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## GAMHPA News

Happy New Year!

GAMHPA, with Professional Development Programs, will host a continuing education panel presentation, "Diagnostic Dilemmas: Diagnosing ADHD and Bipolar Disorder in Children and Adults" Friday, February 2, 11-2pm at Glendale Adventist Medical Center in Conference Room A&B. Presenters will include Bonnie Cesak, L.C.S.W., R.N., David D. Fox, Ph.D., and Linda Woodall, M.D. Larry Brooks, Ph.D., will moderate. Three CEUs are available free to GAMHPA members, for all others the fee is \$40. To register for the program or to obtain further information, contact Larry Brooks at (818) 243-0839 or [drlbrooks@earthlink.net](mailto:drlbrooks@earthlink.net).

Now is an excellent time to join GAMHPA, the cost is only \$60 for full members, you are not too late to be included in the 2007 directory, and the fee will offset CEUs at the continuing education event in February. An application form is included with this issue.

Our next networking luncheon is set for Wednesday, April 18, at the Olive Garden in Glendale. Put it in your calendar, and bring your business cards. ?

## Calendar of Events

### CONTINUING EDUCATION

"Diagnostic Dilemmas:  
Diagnosing ADHD and Bipolar  
Disorder in Children and Adults"

Friday, Feb 2, 11-2pm  
Glendale Adventist Medical  
Center, Conference Room A&B

3 CEUs are free to GAMHPA  
members, \$40 to non-members

To register, contact Larry  
Brooks at (818) 243-0839 or  
[drlbrooks@earthlink.net](mailto:drlbrooks@earthlink.net).

### QUARTERLY NETWORKING LUNCHESES

All lunches in Glendale.  
12-1:30pm, Wednesdays.  
Separate tabs. Call ahead to  
reserve at (818) 551-1714.

April 18, Wednesday  
Olive Garden Italian Restaurant,  
101 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale

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## The Business of Practice

By Jim De Santis, Ph.D.

### The Ubiquitous Network

When I began private practice and first heard about “networking,” I really didn’t have a picture in my mind of what it was. It seemed enigmatic, difficult, and intimidating. What I’ve learned is that networking is a dynamic process that requires a tolerance for ambiguity, a mindset of abundance, geologic patience, and an alertness for opportunities to give. But it also is defined by specific tasks that require conscious, persistent, goal-directed effort.

In many respects almost any marketing activity promoting a mental health private practice involves some form of networking. Whether going to lunch with a potential referral source, speaking to the local PTA, writing for a magazine, cold calling physicians, volunteering at the Red Cross, or buying advertising in a professional publication, each involves elements of networking.

Dictionaries define a “net” in several ways, literally as an open fabric knotted together, as an interlacing, and as a trap or snare. These ideas help articulate the process of networking. Networking often occurs in a system that is open or only loosely bounded, for example involving both formal and informal social channels. Networking tends to

involve repeated recrossings and reconnections. And, of course, networking ultimately is designed to capture business.

The word “network” was a noun until recently. Now it is used as a verb as well, implying the need for energy and action. While networking may be relatively loose, it is by no means effective as a scattered or haphazard endeavor. Good networking involves several key elements.

#### Be Visible

Create your own “luck” at generating business by maximizing your visibility among optimal referral sources and

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potential clients. Identify where your “customer” shops, and put yourself there--whether it’s in the yellow pages, at the podium of a professional symposium, or on the board of your local civic organization.

#### Make Contact Proactively

How often do you initiate contact with key members of your professional network? You must be readily accessible to your optimal customer. You cannot predict when they are going to need you.

Certainly target your marketing efforts to the right market segment. Not all activity is necessarily networking. Identify who would do you the most good either to meet or to have your name in their Rolodex, how they would benefit you, and what they themselves would want from you. If you have a choice between two events, attend the one where you would find real potential referrers in greater numbers.

When attending any formal networking event, identify beforehand three things you want people to know about you and three things you want to know about other people. Share and inquire about these with each person in the room. For networking purposes, spend no more than ten minutes with any one person at the event. Circulate.

#### Interact

On the other hand, you can’t just show up somewhere, say you need referrals, and leave. You can’t just give a talk, pass out your cards, and then disappear to your office and wait for the phone to ring.

Cultivate deeper relationships with those in your community who are well-connected and resourceful. Make regular contact with them, refer to them, and make sure they have your promotional literature.

