

## **EMOTIONAL ATTRIBUTES OF THE L. D. ADOLESCENT**

- **Impulsivity and need for immediate gratification...Inhibits good judgment**
- **Shortsightedness...Limits their goals and ability to plan for the future**
- **Suggestibility...Makes them pray to misguided leadership**
- **Tend to remain egocentric...concerned only with themselves and their own problems**
- **Conversation...MAY be repetitive and dull or very interesting and entertaining**
- **Little constructive use of spare time...usually lacks the ability to amuse self...tend to rely on others for companionship**
- **Tend to be naive and gullible...vulnerable to humiliation**
- **Difficulty perceiving subtleties of social interaction...fail to observe facial and body gestures, tone of voice is often misinterpreted, humor and anger insensitivity**
- **Poor judgment in conversation topics and timing...discouraged form social interaction**
- **Often the inappropriate behavior reflects prolonged egocentricity and lack of sensitivity to others or paranoia**