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North Carolina Association for Behavior Analysis

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2011 Conference Announcement

The Executive Council of the North Carolina Association for Behavior Analysis (NCABA) is very pleased to announce that the 22nd Annual Conference is to be held at the [Crowne Plaza Charlotte Hotel, NC](#), Wednesday, February 16th through Friday, February 18th, 2011. The Crowne Plaza Charlotte Hotel offers convenient uptown Charlotte accommodations and is within walking distance of the Time Warner Cable Arena (NBA Bobcats), the Charlotte Convention Center, the new NASCAR Hall of Fame, and the EpiCentre, the Southeast's hub for premiere dining, entertainment, shopping, and hospitality. Several additional restaurants are also within walking distance of the hotel.

Speakers from within North Carolina and across the country will present behavioral analytic research and applications. We are very fortunate to have a number of extremely talented behavior analysis professionals, researchers, and scholars who have agreed to present at the conference. Among the invited speakers are Drs. **Travis Thompson** (University of Minnesota), **Philip Hineline** (Temple University), **Dennis Reid** (Carolina Behavior Analysis and Support Center), **Dennis Russo** (East Carolina University), **Mark Galizio** (UNC Wilmington), and **Michelle Duda** (UNC Chapel Hill). A special panel discussion on issues related to autism will be presented by Drs. Travis Thompson, Philip Hineline, and Dennis Russo. Pre- and Post-Conference Workshops will be offered. At this time, confirmed workshop presenters include Dr. Travis Thompson and Dr. Michelle Duda. Additional presenters also include Dr. **Jeannie Golden** (East Carolina University), Dr. **Charles L. Wood** (UNC Charlotte), **Keri M. Stevenson** (UNC Charlotte), **S. Christy Hicks** (UNC Charlotte), **Lori Stuart** (Behavior Consultations and Psychological Services), **Jason Cone** (Behavior Consultations and Psychological Services), and **Bryan E. Crisp** (Private Practice). A more complete listing of the conference and workshop presenters will be announced soon.

A Silent Auction will once again be held to raise funds to offset conference expenses and to support student participation. A Vendor/Poster Session with cash awards for best posters in the undergraduate student, graduate student, and professional categories, and a Social with refreshments, 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 also be provided to all attendees. In an effort to support student participation and attendance, opportunities for the conference registration fee

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NCABA 2010 Elected Officials

- **President**
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Vicki Harper,
Callie Plattner
- **Student Representative**
Alicia Saunders

Mid-Year Workshops

We are offering exciting opportunities for continuing education on September 24th, 2010 at The Gathering Place in Winston-Salem, NC. The two 3-hour workshops will be presented by **Duke Schell**, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Director of Psychology, J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center (workshop title: *Top Ten Ethical Problems for Behavior Analysts*) and **Mark Stafford**, M.A., LPA, BCBA, Director of Programs, Mariposa School (workshop title: *An Introduction to Verbal Behavior: Basic Concepts and Training Techniques*). Both workshops have been approved for Category A continuing education credit for psychologists and Type II BCBA CEUs. Please go to www.nc-aba.com for more information and to register for the workshops.

Visit us at:
www.nc-aba.com

Nominations Sought

NCABA is seeking nominations for **Vice President, Member at Large, Treasurer, 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 awards and executive committee positions must be postmarked by January 7, 2011.

Please submit nominations to Vicki Harper at:

J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center
300 Enola Rd
Morganton, NC 28655
vicki.harper@dhhs.nc.gov
Phone: (828) 438-6470

~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, 2011, 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 2011 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.

2010 Award Recipients

Fred S. Keller Excellence in Behavior Analysis Award
Jeff Holden, Murdoch Developmental Center

Technical Utilization Award
Sarah Geiger, Parent

“Do Things” Award
Martin Ivancic, J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center

Student Scholarship Award
April Mustian, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Professional Poster Award
Skip O’Neil, MS, Caswell Developmental Center & Beth P. Velde, PhD, East Carolina University
Psychophysiological Effects of Deep Pressure Sensory Stimulation with an Adult with Profound Intellectual Disabilities During Routine Nail Care

Graduate Student Poster Award
Bethany Smith, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Teaching Restaurant Menu Words and Classification Using Simultaneous Prompting and Embedded Non-Target Information

Undergraduate Student Poster Awards
Alison Ivancic, Appalachian State University
Categorization of Dreams by Basic Reinforcement Function

NCABA Membership & Conference Attendance

<i>Membership 2010</i>		
Full Members	Paraprofessional	Student
148	6	26

<i>Conference 2010</i>			
Full Member	Paraprofessional	Student	Non-Member
119	6	19	29

