



South Carolina Association for Play Therapy

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Dear SCAPT Membership:

I sincerely hope that this communication finds you well and enjoying the roads that you are traveling. Our board continues to work diligently to assure that you have easy and affordable access to excellent training in play therapy. This year we will be holding our yearly conference at the Heathwood Hall Episcopal School in Columbia, South Carolina on March 5th and 6th. Part of our rationale to hold it there had to do with our commitment to charge no more than we have charged in years past.

Dr. Linda Leech will be speaking on Attachment Disorder: Using Play Therapy as Treatment. A local talent Dr. Leech is on the faculty at the University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC. On Saturday Lyssa Harvey and I will be presenting about using Creative Practices in Play Therapy and Keren Riegel will be presenting a breakout session on Play Therapy Supervision. Dr. Robert Horak is providing four contact hour credits during a Post Conference entitled The Human Factor: Exploring the Influence of Play Therapist Emotions in Play Therapy on Sunday, March 7th. Again, all local talent!

The brochures and registration information can be found on the SCAPT website (www.sca4pt.com). Membership information can be found on the APT website, www.a4pt.org.

Now, for the real message that I want to communicate in this letter. This board has been working non-stop for longer than the past decade to bring you high quality training at affordable costs. I have personally never seen a more dedicated group. They are also incredibly good company! It is time to bring in new members to the board and to be frank, we are at the point where new board membership is essential if our organization is to survive and continue to provide you with the yearly training, much less to move forward toward developing even more benefits. We need, and I am not exaggerating when I use that word, at least three or four individuals who can devote not more than 4 or 5 hours a month, to this organization. That's all it would really take. We hold quarterly board meetings, that last about 1 1/2 hours, mostly on the phone. And then there are tasks, that do not take up a lot of time, but must be done.



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Please e-mail me, your current President, at deborah.hickey@capella.edu with your name, e-mail address, and phone number if you are willing to do something for this organization. We will be holding our annual board meeting at the conference this year and you can also communicate this willingness there.

Thanks very much for considering this invitation!

With warmest regards to all,

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