

WAPT “News & Views”

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Letter from the President

Summer greetings!

I hope everyone’s summer is going well and that you are taking some time for some fun and relaxation. I hope to at least go camping once this summer and perhaps take a mini vacation with the grandchildren, but time will tell if that actually comes to fruition!

I attended the Colorado Association for Play Therapy conference in April and it was really quite good. They had a variety of workshops to choose from and the keynote speaker, J. P. Lilly, LCSW, was excellent. He presented on the “Interpretation of Children’s Play: Perspectives from Analytical Child Psychotherapy”. In addition to his practice in Utah, J.P. is the founder of the Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA) and prior to his keynote address, he presented a video of how the group was started and what their mission involves. It was a very moving video and it was so neat to see all these “bikers” interacting with the children. Those of us who attended from WAPT were so impressed that we wanted to help “spread the message”. It so happens that George Brown and JoEllen Jorgensen, both WAPT members, are associate members of the Natrona County BACA group. They have arranged for that group to do a special presentation at the WAPT/WAIECMH conference in July in Casper. I think everyone will enjoy hearing their presentation and getting to witness what wonderful work they are doing with abused children. If you haven’t sent in your registration for the conference, be sure and do so before the “early bird” deadline of July 1st!

Speaking of the conference, we will be having our annual WAPT luncheon meeting at noon on Friday. The luncheon is provided free to members and everyone is encouraged to attend. It will give you a chance to meet the WAPT board members and participate in the business meeting. Hopefully we will see you at the meeting!

That is about all the news for now. I still have work to do on last minute details for the conference, so I best get to that!

We hope to see you in July in Casper! Have a great summer!

Playfully,

Pat Stoehr, WAPT President



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Update on WAPT/WAIECMH Conference

The “early bird deadline” is fast approaching, so be sure and send in your registration prior to July 1st! The following workshops have been approved for play therapy education credits:

T-2 “The Power of Relationships & the Magic of Play: Infant & Toddler Best Practices & Developmentally Appropriate Strategies” by Vicki Martin, MA, LMFT

F-1 :Building Relationships Through Play: Organizing a Play Therapy Group Utilizing Filial Play Therapy Techniques” by Connie Strayer, MSW, Donna Sigward, LCSW and Jennifer Simpson, LCSW

We are still waiting to hear on the “Ethics” workshop, so hopefully it will count as well.

The group supervision session counts towards supervision hours, but not towards the 150 education hours. Participants will receive 4.5 hours of supervision credit as both George and JoEllen have RPT-S credentials, so that is a real perk!

The conference has been approved for 12 hours of STARS credit. PTSB credit is still pending.

Please share the conference brochure with others who may want to attend!

Welcome new WAPT member!

WAPT welcomes Christine Bonhom, MA, LMFT, owner of Renewed Hope Counseling in Riverton, WY. We are so pleased that Christine has joined WAPT and look forward to getting acquainted with her in the near future.

Upcoming conferences presented by

Colorado Play Therapy Association:

Friday, 9/21/2012-Janine Shelby, PhD-”Cognitive Behavioral Play Therapy”

Saturday, 9/22/2012-Janine Shelby, PhD-”Play Therapists in a Strange New World: How to Survive and Thrive with Evidence Based Play Therapy Treatments”

Visit the CAPT website for further information and to register online. Mention that you are a WAPT member and you may be eligible for the CAPT member rate.

Registration Form

Pre-registration prior to July 1st	Pre	Late
<input type="checkbox"/> WAPT Member	\$125.00	\$155.00
<input type="checkbox"/> WAIECMH Member	125.00	155.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-members	150.00	185.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Student	75.00	100.00
<input type="checkbox"/> WAPT Luncheon-Member	0	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Luncheon-Non-member	7.50	7.50

Total _____

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Email address _____ Phone _____

Payment Method:

Check Money order

Make checks/money orders payable to:

WAIECMH c/o of Ann Ernst

1642 South Walnut

Casper, WY 82601

Please circle the workshops you want to attend:

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