

# MAY 2022

## Greater Kansas City - Topeka Psychoanalytic Center

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**From the Center President**

# Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

At the end of June my term as Center President will end and the able Dr. Tom Bartlett will succeed me in Center Board leadership. When elected to this position I had no idea that I would be part of a small group of hardworking volunteers navigating our Center and its Training Institute through the frustrations and fears of a constantly evolving pandemic. We moved our meetings, seminars, workshops, and educational programs to virtual formats and made good use of technology to hold our organization together, to hold us together, when human contact so vital to our well-being became risky and fraught. Special appreciation goes to our highly committed Institute Director, Dr. Larry Tyndall, who has successfully guided our Training Institute through these challenging times.



I am proud of our Center's sustaining accomplishments over the past two years. Our former Administrator, Gail Barham, Dr. Larry Tyndall, and I advertised, interviewed, and hired Susie Morris, our wonderful and capable current Administrator. Dr. Tom Bartlett, Susie Morris, and I are now in the process of hiring a new part-time Administrative Assistant. With support from Drs. Richard Zeitner and Becquer Benalcazar and from Nancy Crawford, I renegotiated our expired contract for no-cost administrative and classroom space at the Center for Behavioral Medicine. We crafted and agreed upon a Center nondiscrimination statement that is now posted on our website. We organized a new psychoanalytic supervision class for eight of our graduate analysts to begin this fall with Dr. Nancy McWilliams as our

instructor. Jessica Almond, Dr. Tom Bartlett, and I have managed the Center psychotherapy and psychoanalysis referral service to help community members seeking mental health treatment find appropriate help and care.

The Center also sponsored our current minicourse, "Apprehending Caste," a class addressing racism from a psychoanalytic perspective, sensitively taught by Paul Koehler and Michelle Pfeifer. Deana Schuplin is soon to be leading another thoughtful psychoanalytic writing seminar for our Institute's Advanced Candidates and recent graduates. Jessica Almond has been organizing our excellent Monday night seminars and annual workshops. Drs. Michael Harty and Jeff Bennett have been leading our "Fellowship in Psychoanalytic Thought," an introduction for those who want to learn about the psychoanalytic approach to conceptualization and treatment. Drs. Michael Lubbers and Richard Zeitner have been leading our pre-training and post-graduate study groups. Dr. Jeanne Mosca has chaired the Marketing and Outreach Committee, advertising our programming via social media, and they have just finalized a new edition of our Center Brochure. From their participation on the American Psychoanalytic Association's Board of Directors, Dr. Mari Hayes and Yeshim Oz have kept our Board informed about and connected to our national organization. Jennifer Dembowski has provided helpful insights from a trainee perspective as our temporary Candidate Org. President. Our Foundation President, Karl Menninger, past president Dr. David Blakely, Treasurer Nancy Crawford, and Secretary Gail Barham have all been instrumental in the continued successful functioning of our Center Board.

With the exception of our Administrator, we are all volunteers working for our membership to promote the richness of psychoanalytic thought in our community and beyond. I tip my hat to all of you, to all of *us*, who have so generously given of our valuable time and spirit to help make our Center the success it is. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you!

*Bob Feuer, Center President*

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## Journey from Candidate to President-Elect

Dr. Thomas Bartlett began his Kansas City-Topeka Psychoanalytic Center journey in 2014.

That was as a four-year Candidate. Now he is an Advanced Candidate. And in July he will begin a two-year term as Center President.

“There has been a definite progression there in terms of coming in as a neophyte and gaining the experience and knowledge and gradually moving on to a higher level, which included co-teaching and then going on to become President,” Dr. Bartlett said. “That’s quite a big deal for me.”



This was never the path Dr. Bartlett envisioned when he started out as a Candidate.

“I didn’t have any ambition for posts or appointments,” he said. “But I did want to make sure that I contributed.”

He has. And he will.

“I had never thought about being President of the Center,” Dr. Bartlett said. “But I got a call one day when I was out hiking asking me if I would be willing to be President. I said, sure, I will do that. “

Dr. Bartlett has gone through major life changes over the past three years. His wife, Dr. Alice Brand Bartlett, passed away at the age of 68 on July 13, 2019. She was Director of the Institute at the time. Then the following year, came the pandemic.

“Going through the loss of my wife and then the pandemic, the psychoanalytic community was very important to me; so many people reached out and offered support,” Dr. Bartlett said. “I also have an incredibly strong, supportive family. They were there every step of the way.”

Dr. Bartlett has had a private clinical psychology practice in Topeka since 2012. He and Alice had officed and practiced out of their historic home in Topeka, which was built in 1888. A colleague now works out of the space that was formerly Alice’s office.

“Her spirit continues on,” Dr. Bartlett said. “One of my fondest memories is every Friday I would come home from Kansas City and she would want me to tell her all about class. We would sit there and have a martini and talk about class. So now, every once in a blue moon, I will go down to the Cyrus Hotel in downtown Topeka on a Friday night and will occasionally meet past Center President David Blakely and his wife and we will have a martini and toast Alice.”

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# Candidate graduate has

# "rich experience"

To celebrate his graduation from the psychoanalytic psychotherapy training program, Dr. Paul Hoard decided to take a trip. He flew to Germany on May 24 where he will be for a week.

