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2008 Conference Announcement

The Executive Board of the North Carolina Association for Behavior Analysis is pleased to announce that the 19th Annual Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn [Sunspreet Resort](#) in [Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina](#). The conference will be held **Tuesday, February 19th through Thursday, February 21st, 2008**. Behavior analytic research and applications will be presented by an excellent group of professionals from within North Carolina and across the country. Among the invited speakers are Dr. Judy Favell, CEO of Advoserv and former ABA President; Dr. Brian Iwata, University of Florida and former ABA President; Dr. Carol Pilgrim, UNC-Wilmington and former ABA President; Dr. Mark Sundberg, Sundberg & Associates, CA; Dr. Kelly Wilson, University of Mississippi; Dr. Jeannie Golden, East Carolina University; Dr. Dennis Reid, Carolina Behavior Analysis & Support Center, Morganton, NC; Dr. Maureen Schepis, Morganton, NC; and Dr. Erik Drasgow, University of South Carolina. At this time Pre- and/or Post-conference workshops will be offered by Brian Iwata, Mark Sundberg, Kelly Wilson, and Jeannie Golden. More will be announced soon. A Vendor/Poster Session with cash awards for best posters in the student and professional categories, Silent Auction and a Social with music and dancing will round out the conference events. BCBA credits will be available for approved conference and workshop sessions and an application will be made to provide NCPA credits for Psychologists for each of the workshops. A general certificate of credit will be provided to all attendees. Please mark your calendar for this upcoming event. Additional information will be available at www.nc-aba.com and in the newsletter sent to all members as the details for the conference are finalized. Come back to the beach for NCABA and "catch someone being good"! ~Duke Schell - President

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2007 Conference Summary

The 18th annual conference of the North Carolina Association for Behavior Analysis was held February 21-23, 2007 at the Blockade Runner in Wrightsville Beach, NC. Jamie Clary, President of NCABA, kicked off the conference by presenting awards to Tracie-Lynn Zakas, Student Award; Alicja Lipinski, Technical Utilization Award; Janet Franklin, "Do Things" Award; and Duke Schell, Fred S. Keller Award.

Following the awards presentation an invited address was given by John Forsyth, SUNY at Albany and by Steve Mahorney, Director of Medicine at JIRDC. The annual student symposium chaired by the current NCABA student representative Katrina Johnson from ECU then

took place. Allison Kretlow and Kim Watkins from UNC-Charlotte, and Amanda Hardy from ECU participated in this highlighted annual event.

Rounding off the evening was the annual poster session which featured thirteen research exhibits and posters. The award for best student poster was given to Rebecca Veenstra from UNC-Wilmington. Martin Ivancic and Buddy Barrett were given the award for best poster overall.

The second day of the conference was equally exciting as we started the day with six concurrent sessions. Presenters included Raymond Pitts (UNC-Wilmington), Jeannie Golden and col-

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NCABA 2007 Elected Officials

- **President**
Duke Schell
- **Past President**
Jamie Clary
- **President Elect**
Ruth Hurst
- **Vice President**
Jennifer Deacon
- **Secretary/Treasurer**
Beth Schmitt
- **Members-at-Large**
Ya-yu Lo,
Jim Clark
- **Student Representative**
Pam Mims

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Nominations Sought

NCABA is seeking nominations for **Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Member at Large, and Student Representative** to serve on the executive committee. Nominations are also being taken for the Fred S. Keller Excellence in Behavior Analysis Award, the Technical Utilization Award and the Student Scholarship Award to be presented at the conference. All nominations for executive committee members and for the awards must be postmarked by **January 7, 2008**. Please submit nominations to:

Address: Jim Clark, JIRDC, 300 Enola Road, Morganton, NC 28655 ~ email: Jim.W.Clark@ncmail.net ~ Phone: (828) 438-6480

~Executive Committee Positions~

Nominations for these positions are open to all NCABA full members, and may be made by self-nomination or nomination by another person. A description of each of the positions can be found on our website at www.nc-aba.com

~Fred Keller Excellence in Behavior Analysis Award~

The purpose of this award is to recognize a person who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of behavior analysis in North Carolina and whose work demonstrates the highest quality in the application of behavior analytic principles.

