

JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2013

PRESIDENTIAL THOUGHTS

Alan N. Baroody, President

A few weeks ago, I attended the Georgia Hospital Association's annual conference for regional hospital CEOs, board members and trustees. This was my fourth year of attending this conference, so I steeled myself ahead of time for two days of workshops on the Health Reform Act presented by lawyers who could put frenzied bedbugs to sleep. In order to survive, all hospitals are scrambling to standardize practices, become more efficient, and work to prevent re-admissions. With health reform, rather than profiting from re-admissions and unnecessary testing, hospitals will be penalized. To compensate for this, many are lowering costs by furloughing employees and increasing the workload on nurses and staff, thus making for a stressful and unhappy work environment.

One of the keynote speakers captivated my attention. Joe Tye, a coach for values-based leadership and cultural transformation, strayed from the usual doom, gloom, and glucose hospital talk and addressed the importance of developing a culture of ownership and compassion. At a time when organizations are trying to increase the bottom line by cutting staff, he emphasized the importance of developing a culture of compassion over the importance of strategic planning. Without developing a culture of ownership and compassion, strategic planning fails.

Developing a culture of compassion is something that we as marriage and family therapists know a great deal about. It is our compassion and ability to emotionally connect with others that draws clients to us and keeps them coming back. Yet, it is this same culture of compassion that can lead to our downfall. I don't know about you, but when I am with a client or couple and listen to their painful stories, I often visualize in my head the events they are describing. These are not pretty pictures, especially when talking with soldiers or survivors of trauma.

Neurologist Andrew Newberg attributes this phenomenon to "mirror neurons", cells located in our brain's frontal lobe. They tend to react the same way whether you are listening to someone's story, watching someone do something, or doing something yourself. In other words, on some level, you experience what your clients describe.

Due to this, the work we do day - after day - after day leaves us susceptible to compassion fatigue which can be the result of secondary trauma plus burnout (definitions vary). Regardless of how you name it, I experienced it when I was in private practice in Denver - emotional exhaustion, sleep problems, stress related physical complaints, reduced personal accomplishments, depersonalization, etc. I didn't see it coming. It snuck up on me!

Dr. Eric Gentry (www.compassionunlimited.com) cites five "Antibodies" for preventing compassion fatigue and fostering resiliency: Intentionality, Self-regulation, Self-validation, Connection, and Self-care. I find that often we don't practice what we preach. Of the five anti-bodies above, the one that I want to emphasize is "Connection." Most of our GAMFT chapters meet quarterly. The meetings are primarily focused on providing a program with approved CEUs. My suggestion is that we make better use of our chapters. Many of us are Lone Rangers in private practice. Some are with agencies where time and workload prevent connection and interaction between therapists. Having GAMFT additional chapter meetings, or chapter support group meetings, solely for the purpose of telling our stories and taking care of ourselves, is a way in which we can support our colleagues as well as strengthen our organization. It would not be "just one more meeting to attend." It would be a way to connect and take care of each other. We have chosen a stressful occupation. Compassion Fatigue is something that, together, we can prevent.

**DR. KENNETH HARDY – CHILDREN,
FAMILIES AND TRAUMA:
A RELATIONAL APPROACH**
Kathryn Klock-Powell, Vice President

It seems early to me to be thinking of the Spring Conference in St. Simon's. As I write this the temperature is around 30° which is certainly winter weather for Savannah! But I've been eager to be planning our annual foray to the beach where we can meet, rejuvenate, and connect with colleagues across the state while learning from a nationally recognized speaker.

I'm very excited to have Kenneth Hardy presenting this year. Dr. Hardy is a Professor of Family Therapy at Drexel University in Philadelphia and is the Director of the Eikenberg Institute for Relationships. He is an internationally recognized therapist, author, and professor. Dr. Hardy conducts workshops both nationally and internationally. His work has been featured on the Oprah Winfrey Show, Dateline NBC, 20/20, and the Discovery Health Channel. Dr. Hardy will be speaking with us on "Children, Families and Trauma: A relational approach". There has been an increase of awareness regarding the effect of trauma on individuals. As practitioners we are pressured to see out training on "best practices" for trauma interventions. However, most models of trauma intervention fail to consider the larger context of the family system. I am looking forward to learning more about Dr. Hardy's relational approach.