Identify those colleagues to whom you can confidently refer for specialized services that you yourself don’t offer. “You work with (specialty). I don’t do that. I’d love to meet you, because I might need to

make a referral." Then follow through with a referral when you can.

Networks usually operate on more than one level at a time. And we all are members of multiple networks. Enrich the networks of which you are a member. Do things that are enjoyable to you and that naturally build strong relationships. Volunteer at your local animal shelter, become a director of your condo association, become an officer in your kid's scouting group, Be useful, become a resource to others, not necessarily as a "mental health professional."

Ultimately, strive to become a point of connection between multiple networks. Are you the only therapist in your church congregation? Perhaps you shouldn't treat fellow parishioners, but you may be the one person to whom many come for three trustworthy names.

#### Be Alert to Opportunity

Do you pay attention to capitalizing on chance opportunity? Be aware that anyone is a potential referrer. Do you carry your business cards with you wherever you go?

Potential referrers are always, although not necessarily consciously, watching you. How you present yourself in the casual and informal situation is often your best calling card. Demonstrate your value in all your dealings with people. Wear the mantle of mental health professional with humility but with skill in whatever circles you travel.

#### Be Patient with Ambiguity

While some networking efforts are certainly more effective than others,

networking by its nature often cannot be evaluated by its immediate results. "Hard-sell" is seldom effective in the long run because it comes across as much too desperate, scarcity-driven, and linear.

Networking is neither linear nor quid pro quo. Networking is circular, and consequently it's power is in its cumulative impact over time. Every networking effort is like sewing seeds; some will germinate and others will not. but you cannot nor do you need to know which will and which will not yield fruit.

#### Build Memory

What would your most influential contacts, professional or otherwise, say about you? Do they remember in some detail what services you offer? How often does your name come up in conversation among others in your network? Do you know? You must help your optimal customer remember you, and it is best if you remember them.

Don't rely on recall alone. Build a database from your networks that can be efficiently culled when needed to offer linkages between individuals and groups. Flag anyone who has ever referred to you.

Make information about you memorable. This may involve leaving with the potential customer a physical reminder that obviates the need for ephemeral memory. This is why we so often leave a business card, the smallest wisp of paper with only the essential information for reestablishing contact. Lately, I've actually been considering dispensing with business cards altogether. My thinking is that if I'm not providing something of

otherwise tangible value that only incidentally has my name on it then I'm not really doing it right.

#### Reciprocate

I recall hearing at one marketing seminar that the best way of getting referrals is to make a referral. Do you have practice information about your colleagues. Do you know in some detail what services they offer?

Do you ever call your contacts, if only for a few minutes, just to say hello, to touch base, to offer information or leads—all without a favor to ask? While referrals may be most valued, colleagues need more than just referrals, they need information, consultation, feedback, leads, resources, and the sharing of experience.

Networking has a relatively straightforward formula. Be visible to your optimal referrers in the community, make contact proactively, and then interact with them often. Be alert for opportunities as they arise to demonstrate your value. Accept with patience and confidence the ambiguity of dynamic networks. Track the connections you do make. Make sure people remember you. And reciprocate, give back.

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## Classified Advertising

### GROUPS

AMAC GROUP. (Adults Molested as Children) Small, open-ended women's group, Burbank. Stability & previous or concurrent individual treatment needed. \$180 per month, negotiable. Kathy Downing, M.F.T., (818) 845-0151. Primary therapist's inquiries welcome.

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CO-ADDICTS/CODEPENDENTS GROUP. For partners of sexual addicts. This weekly group allows partners to work through their feelings and problems associated with being the partner of a sexual addict. Partners find out about their role in the "problem" and learn about the disease of sexual addiction. Individual therapy is available, also. Dale K. Rose, M.F.T., (818) 783-1283.

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CREATIVE PROCESS GROUP. A group for practicing and aspiring writers, musicians, visual artists, actors, etc., utilizing the "art as practice" Zen approach of Natalie Goldberg. This ongoing workshop will support and energize your creative process. Saturday, 10am-1pm. \$30 per meeting. South Pasadena location. Call Deborah McColl, M.A., M.F.T., at (626) 665-7363.

DEL MAR GIRL POWER. Groups for girls second grade through high

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GAY MEN'S PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT GROUP. Growth and insight-oriented group addresses coming out, dating and relationships, HIV status, career issues, life enrichment. Uses here-and-now

interaction to increase self-awareness. Compliments concurrent individual or conjoint psychotherapy. Thursday, 6-7:30pm. Glendale. Jim De Santis, Ph.D., C.G.P., Lic. #PSY10315, (818) 551-1714.

