



Association for the Tutoring Profession

ATP Celebrates 10 Years! - Amanda L. Haney-Cech, Marietta College



As we start a new academic year, The Association for the Tutoring Profession is celebrating 10 years of service to tutoring professionals. This exciting time allows us to reflect on the history of ATP as well as what the future holds.

In honor of the 10 year mark, we will post Top Ten Lists in this year's newsletters. We will post the upcoming prompt, and hope to hear from you to compile our list.

TOP TEN REASONS TO GET A TUTOR

10. Individual academic support outside of the classroom can really help.
9. Your professor may recommend it.
8. It's often free on many campuses. Who doesn't like FREE?
7. Tutoring can reveal learning styles that will help in all classes.
6. Tutors are super-helpful people.
5. Many schools offer in-person and/or online support.
4. You got a grade that is waaaaayyyy less than you wanted.
3. It helps with motivation.
2. All the cool kids are doing it. It can improve self-esteem.
1. There is nothing better than that "A-ha" moment when you finally understand a challenging concept!



Next Month: Top Ten Reasons to Be a Tutor—We want to hear from tutors as to why they love what they do. Send your submission to cecha@marietta.edu by December 1 for inclusion in our next newsletter.

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In the next issue of our newsletter we want to hear from you about your program. Did you pilot a new project? What did you do to celebrate National Tutoring Week? Did you do anything extraordinary that you would like us to recognize?

Send your pictures and stories to Amanda Haney-Cech at cecha@marietta.edu and share your news!

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President's Corner

Hello ATP Friends,

Welcome back to the Fall Semester! This is such a busy time for many of us as we complete orientations, get started on hiring tutors, provide our training and hop from meeting to meeting. I wish you well during this hectic but exciting time of year.

I want to make sure you mark your calendar for the 10th Annual ATP Conference to be held in Music City, Nashville, TN, on March 23-26, 2014 at the Marriott on Vanderbilt Campus. Our theme, "Tutoring: Instrumental to Success" promises to bring you great programming and opportunities for networking with other professionals in the tutoring/learning field. We are excited to be back in Nashville where it all started for ATP. The very first annual conference was held there at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel and we are glad to see ATP come full circle as we celebrate our 10th year.



I want to let you know that your new board is already hard at work this year. They certainly have hit the ground running! A special welcome and thank you to our new board members: Justine Chasmar, Public Relations Co-Chair, Clemson University; Michele Doney, Secretary, John Jay College of Criminal Justice; Donald Harden, Certification Co-Chair, Georgia State University; Brandy Morehouse, Membership Chair, Central Ohio Technical College and Ohio State University at Newark; Steven Taylor, Chair of Chapters and Diversity, Southeast Missouri State University. In addition to our board, we have our Newsletter Editor, Ms. Amanda Haney-Cech of Marietta College (returning for her second year); and Co-Editors of Synergy (ATP's online journal) Dr. Jill Oliver of Arizona State University and Jill Strand of University of Minnesota at Duluth.

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We are very lucky to have some returning board members who are serving us in new capacities. Welcome back and congratulations to Linda Skeete-McLellan, President Elect, Alabama A&M University; Beth Nikopoulos, Certification Co-Chair, North Lake College; Dr. Pinder Naidu, Awards Chair, Kennesaw State University; Robert Jordan, Webmaster, Kennesaw State University; Dr. Anissa Harris, Public Relations Co-Chair. The dedication of these long time board members enriches our organization and provides vital ongoing continuity.

As you watch the website for additional conference details, keep an eye out for our monthly webinars. These promise to be very helpful and will cover topics for both coordinators/directors and tutors! Thanks to our new Professional Development Co-Chairs, Julie Loppacher and Ben Smith, for bringing these to you. (Do not forget that these count as credit toward ATP Tutor and Tutor-Trainer Certification. If you are not certified, I hope it might be one of your goals this year. Certification offers a chance for recognition in our field and shows a commitment to standards of training and best practices. It's a great addition to your signature line!)

I look forward to seeing you online this year during webinars and in person at the conference in Nashville.

Regards,

Tracey Williams

Submitted by Tracey Williams



Synergy Publications - Call for Papers

The Board of the Association for the Tutoring Profession and the Editors of Synergy, the organization's journal, invite you to submit manuscripts or editorials for the fall issue.

Submission deadline: **October 1, 2013**

Manuscripts must conform to the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, (APA) 6th edition.

Submission guidelines and latest journal issue: <http://www.myatp.org/resources/journal/synergy-volume-6/>

Submit submissions to: <http://www.myatp.org/resources/journal/synergy-article-submission/>

Synergy is the national peer-reviewed online journal of the Association for the Tutoring Profession published annually in the fall and spring. The primary mission of the journal is to provide an avenue for scholarship and discussion to further the knowledge of learning processes, tutoring practice, and the administration of tutoring services.