I am also delighted to tell you about the pre-conference workshops we've lined up...

"Necessary Conversations©: A Primer of Tools for End of Life Discussion" – Georgeanne Schopp, LMFT and Lisa Davenport, MSHS, PA-C

"The Use of Play Therapy in Family Therapy" – Trudy Post Sprunk, LMFT, LPC, RPTS, CPT

"In a World of Silence: The Language and Customs of the Deaf Community" – Monica Stevens-Kirby, LMFT and Daphne Stevens, PhD, LCSW

An extra offering we'll be providing at this year's conference will be the 5-hour AAMFT Approved Supervisor 5-hour Refresher workshop on Thursday morning presented by Patricia Harwell, LMFT. If it is time to renew your credentials be sure to register for this opportunity to take care of this important refresher course.

Another great reason to attend our Annual Spring Conference is the Sunday ethics workshop. We will be offering 3 hours of ethics presented by Alicia Gregory, LMFT - following the main workshop on Sunday morning.

While I am looking forward to obtaining my continuing education requirements, my real anticipation is for those lovely hours following our early dismissal from the presentations. I look forward to the opportunities to reconnect with old friends, mentors, and colleagues. The annual conference continues to be a place of connection and a fun way to meet and network with new professionals from our local chapters. Our annual cocktail party on Friday night is always a great place to meet up with everyone before deciding which of St. Simon's fantastic restaurants to meet in. Won't you meet me at our Annual Spring Conference for the quality information and presentations, the relaxing afternoons walking on the beach, and the fun evenings socializing with other professionals in fellowship?



**STUDENT LOBBY DAY
SET FOR MARCH 6**
Carl Johnson, Chair
Legislative/Governmental Affairs Committee

I believe that to succeed individually as marriage and family therapists, we must also succeed collectively; that is, in order to obtain jobs and grow our practices, we must work together to defend and advance the profession of marriage and family therapy. In large measure this involves being active politically – getting to know our representatives and senators, supporting those whose values we share and, when necessary, advocating with them regarding issues that affect the health and welfare of our profession. Certainly the social workers and, to a somewhat lesser degree, the psychologists understand this; their efforts over the years to advance the interests of their professions have positioned them well in the mental health marketplace.

Those of us who worked to obtain licensure, privileged communication protection and insurance reimbursement for marriage and family therapists know this well. But if our profession is to remain strong we must pass this value on to the next generation of MFTs. To this end, in 2009 GAMFT joined with the social workers and professional counselors for our first combined Student Lobby Day. But it quickly became apparent that our issues were not always the same as theirs, and our smaller cohort of students were swamped by their much larger numbers. So, in 2011 GAMFT sponsored our first solo Student Lobby Day, which was an unqualified success.

This year we are again encouraging all GAMFT Student Members to join us at the Central Presbyterian Church, across Washington Street from the Capitol in Atlanta, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Tuesday, March 6 for our second annual Student Lobby Day.

We will meet in the Brotherhood Room, off of Tull Hall. The program will begin with an explanation of the fundamentals of legislative advocacy and an outline of GAMFT's current legislative agenda. We will then go across the street in order to tour the Capitol and, wherever possible, allow the student participants to meet their legislators.

Learning how to be an effective advocate for MFT is an important part of being a member of this profession. I urge every student member to attend.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR GAMFT OFFICER ELECTIONS Elections Committee

The Elections Committee will present their slate of nominees at GAMFT's Annual Business Meeting, to be held at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 4th, at the Spring Conference on St. Simons Island.

How time flies. It is hard for me to believe but it is election nomination time again. The Elections Committee would like all GAMFT members to give careful consideration to the selection of nominees for the offices of Vice President, Treasurer and one Elections Committee member. These are the three positions that will be elected in 2013. In accordance with our by-laws, the election of new officers and one Elections Committee member occurs annually, with each officer up for election in alternating years, and Elections Committee members serving three years. The current Elections Committee will soon be generating names and potential candidates. **We need input from the membership statewide.**

During the meeting the members will also have the opportunity to nominate additional candidates from the floor. A nomination from the floor must be supported by ten voting members and must have the consent of the individual being nominated.

