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ETHICS & Proposed Rules for LSOTP

TIM F. BRANAMAN, PhD

Tim discussed the origin of the licensing law, the dynamics surrounding it, and the concerns it has raised, not only among psychologists, but among mental health professionals in general, as well as many Licensed Sex Offender Treatment Providers. His insights into how these rules come about and how they can be modified

were great. Since the rules still have to be finalized, we will look forward to updates from Tim. We appreciate Tim and his modeling of active involvement in psychology!

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PLEASE ATTEND 4/28 TO HEAR SARAH SPREDA'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION ON THE UPCOMING TSBEP HEARING 5/11 ON PA LICENSING!

FUTURE MEETINGS:

- 4/28—INTIMACY JUNGLE
Southfork
Hotel 12 Noon
- 5/19—TBA
Southfork
Hotel 12 Noon
- 6/23- SELF CARE
Southfork
Hotel 12 Noon

"INTIMACY JUNGLE"

4/28—12 NOON Ψ T. PARSONS, PhD

**Please attend and bring a friend!
Our meetings are a great time to network!**

UPCOMING MEETINGS—SCHEDULE THESE NOW!

Our monthly meetings are held from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. on the 4th Friday of each month at the Southfork Hotel Plano, unless otherwise specified. The Southfork Hotel is on the east side of 75, 1 block north of 15th Street in Plano. Meetings are usually held in the Hackberry room. Members may order lunch from the menu, or just enjoy the presentation. 1.5 CEU credits are given to members for attending the meeting.

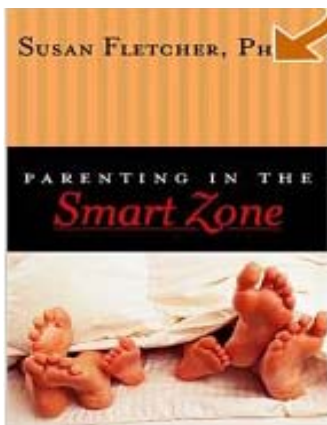
April 28—*Intimacy Jungle* - T. Parsons, PhD, 12 Noon, Southfork Hotel Plano

May 19—TBA

RESCHEDULED : *Issues in Neuro-psych—Earl Johnson, PhD, Ft Worth Psych Assoc Pres. 12 Noon, Southfork Hotel Plano*

June 23—*Self Care for Psychologists—J. Hartman, PhD—12 Noon, Southfork Hotel Plano*

PLEASE CHECK YOUR REFERRAL INFO. ON www.psychselect.com/ccpa! We try to keep it up to date, but we need you to verify your location and phone info. Remember you need to be current on dues to be listed!



CONGRATULATIONS SUSAN FLETCHER!
This new book from one of our members is a real achievement. Visit Susan's website at www.hearsusan.com

OPPORTUNITIES!

Office Space

West Plano 2300 sq. ft. office condominium has two spaces for lease to mental health professionals. The smaller office is about 172 sq. ft. in area and faces onto an eastern courtyard. The larger office has about 272 sq.ft. and has eastern and northern windows, a skylight, and built-in cabinets. Both have internet connections, phone hookups, recessed lighting, and soundproofing. The suite itself has a very nice and spacious waiting room, a nice admin area, file storage, a kitchenette, and interior restrooms for clients and staff. A separate exit is also provided for client and staff use. Free parking and easy access to all parts of the Metroplex are added features of this location. Please call Tom Van Hoose for more details at 972-250-2919.

West central plano office for lease one bk. s. of medical center of plano on coit rd., approx. 200 sq.ft. office and w.r., b.r., furnished; ALL INCLUSIVE w/ tel. and long distance, fax, frig., copier. meals not included though I may be able to help some with referrals. \$650/mo. Contact Dan Cox at 972-596-5960

Services -Groups

Gordon Sauer currently has groups running for 5th grade girls, 5th grade boys, 3rd grade boys, 7th grade boys and 10th grade boys. Contact Gordon at Gsauerphd@aol.com

Vickie L. Sutherland is offering "process oriented" group therapy pro bono for adults.

1st & 3rd Tues. of each month, 12 Noon to 1:45.

Contact Vickie 972-231-7782 for referral or more information!

LET THIS SPACE WORK FOR YOU! Advertise your specialty or service so our members can refer or utilize it! Send to: wickern@att.net

CCPA PRESIDENT'S COLUMN: Greetings CCPA members!

March 2006



Another month flies by... It was good to see so many of you at last month's meeting. Another "thank you" goes to Dr. Tim Branaman for the comprehensive history, current status, and possible implications of the sex offender treatment laws. I find comfort in the fact that we don't have to keep up on all the changes in our field on our own. Part of the value of CCPA for me, is the ability to access the expertise of our fellow members. I hope you find this true for you as well.

On several issues, I am looking forward to the information that Dr. Spreda brings back to us from the special TPA meeting in Austin, where she is representing CCPA.

I also wish to thank all of you who have recently given so many good suggestions to me on topics and possible presenters for our meetings. As well as requesting that you continue to let us know what and who you would find most beneficial. We will incorporate as many of them as we can into our future meeting agendas. A heads-up, we are currently planning an extended CEU opportunity... stay tuned.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting.

Respectfully;

G. A. Jason Simpson, Psy.D.

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FROM TPA: The profession of psychology is under attack.

Every since TSBEP sunset legislation was passed last year, there have been several "attacks" against your psychologist's license. The most atrocious one stems from the psychological associates and their attempt to gain independent practice due to the dissolution of the psychological associate's advisory committee. The Texas Psychological Association has always been steadfast on the premise that the doctoral degree is the entry level into the practice of psychology. We will not deviate from that position.

We strongly believe this argument by the psychological associates to gain independent practice should be debated in the state legislature, but they have managed to make this an issue for the TSBEP. If you can believe this, your state board is currently discussing this issue and determining who has the authority to determine this issue; the state legislature or the state regulatory agency.

As a result of this aggressive initiative by the PA's, the leaders of the Texas Psychological Association, has called an emergency meeting of the LAS President's Council. As president of your local chapter, we are requesting that you come to Austin for a day long meeting to discuss this issue and other issues that are affecting the profession. We will develop a strategy on what you can do at your local level to educate your members about these situations.

COME 4/28 TO HEAR SARAH SPREDA'S INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER!

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BOARD MEETINGS:

Please attend!

600 W. Campbell Rd #5,
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NOON – First Friday of month!

**PLEASE
RENEW YOUR
CCPA
MEMBERSHIP!**

Application at:
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MENTOR'S CORNER: *CCPA encourages it's members to build profitable, ethical practices. These tips are timely and* we solicit your suggestions, recommendations and Questions!

INTERNET UPDATE:

Here are some websites for your favorites:

HCFA 1500 Interactive form to download and use when you want:

<http://www.dol.gov/esa/regs/compliance/owcp/OWCP-1500.pdf>

For BC/BS TX reimbursement schedule: (use "manual" for password)

<http://www.bcbstx.com/provider/gri/index.htm>

Need to send an invitation by email, use evite!

<http://www.evite.com/pages/homepage/index.jsp>

Questions about learning and the brain:

<http://www.brainconnection.com/>

Keep up with UTD Neuroscience:

<http://www.brainhealth.utdallas.edu/>

Learning & ADD/ADHD:

<http://www.schwablearning.org/index.asp>

<http://www.myadhd.com/>

<http://www.adhdsupport.com/Default.asp?>

<http://www.top20education.com/>

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<http://www.erowid.org/>

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