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Direct from the DCT



Vicky with alums Demy Kamboukos, Dee Dee Falkenbach and future alum Natasha Burke

Greetings from USF! The Clinical Psychology Alumni Newsletter “Clinically Significant” was so popular this summer that we wanted to create another one for you sooner rather than later. Our great design team (Michelle Kovacs and Robin Tan; USF Clinical entry years 2009 and 2010, respectively) has created another terrific and professional looking newsletter. Thanks Robin and Michelle!

In addition to the articles that I have written (yes, still in WordPerfect), we also have another guest journalist on staff. Our own Dr. Tom Brandon wrote a great article on our new PCSAS accreditation. Thanks Tom (even if you did write the article in Word)!

And while we’re talking about thanks...**Thank you** to all of the clinical alumni who donated their hard earned cash to help our students travel to conferences. Just this fall, we received over \$3700 in donations, which is enough to partially cover the travel of 15 graduate students. Thank you! We are humbled by your generosity. In order to “show your dollars at work,” we added an article to the newsletter to highlight the research productivity of our students so that you can see the exciting work that you are helping support.

Please know that we are grateful for **you**—our dear alumni—and your generous support. We hope that you enjoy the newsletter, with some new updates about our program and some new updates from old friends. We wish you a wonderful holiday season and joyous new year.

Vicky Phares, Director of Clinical Training



Grateful current students

Updates from the Clinic

Our clinic has continued to thrive over the years. Here are two recent improvements that may be of interest:

- We finally (finally!) have artwork on the walls of the clinic
- We have a new initiative called “Families Serve Too”

Both projects are being run on a shoestring budget (like on approximately zero dollars), but both have generated a lot of excitement in our clinic.

Clinic Beautification Project: Although the current clinic was opened in the Spring of 2001, we somehow never got around to hanging up much artwork in the therapy rooms and the hallways. Enter a dedicated team of clinic-beautification experts (Brittany Jordan-Arthur, Julie Cessna, and Tatyana Truax) and voilà—we look like a professional clinic now! And “how” might you ask, can we cover the walls with professional-grade artwork and photography while spending almost no money? Well, not only are our graduate students amazing clinicians and researchers, but many are also gifted artists and photographers!

Many thanks to the bunch of talented graduate students (including Julie Cessna, Brittany Jordan-Arthur, Robert Selles, and Kristi White) who contributed their own work to the clinic and to the other students, alumni, staff, and even students’ families who donated gently used pieces of art. The result is a professional space that is warm and inviting for our wonderful clients. Thanks to everyone who contributed their time, creativity, and art to the clinic-beautification project! As usual, our teamwork helped us to overcome obstacles together.

Families Serve Too: The second recent improvement in the clinic is the Families Serve Too initiative, which will be launched in January of 2013. As many of you know, the recent series of wars and military deployments have been associated with an increased need for psychological services for military personnel and veterans.

There has also been a parallel increased need in services for spouses, partners, children, and other family members of military personnel and veterans. Although family members can access mental health services through the system of Vet Centers across the nation and through their own insurance, many do not access mental health services even when they desperately need the services.

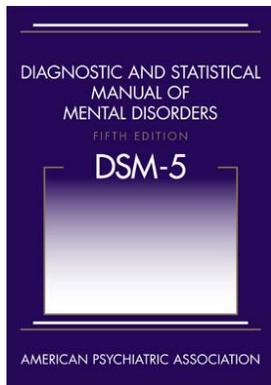
Enter a team of USF graduate students, faculty, and supervisors who want to help. Starting in the Spring of 2013, Dr. Jack Darkes (US Army veteran, USF Clinical alum, entry year 1988 and current Clinic Director) will teach a graduate seminar on Veterans and Their Families. In addition, the USF Psychological Services Center will be providing low-fee, evidence-based services for family members of military personnel and veterans. Services will include individual, couples, family, and child therapy. In recent years, we have already served a handful of clients who were military family members and we hope that these increased efforts to reach out to this special group will help to lighten their load. We are very grateful for the service of our military members and we are also grateful for the service of our military members’ and veterans’ families. After all, families serve too.



Clinic-beautification team members Julie and Brittany
(with original painting by our own Julie Cessna)



Families Serve Too



USF Psychology Gives Back

Since 2002, the USF Department of Psychology, in conjunction with the USF Psychology Student Diversity Committee, has held a Giving Tree to help support families from the Florida Center for Survivors of Torture and Refugee Services. To date, we have “adopted” 185 families (representing over 700 individuals) and have filled their wishes from bags of rice and cleaning supplies to toys, toys, toys!

Thank you to everyone who has participated throughout the years. Please know that USF Psychology continues to give back.



2012 Giving Tree Team

Hot Topics: The DSM

So, where were you when the first *DSM* came out in 1952? Okay, I know that most of you weren't even born yet, but it's fun to think about how the *DSM* has changed over the years and how we've changed along the way as well.

Our program accepted its first cohort of students in 1971 when *DSM-II* had been in play for three years—so I know that at least some of you used that edition! I won't mention what I was doing in 1968, but let's just say that Davy Jones of the Monkees was my imaginary boyfriend. *DSM-III* came out in 1980, when I was an undergraduate at UCLA, and I remember being really excited to get a behind-the-scenes view of a draft copy of *DSM-III* (even if it was printed on those old mimeograph machines that used purple ink and smelled so good hot-off-the-press). By the time *DSM-IV* came out in 1994, I was already happily housed here at USF and teaching a graduate child psychopathology seminar using the new *DSM-IV*.