Voting will take place by mailed ballot which will be sent to all clinical members this coming July. Newly elected officers will then take their positions on January 1, 2014.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: CHRISTUS POWELL MINORITY FELLOWSHIP Darren Moore, Chair Multicultural Issues Committee

We wish to announce the Call for Applications for the Georgia Association for Marriage and Family Therapy annual Christus Powell Minority Fellowship for minority students pursuing a career in marriage and family therapy. GAMFT will provide one or two students with \$750 - \$1,500 toward their marriage and family therapy education. The award(s) will be presented at the GAMFT Annual Spring Conference, May 2- 5, 2013.

Minority individuals who receive fellowship funds from the Christus Powell Minority Fellowship Program must be Georgia residents, including, but not limited to, those who are African-American, Hispanic, Native American, Asian-American, and Pacific Islanders. Graduating seniors who have been accepted by a graduate degree program in marriage and family therapy, and students enrolled in a graduate or post-graduate training program in marriage and family therapy are eligible to apply. Preference is given to those who have one or more years remaining in their training program.

Applicants must show promise in and commitment to a career in marriage and family therapy education, research or practice. Evidence of an applicant's promise in and commitment to the field of marriage and family therapy may include but is not limited to: academic performance, research involvement, membership in GAMFT, volunteer and/or work experience, and future goals.

The application deadline is March 15, 2013. Please contact the GAMFT office for further information on application procedures. The application form is also available on GAMFT's Web Site (gamft.org) under "Conferences" listed as "Minority Fellow Application" under the Spring Conference link.

WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DEGREE MAKES

**Lorien Jordan, Co-Chair
Legislative/Governmental
Affairs Committee**

This past year has been one of great transformation as my role as a student and student member of GAMFT transitions into that of a young professional and pre-clinical fellow. My evolution is not a singular one and many of my fellow students are going through the same process, just as you too will one day soon. Imagine my surprise to learn that many of the friends I made in my master's program left Georgia to seek licensure elsewhere. Now those people who I am close to, who are going through a similar process are limited to a handful. What keeps me grounded are the connections I have developed within the GAMFT; as a student member, volunteer and board committee chair. In this world where everyone is connected but so few people seem to be actually connected, I have found the work I have done with the GAMFT to be a solid foundation for building lasting relationships in my profession.

On this note, I encourage you all to be active with the GAMFT and your next opportunity to do so coming up in St. Simons Island at the Spring Conference (May 2-5). For the small price of one Saturday (in preparation) and a couple of hours a day during the conference I have been able to sit in on the presentations for free while meeting and networking with fellow attendees. If you are interested in this opportunity, please get in contact with Anetris Austin in the GAMFT office.

Returning to my opening remarks, I would like to point out that graduating students have not been the only ones in recent transition. This new year heralds changes to the membership categories of the AAMFT/GAMFT which are important to young members.

The first big change is that young MFT professionals are no longer Associate Members but instead Pre-Clinical Fellows. The Associate status remains, but, is designated for non-MFT young professionals in allied mental health professions. The biggest effect of this change is that Pre-Clinical Fellows have

the right to vote, whereas before that distinction belonged only to Clinical Fellows.

Due to this change in the Articles of Membership, the decision came during my tenure (as the Student/Associate Committee Chair), to sever the dual role of Student and Pre-Clinical representation. I believe that this separation makes sense as the needs of a student are far different than those of a

young professional. As a student in the Student/Associate position, it was difficult for me to imagine how to reach out and connect Associate members. In the same vein, in this past 6 months my connection to understanding the current needs of students is dissolving. Now that the Student Committee Chair is solely responsible for representing the concerns of fellow students, I believe the job will be more relevant and accessible.

I have truly enjoyed my time as the student representative and am excited to begin in my new role as the Co-chair of Legislative/Governmental Affairs. This position represents concerns that are dear to my heart and I am looking forward to working with and learning from my Co-chair, Carl Johnson. Students, I thank you for the opportunity to represent your needs over the past year. I am looking forward to watching your growth as young professionals as well as my own!