INSTITUTE FOR GIRLS DEVELOPMENT SUMMER WORKSHOP SERIES. A fun, in-depth experience in self-discovery and hardiness! 2007 Dates: Third - fifth grade – July 9-20th; sixth -eighth grade – July 30 – Aug 3; ninth-tenth grade June 25-29. Activities include indoor and outdoor activities, arts and crafts, journaling and creative writing, skits and role-plays, Yoga, fun activities with guest experts. To learn more please refer to our website: www.InstituteForGirlsDevelopment.com or contact Robin S. Harpster, M.A., (MFC) at (626) 585-8075 x109.

LESBIAN PROCESS GROUP. Ongoing, meets on the second and fourth Tuesday each month from 7-8:30pm. \$50 per month. Openings for 2 people. Maximum 8 women. Interview required. In Sherman Oaks. Call Dr. Mathis, (818) 386-9028.

MEN'S GROWTH-SUPPORT PROCESS GROUP. Wednesday 7-8:30pm. New group starting. Safe environment. \$45/session with discounts available. Call for referral, brochure, or intake assessment appointment. Andy Sway, M.A., L.M.F.T., MFC34846, (818) 563-1152.

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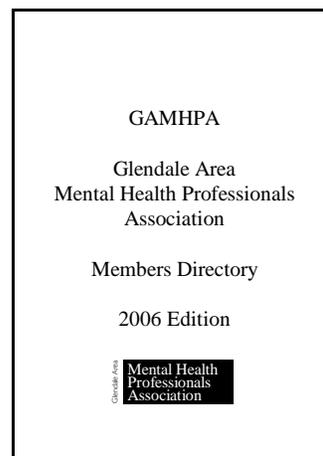
MIXED ADULT PSYCHOTHERAPY GROUP. Ongoing small group for high functioning adults interested in personal growth through the intersubjective experience. Development of interpersonal insight, effective self-expression, increased capacity for trust and intimacy. Compliments concurrent individual or conjoint psychotherapy for your

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PARENT SUPPORT GROUP. For parents of children and teens who are difficult, spirited, academically struggling or underachieving. In a safe and nurturing environment, the group provides both a psychoeducational and supportive format for parents to better understand and address their child's unique needs, learn about barriers to academic achievement and develop effective strategies for behavioral

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management. Dr. Finer has significant experience in working with challenging youth as well as their families both within schools and clinical settings. Compliments concurrent individual, conjoint, or family therapy for your clients. \$50 per session. Pasadena. For more information, contact Rosalie Finer, Ph.D., Lic. #PSY10877, at (818) 786-3491.

**PARENTING GROUP FOR PARENTS OF TEEN AND PRE-TEEN GIRLS.** This 12-week group format combines parent education with sharing and support. This group is designed to help parents enhance their relationships with their teens. For more information contact Lisa Blum, Psy.D., Lic # PSY19790, at (626) 585-8075 x104.

**PERSONAL GROWTH AND SUPPORT GROUP.** Leaderless, introspective, longstanding, seeks new members, male and female. No charge. Meets alternate Saturdays in members' homes. Contact Gil Speer at (323) 661-7769 or [gilstchr@aol.com](mailto:gilstchr@aol.com).

**SECOND HALF OF LIFE GROUP** for women 48+ who are interested in deepening their relationship with the Self through creative activities designed to tap inner resources and promote individuation in a nurturing and supportive environment. Activities include art, music, movement, sand play, meditation, guided imagery, dreamwork, role play, as well as cognitive exercises and group discussion. Tuesday and Wednesday evening groups in Encino. Limited to six people per group. Concurrent or prior individual therapy recommended. Call Christi at (818) 759-1898.

**STRESS MANAGEMENT TRAINING.** An education- and process-oriented training course to help participants understand the physiology and psychology of stress and learn skills to manage physical, emotional, and behavioral reactivity. For men and women with chronic health conditions as well as those overwhelmed by fear, anxiety, and anger due to a variety of life events. This is an ongoing 12-session course. Participants may join at any time. Tuesdays from 7:30-8:45pm in Pasadena. For more information please contact Michael Obarski, Ph.D., or Peter Sepsis, M.S., M.P.H., at (626) 943-4084.

