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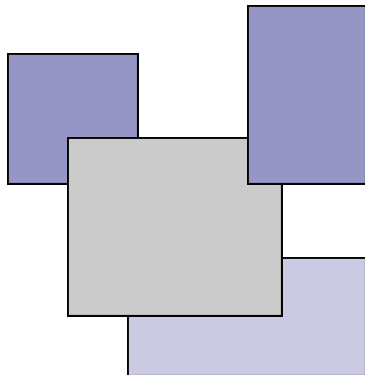
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A MESSAGE FROM PENNABA PRESIDENT

With eight winter storms and below average temperatures over the last three months, most of us are quite ready for spring. Please join us at PennABA 2011 to celebrate the beginning of spring, enjoy some wonderful speakers, and earn your BCBA credits in the comfort of the Hershey Lodge.

At last year's conference we had wonderful workshops and a great speaker's series. This year, we have equally excellent speakers for both our Thursday workshops and our Friday's speaker's series.

ABA students everywhere lovingly speak of "The White Book" or as it is better known, Applied Behavior Analysis, the premier textbook for our field. This year we have the privilege of having one of the authors, Dr. William Heward, join us at this year's conference. Dr. Heward, former ABAI president, will present a workshop entitled, "Six Common Teaching Mistakes and What To Do Instead". On Friday, Dr. Heward will be presenting the talk, "Why be a Behavior Analyst?"

Clinical Director of Keystone Human Services and professor in Penn State Harrisburg's Master's program in ABA, Dr. Michael DeWulf will be presenting a workshop on Asperger's syndrome. For the Speaker's Series, Dr. DeWulf will be joined by Dr. Edward Toyer in an overview of services for adults with autism in Pennsylvania.

In addition to dozens of peer-reviewed articles, Dr. William Ahearn, Director of Research for the New England Center for Children, writes an entertaining and insightful blog entitled, "A Radical Behaviorist" for Psychology Today. Dr. Ahearn will be presenting a workshop entitled, "There is No Easy Answer to Stereotypy: A Comprehensive Approach for Treatment and Promoting Functional Skills". For the Speaker's Series, Dr. Ahearn will also be presented a talk entitled, "The Elusiveness of Best Teaching Practices: Research in the Trenches."

An international expert on brain injury rehabilitation, Dr. Michael Mozzoni is the author of numerous articles on the behavioral treatment of brain injury. Dr. Mozzoni will be presenting a workshop entitled, "Behavioral Methods and Strategies for Working with Neurologically Impaired Adults". On Friday, Dr. Mozzoni will be presenting "Behavior Management of the Neurologically Impaired Adult."

Founder of the Alpine Learning Center and internationally-recognized expert on autism, Dr. Bridget Taylor will be presenting a talk entitled, "Do this," but don't do that: Observational learning and children with autism."

Associate Professor of Psychology at Shippensburg University and former Director of the Claremont Autism Center, Dr. Kathryn Potoczak will present a talk entitled, "Translational Research on Extinction: A link between the Lab and Treatment of Problem Behavior in Applied Settings."

As you can see, we have something for everyone. Please join us on Thursday and/or Friday to hear these speaker and network with others in Pennsylvania's behavioral community.