Now that *DSM-5* is scheduled to be published in March of 2013, you may want to get a little behind-the-scenes glimpse for yourself at www.dsm5.org

Some of the anticipated changes for *DSM-5* are:

- It's trying to be more dimensional and less categorical
- It may have fewer diagnoses than previous editions (largely because some disorders are being combined into an overarching diagnosis)
- It uses *DSM-5* rather than *DSM-V* because computer technology can't handle Roman numerals very well (so any new updates will be *DSM-5.1*, *DSM-5.2*, etc.)
- It's purple!

A number of specific diagnoses are anticipated to change including:

- Asperger's Disorder, Autistic Disorder, and Pervasive Developmental Disorder—Not Otherwise Specified will likely be combined into Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Substance Abuse and Substance Dependence will likely be combined into Substance Use Disorder
- One of the newly added disorders is expected to be Hoarding Disorder

So, stay tuned to www.dsm5.org for more late-breaking news. And make sure to remember where you were when you first saw the new *DSM-5*, mostly so that you can tell your academic grandchildren about how the *DSM* used to be printed on paper.

Have concerns about *DSM-5*? Check out this blog:
<http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/dsm5-in-distress/201210/dsm-5-field-trials-discredit-apa>



PCSAS – What’s Up With That?

by Tom Brandon, Ph.D.

You’ve probably heard that the USF Clinical Psychology Program received PCSAS accreditation last year, but you may have wondered what exactly that means. Here are some FAQ’s about it.

What does PCSAS stand for?

Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System.

Aren’t we already accredited by APA? Why do we need another accreditation?

Yes, we are an APA-accredited program. In fact, we recently were re-accredited by APA for another 7-year term. But many research-oriented programs have complained about APA accreditation for the following reasons: (1) Some of these programs perceive a bias against research-oriented programs; (2) APA dictates the training content (e.g., course requirements) in a manner that limits flexibility and creativity by individual programs and individual students.

What’s different about PCSAS?

The main difference is that it is geared specifically for “clinical science” oriented programs. Functionally, accreditation is based less on training *content* compared to APA, and more on training *outcomes*. For example, in our application we had to describe every graduate of our program over the past 10 years, including their current position, activities, and perspective. To meet criteria, at least half of our students had to be functioning as clinical scientists. We far exceeded that threshold, by the way.

What does it mean to be functioning as a clinical scientist?

The clearest cases were those graduates who in fact had continued to engage in research. But those who were involved in education or practice also qualified if their work was based upon the foundation of clinical science (e.g., using empirically supported treatments).

Is that why I completed that long questionnaire a couple of years ago?

Yes, if you had received your doctorate within the past 10 years, we asked you to complete a survey about your experiences at USF and your current activities. We thank you so much for completing it and sending us your CVs!!! You all really earned us this accreditation.

So, will the program be giving up its APA accreditation now that we are PCSAS accredited?

Not anytime soon. We wouldn’t do anything that limits our graduates’ employment options. The VA system has indicated that it plans to accept interns and staff with degrees from PCSAS-accredited programs. And PCSAS itself is now beginning to work with each state to ensure that their licensing laws and regulations allow for PCSAS as well as APA accreditation.

How many other programs are accredited by PCSAS?

We were the eighth program to gain accreditation. There are now 14 accredited programs, with another 12 programs in the process of applying. The other 13 accredited programs are listed in the side-bar.

Those are really elite programs. USF is in that tier?

Yup, we’re in really good company.

How does this accreditation benefit alumni and future alumni?

We think it adds value to your degree when your program has been awarded such elite status. In particular, it should give a leg up to our graduates when they apply for the best internships, postdoctoral positions, and faculty positions.

Go Bulls!

Other PCSAS Accredited Clinical Programs

University of Illinois--UC
University of Arizona
Washington University in St. Louis
McGill University
Stony Brook University
University of Kentucky
University of Southern California
Northwestern University
University of Missouri
Arizona State University
University of Delaware
University of Iowa
Harvard University





**Dr. April Taylor-Clift and
Dr. Stevan Hobfoll**

Bulls Hiring Bulls

We've heard of lots of great examples of clinical alumni hiring our own (e.g., see Jack Leggett's newsletter entry about hiring USF alumni over the years). One of the most recent examples is Dr. Stevan Hobfoll's hiring of Dr. April Taylor-Clift.

As you likely know, Dr. Hobfoll (USF Clinical; entry year of 1973) has had an extremely productive career as Distinguished Professor and Director of the Applied Psychology Center and the Center for Study and Treatment of Traumatic Stress at Kent State University and more recently as the Judd and Marjorie Weinberg Presidential Professor and Chair of Behavioral Sciences at Rush University Medical Center. He has published over 180 journal articles, numerous book chapters and books, including *Stress, Social Support, and Women*, *Traumatic Stress*, *The Ecology of Stress*, and *Stress, Culture, and Community*, and has secured over \$18 million in research grants on stress and health. Dr. Hobfoll received special commendation for his empirical work on AIDS prevention programs in ethnic minority communities and for his work on the psychology of women. Dr. Hobfoll co-chaired the APA Commission on Stress and War during Operation Desert Storm, with a focus on preventing prolonged distress in military members and their families. He has also

been involved in a national task force on bioterrorism and is a member of the APA Task Force on Resilience in Response to Terrorism.

When Dr. Hobfoll is not busy with his own research, he has been able to serve as a strong mentor to junior colleagues in the field—and that's where Dr. April Taylor-Clift comes in. Dr. Taylor-Clift (USF Clinical; entry year of 2004) worked with Dr. Jon Rottenberg while she was at USF and she completed her APA-accredited internship at the Jesse Brown Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Chicago. Dr. Taylor-Clift graduated from USF in August of 2012 with a very strong CV (including publications in such prestigious journals as *Health Psychology* and *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*).