Submitted by Jill Oliver

Becoming an ATP Member

ATP has a membership package for everyone! Your paid yearly membership extends for one year from the date your membership application is approved. ATP will contact you as your membership approaches expiration, giving you an opportunity to renew. Renewal will extend your membership by one year from the date of expiration.

- **Student Membership \$15.00 per year**—Membership for those currently enrolled in 2 or 4 year institution.
- **Individual Membership \$30.00 per year**—Membership for professional tutors, educators, or other professionals.
- **1 to 5 members \$100.00**
- **6 to 10 members \$200.00**
- **11+ \$20.00 each**

Visit <http://www.myatp.org/about/membership/> for details on how you can join or renew today!

ATP Tutor Certification

Why certify your tutors?

- Certification helps provide quality training
- Offers incentives for tutors
- Provides high quality service for students
- Ensures minimum standards are met
- Helps give tutors and trainers confidence
- Lends credence and credentials to your program

ATP offers certification for tutors and for trainers. Find out more about Tutor Certification and how you can enhance your program.

Visit <http://www.myatp.org/certification/> to learn more.

ATP Upcoming Events—Webinars

9/18/2013 at 12 noon EST—Incorporating the Values in Action Strength Inventory into your Training Program; Melissa Thomas

Join Melissa Thomas from the College of Charleston for her webinar on incorporating the Values in Action strength inventory into your training program. This interactive webinar will be beneficial to not only your respective tutoring programs but your personal growth and development as well.

Melissa Thomas received her B.A. in Speech Communication from University of Texas at San Antonio and her J.D. (law degree) from the University of Texas at Austin. She is currently the director of the Center for Student Learning at the College of Charleston but has previously been an adjunct instructor, P.I. for a multi-year grant, coordinator of a graduate student academic support program, and presenter at many national and local conferences. She is currently the President of the College Reading and Learning Association, serves on the Editorial Advisory Board of the Journal of College Reading and Learning (JCRL), and has published three chapters in the Handbook for Training Peer Tutors and Mentors. Her research interests include writing anxiety, motivation inside the classroom, conflict, communication, and negotiation.

9/30/2013 12 noon EST —Online Tutoring: What is it? Why is it important? How do I do it?; Benjamin Smith

Online tutoring seems to be all we are hearing about these days. Many of us are being encouraged by administrators to “do it.” It’s what “everyone is doing now.” But what exactly is it? This webinar will offer a comprehensive look at online and distance tutoring, explaining not only what it is, but also how it can be offered, what resources are available, and why it’s important. Participants will walk away with the information necessary for starting their own online tutoring program, or enhancing a pre-existing system. Be able to speak with confidence to your administrators about online tutoring!

Benjamin Smith most recently served as the Assistant Director for Learning Assistance at Binghamton University – SUNY, and is now the Director of the Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning Center at Hamilton College. Ben has been using online tutoring in one form or another since 2008 and has presented on the topic at the ATP, NCLCA, and AEEE annual conferences. He currently serves as the Co-Chair for Professional Development for ATP.

10/ 25/2013 11 A.M. EST—Assessing Effectiveness and Outcomes: Ideas for Producing Quantitative Data

More and more, learning center personnel are being called upon to provide quantitative data that demonstrate not just the demand for services, but also our effectiveness in meeting demand and the impact those services have on our students. This webinar will present some ideas to measure what you already do, as well as suggestions for new initiatives that lend themselves easily to producing quantitative data. Many of the ideas presented are drawn from Ms. Doney’s ATP conference presentations in 2012 and 2013.

Michele Doney is the Director of the Math & Science Resource Center at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City. She holds a BS in Zoology from Michigan State University, an MEd in Higher Education Administration from Baruch College, and an executive certificate in Educational Research, also from Baruch. She is certified in Learning Center Leadership by the National College Learning Center Association, has given several conference presentations on topics related to tutoring, and serves on the Executive Board of the Association for the Tutoring Profession. Ms. Doney has been working in higher education in various roles since 1993 including classroom and laboratory instruction, tutoring, admissions, degree program planning, prior learning assessment, and learning center direction.

Info and registration at www.myatp.org/resources/webinars. Multi-Pack available at a discount.

Submitted by Julie Loppacher

National Tutoring Week

National Tutoring Week is held the first full week of October each year. This year, we celebrate October 6-12. What are you planning for your program? How will you celebrate this event? How do you recognize your tutors for all they do? As you recognize this week in your program, consider submitting information to the newsletter to share your news. Take lots of photos!

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CLADEA Affiliates Upcoming Events

28th Annual NCLCA Conference—North Charleston, SC, September 26-28, 2013



The 46th Annual CRLA Conference

November 6-9, 2013

Boston Park Plaza Hotel & Towers

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MARCH 5 – 8, 2014

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