Keith Williams, Ph.D.
BCBA-D, President

PennABA 2011 Conference Agenda

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2011 HERSHEY LODGE & CONVENTION CENTER		
8:00 - 9:00	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (CONFECTION LOBBY)	
MORNING WORKSHOPS		
9:00 - 12:15 *	WORKSHOP ONE (CRYSTAL A)	WORKSHOP TWO (EMPIRE A)
* With 15 minute break during workshops	<i>Six Common Teaching Mistakes and What To Do Instead</i> (This Workshop meets the BCBA Ethics Requirement) Presenter: William Heward, Ed.D., BCBA-D	<i>Asperger's Disorder</i> Presenter: Michael DeWulf, Ph.D.
12:15 - 1:15	LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)	
AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS		
1:15 - 4:30 *	WORKSHOP THREE (CRYSTAL A)	WORKSHOP FOUR (EMPIRE A)
* With 15 minute break during workshops	<i>There is No Easy Answer to Stereotypy: A Comprehensive Approach for Treatment and Promoting Functional Skills</i> Presenter: William Ahearn, Ph.D., BCBA-D	<i>Behavioral Methods and Strategies for Working with Neurologically Impaired Adults</i> Presenter: Michael Mozzoni, Ph. D., BCBA-D
5:30 - 7:00	SOCIAL HOUR AND POSTER SESSION (EMPIRE C & D)	

Act 48 Credits Individuals attending these events must arrive on time and stay the duration of the event in order to receive Act 48 Professional Education hours. Requests for exceptions are to be brought to the attention of the individual's Superintendent or IU Director prior to the event.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2011
HERSHEY LODGE & CONVENTION CENTER**

8:00 - 9:00	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	PENNABA COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING
9:00 - 10:00	SPEAKER SERIES ONE (COCOA BALLROOM)	
	<i>Why Be a Behavior Analyst?</i> Presenter: William Heward, Ed.D., BCBA-D	
10:00 - 10:15	BREAK	
10:15 - 11:15	SPEAKER SERIES TWO (COCOA BALLROOM)	
	<i>"Do this," but don't do that: Observational learning and children with autism</i> Presenter: Bridget Taylor, Psy.D., BCBA	
11:15 - 12:15	SPEAKER SERIES THREE (COCOA BALLROOM)	
	<i>Services for Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders in Pennsylvania</i> Presenters: Michael J. DeWulf, Ph.D., Edward A. Toyer, Ph.D	
12:15 - 1:30	PENNABA LUNCHEON (EMPIRE B, C & D)	
1:30 - 2:30	SPEAKER SERIES FOUR (COCOA BALLROOM)	
	<i>The Elusiveness of Best Teaching Practices: Research in the Trenches</i> Presenter: William Ahearn, Ph.D., BCBA-D	
2:30 - 2:45	BREAK	
2:45 - 3:45	SPEAKER SERIES FIVE (COCOA BALLROOM)	
	<i>Translational Research on Extinction: A Link between the Lab and Treatment of Problem Behavior in Applied Settings</i> Presenter: Kathryn Potoczak, Ph.D., BCBA-D	
3:45 - 4:45	SPEAKER SERIES SIX (COCOA BALLROOM)	
	<i>Behavior Management of the Neurologically Impaired Adult</i> Presenter: Michael Mozzoni, Ph. D., BCBA-D	
4:45 - 5:00	CLOSING REMARKS	

Sincere Thanks to Outgoing PennABA Executive Council Members

PennABA would also like to thank former PennABA Member at Large, Kate Peterson, M.A. and former PennABA Student Representative, Lisa Stewart, M.A. for all their help and support of the annual PennABA conferences for the past few years. Their efforts truly made a difference and they will be missed at this year's conference. Both have moved on to continue to grow and advance in the field of applied behavior analysis and we wish them the best of luck!

PennABA Annual Convention

The 2011 PennABA Conference will be held March 24th and 25th at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center in beautiful Hershey, PA. This year's featured speakers are: Dr. William Heward, Dr. Bridget Taylor, Dr. William Ahearn, Dr. Michael DeWulf, Dr. Michael Mozzoni, Dr. Kathryn Potoczak & Dr. Edward Toyer. It's gearing up to be our best conference yet! Hope to see you there!

Thanks to our volunteers!

PennABA would also like to thank our volunteers for helping make our annual conferences a success! We especially would like to thank PennABA Secretary, Lacey Bailey and volunteers, Julia Daly, Ann Marie Kondrad, Melinda Desmarais, Jeffrey Garito, Bradley Groover, Rich Miller and you, the attendees. It's only with your continued support that makes our annual conference possible!