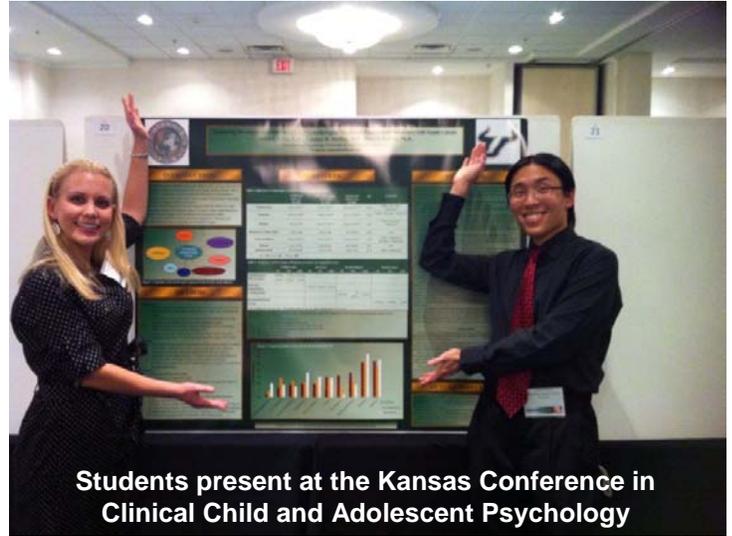
After reviewing gads of applications for his post-doctoral position, Dr. Hobfoll made the brilliant decision to hire one of our own—Dr. April Taylor-Clift! Dr. Hobfoll stated, "Interviewing April, it was clear how talented and motivated she is. Having kept up with the USF training, I had no doubt about the top shelf quality of her training on both the science and clinical dimensions."

Dr. Taylor-Clift has been a post-doctoral fellow at Rush University Medical Center since May, 2012 where she focuses on developing and implementing interventions for pregnant women with a history of interpersonal trauma, and she helps with the development of the Center for Women's Behavior and Mental Health—all under the superb mentorship of Dr. Hobfoll. Dr. Taylor-Clift commented that "Dr. Hobfoll's work exemplifies USF's clinical-scientist training and serves as a model for my own career development."

So, next time you're looking for a great new clinical psychologist to join your team—you may need to look no further than USF. Our graduates continue to improve the field routinely and our alumni all do us so proud. Let's hear it for Bulls Hiring Bulls!

Students' Research Rocks

As Dr. Tom Brandon mentioned in his terrific article on our recent PCSAS accreditation, the USF Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program has continued to become more and more research oriented over the years (while still maintaining excellent clinical training, of course!). One of the happy outcomes of the increased research focus has been students' amazing success at publishing their work in top-notch peer-reviewed journals (such as *Child Development* and *Psychological Science*) and presenting their work at prestigious conferences (such as Society of Behavioral Medicine and Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies).



Students present at the Kansas Conference in Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology

In a survey of recent alumni, students graduated with a mean of 6.93 peer-reviewed journal articles, 1.33 co-authored invited chapters, and 10.8 national or international conference presentations and posters. Impressive!

We want to thank the alumni for allowing this amazing work to happen. Thanks to your generous support, 15 students have already been partially funded for conference travel this year and we hope that the list keeps growing.

Thank you, dear alumni, for your generosity in supporting our students and in turn, changing the field of clinical psychology. I promise that if you keep supporting our students' research and conference travel—they will continue to do awesome work. Thank you!



Third year students take an early morning flight to ABCT

Check out Clinical Psychology
Students' Publications and
Presentations

<http://psychology.usf.edu/grad/saa/>

Alumni Updates

Entering class of 1971**Bill Anton, Ph.D.**

Wantoninfl@verizon.net New website:
CEOeffectiveness.com
New book in January 2013, *Business
Success through Self Knowledge*

1972**Anthony Stone, Ph.D., ABPP**

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President of multi-state practice
specializing in vocational risk
evaluations for organizations with
safety-sensitive or other high risk jobs,
including fitness for duty and pre-
employment evaluations for law
enforcement and related organizations
and pre-production evaluations of
candidates for media events, such as
reality television shows.

1973**David Anderson, Ph.D.**

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Facebook and LinkedIn)
I recently took a new position as
Manager of Behavioral Health
Services at Palo Verde Hospital, part
of Tucson Medical Center, here in
Arizona where I've lived for 26 years.
My 20 year old daughter is a
sophomore at the University of
Arizona, studying Psychology (as if
one psychologist in the family wasn't
enough!).

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Graduated USF in 1978. Retired as
Commander, U.S. Navy Medical
Service Corps in 1992. Remain in full
time private practice in La Plata, MD.
Maintain licensure in MD and VA.
Primary work involves psychotherapy
and police/public safety consultation.

1974**Suzanne K. Zoss, Ph.D.**

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1976**Colleen Clark, Ph.D.**

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Still in Tampa, in fact still at USF. I'm
doing research in mental health services
focusing on homelessness and the
impact of childhood abuse on adults. I
really appreciate the fact our program
was clinical and community back in the
"olden days".

Joseph Denicola, Ph.D.

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Ken Grier, Ph.D.

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Facebook
In June 2011, I retired after 29 years as
a staff psychologist for a public school
system in Houston. Lynn and I are now
celebrating our 38th year together. Our
son, Jacob (30) lives in Portland,
Oregon and works as a craft bartender
and writer. Our daughter, Casey (25)
lives in Houston and teaches high
school art and coaches varsity soccer. I
continue to coach youth soccer teams
(22 years) and work professionally as a
soccer referee (16 years). Retirement
has been very fulfilling; my lifelong
passion for golf is being well satisfied.