GAMFT 2013 Spring Conference

***Presented by:
Kenneth Hardy, Ph.D.***



***May 2-5, 2013
St. Simons Island, GA***

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Preferred Psychological Services, LLC, Licensed Therapist (LMFT) Wanted for a newly forming group practice in Canton, Georgia. Must be willing to work with Children, Adolescents, and Adults. Current contracts with insurance panels preferred. Competitive pay based on experience. Contact: Eva Diane Martin, MS, LPC. Phone: 678-303-0380, Fax: 800-397-1710, email: pypedm@yahoo.com.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Seeking fully licensed therapists interested in beginning and growing an ethical private practice. Send CV to Alicia M. Gregory, PO Box 818, Gray, GA 31032 with cover letter outlining long term goals for private practice.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Laurel Heights Hospital is looking for a LMFT to work as a Unit Director in an inpatient setting. Must have experience in mental health field working with acute adolescent/child psychological disorders. EOE. Contact information: Sandra Newsum - Phone: 404-888-6049 Applicants must apply online @ www.laurelheightshospital.com

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: The Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) of Lowndes County, Inc. seeks a Clinical Director to direct/supervise clinical practice with physically and/or sexually abused children and adolescents. At least 4 years post-graduate clinical experience recommended. Applicants must have at least two years direct practice with young children as well as adolescents who have been abused. Prior supervision experience is required as well as clinical licensure (LMSW, LCSW, LMFT or LPC). The job description can be found at www.caclowndes.org.

SUPERVISION: Individual/Group Supervision for MFT or PC licensure, or Supervision of Supervision. Also Supervision for Registered or Certified Play Therapists. Trudy Post Sprunk, LMFT, LPC, RPT&S, AAMFT Approved Supervisor, 770-491-7423.

SUPERVISION: Tea and Empathy...I always brew a pot of tea. It makes case management gentler. 25 years offering supervision for MFT/PC licensure and Supervision of Supervision. Joy Hafner Bailey, Ed.D., LMFT, LPC. AAMFT Approved Supervisor and Certified Professional Counselor Supervisor. 770-383-3094. Flexible hours. Cartersville area.

SUPERVISION: Sandy Springs area. Individual and group for MFT and PC licensure. Adjunct faculty, supervising students, Mercer MFT program in Atlanta. 40 yrs. of experience in field of Mental health. In training for AAMFT approved supervisory status. Call Mary Carlson, PhD. 770-393-8964

SUPERVISION: Women's Supervision Group - This group meets monthly and addresses individual, couple, and family treatment issues from object relations and systemic theoretical and treatment perspectives. Cost: \$45.00. Leader: Sherry McHenry Ph.D. Contact 404-633-2475 ext.1.

SUPERVISION: Individual/ Group Supervision for MFT Licensure, Play Therapy Certification, and Addictions Certification; Core Education Hours provided for Play Therapy and Addiction; Counselor Training Workshops. Shannon M. Eller, LPC, LMFT, RPT (770) 468-7424.

SPACE: Roswell/Alpharetta. Oakbrook Office Park. One office available within a beautifully appointed office condo, 9' ceilings. Other offices occupied by an LMFT, LCSW, and PsyD. \$325/mo. Call Ed Lauria 770-518-8600

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SPACE: Private unfurnished office available for licensed therapist in historic Roswell Church Counseling Center. \$550 includes part-time office manager, utilities, waiting room, kitchen, fax, copier, phone, voicemail, internet access and cleaning. Rev. Nancy Lane, 770-261-1752, nlane@rumc.com.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CALENDAR

The following workshops are either sponsored or co-sponsored by GAMFT, or have been approved by the GAMFT Continuing Education Committee as **Core** or **Ethics** MFT hours.

February 1, 2013: “Approved Supervisors: Supervision Roundtable” sponsored by GAMFT
Location: GAMFT Office, Atlanta
Contact: Anetris Austin, 404-261-1185

February 1, 2013: “Professional Perspectives on Family and Workplace Violence” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Statesboro, GA
Contact: Megan A. Murray, 912-478-1761

February 1, 2013: “Evidence-Based Trauma Treatments & Interventions” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Atlanta, GA
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

February 1-2, 2013: “Scared Stiff: Fast, Drug-Free Treatment for Anxiety Disorder” sponsored by Institute for the Advancement of Human Behavior
Location: Doubletree, Buckhead
CE Hours: 13.0 Core Hours
Contact: Karen Newell, 800-258-8411 x105

