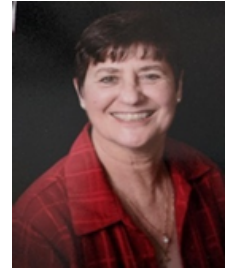




A message from the President



Check out below: Check out the happenings for this month.

- WGI Faculty Training, September 14, 2024
- GIFCT-US Quality School: Highlights from Grand Traverse Academy
- GIFCT-US General Meeting, September 23, 2024
- GIFCT-US 2025 Conference

WGI Faculty Training

You must register here: <https://mailchi.mp/wglasserinternational/professional-development-day> to get the link for the meeting. WGI will present the second session on The New Reality Therapy on September 14, 2024. This session on The New Reality Therapy is an opportunity to reflect on how you have been doing Reality Therapy and what you might consider as you update your skills. Many people are still using The Procedures That Lead to Change or some variation of WDEP. For clarity Dr. Wubbolding's work goes far beyond WDEP. This session is a must for people wanting to expand their framework and will address specifically what is different in The New Reality Therapy. Three different scenarios: one from education, a mental health concern and a relationship challenge will be used to demonstrate these skills.

GIFCT-US Quality School: Highlights from Grand Traverse Academy

Grand Traverse Academy has been a Glasser Quality School since soon after its inception in 2000. Michele Floering, the fourth principal, was recently interviewed by Jim Mishler, the Quality School Committee Chair. She remembers well Dr. Glasser's visit to their school as she was the band and choir instructor at that time.

When the second principal was hired the emphasis on Choice Theory and the on quality was formerly stopped. Joy was gone. It didn't take long before school patrons and teachers were requesting a return to the Glasser Quality School model. That task was accomplished!

A few statements from Michele:

- Students strive to do their best. There is joy and trust in the school.
- The questioning process is actively used throughout the school.
- Teachers are careful to do what they say and follow up with it.
- Students know their goals from the work they did on their personal records from the previous year.
- Assessments are offered in different formats so students may choose what way best meets their needs and skills.
- State test scores are well above average, and SAT scores are quite a bit above average.
- When the need for social/emotional support became evident after Covid, other schools were catching up with them. With Choice Theory practices already in place, they had a process already in place to meet these needs.

GIFCT-US General Meeting

The annual General Meeting is open to all members. It will be held September 23rd at 7 p E. Watch for a reminder email the week before but mark your calendars now! This is a chance to meet the members of the board and the executive director. A summary of what has been done during the past year and a look at plans for the coming year will be presented. Members will be able to share ideas and what would be helpful to them.

GIFCT-US Conference 2025

The 2025 Conference plans continue. It will be held in Los Angeles where Dr. Glasser began his career. His 100th birthday will also be celebrated! Watch for more details to come. Janet Morgan and some of the research committee have committed to working on the Call for Presentations!

Until next month,

Sharon Carder-Jackson

GIFCT-US

A message from the Executive Director



Happy September, everyone! It's a very exciting month in Arizona because we start to see double digit temperatures for the highs!

- I've been learning a lot more about nonprofits this summer and how we can possibly improve our service to the world around us. One of the emphases is fundraising, of course. To provide good materials and functional online presence requires money. Much emphasis is on Giving Tuesday.

This year, Giving Tuesday is on December 3rd. If you would like to promote GIFCT- US for Giving Tuesday, let me know. On givingtuesday.org, it says, "Let's transform the world through radical generosity." At GIFCT, that could be very possible because of the incredible message we have about improving relationships. Just think what the world could be like if everyone- or 3ven 50%- were practicing the Caring Habits!

- May 11, 2025, is Dr. Glasser's 100th birthday! To celebrate, we are planning for a Glasser Centennial in Los Angeles the week of July 23-30. We are nailing down the specific schedule of that week, but I wanted to let you know. If you would like to help with the planning of this event or have interest in some kind of contribution, let me know! Pencil in that date and I will let you know further details as they are available.
- Thank you for the honor of serving this organization. At a pivotal moment in my life, I was introduced to the concepts of Choice Theory and never looked back. I wake up at 2:00 AM and wonder how many other people's lives could be positively altered if we can just get the message in front of them.

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Upcoming Events & Courses

Difficult Discussions in Diversity September 21st - 2PM EST

The Difficult Discussions in Diversity calls are moderated by Gloria Cissé, who is a Glasser Scholar. These calls do not have titles, but listen to a few of them to get a sense of how powerful these conversations can be. These calls are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

<https://wgi-s-school.thinkific.com/courses/diversity>



Greet the Week



with Mona Dunkin and Friends

Sept 9, 2024 Reality and Quality World Pictures
Sept 16, 2024 The Comparing Place
Sept 23, 2024 The Total Knowledge Filter
Sept 30, 2024 Love and Belonging

Mondays - 1800 UTC (1:00 pm Central)

<https://wgi-s-school.thinkific.com/courses/greet-the-week>

Making Sense of It

ON HOLD

Wednesdays at 8 am PDT//9 am MDT/10 am CDT/11 am EDT
<https://wgi-s-school.thinkific.com/courses/Making-Sense-of-it>



Glasser Quality School Forum September 26th - 5pm EST



<https://wgi-s-school.thinkific.com/courses/GQS>

Research Committee Meeting September 26th - 3pm EST



<https://wgi-s-school.thinkific.com/courses/research-symposium>

Online Basic Training

Sign Up

Living Life with Choice Theory

There are 10 scenarios included in this course, each one depicting a different troubling situation. The slides then take you through the thought process of identifying your thoughts, feelings and actions. You are then asked to evaluate whether the actions are helping the character to get what they really want. Several concepts of Choice Theory are then introduced, which result in giving the character various options to move forward.



<https://wgi-s-school.thinkific.com/courses/living-life-with-choice-theory>

Glaser Class Meetings

Course includes 37 topics to:

- * initiate discussions to be better connected with your students.
- * help students to be more responsible for their own behavior.
- * teach students to become more tolerant of others.

NEW COURSE!



<https://wgi-s-school.thinkific.com/courses/glaser-class-meetings>

LEARNING
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Take Charge of Your Life

This online course is adapted from Dr. William Glasser's book *Take Charge of Your Life*.



It's time to put yourself
back in the driver's seat!

Join us to learn:

- * Why you do what you do
- * How to stop letting people control you
- * What really matters to you
- * Letting people who control you
- * How to create a meaningful, fulfilling, & happy life!

Apply the universal system for empowering yourself
and improving your relationships with others.

<https://wglasser.com/tcoyl>

Reality Therapy Corner



Join us at the Reality Therapy Corner (RT Corner) for conversations exploring the full richness of the practice of Reality Therapy and so much more. These informal discussions can benefit anyone in a helping relationship. See you the 4th Tuesday of each month at 12 noon Eastern Time.

Please sign up for the course here:

<https://wgi-s-school.thinkific.com/courses/reality-therapy-corner>

Upcoming Trainings

Basic Training

September 11 - November 6, 2024

Virtual with Kim Olver

September 22-24, 2024

Virtual with Judith Klefman

October 12-14, 2024

Virtual with Judith Klefman

Advanced Training

September 11-November 6, 2024

Zoom, in 3-hour weekly sessions
with Kim Olver

For more information & to register for trainings
<https://wglasser.com/events/training-certification/>