Jerry Jacobs, Ph.D.

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Jerry was one of five faculty who lead a
Capacity Building Workshop for
Countries of Central Asia on Disaster
and Bereavement in Tbilisi, Georgia in
November, Participants were from eight
countries in the Southern Caucasus and
Central Asian regions. The workshop
was sponsored by the International
Union of Psychological Science and the
German Academic Exchange Service.

Nancy Pape, Ph.D.

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I'm the Clinical Services Director for
Hillsborough County's Division of
Children's Services. We're one of the
few counties that still provides direct
services; including a residential group
care for older teens in foster care, an
emergency shelter for
homeless/runaway youth and short
term outpatient services serving youth
with predelinquency behaviors
(truancy, runaway, ungovernable
behavior, etc.).

Elisabeth (Beth) Reading Ph.D.

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Hello all! Have moved back to Tampa
and am so happy to be near treasured
colleagues and friends again! Have
opened a private practice office in
Tampa Palms. I'd love to hear from
'old' friends I've not reconnected with
yet.

Steve Walfish, Ph.D.

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I am in practice in Atlanta specializing
in bariatric surgery evaluations and
am also involved in The Practice
Institute, helping clinicians develop
successful private practices. In
January I become President of APA
Division 42 (Psychologists in
Independent Practice). Mary and I
celebrate our 30th anniversary this
year with a special trip to Santa Fe for
great food, art and scenery.



Alumni Updates

1977

Jack Leggett, Ph.D.

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I am currently working part-time as a Faculty Associate in the Arizona State Doctor of Behavioral Health Program, teaching Management and also doing clinical consultation/supervision of students. The DBH is a new program, founded by Nick Cummings with a focus on training behavioral health professionals to work collaboratively with Primary Care Providers. I am also working for United Health as a Clinical Consultant/Peer reviewer; so far I have not talked with any USF graduates about a case, but suspect it is a matter of time. Previously I worked for United Behavioral Health as Clinical Director for San Diego Public Sector, spent more than a year in New Zealand developing mental health clinics in partnership with physician IPAs (and developing a taste for good food and fine wines along the way—New Zealand is an incredible place to visit or live), was the Clinical Psychologist in a multispecialty medical practice and held Sr. Management jobs in various managed care organizations. I was able to hire and work with a few USF grads, including Ted Ines and Kirk Griffith.

Joe Sclafani, Ph.D.

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jdsclafani@gmail.com for personal contacts

Now serving as interim dean of the College of Social Sciences, Mathematics & Education through May 31, 2013. Then the plan is to go back to faculty as a Professor, teach for three years and early retire at 59 in Dec 2015. I will also lead up Univ of Tampa's SACS re-affirmation and QEP plan.

Rick Weinberg, Ph.D.

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No longer directing the internship at FMHI, as the economy and tight USF budget ended the program in 2009, after 25 great years. Still at USF though. I teach four courses (2 per semester) in the Rehab and Mental Health Counseling department-- Family Therapy, Marital Therapy, Medical Family Therapy, and an undergrad course, Behavioral Health and the Family; and am able to spend two days/week in private practice. Also currently writing a book chapter on family therapy with adolescents for Steve Walfish's latest book. All's well health- and family-wise.

1978

Tom Clark, Ph.D.

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Tallahassee has been very good to us. Come visit if you're passing through! You can stay with us in the co-housing community near downtown that we participated in developing.

Lynne G. Westberry, Ph.D.

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Currently, I am in private practice in the Coral Springs, FL. area, where I have been practicing since completing my graduate training. I am divorced from Richard Westberry (also a USF psychology alumni) and have remarried. The best way to reach me is via my e-mail.

1981

Ronald Testa, Ph.D.

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I serve as the Dean of the Medical Sciences Campus and Professor of Behavioral Sciences at the American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine on the island of Saint Martin. I consider it a privilege and honor as a Psychologist to lead a campus devoted to producing humanistic, psychologically minded, and empirically driven physicians committed to patient-centered care and servant leadership. My partner, Michael Brosche, and I recently celebrated our 20th year anniversary and appreciate that we will be able to marry in the State of Maine in early 2013. We have had a summer cottage in Downeast Maine which we have enjoyed since 1996. We share our island villa with 4 loving canine companions (two miniature dachshunds and two island rescue dogs). If you are ever in the Caribbean, do consider a visit to our beautiful campus.

Steven F. Wu, Ph.D.

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I am currently in private practice in Brandon. I was a full-time visiting professor at University of Tampa last year, and this year return to being an adjunct professor there (since 2005).

1982

Diane Casanueva Elliott, Ph.D.

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1983

Joseph Baum, Ph.D.

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I continue in full-time private practice in St. Petersburg Florida. I am married with two step-daughters, one of whom just started at University of Florida.

Alice Gleghorn, Ph.D.

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I continue to work for the San Francisco Department of Public Health (since 1995), currently as the County Alcohol and Drug Program Administrator and Community Programs Privacy Officer, overseeing all the publicly funded SA treatment programs in SF. My husband, Johannes Rothlind, still works as a neuropsychologist at the VA. Our daughter is in her second year at UC Berkeley, and our son is putting in his final college applications for admission next year!

1984**Renelle "Ren" Massey, Ph.D.**

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I continue to enjoy life and independent practice in Decatur, GA (near ATL). I was honored to Chair the Georgia Psychological Association's very successful annual conference in April 2012.

