## PURPOSE OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ADLERIAN PSYCHOLOGY

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The American Society of Adlerian Psychology was formed in 1952 to provide a national organization and meeting place for the Individual Psychologist of the United States and Canada. The organization has grown slowly but steadily, attracting those workers who wish to be identified as Adlerians. Through its scientific meetings and its two journals, the society provides the only national forums for Adlerians and acts as the center for the dissemination of contributions to and by Individual Psychology. Through its various committees the society supports research by Adlerians, compiles references to the literature, supports book publications, and maintains contact with the training institutes in Individual Psychology. In addition, the ASAP stands as a representative of all Adlerians in the World Federation of Mental Health and in the relationship to the other professional organizations of psychology. The society is one of the main supporters of the International Society of Individual Psychology and gives financial support to the international meetings and the International News Letter. The book Essays in I.P., the pamphlet "Youth in Danger Becomes a Danger," the International Book List are examples of material supported wholly or in part by the society.

Plans for the future include scholarships, increased research funds, expansions of the journals, regional scientific meetings, and the establishment of

closer cooperation between the training institutes.

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING A.S.A.P.

The American Society of Adlerian Psychology will hold its annual membership meeting jointly with the New York Alfred Adler Institute celebrating its graduation exercises. The meeting will take

place on May 16, 1964 at 8:00 p.m.

Dr. George A. Kelly from Ohio State University, author of *Psychology of Personal Constructs*, will be the speaker at the evening meeting and may also conduct a workshop in the morning. Dr. Kelly is a brilliant and and original thinker. His approach is close to Individual Psychology. The *Journal of Individual Psychology* has published several articles related to his work. The leading article in the November, 1963 issue was written by Dr. Kelly.