February 2, 2013: “Financial Counseling and Couple and Family Therapy: Bridging Disciplines, Practices and Relationships” sponsored by GAMFT
Location: The Loudermilk Center, Atlanta
CE Hours: 6.0 Core Hours
Contact: Anetris Austin, 404-261-1185

February 8, 2013: “Everything Changes: The 1st Year of Recovery” sponsored by Talbot Recovery
Location: Talbot Recovery, Columbus
CE Hours: 3.0 Core Hours
Contact: Dianne Gay, 678-251-3162

February 8, 2013: “The Story & The Symbol: Archetypal Dimensions of Counseling” sponsored by LaGrange College
CE: 6.0 Core Hours
Location: LaGrange College, LaGrange, GA
Contact: Quincy Brown, 706-880-8340

February 15, 2013: “EROS: All about Romance, Sex, Love, Intimacy and Marriage” sponsored by Stephen Howard
CE: 5.0 Core Hours
Location: Sandy Springs, GA
Contact: Stephen Howard, 404-843-9072

February 15, 2013: “Ethics with Men in Treatment: New Guidelines” sponsored by Ridgeview Institute
Location: Ridgeview Institute, Smyrna
CE Hours: 5.0 Core Hours
Contact: Terri Lopes, 770-434-4568 x3001

February 15-16, 2013: “Sibshop Facilitator Training” sponsored by The Matthew Reardon Center for Autism
Location: Chatham Academy, Savannah
CE Hours: 10.0 Core Hours
Contact: Jennifer McGee, 912-355-9098

February 22-23, 2013: “The Psychospiritual Dilemma of Our Time” sponsored by CG Jung Society of Atlanta
Location: Trinity Presbyterian Church, Atlanta
CE Hours: 5.0 Core Hours
Contact: Van S. Waddy, 404-233-4401

February 25 - March 2, 2013: “AGPA Annual Meeting - Overcoming Obstacles - The Power of the Group” sponsored by American Psychotherapy Association (AGPA)
CE: 43.0 Core Hours
Location: New Orleans, LA
Contact: Angela Stephens, 212-477-2677

February 26, 2013: “Revolutionizing Diagnosis & Treatment Using the DSM-5” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.0 Core Hours
Location: Macon, GA
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

February 27, 2013: “Revolutionizing Diagnosis & Treatment Using the DSM-5” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.0 Core Hours
Location: Marietta, GA
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February 27-28, 2013: “2013 Southeastern "Across the Spectrum" Autism/Asperger Conference and Expo” sponsored by Georgia Autism Conferences
Location: Gwinnett Convention Center, Duluth
CE Hours: 10.5 Core Hours
Contact: Cindy Pike, 770-776-7472

February 27- March 1, 2013: “Making the Compassion Connection: People - Purpose - Principles” sponsored by Georgia Hospice and Palliative Care Organization
Location: University of Georgia, Athens
CE Hours: 15.0 Core Hours
Contact: Jennifer Hale, 404-323-9397

February 28, 2013: “Revolutionizing Diagnosis & Treatment Using the DSM-5” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.0 Core Hours
Location: Tucker, GA
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

CONTINUING EDUCATION CALENDAR

March 1, 2013: “Revolutionizing Diagnosis & Treatment Using the DSM-5” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.0 Core Hours
Location: Augusta, GA
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 1, 2013: “Up, Down and Everything In Between: Dispelling Myths and Confirming Facts About Bipolar Illness” sponsored by Skyland Trail
Location: Skyland Trail, Atlanta
CE Hours: 2.0 Core Hours
Contact: Pamela Campbell, 678-686-5973

March 6, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Norcross, GA
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 7, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Augusta, GA
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 8, 2013: “Anger & Verbal Abuse in Couples Therapy” sponsored by The Woodsfellow Institute for Couples Therapy
Location: Skyland Trail, Atlanta
CE Hours: 5.0 Core Hours
Contact: David Woodsfellow, 404-325-3401