1985**Patricia Martin, Ph.D.**

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Hello to all. After several years of getting my CEs online, I attended two international conferences this year: The Association for Contextual Behavioral Sciences (ACT) was nearby in Bethesda. My daughter, Staci Martin Peron presented there on pain management with her neurofibromatosis patients. I am incorporating a lot of the ACT theory into my practice and finding it extremely helpful. The other was in Vancouver, BC, the Imago Relationships International conference. I'm excited about the research that's going on now to show the effectiveness of Imago Therapy with couples. This has been a significant part of my practice. Very gratifying to see couples on the brink of divorce begin to understand and empathize with one another.

1986**Brian Levine, Ph.D.**

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<http://research.baycrest.org/blevine>
Senior Scientist, Rotman Research Institute, Baycrest Professor, Departments of Psychology and Medicine (Neurology), University of Toronto
Greetings from Toronto to all of my USF graduate school colleagues and professors!

Kevin Richards, Ph.D.

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After working in the public sector for 16 years, I went completely into private practice in 2007. I do almost exclusively forensic evaluations and recently achieved ABPP certification in Forensic Psychology. Since 2009, I've also been the coach of the Georgia Tech Women's Lacrosse team, which gives me a chance to spend time with people who haven't committed any felonies lately. My nest became empty this fall when my youngest went off to college. I have one who is a senior and one who is a freshman. I've been able to reconnect some with old classmates through various means and would love to hear from other USF folks. You can find me at this email and also on Facebook.

1987**Lisa Gaies, Ph.D.**

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I have recently relocated my practice to 14502 North Dale Mabry Highway - Suite 200, Tampa, FL 33618. Phone: (813) 494-7845. I continue to provide assessment and therapy for children, teenagers, and adults, specializing in child development and behavioral issues, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), anxiety disorders, and issues related to divorce. I also specialize in educational testing, including gifted testing and assessment of learning disabilities, and have extensive experience in evaluating cases involving foster care, adoption, and other child development and parenting fitness areas.

Richard Rickman, Ph.D., A.B.P.P.

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Biggest news is that I obtained my A.B.P.P. Diplomate certification in Forensic Psychology in Fall of 2011. I continue to work at the Center for Forensic Psychiatry in Ann Arbor, Michigan. I work mostly in administration as the Center's Performance Improvement Coordinator and Standards & Compliance Manager, but I still conduct evaluations of competency to stand trial, competency to waive Miranda rights, and criminal responsibility (insanity). I also play electric & acoustic guitar, mandolin, & bass in a multidisciplinary work band.

Alumni Updates**Out-of-town alumni who visited USF recently:**

Dee Dee Falkenbach, Ph.D.
(entry class of 1996)

Sherecce Fields, Ph.D.
(entry class of 2001)

Demy Kamboukos, Ph.D.
(entry class of 1998)

Jack Leggett, Ph.D.
(entry class of 1977)

Kim Renk, Ph.D.
(entry class of 1994)

Let us know when you're in town. You might even get a free lunch out of it!

1988**Marlene Bloom, Ph.D.**

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I am in my 14th year as psychologist at The Children's Home, Inc. doing mainly assessment and supervision of clinical psychology interns. I also do contract work for Head Start, teacher training and consultation for a preschool, and private practice in Hyde Park seeing children and teens for therapy and testing. I am resigning from The Children's Home as of January 1st and actively looking for a new job. If anyone has any leads for child-oriented work with a somewhat flexible schedule, let me know. Thanks!

Alumni Updates

1989

Desiree Weems Murray, Ph.D.

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I am currently Associate Professor at Duke University Social Science Research Institute, having recently transferred my appointment from the Department of Psychiatry at Duke Medical Center where I served as the Associate Director of the Duke ADHD Program. I am looking forward to having more colleagues to collaborate with in my research on implementation of evidence based practices for children with disruptive behavior difficulties at school and in the community. I have greatly enjoyed becoming a mentor in the Incredible Years Teacher Classroom Management Program.

Michael Schaugard Ph.D.

No email address provided.
I'm currently working as a Vet Center psychologist, in St. George, Utah. I provide treatment and readjustment counseling to combat veterans of any war the US fought, and care/counseling to their families. Additionally I provide treatment to victims of sexual trauma experienced anytime during a person's active duty service in the US Armed Forces.

Jill Cattarin Vutpakdi, Ph.D.

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I am working as a learning specialist at a private school in Houston. I teach study skills and assist students who have been diagnosed with learning disabilities and/or ADHD. In my free time, I enjoy hanging out with my husband and 9 year-old son.

1990

Barbara Fowler, Ph.D.

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I'm still in Baltimore, still working for the employee assistance program at JHU and reachable by email. I'm on Facebook and LinkedIn, but only rarely go there and don't really keep my info updated. I do have one new bit of news: I got married in September! Steve and I met almost 5 years ago and share our home with two little white fluffy dogs and a very laid-back cat.

Laura Liljequist, Ph.D.

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Still working at Murray State and running my small private practice. Hoping to earn a spot on Animal Hoarders as we just added three chickens to our seven cats. I put my foot down when my husband tried to bring home a puppy the other day, so maybe there's hope for us yet.

1991

Gregory Aarons, Ph.D.

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I am currently PI of multiple grants from the NIMH and CDC that focus on improving implementation of evidence-based mental health, social service, and HIV interventions. My implementation strategies involve improving leadership and organizational functioning and developing effective ways for organizations to collaborate in scaling up EBP across entire service systems.

Nadia Ali, Ph.D.

