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2009 DAMFT Programs

May 1

Mothers Who Kill Their Children
PRESENTER: Sandra Steinbach, M.D.

September 4

**Divine Feminine Images in Pastoral
Counseling**
PRESENTER: Jann Aldredge-Clanton,
Ph.D., M. DIV.

October 2

**The Cultural Identity Formation of
the Disabled**
PRESENTER: Mary Rixford, LMFT,
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November 6

Recent Research on Brain Health
PRESENTER: Molly Keebler, M.S.,
CCC/SLP, Head of Community
Programs, UTD Center For Brain
Health

DAMFT NEWS



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT **Susan Swank**

Thanks to Gloria Martin. Our new meeting place on Central and Walnut was very well received by our membership. It is a beautiful building with a large and open space for us to meet.

Let me remind you to register for DAMFT membership for 2009 by the end of this week. I will be updating the website to advertise your practice under "Find a Therapist." You must be a current TAMFT member to join DAMFT. Those of you joining us to receive CEU's only cannot be listed on the Website for liability reasons.

A special thanks to Sidney Starling for this wonderful Newsletter. What a clear and creative way for us to know what is happening in our local chapter. Let me remind you that DAMFT meets seven times a year. We have six meetings for 2 CEU credits. In February we have a three hour Ethics meeting. At DAMFT you can get your fifteen hours of CEU's including your three hours of Ethics. We meet in the months of February, March, April, May, September, October and November. Please join us for our May meeting before we take a break for the summer. Anita Titone, our Vice-President, has planned a very interesting program as listed in this newsletter.

I look forward to seeing you in May. Please try and be on time as we have to comply with our CEU rules. Even coming early to visit with your friends and meet new members could be fun.

Susan

Next Meeting **May 1, 2009** **1:00 – 3:00**
Mothers Who Kill Their Children **PRESENTER: Sandra Steinbach, M.D.**

Dr. Steinbach is currently a psychiatrist in private practice. In addition to her private practice she also does therapy with medical students at UTSW Medical School. In the past she has worked in student services at SMU and TCU and was the director of the first Eating Disorder unit in Dallas. She has worked at both Timberlawn and Terrell State Hospital. She will present a review of the literature concerning mothers who kill their children, a sad, yet timely topic.

The Comments Are In !!!

Love the New Location!!

Lovely Room!!

Much more convenient !!

Lunch was Great !!! Let's do it again soon !

This is soooooo..... nice !!

Editor's Comments

Sidney Starling

The topic for our May meeting is one that is both difficult to understand and perhaps unsettling to deal with. However, it is a timely subject given the ambiguity of Texas law and the fact that our legislature is in session. As mental health professionals we need to be well informed on difficult issues so that we may better educate the public and recognize red flags within our own client base. I hope to see many of you at our new location for this informative program.

On a lighter note, from the comments I have heard, the April meeting at our new location was a grand slam!! I'm sorry I missed it, but I seriously needed a "Grammy" fix. I was in Colorado with my 3 grandchildren (my daughter and son-in-law count, a little too, I guess!). What a delight they are and I do so miss not being a part of their everyday lives. We had both snow and sunny days – and we thought only in Texas did the weather change that fast!! For all of you who have some of those precious grandkids close by – cherish every minute!!! Remember, grandkids are what God gives us as a reward for raising children!

Spring is here!!



CEU REMINDER

DAMFT is required to award one hour of credit for one hour of attendance. Some questions have arisen regarding our policy when you arrive late and/or leave early. We don't want to appear overly rigid and yet we must stay within the bounds of what is required. The Board will make a more definitive response on this shortly. However, do try to arrive on time and plan to stay until the end of the program.

Thanks

Any child will tell you that the sole purpose of a middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble....Dennis Fakes

Don't Forget Our...



DAMFT Monthly Meetings have moved to the Milliman Building, Ten Thousand North Central Expressway, just north of Walnut Hill and 75 on the East access road. Meetings will be held in the First Floor Community Room

Other than the February meeting (which is 1:00-4:00 PM), Our regular meetings are from 1:00-3:00 PM. Meetings include 2 hours of CEU's (3 hours Ethics in February) and are held at the Milliman Building – Ten Thousand North Central Expressway, Dallas, TX - North of Walnut Hill and 75 on the east access road – in the Community Room located on the first floor.

For all DAMFT questions please email Susan Swank at sns102@sbcglobal.net.

As you walk, eat and travel, be where you are. Otherwise you will miss most of your life...Buddha