March 8, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Columbia, GA
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 11, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Gainesville, FL
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March 12, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Tallahassee, FL
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March 13, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Columbus, GA
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March 13, 2013: “Revolutionizing Diagnosis & Treatment Using the DSM - 5” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Tallahassee, FL
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 14, 2013: “Revolutionizing Diagnosis & Treatment Using the DSM - 5” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Gainesville, FL
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 15, 2013: “Revolutionizing Diagnosis & Treatment Using the DSM - 5” sponsored by CMI Education Institute
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Jacksonville, FL
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 19, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Asheville, NC
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 20, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Raleigh, NC
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 21, 2013: “Very Best Treatment for ADHD and the Processing Disorders” sponsored by CMI Education
CE: 6.25 Core Hours
Location: Charlotte, NC
Contact: Customer Service, 800-844-8260

March 22-23, 2013: “Acceptance & Commitment in Psychotherapy” sponsored by Institute for the Advancement of Human Behavior
Location: Doubletree, Buckhead
CE Hours: 12.0 Core Hours
Contact: Karen Newell, 800-258-8411 x105

April 26, 2013: “Exploring Consciousness” sponsored by Atlanta Psychotherapy
Location: Marriott Courtyard, Decatur
CE Hours: 6.0 Core Hours
Contact: Sherry McHenry, 404-633-2475

May 2-5, 2013: “2013 Annual Spring Conference” sponsored by GAMFT
Location: King & Prince Hotel & Resort, St Simons Island, GA
CE Hours: 12.0 Core Hours and 2.0 Ethics Hours
Contact: Anetris Austin, 404-261-1185

CONTINUING EDUCATION CALENDAR

May 17, 2013: “The Psychopharmacology and Neuroscience of Chemical Dependence 2013” The Anti-Reward Brain System” sponsored by Ridgeview Institute
Location: Ridgeview Institute, Smyrna
CE Hours: 5.0 Core Hours
Contact: Terri Lopes, 770-434-4568 x3001

Dates TBD (Multiple Dates) Fall 2012-2013:
“Child/Young Adult Wounding of High Conflict Divorce: How Therapists Can Help” sponsored by Transitions Resource, LLC
CE: 3.0 Core Hours
Location: Cumming, GA; Marietta, GA; Johns Creek, GA; Smyrna, GA
Contact: Kelly Linn, 678-389-1616

Dates TBD (Multiple Dates) Fall 2012-2013: “Recognizing Abusive Tactics in Divorcing Individuals: How Therapists Can Help” sponsored by Transitions Resource, LLC
CE: 3.0 Core Hours
Location: Cumming, GA; Marietta, GA; Johns Creek, GA; Smyrna, GA
Contact: Kelly Linn, 678-389-1616

CHAPTER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Middle Georgia Chapter GAMFT Meeting/Events
Every 1st Friday 11:30am-1pm
Conference room of Coliseum Behavioral Health Hospital
1 hour CEU credit
Lunch provided by Coliseum Behavioral Health Services
No cost
To reserve lunch, please RSVP 10 days in advance to rshorne@gmail.com.

Metro Atlanta Chapter GAMFT Meeting/Events

All of our chapter meetings are held 12-2:30pm, monthly on the 3rd Friday at Maggiano's Restaurant, 4400 Ashford Dunwoody Rd., Atlanta, GA 30346. Fee \$35.00 (3 course lunch & 2 CEs)
Mary J. Dean, D.Min., LMFT, CACII, chapter chair.
770-836-1773 and marydean@bellsouth.net

The Southwest Georgia Chapter GAMFT Meetings/Events

Northwest Chapter GAMFT Meetings/Events
Meetings held during months of Sept. Oct and Nov and then Feb, Mar, and April. All meetings held at East Cobb church of Christ, 5240 Roswell Rd. NE, Marietta 30062. Contact Ray L. Hawkins, PhD, LPC, AAMFT Approved Supv, Chapter Chair at ray@eastcobbcoc.org. We offer 2, 3 and 5 hour workshops.

East Georgia Chapter GAMFT Meetings/Events

I am pleased to announce the February 19th E GA GAMFT CE Luncheon at First Baptist Church of Augusta Meeting Center, from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. The cost will be \$20.00 for one CEU and a gourmet lunch. The speaker will be Dr. Jesse Lewis and his topic will be "The Upper Limits of Psychotherapy

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