

President's Message

CalABA comes to southern California!!! The California Association for Behavior Analysis will hold its 19th annual conference February 1, 2, and 3, 2001, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Redondo Beach. Randy Campbell, conference chair, has led an extremely dedicated Conference Committee over the last year, and their efforts have resulted in a conference program that not only presents leading experts in the field of behavior analysis, but also is extremely diverse in topic matter.

Beth Sulzer-Azaroff's keynote address, *Going for the Gold in Education: A Behavioral Systems Approach*, is scheduled for Friday, February 2. Todd Risley's keynote address, *Cumulative Practice as an Intervening Variable in Developmental Disabilities*, will be Saturday, February 3. Ivar Lovaas' presentation, *How to Optimize Outcome with Behavioral Treatments in Autism and Other Developmental Delays*, will also be on Saturday. Gerald Davison's address, *The Dialectics of Science and Practice*, sponsored by the University of Judaism, will be Thursday, February 1. Saturday afternoon, Gary Wilkes and Tuggy the Wonder Dog, will present a workshop on applied behavior modification for pet companion animals.

New to the conference this year will be the VIP Breakfasts on February 2 with Dr. Murray Sidman and on February 3 with Dr. Donald Baer. Both have made major contributions to the field of behavior analysis. Their presentations will allow for their reflections on the field. These events are sponsored so that student members may attend at a reduced rate.

On Friday night, a social gala dinner is scheduled featuring Jerry Newport (*A Personal Perspective on Autism in the New Millennium*) and back by special demand: *Ace the Magnificent....* Don't miss it! Additional conference highlights include a job fair and graduate program reception, films and videos, and a staff affiliates' meeting.

The Conference presents an opportunity for professionals to receive continuing education credits for certified behavior analysts and associate behavior analysts, licensed psychologists, and educators. The conference booklet lists the variety of workshops approved for CEU credits and the methods to receive CEU credits for attending the conference.

For those who have not attended a CalABA Conference, this will be an excellent conference to experience CalABA firsthand. We hope you join us at the oceanfront Crowne Plaza Redondo Beach Marina Hotel and Spa for an outstanding conference in an atmosphere of intellectual stimulation, rest, and enjoyment.

Mary Ann Powers, Ph.D., BCBA

CalABA 2001 Conference

February 1, 2 & 3, 2001

Crowne Plaza Redondo Beach Marina Hotel and Spa

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Conference Highlights

CalABA Conference 2001: **Promoting Change** has something for everyone in the field of behavior analysis: Over 80 distinguished speakers from throughout the nation, 20 professional workshops, and over 30 poster sessions on a variety of current and general interest topics.

Partial Listing of Education Topics
(Other tracks, in addition to Education, include Clinical, Developmental Disabilities, Autism, Legal/Certification and Experimental)

Behavior Plans, Accommodation Plans and Mental Health Plans
Challenging Behavior: Emergency Management
Whole Class and Small Group Interventions
Preventing Violence and Substance Abuse
Positive Behavioral Support Programs
Leveraging the Internet for Teaching
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Legal and Legislative Developments
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Reading and Writing for Children with Autism
Schoolwide/District and Statewide Interventions
An Integrated Model to Address the Needs of Children with Autism

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Partial Listing of Speakers

Bobbie Albanese, Ed Anderson, Don Baer, Joel Becker, Carl Binder, Tony Biglan, Andy Bondy, Thomas Boyce, Tom Brigham, Lisa Britton, Diana Browning-Wright, Gail Cafferata, Margie Charlop-Christy, Sonja de Boer-Ott, Ronnie Detrich, Glen Dunlap, Mark Durand, Dennis Embry, Katie Endicott, Karlyn Farber, Anthony Fisher, Holly Fogliatti, William Frea, Sigrid Glenn, Frank Gresham, Laura Hall, Linda Hayes, Robert Horner, Ramona Howmanfar, Jane Howard, Dan Hursh, Kent Johnson, Cloda Jones, Bonnie Kraemer, Gary LaVigna, T.V. Joe Layng, Ron Leaf, Ivar and Nina Lovaas, Karen Lowrey, John Lutzker, Richard Malott, Carmen Martin, G. Roy Mayer, Glenda Miao, Siri Ming, Joe Morrow, Dena Pegadiotes, Jose Rios, Todd Risley, N. Joseph Rodrigues, Horacio Roman, Tom Sharpe, Jerry Shook, Henry Slucki, Leonard Smith, Arthur Staats, Harold Stanislaw, Janet Swank, George Sugai, Beth Sulzer-Azaroff, Mark Sundberg, Natt Thangvijit, Terry Tibbetts, Roger Titgemeyer, Paul Touchette, Vicci Tucci, Glenda Vittimberga, Andrea Walker, Greg Wagner, Cathy Watkins, Paula Whang-Ramos, William Ybarra

