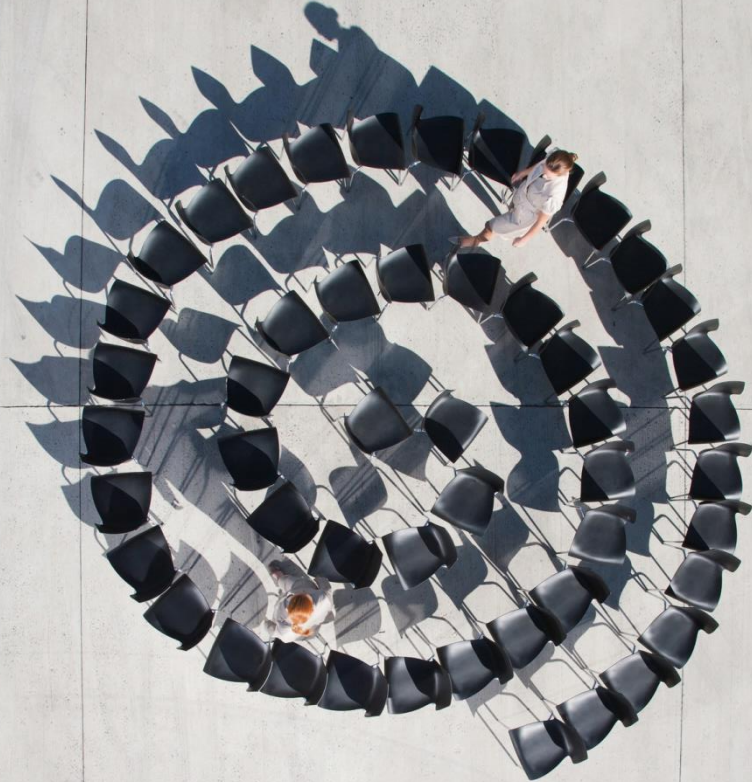


**MID-ATLANTIC
GROUP PSYCHOTHERAPY SOCIETY
FALL 2017 CONFERENCE**



**Navigating Consequences of Traumatic
Experiences in the Unconscious Life of
Groups - Especially Large(r) Ones**

Guest Presenter

Earl Hopper, PhD, CGP, DFAGPA

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday, October 20-22, 2017

Clarion Hotel, Shepherdstown, WV

*This event is co-sponsored by
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Conference Description: The Fall Conference offers a unique learning experience through large group meetings and dialogue, didactic information-sharing and demonstration, and small process group experiences. Our goal is to provide a learning environment in which conference members can integrate a deeper understanding of the topical content and consider introducing new material into their work. This conference is intended for psychiatrists, psychologists, counselors, psychiatric nurses, and social workers.

Navigating Consequences of Traumatic Experiences in the Unconscious Life of Groups Especially Large(r) Ones

Conscious and unconscious patterns operate in all groups. Although traumatic experience is ubiquitous, it is also a variable in its unconscious effects. Dr. Earl Hopper will speak to the fear of annihilation that is associated with traumatic experience. He will explore what he has termed the fourth basic assumption, “Incohesion”, with its two bi-polar forms of “Aggregation and Massification”. An appreciation of the dynamics of “Incohesion” will help us as group therapists better observe and navigate the patterns in our groups and society that challenge the effectiveness and efficiency of our work as group psychotherapists. Please join us.

Learning Objectives

The participants will be able to:

1. Distinguish the roles of isolates (lone wolves and space cadets), cheerleaders and morale boosters (singletons/individual member/member individual), omnipotent rescuers and others.
2. Identify the role they tended to take in the Large Group.
3. Discuss the concept of the social unconscious.
4. Compare and differentiate the purpose, goal, and structure of large group, small group and median group.
5. Define and list the basic assumptions that operate on an unconscious level.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday, October 20, 2017

- 5:30pm - 6:30pm Registration
6:30pm - 6:45pm Welcome & Introductions
6:45pm - 8:30pm Opening Plenary
8:30pm - 10:00pm Reception

Saturday, October 21, 2017

- 7:30am - 8:30am Continental Breakfast
8:30am - 10:15am Plenary
10:15am - 10:30am Break
10:30am - 12:00pm Small Group #1
12:00pm - 3:30pm Lunch & Break (on your own)
3:30pm - 5:00pm Plenary, Large Group 2
5:00pm - 5:15pm Break
5:15pm - 6:45pm Small Group #2
7:30pm - 11:00pm Banquet

Sunday, October 22, 2017

- 7:30am - 8:30am Continental Breakfast
8:30am - 10:00am Small Group #3
10:00am - 10:30am Small Group Debriefing & Evaluation
10:30am - 10:45am Break
10:45am - 12:45pm Closing Plenary, Large Group 3, Wrap-Up

CONFERENCE FACULTY

Dr. Earl Hopper is a group analyst of international renown. He brings forty years of experience, drawing upon work from disciplines ranging from sociology to biology. He has been influenced by the ideas of Bion, Foulkes, de Maré and Agazarian as well as “Revisionists” associated with the Washington School of Psychiatry. A Fellow of the British Psychoanalytical Society, a Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychotherapy Association, and a supervisor and training analyst for the Institute of Group Analysis, his special interests include the study of social issues and of personal and social trauma. He has published books and articles in sociology, psychoanalysis, and group analysis and is the Editor of the New International Library of Group Analysis (NILGA).

Small Group Leaders

Alex Afram, PhD
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