

## **EDITORIAL**

The Editors are delighted to be able to open this edition of the Journal with the papers given by the two distinguished speakers at the eighth conference of the Society for Existential Analysis in November 1995. This conference, The Legacy of Rollo May, was intended to commemorate and celebrate the work of the influential American theorist and practitioner who died in 1994.

This issue includes the third Annual Lecture from the Chair. Dr Ernesto Spinelli's challenging paper, Existential-Phenomenology for the Consumer Age: the Promise and Failure of *est*, will, we are certain, provide the impetus for much reflection within the fields of existential psychotherapy and counselling.

This issue also contains other important papers by regular contributors, among them Prof Emmy van Deurzen-Smith and Dr Alphons Grieder.

In keeping with the intention that the Journal should provide a forum for scholarly debate we have also included an interesting response by Regina Wright to James Pett's paper on existential supervision which appeared in Volume Six.

Finally, this issue also contains papers by Carol Carsley and Rupert Davis, writers still in training as therapists whose attempts to apply existential notions to very different areas of concern seem to us noteworthy.

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