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On the faculty at Emory University's School of Medicine, in the Dept. of Human Genetics. I do clinical research as a health psychologist with patients and families with genetic disorders and teach two courses in Emory's Genetic Counseling Master's Program. In my off-time, I produce and co-host a weekly public affairs radio show called "Just Peace" and run around having fun with my husband and 3 children.

Jenine Collins Boyd, Ph.D.

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I have been married to Charles for 19 years (second year in grad school). We have two children, a 6 year old daughter and a 7 year old son. Sami, a new addition to our family in 2011, is part Daschund and part Australian Shepherd. I work approximately 10 hours a week in private practice (forensic) and volunteer at our children's school. I enjoy being a room mother. Charles and I own Popeyes restaurants in Texas, Georgia, and North Carolina. I renew my Florida license just in case there is an opportunity to move back in the near future. If not, there is always the dream to retire in Florida.

Jim Morris, Ph.D.

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I have a private practice with offices in Clearwater and Tampa. I mostly do forensic work.

Heidi Liss Radunovich, Ph.D.

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I came to University of Florida in 1999 to do my clinical internship for a year, but I never left! After doing some post-doc work, I was offered a research faculty position, and then a tenure-track position in the Department of Family, Youth and Community Sciences, which is a multi-disciplinary department that works with cooperative extension – definitely different from anything I imagined I would be doing when I was in graduate school. Found my husband here in Gainesville, and we have a 4 year old daughter.



Congrats Summer 2012 Clinical Graduates!

1992

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1993

Jo Ann Broeckel Elrod, Ph.D.

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My husband and I, plus our two children (Lauren age 7 and Aiden age 5), live in Bellevue Washington. I am a Research Scientist at the University of Washington for the Department of Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine where I work on a variety of research studies involving critical care patients (i.e., stroke survivors, ventilated patients, etc). I also volunteer for our elementary school several times a month. Life is good!

1994

Marla Green Bartoi, Ph.D.

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Chris and I are still living in the Detroit area, although we recently moved to a more rural suburb called Franklin. Our oldest son, Luca, just started Kindergarten, and the twins, Olivia and Zachary, are enjoying their new preschool. I am still part time faculty at Wayne State University and have a small private practice.

Kerri Schneider Flaum, Ph.D.

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Staci Martin Peron, Ph.D.

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I am Training Director of the Neurobehavioral Group, National Cancer Institute, NIH, in Bethesda, MD. I also am still an adjunct faculty at the George Washington University in DC. This past year, I was elected to the Board of Directors of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Association of Contextual Behavioral Science, the organization that promotes research and clinical work in Acceptance and Commitment Therapy. Personally, my husband Lee still works at the Pentagon, and our children – Jack (5) and Ella (2) - are wonderfully entertaining.

Kimberly Renk, Ph.D.

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Marc Steinberg, Ph.D.

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I'm an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Jersey (soon to be subsumed by Rutgers University). I'm doing research on various issues related to tobacco use and dependence. More importantly, Laura and I have three great kids who keep life very fun and interesting!

1995

Ray Santa Lucia, Ph.D.

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I'm currently enjoying life here in sunny Saint Petersburg working as a research and evaluation consultant. I finally took my licensure exam and am telling anyone who will listen that I scored 682 which translates to the 96th percentile. My humility has long endured as you can clearly tell. I may even use my license at some point and provide clinical services that are 96% effective, as everyone knows that test scores and clinical ability are perfectly correlated. Thanks to Vicky for championing this great newsletter. I enjoy hearing how all are doing. Happy Holidays.

1996

Robyn Williams Birkeland, Ph.D.

robynirkeland@yahoo.com Facebook I am still in Minnesota with my husband, Scott Birkeland (USF I/O grad) and three children Rylie (8), Chase (6), and Brynn (3). Never wanting to be accused of making things easy for ourselves, we decided to add to the chaos with a puppy named Chloe. I'm lucky to work a few hours a week for the University of Minnesota on a Women's Health study.

M. Monica Watkins-Clay, Ph.D.

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Nothing new for this area for me. :)

1997

Katherine Seelig Blake, Ph.D.

Can be contacted through Facebook I have been keeping busy raising Ryan (age 7), Audrey (age 5), and the newest member of our family, Ethan Henry Blake, who was born November 11, 2012. I also work part-time as a contractor for the Kennedy Krieger Family Center.

David Clay, Ph.D.

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Richie Reich, Ph.D. and Julie (Pidala) Reich, Ph.D.

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Julie: juliereic@gmail.com

Richie has been working as a faculty member at USF Sarasota, and continues his research at USF and Moffitt. Julie does assessment and therapy work with children and families at the Tampa Bay Family Therapy Center. The whole Reich family has been busy juggling 4...and now 5 BOYS (most recent of whom arrived 5/17: Francis Anthony). Would love to catch up!

Lora Azzarello Thompson, Ph.D.

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I'm still working at Moffitt Cancer Center as Clinical Faculty. In my spare time, I enjoy traveling with my husband. My last trip took me to South Africa, France, and Hong Kong.

Andrea H. Weinberger, Ph.D.

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I'm an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at the Yale University School of Medicine. My research focuses on nicotine dependence with an emphasis on smokers with depression, female smokers, and behavioral treatment development. I'm currently a Deputy Editor at "Nicotine and Tobacco Research" and do work with Yale's Forensic Drug Diversion Clinic (ForDD) and Women's Health Research at Yale. When I'm not on the move (mostly to Long Island, Chicago, and Pittsburgh), I live in Hamden, Connecticut with my goofy/grumpy miniature dachshund, Andy.

1998

Demy Kamboukos, Ph.D.