~Technical Utilization Award~

The recipient will receive complimentary conference registration to the NCABA conference in February, 2008, and a monetary stipend toward conference expenses. To qualify, the candidate must not have received formal, graduate level training in behavior analysis, but have demonstrated proficiency in applying behavioral technology in his or her work.

~Student Scholarship Award~

The Student Scholarship is a complimentary conference registration to the 2008 NCABA Annual conference and a \$100 stipend to defray costs. The award will be granted to a student who has advanced course work and practical experience in behavior analysis, and who would benefit from attending the conference. The sponsor who nominates the student should be a faculty member or internship supervisor who can briefly indicate how the student's work demonstrates potential for behavior analysis application in North Carolina.

2007 Award Recipients

Fred Keller Excellence in Behavior Analysis Award
Dr. Duke Schell, J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center

Technical Utilization Award
Alicja Lipinski, Student at UCLA

“Do Things” Award
Janet Franklin, Center for Early Communication & Learning

Student Scholarship Award
Tracie-Lynn Zakas, Student at UNC-Charlotte

Best Poster Award
Martin Ivancic & Buddy Barrett, J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center
Toward an Analogue Assessment of the Automatic Negative Reinforcement Function: Stimulus Acceptability

Student Poster Award
Rebecca Veenstra, University of North Carolina-Wilmington
Analysis of Conditions Impacting Equivalence Class Merger in Young Children

Cash 01-01-07	\$15,101
Total Revenue	\$16,486
Total Cash 2007	\$31,587
2007 Expenses	\$12,531
Balance August, 2007	\$19,056

NCABA Financial Report

NCABA Membership & Conference Attendance			
Membership 2007			
Full Members	Paraprofessional	Student	
116	2	43	

Conference 2007			
Full Member	Paraprofessional	Student	Non-Member
76	1	35	26

NCABA Officials Elected in 2007

- **Jennifer Deacon**, *Research Lab at J Iverson Riddle Developmental Center*, Vice President
- **Jim Clark**, J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center, Member at Large
- **Pam Mims**, UNC-Charlotte, Student Representative

2007 Conference (Continued)

legues (East Carolina University), Ruth Hurst (UNC-Wilmington), Tamlyn Shields (East Carolina University), Mike Behrmann (George Mason University), and Eric Drasgow (University of South Carolina). Three invited addresses were given in the afternoon by Robert Horner, University of Oregon, Jim Bodfish, UNC-Chapel Hill and Denny Reid, Carolina Behavior Analysis and Support Center. That evening we had a social which began with live open-mic music and progressed to dance music later in the night played by DJ Perry Lattimore. Judging by the pictures that were taken, the event was enjoyed by all.

At the business meeting the morning of the final day of the conference newly elected officers, Jennifer Deacon, Vice-President; Jim Clark, Member-at-large, JIRDC; and Pam Mims, Student Representative, UNC-Charlotte were announced. Following the business meeting a symposium by Robert Horner, Charles Wood, and Ya-yu Lo and a symposium by Carol Pilgrim, Anne Stull and Rebecca Veenstra were presented to conclude the conference.

In addition to the conference four workshops were provided by John Forsyth, Jeannie Golden, Martin Ivancic, and Duke Schell, all of which provided CEUs to both psychologists and behavior analysts. A silent auction was held again this year and for the first time a book fair table was arranged. I would like to say thank you to all speakers who donated proceeds from the sell of their books to the organization. NCABA would also like to give a special thanks again this year to the UNC-Wilmington Psychology Department for hosting a reception to highlight their master's program in behavior analysis and psychology. The reception was a highlight of the conference and was enjoyed by conference attendees. Finally, I would like to thank the members of the executive board and the volunteers for their contributions to this very successful conference. ~Jamie Clary, 2007 President ~

2008 Conference Speakers & Topics*

*A complete list of speakers/topics will be made available in the December newsletter and at www.nc-aba.com when the agenda is complete.

