

## Letters to the Editor

Your autumn publication was truly a banquet. I was heartened to know that Thomas Burton, an attorney, is applying the principles to his practice of law and supporting the organization... [I would appreciate] a forum for out-of-towners like myself. Perhaps you could have a corner where we post our names and contact information to facilitate connecting with others in our area.

Lorraine Granit, Walnut Creek, California

*Lorraine, beginning in spring of 2007, members will be able to list themselves on the website to facilitate generating contacts between GAINS people as well as making this information available to the community at large. Thanks for your suggestion!*

I believe Dan Siegel's challenge at the Mindsight Conference last year was to take the work out into the world and then let the community know what we were doing with it. I would like to do just that.

So far, I have developed a whet-your-interest training for therapists, as our local county social workers that handle foster care and adoption have asked that therapists be trained in how to effectively work with this population. The sessions have been absolutely phenomenal! As a result, we are looking at a proposal to Medicaid to fund a more in depth training with a larger group of therapists.

While conducting one of these sessions, it came to me that in addition to training therapists how to work with RAD children from a neuroscience perspective, why not also reach the at-risk child in the daycare centers, and the moms after giving birth. Those are the two areas I am moving into now. On October 9th, I have my first training at Head Start with 90 of their teachers. I am so excited! More to come.

We have incorporated the IPNB training I have received to date into all of our treatment modalities. I am especially happy to see Schore and Fosha join the GAINS team as their work has been pivotal in helping me work with the residential population in getting them to bring about change.

Michele Sharp, Albuquerque, New Mexico

*Michele, thank you for all you are doing. We would appreciate updates from time to time. Very inspiring!*

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