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I have been living in New York since 2003 when I moved for internship. I am an Assistant Professor in the Center for Early Childhood, Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the NYU Child Study Center, NYU Langone Medical Center. I am involved in the development, implementation and evaluation of school- and family-based prevention programs, and direct all research activities for our randomized trials. As a Co-Investigator, I also work on new grant proposals and paper writing. One of the most gratifying parts of my position is that I have the opportunity to teach amazing and motivated undergraduate students in the Child and Adolescent Mental Health minor in the College of Arts and Sciences at NYU. Although I love living in New York, I have regular escapes through trips back home to Greece and South Africa.

Vani (Nath) Simmons, Ph.D.

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I continue to enjoy working as an Assistant Member in the Department of Health Outcomes and Behavior at the Moffitt Cancer Center. I am keeping busy with an NCI R01 grant that I received last year to test a smoking relapse prevention intervention for cancer patients. Bella (8) and Brady (5) are growing fast! Life is good.

1999

Tom Brunner, Ph.D.

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(launching Jan. 1st)
Here in Tucson, AZ kids are keeping us on our toes. Katie is riding horses still and loving it! Halloween was funny, our 8 yo William was running between the neighborhood houses telling me he was "on a tight schedule" to get the most candy. Hilarious!!!!
Clinical practice doing really well, and launching consulting firm called Performance Edge Solutions that will specialize in using advanced behavioral science to help companies select, develop, and retain top talent.
Warm regards to all!

Hemal Shroff, Ph.D.

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I am currently an Assistant Professor at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences in Mumbai, India. My work focuses on psychological applications in the fields of nutrition and noncommunicable diseases.

2000

Michelle (Edingon LeVasseur) Ryng, Ph.D.

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I feel so far away from Tampa yet I'm just down the street in Orlando! After my internship at Bay Pines VA, I was hired as Staff skipping the Post-Doc altogether (Woohoo!). I began my 4th year at the Orlando VA in October and I am very busy and entrenched in my career. I am involved in training, workgroups, and have gotten certified in a bunch of EBP's. I have a new husband, Neil, that is also a therapist and has been teaching me tennis. My 2 sons are doing well--no grandkids yet. Life is good and I still think fondly of you and my days in the graduate program. Happy Holidays to all!

2001

Qutayba Abdullatif, Ph.D.

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Sylvia Herbozo, Ph.D.

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I'm currently living in southern California and love it out here!

Susan Himes, Ph.D.

Please contact me through the USF alumni Facebook page
I'm currently a Clinical Research Psychologist at Brown Medical School/Lifespan Hospitals, where I work with the obesity and bariatric psychology program. I conduct bariatric assessments, lead pre and post-bariatric groups, and provide individual and group therapy for weight loss, binge eating, depression, and adherence. Some of the recent research projects I've worked on include 1) a pilot project to treat disordered eating behaviors and weight regain in the post-bariatric population and 2) a pilot project to treat excessive vomiting in the Lap-Band population.

Sean Ransom, Ph.D.

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After three years directing psychosocial oncology at the Tulane Cancer Center, I did the unthinkable and moved into private practice in New Orleans. I also continue as a clinical faculty member at the Tulane University Medical School, where I enjoy supervising psychiatry residents in their psychotherapy activities and giving the occasional lecture on empirically supported treatment approaches. Earlier this year, I completed a master's degree in clinical psychopharmacology and am working to gain prescription privileges in Louisiana this summer. My wife, Elena, and I have a 6-year-old daughter, Kate, who attends French immersion school and believes it's not a parade unless they throw toys from the floats.

Alumni Updates

2002

Inna Fishman, Ph.D.

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I became one of those folks who move to San Diego - and never want to leave! After completing an internship at the San Diego VA/UC San Diego, I stayed for a postdoctoral fellowship and beyond... Currently an Assistant Research Professor at the San Diego State University, I am funded by NIH to study social cognition and social brain networks, in typical and atypical development, utilizing a variety of brain imaging technologies (ERPs, fMRI, DTI).

2003

Idia (Binitie) Thurston, Ph.D.

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Since leaving USF, I completed a postdoctoral research fellowship at Boston Children's Hospital/Harvard Medical School in HIV health disparities. I am currently in the 2nd year of a NIH minority supplement conducting research on parent-child communication in Cape Town, South Africa. I was also recently appointed as a staff psychologist within the division of adolescent medicine at Boston Children's Hospital, where I am teaching a clinical seminar and providing clinical service in an adolescent obesity clinic. On a personal note, my husband and I were blessed with a Son in February who fills our days and nights with so much joy.

Alumni Updates

2004

Joe Ditre, Ph.D.

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Recently accepted a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in the Department of Psychology at Syracuse University. My wife and I are thrilled to get back to our home state of NY, and we are looking forward to playing in the snow with our three young boys.

April Taylor-Clift, Ph.D.

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I am currently completing a two-year postdoctoral research and clinical fellowship at Rush University Medical Center where I am working with a multidisciplinary team to develop a comprehensive women's behavioral health center. Despite the infamous Chicago winters, I am loving this city.

2005

Erika Litvin Bloom, Ph.D.

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I'm now in my second year as a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Psychiatry and Human Behavior at the Alpert Medical School of Brown University in Providence, RI. The summer/fall of 2012 has been busy - submitted my first grant in June, adopted a dog in August, and married my wonderful husband Josh in October!

Lauren Bylsma, Ph.D.

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I am on post-doc at The University of Pittsburgh/University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic) in Pittsburgh, PA.

