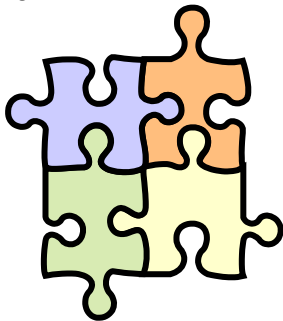


IL-APT Flash

September 2012

Welcome to a reprieve from the intense heat of the summer! There is much to look forward to in this coming fall and winter.

We are excited to announce that **Terry Kottman** will be the presenter for the IL-APT 2013 Conference on February 28 & March 1st!!! Terry is always an inspiration to counselors from all different focuses of expertise – school-based, agency, private and institution. She will be providing fresh ideas on ways to work with children of all ages. More information will be arriving soon.



Being a Play Therapist is similar to searching for all the right pieces to help our clients put together their puzzles. On-going training helps you stay informed of the latest evidenced-based interventions.

The week of October 9 through 14 is the **APT National Conference** in Cleveland, Ohio. It is always a great opportunity to learn from play therapy specialists and network with other play therapists who have a passion for gaining further professional proficiency. It can be very rejuvenating!

If you are going to attend the APT Conference, look on the community bulletin board for notice of an Illinois branch get together. Mary Alice Wentling, IL-APT President, will be there from Oct 10th through the 14th.



IL-APT **needs volunteers** to help with the execution of informing the community about play therapy, putting together the newsletters, helping with the conference, providing training, and helping recruit new members. Please contact Mary Alice Wentling, IL-APT President, at 815.973.6111 or any officer by email listed below if you would like to help your association out.

The officers of IL-APT, or designated representatives, are offering **free Play Therapy 101 Trainings** throughout the state to help recruit members and educate therapists in the importance of becoming an informed play therapist. If you are interested in hosting training in your community, please contact one of the officers.
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Have a great Fall!
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