

CONFERENCE FACULTY 2010

Guest Presenter

Ellen Weber Libby, PhD, CGP, a licensed psychologist, maintains a private practice in Washington, D.C., where she has spent over 60,000 hours working with patients. Applying her expertise in family dynamics to ongoing individual and group therapy, Dr. Libby also supervises therapists and leads professional workshops. Dr. Libby's book, *The Favorite Child*, reflects her belief that at each person's core are feelings related to being chosen, not chosen, or overlooked, and that the dynamics emanating from the complex of favoritism profoundly impact the family and each individual. Dr. Libby's blog, "The Favorite Child: A Psychologist Views Family Dynamics," appears regularly on psychologytoday.com.

Small Group Leaders*

Co-led Group Leaders

Sarah Hedlund, PhD, and Jonathan Stillerman, PhD, CGP
Hallie Lovett, PhD, CGP, and Ray Lovett, MA, LCSW, CGP

Single-led Group Leaders

Sarah K. Brandel, PhD, CGP
Gloria Myers Beller, MSW, LICSW
Jay Casey, PhD
Joshua M. Cordonnier, LCSW, CGP
Larney R. Gump, D.Ed., ABPP
Nancy Hafkin, PhD, CGP
David Hawkins, MD, CGP, DLFAGPA**
Grace Riddell, LICSW, LCSW-C, M.Ed.

*Small Group Leaders' biographies are posted on the Conference page at the MAGPS website.

**MAGPS traditionally invites a guest small group leader from another affiliate society in an effort to promote stronger connections with our colleagues across the country. David Hawkins is from the Carolinas Group Psychotherapy Society, is a past president of American Group Psychotherapy Association (AGPA), and is a long time colleague of Ellen Libby's.

GUEST PRESENTER BIOGRAPHY

Ellen Weber Libby, PhD, CGP, received her doctorate from the University of Maryland in 1977. Since then, she has devoted her professional life to fostering the psychological well being of individuals, couples, and families. Prior to beginning her private practice, Dr. Libby was the clinical director of a mental health center serving children and their families and on the faculty at the University of Maryland. Dr. Libby, a licensed psychologist, maintains a private practice in Washington, D.C., where she has spent over 60,000 hours working with patients. Applying her expertise in family dynamics to ongoing individual and group therapy, Dr. Libby supervises therapists and leads professional workshops. Dr. Libby's book, *The Favorite Child*, reflects her belief that at each person's core are feelings related to being chosen, not chosen, or overlooked, and that the dynamics emanating from the complex of favoritism profoundly impact the family and each individual. Dr. Libby's blog, "The Favorite Child: A Psychologist Views Family Dynamics," appears regularly on psychologytoday.com.

SMALL GROUP LEADER BIOGRAPHIES

Sarah K. Brandel, PhD, CGP is a clinical psychologist in Certified Group Psychotherapist in private practice in Washington, DC. Her interest in the study of group dynamics began during her transition from a career in international relations to one in mental health. She is a member of the American Group Psychotherapy Association annual meeting committee and the A.K. Rice Institute. Dr. Brandel also has served as Secretary on the MAGPS Board.

Gloria Myers Beller, MA, MSW, practices psychotherapy of individuals, couples and groups in Washington, D.C. EAP evaluations, workplace seminars and Critical Incident Debriefings are also specialties. She participates in a weekly peer supervision group. Ms. Beller has developed a keen interest in multicultural mental health and how culture can influence the practice of psychotherapy. She is a member of the American Academy of Psychotherapists and the Greater Washington Society of Clinical Social Work.

Jay O. Casey, PhD, Chief of Psychology Services, Retired, Patuxent Institution; adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, American University; graduate, Group Psychotherapy Training Program, Washington School of Psychiatry. Previous MAGPS group leader. He has been a group therapist for 30 years. For 20 years he supervised group therapists conducting dozens of short- and long-term groups of various modalities.

Joshua M. Cordonnier, LCSW, CGP, has a full-time private practice in Charlottesville, VA where he sees individuals, couples and groups for psychotherapy. He also provides consultation and supervision for licensure. He is a member of the National Register of Certified Group Psychotherapists and has led both short-term and ongoing groups with adults, adolescents and children. He studies and utilizes a modern analytic and

mindfulness approach to his group work. Prior to joining MAGPS, Josh was a member of the Austin Group Psychotherapy Society.

