



# E-NEWSLETTER

June/July 2024

Hello PA APT Members!

It is hard to believe that summer is here and that our annual conference was almost 2 months ago! Where does the time go?! We spent a day and a half with Jeff Ashby learning how to manage and prevent burnout, working with teens and tweens, and ethics. We had a lot of fun with him and are grateful that he made ethics interesting! We also spent half a day with the Collaborative Consultants learning new and fun ways to engage the whole family in the play therapy process. We are looking forward to our 2025 conference with Robert Jason Grant - we hope you will be able to join us (more information will be provided later this year)!

The annual conference would not happen without our board members and volunteers. Thank you to everyone who helped out this year! If you are interested in learning more about how you can be involved in conference planning or any other aspects of PA APT, please reach out to one of our board members (contact information is on the website).

If you are planning a summer networking event, let us know! We would love to know what you are up to this summer. You can do this through our Facebook page ([Pennsylvania Association for Play Therapy](#)) or tag us on Instagram ([pa\\_association\\_4\\_play\\_therapy](#)). We always love to learn more about you!

Our next board meeting is scheduled virtually through Google Meet for July 14th at 7pm. The link will be sent out the week prior to the meeting. Consider joining us and sharing your thoughts and ideas.

If you have any questions or wish to join the board at our next meeting, let me know. You can always email me at [president@paapt.org](mailto:president@paapt.org). I look forward to hearing from you!

*Janine*

*"Enter into children's play and you will find the place where their minds, hearts, and souls meet."  
- Virginia Axline*

# A **BIG** THANK YOU

to Dr. Jeff Ashby, Collaborative Consultants, the  
PA APT conference committee, and our  
membership for another successful conference!





*Congratulations to our Guerne Award Winner:  
Jennifer Johnson, LCSW, RPT-S*



*Congratulations to our Camberg Scholarship Winner:  
Kira Rentas*



*We bid a fond farewell to board members Jennifer Johnson, LCSW, RPT-S, and Stephanie Galloway-Maslanik, LCSW, RPT. THANK YOU for your commitment, leadership, and service to PA APT!*



*Welcome New Board Member:*

*Kelly Chismar, NCC, LPC*





*Meet Our NEW  
PA APT Treasurer!*

*Lindsey Strawbridge, LPC*



*And Our Social Media  
Coordinator!*

*Sade Graves, LCSW*



***DONT FORGET!***

*APT's Annual Conference Registration is OPEN!*

*Join us in Atlanta, Georgia October 15-20. Early bird  
registration discount is available until September 16th!*

*<https://web.cvent.com/event/1db7bc22-0363-4adb-b6c8-9e5bf1c6c620/regProcessStep1>*

## *More Photos from the Conference!*



## *From your friendly newsletter author:*

*Hello, fellow PA APT members! If you have information to share in the newsletter, please email me at [jesscosbycounseling@gmail.com](mailto:jesscosbycounseling@gmail.com). Share networking events, announcements, photos, and member spotlights before the 20th of the month preceding distribution. Our newsletter will now be published six times per year in the first week of the month following the schedule below:*

January / February  
March / April  
May / June  
July / August  
September / October  
November / December

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