings and physical anatomy. Get a massage from her: she's fantastic. So are the others on this year's massage team, **Randy Goldberg** and **Walter Loeb**.

**SURPRISES:** possibly BIG ones. They might happen, they might not. We'll keep you posted. Promise.

# FEES: BIG CHANGE

To celebrate our **Ruby Jubilee** right, we're going all out to help people who really want to come to our Convention and are hampered economically. So this year, in place of needs scholarships, we're offering a sliding scale of participation fees based on income. Be honest: we have ways... :) Work with us. If you want to be here, we want you here.

Similarly, help us. The IPA has a big job to do. If you can comfortably—key word, *comfortably*—give more than you're eligible to pay, please, give to our general fund, or to one of our special funds listed below. We need help from everyone!

Income	Dally, paid by July 15	Daily, after July 15	All six days, by July 15	All six days, after July 15
up to \$15,000	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$330.00	\$360.00
\$15k - \$25,000	\$65.00	\$70.00	\$390.00	\$420.00
\$25k - \$35,000	\$75.00	\$80.00	\$450.00	\$480.00
\$35k - \$50,000	\$95.00	\$105.00	\$570.00	\$630.00
\$50k - \$75,000	\$120.00	\$130.00	\$720.00	\$780.00
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Departure day last meal: Br Lun Din

Special food requirements, e.g. allergies, vegan, etc.:

Special accommodations, up to four people, even more if we use top bunks, can be in a room. A few private rooms are available for an additional \$50 per night.

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