Staff’s Reading Picks

Mark Everson suggests you check out *The Witch Hunt Narrative: Politics, Psychology and the Sexual Abuse of Children* by Ross Cheit. Cheit revisits the “day care” disasters of the 1980’s and challenges the common narrative that these cases were all false and part of a witch hunt by incompetent interviewers and misguided prosecutors.

Mark will comment on this book in a future newsletter.

Deb Flowers recommends *The Sum of My Parts: A Survivors Story of Dissociative Identity Disorder* by Olga Trujillo, JD. to anyone involved in the examination and interview of children of alleged sexual abuse. The author, who by the age of 5, had suffered abuse and violent rape by her father developed the ability to numb herself to the constant abuse by splitting into distinct mental parts. Trujillo reveals her life story and chronicles her journey from survivor to advocate. The book helps us understand disclosure issues and DID as a response to trauma.

Letters of Agreement Are In The Mail

Be on the lookout for your Letter of Agreement. They were mailed out at the end of June, so they should be in your offices by now. If you haven’t received yours please give us a call at 919-843-9365.

Upcoming Medical Trainings

The NC Conference of District Attorneys has asked us to partner with them to assist with an Abusive Head Trauma training on **August 7 and 8th, 2014**. We are currently working on the medical agenda which will occur on August 7th. The training location will most likely be Raleigh. More information will be sent out via the list serve when the information is finalized.

20th Annual “Reflections” Symposium on Child Abuse and Neglect

Lake Junaluska, NC

**September 23-25, 2014**

Information for this training may be found by going to [http://www.caunc.org/training/](http://www.caunc.org/training/)