**SUPPORT GROUP FOR MEN GOING THROUGH SEPARATION AND DIVORCE.** Starting January 2007. Meets Wednesday eves. 7:30-9pm. \$45 per session. For more information call Larry Brooks Ph.D., Lic. # PSY8161, at (818) 243-0839.

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**GLENDALE.** Office space available 5 mornings a week plus Monday & Friday all day. Beautifully decorated with view toward mountains and Pasadena. Receptionist, copier, and full kitchen. Landmark building,

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GLENDALE. Office space available Tuesdays and Saturday mornings in busy northeast Glendale/Montrose psychotherapy office. Second floor, windowed office in the 1809 medical building, across the street from Verdugo Hills Hospital. Warmly decorated waiting room, reception area, call system, bathroom in the suite, accessible parking, possible referrals and growth potential. Tuesdays and Saturdays. Call Marie, (818) 957-8385.

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PASADENA. Beautiful, historic Pasadena office near freeways and Old Town. Spacious psychotherapy offices available part time, day, and evening hours. Call light system, waiting room, separate restroom, kitchen, fax, copy machine, DSL with firewall. Contact Harriet Callier, Institute for Girls' Development, (626) 585-8075, ext 106.

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SUPERVISION CONSULTATION GROUP. This group is for licensed mental health professionals who are interested in contemporary psychoanalytic theory. The goal of this group is to provide a place for open, creative discussion of case material with the objective of deepening one's therapeutic work, enhancing one's clinical understanding, and refining one's utilization of theory in practice. Therapists will have the chance to explore the personal dimension of doing therapy, looking at what they bring into the therapy room, their strengths, weaknesses, conflicts, and passions. Contact Larry Brooks, Ph.D., Lic # PSY 8161 at (818) 243-0839.

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general psychiatric differential diagnosis. View or download from <http://hometown.aol.com/jjdesantis/psychtest.html> or call Jim De Santis, Ph.D., at (818) 551-1714 or e-mail to [JJDeSantis@aol.com](mailto:JJDeSantis@aol.com).

GAMHPA MEMBERS DIRECTORY. Updated directory for 2006 of 125 mental health professionals in the Glendale area, cross-indexed by specialty and insurance accepted. This 72-page directory is now available free to review or print from the following internet address: [www.psychotherapy.org/gamhpa](http://www.psychotherapy.org/gamhpa).

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PEDIATRIC PSYCHIATRIST DIRECTORY. Metropolitan Los Angeles Pediatric Psychiatrist Resource Directory is a concise directory of physicians in Los Angeles county who have been identified as providing mental health services to children and adolescents. Available on the internet at [hometown.aol.com/jjdesantis/pedpsychmd.html](http://hometown.aol.com/jjdesantis/pedpsychmd.html).

### AFFILIATE AGENCIES

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based in Studio City providing depth psychotherapy to adults and children on a sliding-scale basis. All therapists and interns have had, and continue to engage in, extensive personal analysis. The staff--mostly licensed M.F.T.s--includes three Jungian analysts and a number of analysts-in-training. For information or a brochure, call (818) 508-0703, or visit us online at [www.coldwatercounselingcenter.org](http://www.coldwatercounselingcenter.org).

FRONTPOINT CHILD & FAMILY THERAPY. FrontPoint is an organization of highly skilled licensed clinicians who specialize in helping children, adolescents, and their

## Winners of Free Advertising

In each issue of the newsletter, we select randomly-drawn members who are awarded the opportunity of distributing their own practice brochure or flier as a newsletter insert at no charge—worth over \$250 in postage costs alone.

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families reach their goals. Services include individual, family, & group therapy, parent consultation, playtherapy, psychological testing/assessment, & psychiatric services. We also provide individual and couples therapy for adults, and group presentations and trainings for schools, churches, and parent organizations. Fee for service, sliding scale, and most PPO insurance programs accepted. Reduced rates available for psychology graduate students fulfilling their therapy requirement. For more information, visit our website at [www.FrontPoint.org](http://www.FrontPoint.org), or call (626) 396-9502.

**INSIGHT TREATMENT PROGRAMS.** An intensive outpatient

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Our mission is to advance professional development through networking, continuing education, and public awareness. We offer equal membership to all licensed mental health professionals regardless of discipline. We are an interest group only and do not provide referrals to the community. We are not a profit-making organization.

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