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I am currently an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in the newly created Division of Tic, Obsessive-Compulsive, and Related Disorders. As part of this position, I provide psychological services for children, adolescents, and adults with OCD and OC Spectrum disorders, as well as general mood and anxiety disorders. I also participate in various in research studies and clinical trials within our division.

USF Clinical Psychology Alumni Society

Interested in being a founding member of a new USF Clinical Psychology Alumni Society? If so, you can find out more by contacting:

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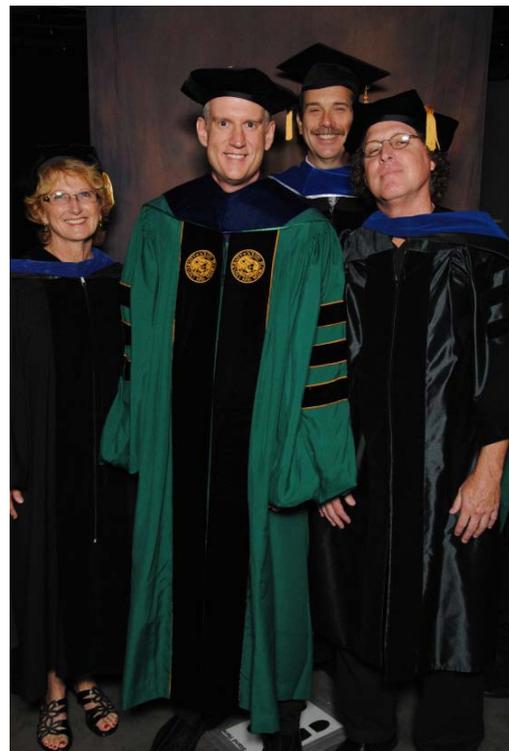
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2012 Summer Graduation

Updates from Current and Past Faculty, Mentors, Co-Mentors, and Supervisors

So anyway, almost no one responded to my query for faculty and supervisor updates, so I will just post e-mail addresses and a few pictures. Sorry to anyone who wasn't around for my photo-shoot. I'll try to stalk you, I mean find you, next time.

But since you asked....my update is that we have new identical twin granddaughters! Three year-old granddaughter, Callie, is now a big sister to Charlie Kate and Brooke (born on November 19, 2012). Uncle Carson still isn't too impressed with babies, but thankfully he finally thinks that Callie is pretty cool. Life is good. --Vicky



Drs. Jon Rottenberg, Tom Brandon, Vicky Phares, Toru Shimizu (Associate Chair), and Bill Sacco at the 2012 holiday party

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Dr. Marc Karver, Dr. Marina Bornovalova, and Dr. Mark Goldman



Dr. Ellis Gesten enjoying future alum Heather Smith-Schrandt's family

Family Focus

Dr. Tricia Martin and Dr. Staci Martin Peron have kept it all in the family! Tricia graduated with a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from USF in 1989 (and then served as Interim Clinic Director for a while) and Staci graduated with a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from USF in 1999. To our knowledge, they are the only parent-adult child team to graduate from our program. May we politely suggest that they send their next generation to our program (well, that is after the kiddos finish potty training and Kindergarten!).



Dr. Vicky Phares with twin granddaughters



Dr. Cindy Cimino and Dr. Judy (Becker) Bryant



Giving Back

Thank you again to everyone who donated money to help keep our students traveling to conferences to present their research. As you likely know, we continue to have many needs in our program, including:

- Student travel to conferences (They're so darn productive!)
- The Clinical Alumni Award for Citizenship (They're so darn helpful!)
- Families Serve Too (We could really use seed money to get this program off the ground!)

Happily, since we are a 501 (c) 3 non-profit charitable organization, your generous donations will also come with tax benefits. And who doesn't need some extra tax deductions at this time of year?

If you'd like to donate with a credit card, here is the link:

<https://adv-rpttest.forest.usf.edu/Giving/default.aspx?fund=421210&a=DEPT>

If you would prefer to go old-school, please make your check out to: USF FOUNDATION and send it to:

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"Named" opportunities are also available at the \$5,000 donation level (for a program fund that continues until the money runs out) and at the \$25,000 level (for an endowed fund that lives in perpetuity and is funded from interest on the principle of the endowment). If you're interested in discussing these options, please contact me (phares@usf.edu; 813-974-0493) or our development person: Elisa Jackson (elisajackson@usf.edu; 813-974-4072).

For those of you who may not be immortal (like all of those vampires and werewolves who are so popular these days), you may want to consider a bequest to the USF Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program.

Regardless of whether you can give back at this time or not, please know that we are so very thankful for all of our clinical psychology alumni as well as our future alumni (i.e., our current students!). The absolute best part of my job is knowing fine professionals like yourselves. Thank you for all that you do and as always, I wish you peace. Vicky

Sneak Peak

We plan to cover treatments that work in an upcoming newsletter, but you can check out this website in the mean time, which has downloadable forms and worksheets that are companion pieces to books in the series, *Treatments That Work*.

<http://www.oup.com/us/companion.websites/umbr/ella/treatments/hidden/mforms/?view=usa>

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ENTER OUR RAFFLE IN THE SPRING TO WIN COOL PRIZES!

The USF Clinical Psychology Development Steering Committee has been coming up with ways to raise money for our program, including an upcoming raffle that will be drawn on March 1st, 2013. We have requested donations from the Tampa Bay Rays, Tampa Bay Lightning, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, MOSI, Lowry Park Zoo and Busch Gardens, amongst many other organizations. When the list of raffle items is finalized, we will let you know via e-mail and then we shall let the games begin!

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www.goodsearch.com/goodshop
and enter **USF Clinical** as your charity and a portion of your purchase will be donated to the USF Clinical Psychology program.
Happy shopping!