

Editorial

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Welcome to the second issue of the *Journal of Financial Therapy's* fourth volume! In this issue we are featuring three unique papers, a practitioner profile and an academic profile, and one book review. We lead this issue of the *JFT* with the latest Financial Therapy Association's membership profile, a descriptive analysis of current characteristics of those who are involved in financial therapy. This second profile of the FTA membership was led by Sarah Asebedo, Megan McCoy, and Kristy Archuleta as part of the FTA Board of Director's Strategic Planning Committee's initiative to assess the development of financial therapy. As a follow up to the initial profile published in *JFT* in 2011, the second profile followed the recommendations outlined in Jerry Gale, Joseph Goetz, and Sonya Britt's "Ten Considerations in the Development of the Financial Therapy Profession" published in 2012 in *JFT*. More in-depth data is planned to be collected at the next annual FTA conference.

The second paper by Megan McCoy, D. Bruce Ross, and Joseph Goetz is a theoretically-informed approach to integrate financial planning with narrative therapy and cognitive behavioral interventions. The journal welcomes well-developed theoretically informed models of financial therapy. These types of papers can be used to help train new financial therapists as well as be replicated in empirical research, both of which help inform and validate the emerging area of financial therapy. The third paper by Anthony Canale and Brad Klontz thoughtfully and thoroughly reviews the literature on the financial aspects of Hoarding Disorder and offers implications for financial therapists, especially financial planners. The journal also encourages refined literature reviews that can add to the body of knowledge in a particular area related to financial therapy. For a literature review submission to be successfully accepted and published in *JFT*, it must synthesize the body of knowledge in a way that provides new information in a particular area. As with any submission, it will be peer reviewed and must be well written, follow the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th Edition*, and meet the other guidelines of *JFT*. These guidelines can be accessed by visiting www.jftonline.org and clicking on the "Policies" tab.

This issue's professional profiles feature Russell James from Texas Tech University as the academic profile and Amanda Clayman from the Financial Wellness Program at the Actors Fund as the practitioner profile. Both of these professionals are impacting financial therapy in their unique ways. Dr. James is the Director of Graduate Studies in Charitable Financial Planning. His research focuses on financial decision-making, primarily in the area of charitable decision-making, and publishes scholarly research in a variety of fields, including economics, psychology, marketing, and sociology. Dr. James has also published

research on the topic of financial ratios and household financial satisfaction with co-author, Scott Garrett, in *JFT*. Amanda Clayman is a Certified Financial Social Worker who helps individuals, couples, and families through a national non-profit human services agency in New York City. Amanda writes a blog titled, "The Good, the Bad, and the Money," and her work has been featured in the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, and SELF magazine, just to name a few.

The issue concludes with one book review written by Alycia Degraff and D. Bruce Ross of the University of Georgia. They gave a positive review for Kathleen Kingsbury's *How to Give Financial Advice to Couples: Essential Skills for Balancing High-Net-Worth Clients' Needs*. If you know of a book that should be considered for review, or you would like to write a review of a book, please email kristy@ksu.edu. I will pass along the information to our incoming Profiles and Book Review Associate (PBR) Editor, Dr. Martie Gillen, from the University of Florida. We are excited to have her on board in 2014!

In regards to other *JFT* activities, *JFT* transitioned to a new online platform with bePress in November, as announced in Issue 1 of this volume. Although the migration has slowed the actual publishing of this particular issue, we believe the experience for authors, reviewers, and readers will be positive and we are excited for the change. As a result of this transition, you will need to create a new login ID and password for our new system. If you had a login for the old system, it will no longer function.

I would like to thank Dr. John Grable who filled in for me this fall while I was away for maternity leave. As former co-editor of the *JFT*, he was able to easily reprise his role for a couple of months, helping to make sure that submitted manuscripts continued through the review process without delay. I also need to thank Megan Ford, *JFT*'s copyeditor, and the 2013 PBR Associate Editor, Emily Burr. I have enjoyed working with these two women; we have made a great team!

As always, we continue to solicit quality papers that feature financial therapy practices, experiments, and other research related to financial therapy. We are also looking for individuals who are willing to review manuscripts submitted to the *JFT*. Please join us as an author or reviewer in our efforts to communicate across disciplines with both practitioners and academics!

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The following individuals have identified themselves as providing services that promote a vision of financial therapy. The Financial Therapy Association cannot guarantee the services of those listed in the FTA Network. For more information and to view these professionals' profiles, visit <http://www.financialtherapyassociation.org>.

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