"I figured since I hadn't been traveling for so long, I decided to go all out for a trip to celebrate," Dr. Hoard said.

The pandemic not only affected his travel but impacted his Greater Kansas City-Topeka Psychoanalytic Center experience.



"Overall, it was a great experience," Dr. Hoard said. "But I felt a little bit disconnected with the other cohorts because my only interaction was virtual. We missed out on that after class, between classes, being in the same room and talking with each other."

Highlights of his experience included having Dr. Larry Tyndall as his advisor and Yeshim Oz, LPC as his supervisor.

Ms. Oz is Turkish, and Dr. Hoard actually grew up in Turkey. His family moved there when he was 3 and he lived there until he graduated from high school.

"I was really excited when she decided to be my supervisor," Dr. Hoard said. "We would sometimes speak Turkish during supervision. That was a really rich experience for me to have her as my supervisor."

Dr. Hoard lived in Kansas City and taught at Mid-America Nazarene from 2018 until 2021. During that time, he learned about analytic theory through the American Psychoanalytic Association and connected with the Greater Kansas City Psychoanalytic Institute.

For the past year, Dr. Hoard has been an assistant professor at the Seattle School of Theology and Psychology, where he teaches in a counseling psychology program.

Thanks to his psychoanalytic training, analytic theory has been making its way into his classes, his post-graduate supervision, as well as his private practice.

"My experiences with Yeshim and understanding analytic theory and applying it to my own cases has been very profound," Dr. Hoard said.

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# 2022-2023

## Post-Graduate Training

The Greater Kansas City Psychoanalytic Institute (GKCPI) offers training in the theory and practice of psychoanalysis and psychoanalytic psychotherapy to qualified mental health professionals, interested scholars, and practitioners from other disciplines. Classes meet on Friday afternoons from September to May at 1:30pm, 3:15pm, and 5:00pm. The next application period will be for classes beginning Fall 2024. For more information, [click here](#).

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## Seeking Experienced Administrative Assistant

The Greater Kansas City-Topeka Psychoanalytic Center and Institute are growing, and our Administrator is in need of an experienced, part-time Administrative Assistant. The responsibilities vary from month to month, totaling on average 5-10 hours per week. The work location is an office in Kansas City, MO, with flexible work hours Monday through Friday, per the direction of the Administrator.

### Skills Preferred:

Writing and grammar proficiency

Strong attention to detail

Excel, Word, Outlook, Adobe, Google docs, Constant Contact (or YMLP) and Zoom

Experience taking meeting Minutes

Experience using online programs such as donation, payment and survey platforms.

Pay: \$20/hour

If you or someone you know is interested, please send a resume to Susie Morris at [administrator@gkcpsa.org](mailto:administrator@gkcpsa.org). Thank you!

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## Mark Your Calendars

**In-Person  
Spring Gathering  
(Outdoors):**  
Saturday, June 18, 1:30-5 p.m.



Overland Park Arboretum  
& Botanical Gardens  
Click [HERE](#) for info. Click [HERE](#)  
to register.

## Center membership drive:

May 2-June 17, 2022 [MEMBERSHIP  
DRIVE](#)

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## Current Candidates

### Second-year candidates:

Holly D. Anderson, LCMFT  
Christine Rio Bistis-Nadala, MD, PhD,  
MPM  
Carrie M. Duncan, PhD  
Paul R. Hoard, PhD, LCPC  
Scott Koeneman, PsyD  
Raelyn M. Koop, LPC  
Jose Gary B. Nadala, MD  
Marrissa Rhodes, MS, MA, LPC

### Fourth-year candidate:

Jennifer Dembowski, MA, LCPC

### Advanced candidates:

Thomas Bartlett, PsyD  
Jeremy Burd, MD  
Breck Mundis, LSCSW

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## Your Newly Elected Officers Terms to Begin July 1, 2022

**President:** Tom Bartlett, PsyD  
**President-Elect:** Jessica Almond, LPC  
**Past President:** Bob Feuer, LCP  
**Secretary:** David Blakely, MD  
**Treasurer:** Nancy Crawford, JD  
**Foundation President:** Karl Menninger, II,  
JD  
**Candidate Org. President:** Holly  
Anderson, LCMFT

**Program Chair:** Lori Hoodenpyle, JD  
**Institute Director:** Larry Tyndall, PhD  
**Director-Elect:** Mari Hayes, PhD  
**Marketing & Outreach Chair:** Jeanne  
Mosca, PhD  
**APsaA Board of Director:** Yeshim Oz, LPC  
**APsaA Board of Director Alternate:** Deana  
Schuplin, LMHC

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## Your Officers for the Year

**President:** Robert Feuer, MA, LCP  
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**Treasurer:** Nancy Crawford, JD  
**Foundation President:** Karl Menninger, III,  
JD  
**Candidate Org. President:** TBD  
**Program Chair:** Jessica Almond, LCPC

**Marketing & Outreach Chair:** Jeanne  
Mosca, PhD  
**Ongoing Activities Chair:** Michael Harty,  
PhD  
**APsaA Board of Director:** Mari Hayes,  
PhD  
**APsaA Board of Director-Alternate:**  
Yeshim Oz, MS

**Institute Director:** Larry W. Tyndall, PhD  
**Director-Elect:** Mari Hayes, PhD

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