Larney R. Gump, D.Ed., ABPP, is a psychologist in private practice, Associate Professor of Clinical Psychology and Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at George Washington University (GWU). For 48 years Skip has conducted a variety of groups (e.g., T-Groups, Tavistock Working Conference, Therapy, Encounter and Team Development) and has taught group courses at different universities and the NTL Institute. He directs the Group Psychotherapy Program for the PSYD Clinical Psychology Program at GWU. He is a past-president of the DC Psychological Association.

Nancy Hafkin, PhD, CGP, is a Psychologist in full-time independent practice. She sees individuals, couples, and groups and supervises new therapists in Bethesda, Maryland. She is a member of the National Register of Certified Group Psychotherapists and has been leading both long-term psychotherapy groups and short-term theme oriented groups in the DC Metropolitan area since 1974. Dr. Hafkin earned a Post-Doctoral Certificate in Conjoint Therapy and has a special interest in working with couples in transition, parenting, and stepfamilies.

Sarah L. Hedlund, PhD, is a psychologist in private practice in Dupont Circle. She sees adolescents and adults in individual and group therapy. She also engages in couples therapy and conducts psychological and neuropsychological assessment. She is Director of Training at the Lodge Program at the Frost School, a program for emotionally disturbed adolescents, where she conducts groups and supervises the group work of therapists in training. She is on the faculty of George Washington University and is a member of the A.K. Rice Institute and the National Training Lab (NTL).

David M. Hawkins, M.D., CGP, DLFAGPA, is a psychiatrist in private practice in Chapel Hill, NC. He conducts training groups in psychodynamic group psychotherapy in Atlanta and Chapel Hill, and lectures nationally on group psychotherapy. He is Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association, a past president and Fellow of the American Academy of Psychotherapists, and a past president and Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Group Psychotherapy Association.

Hallie Lovett, PhD, CGP, has been a practitioner and teacher of psychotherapy in Washington, DC for the last 30 years. Trained as a clinical psychologist and working with individuals, couples and groups, she combines practice and theory from contemporary relational perspectives with ideas from varied spiritual traditions in her work with patients and supervisees. She is a faculty member of the National Group Psychotherapy Training Institute, Clinical Professor of Psychology at The George Washington University, and co-founder of The Conversation Between the Arts and Psychotherapy.

Ray Lovett, MA, LCSW, CGP, has been in private practice in Washington, D.C., doing in depth individual and group psychotherapy for 35 years. He has particular interest in trauma and treating couples. He offers online courses in writing therapy. His humorous

and insightful essays on family interaction have been published in over 60 newspapers and in numerous magazines, including Harper's, Smithsonian, Washington Post Magazine, and Sports Illustrated

Grace Riddell, LICSW, LCSW-C, M.Ed., is a licensed clinical social worker in private practice in DC and Maryland. She leads two ongoing groups for women with a focus on cognitive-behavioral and interpersonal psychotherapy. She earned an M.Ed. at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a concentration in organizational development and small group behavior. Ms. Riddell specializes in LGBT issues and currently leads an ongoing group, "It's All About Change," which addresses adjustments such as retirement, discovering new careers, relationship breakups, etc. Ms. Riddell has worked in Geriatrics for over twenty years. She offers supervision and consultation for individuals and institutions. She serves on the faculty at the Washington School of Psychiatry Center for Aging Studies and is a member of The American Society on Aging, Social Workers Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Network, and Greater Washington Society for Clinical Social Workers.

Jonathan Stillerman, PhD, CGP, is a clinical psychologist and Certified Group Psychotherapist with a private practice of psychotherapy and supervision in Washington, DC. He is Assistant Clinical Professor in the Professional Psychology Program at George Washington University and serves on the faculty of both the Clinical Program on Psychotherapy Practice and the Supervision Training Program at the Washington School of Psychiatry. In addition, Dr. Stillerman consults to American University's Counseling Service where he leads a year-long professional development/process group for student therapists. As Co-founder and former Co-director of Men Can Stop Rape, a non-profit empowering male youth to prevent violence against woman, Dr. Stillerman teaches widely on issues of gender and sexuality, in particular, the psychology of masculinity.