NCABA Officials Elected in 2010

- **Jim Phillips**, Murdoch Developmental Center, Vice President
- **Beth Schmitt**, Murdoch Developmental Center, Secretary
- **Callie Plattner**, Creative Consultants, Inc., Member at Large
- **Alicia Saunders**, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Student Representative

NCABA Financial Report

Cash 01-01-10	\$18,658.04
Total Revenue	\$22,378.69
Total Cash 2010	\$41,036.73
2010 Expenses	\$18,948.56
Balance July 31, 2010	\$22,088.17

2010 Conference Summary

The NCABA 21st Annual Conference was held at the Twin City Quarter in Winston-Salem, February 17-19, 2010. The conference included pre- and post-conference workshops, invited addresses, and concurrent sessions devoted to the topic of behavior analysis as well as our annual poster session, social, and silent auction events.

The topics presented at the pre- and post-conference workshops were varied, consistent with the impact that behavior analysis is having across a wide number of disciplines and clinical issues. These CEU events were well received by those in attendance. Topics ranged from analysis and treatment of repetitive behavior disorders (Ray Miltenberger from University of South Florida), to insurance coverage for ABA services (Kristie Thompson from OptumHealth Behavioral Solutions), to the use of differential reinforcement as treatment for severe behavior disorders (Tim Vollmer, University of Florida). Other well-received workshop topics were organizational behavior management (Tim Ludwig from Appalachian State University), separate autism classrooms (Lori Stuart a private consultant), and ethical problems faced by behavior analysts (Duke Schell from J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center).

One hundred seventy-three people attended the 2010 NCABA conference. We were extremely fortunate to have a number of individuals pre-eminent in the field in attendance and several provided invited addresses. A special thanks to our invited speakers which included Jerry Shook, Chief Executive Officer and Founder of the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, Martin Ivancic from J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center, Ray Miltenberger from the University of South Florida, Denny Reid from Carolina Behavior Analysis and Support Center, Jim Bodfish from the Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities and UNC Chapel Hill, Tim Ludwig from Appalachian State University, and Tim Vollmer from University of Florida. This year, we were also fortunate to have a wonderful array of topics presented during nine concurrent sessions. Kerry McIver from University of South Florida, Bryan Crisp, and Christine Hughes from UNC Wilmington started off the sessions followed by presentations from Kristie Thompson from OptumHealth Behavioral Solutions, Jeannie Golden from East Carolina University, and Ray Pitts from UNC Wilmington. The final three concurrent sessions were presented by Carole Van Camp from UNC Wilmington, Miguel Ampuero and Cassondra Gaymen from The Mariposa School for Children with Autism, Ruth Hurst from UNC Wilmington, Charles Wood, Keri Stevenson and Christy Hicks from UNC Charlotte. Again, the response of attendees to these talks was overwhelmingly positive.

Duke Schell, chaired our professional symposium on the influence of health condition as motivating operations on the display of problem behaviors of people with developmental disabilities. Presentations were given by Jim Clark,

Clare Thornhill, Brad Cleary, and Kelly Sutton from J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center.

Our award recipients received a round of applause at the opening of the conference. Jeff Holden received the Fred Keller Excellence in Behavior Analysis Award. Other recipients included Sarah Geiger for the Technical Utilization Award, April Mustian received the Student Scholarship, and Martin Ivancic received the "Do Things" Award. Congratulations to all!

Our student representative, Jason Boye, did a wonderful job of organizing and chairing our student panel of presenters. Student presenters included Alicia Saunders from UNC Charlotte, Allison Ivancic from Appalachian State University, and Anastassia Weaver, Albee Ongsucu and Shannon Brooks all from East Carolina University. Following the Symposium the students had their first annual Student Gathering allowing them to meet and talk to the students running for Student Representative prior to voting.

The poster session included posters from undergraduate and graduate student researchers as well as practicing professionals. This year, we awarded prizes to outstanding posters in three categories: undergraduate, graduate, and professional. The winning poster presenters and titles are listed on Page 2 with the other Award recipients for 2010.

Our Silent Auction, T-Shirt sales, and Raffle were successful. Altogether, these events raised just under \$1,000. This money will help defray future conference expenses and help in the sponsorship of student attendees. Thanks to all who donated or purchased an auction item and to those who purchased T-Shirts and Raffle Tickets.

During our annual NCABA Business Meeting, newly elected officers were announced and are listed on Page 2 in this newsletter. Welcome to all the new members and thanks to all those who will continue on with the executive council. Of special mention are Fred Spooner, Jamie Clary and Duke Schell. Fred serves as the Senior NCABA Board Advisor. Jamie Clary remains a non-voting Board member as our NCABA web editor. Duke will remain as our liaison to ABAI and other related groups. Ruth Hurst will remain on the board as the University Liaison.

