

C.G.C.A.—CONVENTION 69—S.C.O.C.

JUNE 2-3-4 EDMONTON

The program of Convention 69 cuts across the field of guidance and counselling to spotlight the "Emerging Counsellor in Canada." Built around this theme are sub-themes dealing with major areas of theory, practice, and problems in guidance and counselling. Within each sub-theme are a series of sessional topics providing coverage from a variety of points of view about a variety of concerns in the area.

Heading the many people presenting and reacting to papers, reports and discussions are the "theme speakers":

Albert Ellis. "The Emerging Counsellor in Canada."

Henry Borow. "The Changing World of Work—Vocational Guidance."

Vincent D'Oyley. "Admission to Canadian Post-Secondary Institutions: A Challenge to Counsellors."

Maurice Freehill. "Counselling with Elementary School Age Children."

Charles Truax. "A New Approach to Counsellor Education."

André Lacombe. "Organization and Administration of Guidance Services."

J. Robertson Unwin. "Problems of Youth in Our Changing Society."

George Gazda. "Groups and Group Counselling."

Among the numerous session presentations the following titles are but illustrative of the range and variety in the program:

"Sensitivity Groups With High School Students—An Evaluation."

"An Evaluation of Full Time Guidance Counsellors in Elementary Schools—A Pilot Project in North York."

"Morals of Today's Youth."

"The Personality and Value Dimensions of the Vancouver Hippie."

"Utilization of Video Recording in Counselling Internship:

The counselling internship, video recordings in schools, and use of video tapes in seminars.

—Counsellor anxiety toward video taping.

—Psychological factors associated with anxiety experienced by counsellors when video taping.

—Counselee reactions and impressions of being video taped."

"Family Life Education—Its Implications for Counsellors."

"The Functions Performed by Counselling Services at Institutes of Technology."

In addition to the professional program a "western welcome" type of social program has been interwoven throughout the Convention, beginning with a Sunday evening pre-convention coffee-party and get-together for delegates. Monday will see the Convention launched with a Kick-off Klondike Breakfast and the Opening General Session. The day will close with a full-fledged Barbecue. After a full morning of sessions and a variety of luncheon meetings, Tuesday afternoon will be free for tours of Edmonton, its schools, the Alberta Game Farm, and other sites, or to take in some golf, swimming, or other recreation in and around the city. Tuesday evening will bring the Convention Banquet at the Chateau Lacombe.

Wednesday brings a full day of sessions, the close of the Convention proper, and the highlight of the Convention, the major theme address by Albert Ellis. (Due to conflicting engagements it has been necessary to move this session to Wednesday from Tuesday to accommodate Dr. Ellis and, consequently, to hold the Banquet on Tuesday rather than Wednesday.)

Built into the program also are periods for informal discussion and sociability among delegates. At these times our main speakers will also be available. While sessions are going on, delegates' wives will have an opportunity to take in a special luncheon, visit Alberta's Museum and Archives, and a fashion show.

For those who have decided to go, Thursday will see a chartered train take post-convention delegates—including some of our main speakers—on a sojourn to Jasper. With accommodations laid on for the group in one of Jasper's motor hotels, a program of discussion, demonstrations of encounter group process, a few business meetings, and ample opportunity for taking in the area's scenic finery will fill out Friday and Saturday morning before returning to Edmonton.

Available to delegates at registration will be a kit of program information and convention paraphernalia including a set of abstracts of papers being presented in the program. The abstracts will assist delegates to choose the sessions they wish to attend.

Provided also will be a message exchange service to aid delegates to keep in touch with one another. There will be a daily news letter for announcements and general information.

For French speaking delegates simultaneous translation facilities will be available for main sessions.

Throughout the Convention a program of films and exhibits relating to guidance and counselling fields will be open to delegates.

It is anticipated that this convention will speak well for our Canadian Guidance and Counselling Association, and will provide impetus across the country for the "Emerging Counsellor in Canada."