Mark L. Sundberg, Ph.D., BCBA (Sundberg & Associates, Concord, CA)	Teaching Social Behavior to Children with Autism: Analysis, Assessment, and Intervention
Brian A. Iwata, Ph.D. (University of Florida)	Why Extinction Does Not Work
Judith E. Favell, Ph.D., BCBA (AdvoServ)	In Home Services for Autistic Children Using Telehealth Technology
Martin Ivancic, Ph.D. (J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center)	Living Quality Lives: A Methodology for Maintenance
Monica Campbell, Ph.D. & Linda Mechling, Ph.D. (UNC Wilmington)	Small Group Computer-Assisted Instruction with <i>SMART Board</i> Technology: An Investigation of Observational and Incidental Learning of Non-Target Information
Dennis H. Reid, Ph.D. (Carolina Behavior Analysis and Support Center), chairperson, et al.	Symposium: Innovations in Behavioral Applications for People with Autism and Other Severe Disabilities
Wendy Donlin, Ph.D. (UNC-Wilmington)	Employment-Based Abstinence Reinforcement in the Treatment of Cocaine Addiction
Maureen Schepis, Ph.D. (Center for Early Communication & Learning)	Self-Management for Children with Autism and Aspergers Syndrome
Tracie-Lynn Zakas, M.S. (UNC-Charlotte)	Story-based lessons: A research to practice approach to teach emerging literacy skills to students with significant cognitive disabilities and autism.

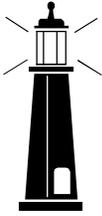
Also presenting are Dr. Kelly Wilson, University of Mississippi; Dr. Jeannie Golden, East Carolina University; Dr. Erik Drasgow, University of South Carolina, Dr. Carol Pilgrim, UNC-Wilmington; and Ruth Hurst, Ph.D., UNC-Wilmington.

Continuing Education Credit Opportunities

A certificate will be provided to all participants indicating the number of hours for conference attendance and conference workshops. Category A Continuing Education Credit for NC psychologists is currently being sought for all pre and post-workshops. In addition, Behavior Analyst Certification Approved Continuing Education Credits will be available for approved sessions which typically results in 10 to 16 obtainable credits. Information on the number of credits available will be included in the December newsletter and will be posted at www.nc-aba.com when the application process is complete.

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website at:
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To The Beach!



Wrightsville Beach, NC
February 19-21, 2008

Congratulations to Denny Reid!

Dennis H. Reid, Ph.D. (Carolina Behavior Analysis and Support Center, Ltd.) a co-founder, member, and financial supporter of NCABA has been selected as a 2007 Association for Behavior Analysis Fellow. This honorary membership designation of Fellow of the Association for Behavior Analysis was first initiated in 2004. The purpose of the designation is to recognize the most outstanding contributors to behavior analysis in one of three areas: 1) research/scholarship, 2) professional practice, and 3) teaching/administration/service. Dr. Reid was recognized in the research/scholarship area. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Reid on receiving this great and coveted honor.

Posters are being solicited

for the conference. Monetary awards for Best Student and Best Overall Poster will be given. Anyone interested should contact Jennifer Deacon at:
jjrdeacon@bellsouth.net

Editor's Notes: the NCABA Newsletter is published twice a year by the North Carolina Association for Behavior Analysis. The primary function of the Summer newsletter is to summarize events and announce the annual conference. The primary function of the Winter mailing is to provide information for the upcoming conference, including an agenda and summary of conference events. Each mailing will include membership information, a *Comments & Notes* section to provide a public forum for elected officers and the membership, and announcements.

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