I would like to send a special thanks to all of the members of the executive council who worked so hard to make the 21st Annual NCABA conference a special event for all. I would also like to thank the graduate student helpers for their help throughout the conference as well as our entertainment, The Bad Ash Band. See you next year for the 22nd Annual NCABA Conference!!!

~Jennifer Deacon, Past President

2011 Conference Speakers*

Travis Thompson , Ph.D., Professor, University of Minnesota School of Medicine, Minneapolis	Charles L. Wood , Ph.D., Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Philip N. Hine , Ph.D., Professor, Temple University	Lori Stuart , M.A., LPA, Behavior Consultations and Psychological Services
Dennis Russo , Ph.D., Professor, East Carolina University	Keri M. Stevenson , M.Ed., BCBA, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Mark Galizo , Ph.D., Professor, University of North Carolina at Wilmington	S. Christy Hicks , M.A., University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Dennis Reid , Ph.D., BCBA, Carolina Behavior Analysis & Support Center, Morganton, NC	Bryan E. Crisp , M.A., LMFT, BCBA, Private Practice
Jeannie Golden , Ph.D., BCBA, Professor, East Carolina University	Jason Cone , M.A., Behavior Consultations and Psychological Services
Michelle Duda , Ph.D., BCBA, Assistant Research Professor, National Implementation Research Network, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	*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.

Silent Auction Items Needed

Do you have new items that you don't want or craft items that you would like to donate for use in the silent auction at the 2011 conference?

If so, please contact Mark Stafford by email at mstafford@mariposaschool.org. All donations are tax deductible and all proceeds from the silent auction are used to improve future NCABA conferences. A receipt for the donation will be provided to you with space for you to list the value of your donated item(s). Items can be donated any time of year but must be received by Wednesday, February 16th, 2011 to be included in the 2011 auction.

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Employment Opportunity

Licensed Psychological Associate in High Point, NC

Cornerstone Behavioral Medicine
in High Point, NC is seeking a
Licensed Psychological Associate (LPA)
for a part-time position beginning fall, 2010.

Duties include psychological testing
(e.g., LD, ADHD, autism spectrum)
and behavioral analysis services.

For further information go to
www.cornerstonehealth.com.

Please send cover letter and CV to:
Wendy.Martin@cornerstonehealthcare.com.

Continuing Education Credit Opportunities at the 2011 Conference

A certificate will be provided for all participants indicating the number of hours for conference attendance and conference workshop attendance. Category A Continuing Education Credit for NC psychologists is currently being sought for all pre- and post-conference workshops (typically 6 Category A credits are obtainable at the conference). In addition, Type II BCBA CEUs are being sought for applicable presentations (typically 10-16 Type II BCBA CEUs are obtainable at the conference). 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.

Posters are being solicited for the conference

Monetary awards for Best Undergraduate Student Poster, Best Graduate Student Poster, and Best Professional Poster will be given. Anyone interested should contact Jim Phillips at:
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or log on to our website www.nc-aba.com



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to be waived will be available to student members this year. Opportunities to "sponsor" students in supporting their attendance to the 2011 Annual Conference will also be available. Please look out for our future announcements for more details.

Additional information about the NCABA's 22nd Annual Conference will be available at www.nc-aba.com and in the December newsletter to be sent to all members as the details for the conference are finalized. Please mark your calendar for this upcoming event. We very much look forward to seeing you in Charlotte, The Queen City, February of 2011!

~Ya-yu Lo, President~

Submit an Article for our Newsletter

NCABA's change to a more environmentally friendly and cost effective electronic newsletter has allowed our membership to have the opportunity to submit articles for future newsletters.

*~Have you had success with a technique?~
~Have you had a well established technique fail?~
~Do you have an idea that you want to share?~*

The NCABA Executive Committee would like to include articles in the newsletter on varied topics related to behavior analysis and the practice of behavior analysis in North Carolina. Examples of appropriate topics are:

- innovative techniques
- case studies
- staff management/training/OBM issues
- legal and legislative issues (e.g., BCBA's in NC)
- theoretical topics
- educational applications
- getting certified (BCBA, BCaBA)
- helpful tips for practitioners
- descriptions or reviews of North Carolina programs utilizing behavior analysis
- reviews or applications of books or articles related to behavior analysis
- experimental analysis

The NCABA newsletter is published semi-annually in August and December. For your submission to be considered it should be received by July 15th for the August newsletter and November 15th for the December newsletter. The NCABA Executive Committee reserves the right to accept, reject, or request revisions to any article submitted for the NCABA newsletter.

Articles should be sent as an email attachment in a Word file to:
jamie.clary@dhhs.nc.gov