CalABA Board Meeting

A CalABA open Board meeting will be held Wednesday, January 31, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the Mezzanine Room at the Crowne Plaza Redondo Beach Marina Hotel and Spa. Members of CalABA are invited to attend.

Check out the web page and register online!!!

www.calaba.org

Professional Standards Committee Update

This has been a great year for furthering the status of behavior analysis as a profession, both through legislative impacts and through the initiation of nationally recognized certification with the BACB. Our goals for the upcoming year are to build on this momentum, expanding the number of board certified behavior analysts and associate behavior analysts in California, and ensuring top-quality, accessible continuing education opportunities for board certified individuals.

Transfer to the BACB

The most significant achievement of the past year was to complete the transfer of state certification to national board certification by the BACB. This means that all regulation of certification and administration of certification exams is handled by the BACB, and everyone who was formerly certified as a certified behavior analyst or certified associate behavior analyst in California is now board certified. Please do contact Siri if you have not received notification from the BACB of your status and certification number.

Continuing Education

The CalABA conference last year allowed 61 (55 in-state and 6 out-of-state) individuals to receive a total of over 600 continuing education units through workshops and presentations. We again plan for the conference this year to provide a great opportunity for all those newly board certified behavior analysts and associate behavior analysts to attend numerous outstanding CEU events.

ABA will soon be taking over the approval of CEU providers and events. We are working with the ABA committee chaired by Gina Green to ensure a user-friendly CEU policy that results in the promotion of the highest quality of continuing education events. We'll be updating you on any changes in regulations once the ABA board finalizes the new process. Until the process is finalized, the BACB will continue to recognize events that have been approved by state-affiliates, such as CalABA.

Information on the Web: Mentoring and Referrals

The CalABA web site now includes a list of board certified behavior analysts who are available to provide mentoring for individuals in the process of becoming certified. The web site also includes a list of board certified individuals, with contact and specialization information, so that consumers have a place to start when seeking out qualified behavior analysts. If you would like to be on any of these lists, please contact Rosie Cereceres at Sacramento Advocacy. The BACB web site also has a list of all board certified individuals.

Contacting the Professional Standards Committee:

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions about continuing education, certification, mentoring, or any other related topic, please let us know:

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Certification Examination Spring, 2001

The spring examination for behavior analysts and associate behavior analysts is **tentatively** scheduled for Saturday, May 19, nationally; and Wednesday, May 30, in New Orleans only. Sites for the May national administration sites will be named after the November administration. Applications must be postmarked by March 5, 2001, for both May administrations. Specific information on administration sites will be available at www.BACB.com at a later date.

Behavior Analyst Certification Board Update

The BACB administered examinations for Board Certified Behavior Analysts and Board Certified Associate Behavior Analysts in May of this year to 107 candidates, resulting in a total of 80 individuals being newly certified. The BACB currently has approximately 450 certificants, including those individuals who have transferred their state certification to the BACB. The next examination administrations are scheduled on November 18 in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Oklahoma City, Dallas, Kansas City (MO), Raleigh, Nashville, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Boston, and New York City. The following administrations are scheduled for May 19, 2001. Individuals who are interested in having the examinations administered in their area should contact the BACB Executive Director, Jerry Shook, at shook@bacb.com. Additional contact information, information on future administrations, and applications are available on the BACB web site, www.BACB.com.

Individuals applying to become a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) or Board Certified Associate Behavior Analyst (BCABA) must meet degree, course work and experience requirements to be eligible to take the certification examinations. Three options to fulfill the BCBA course work requirement are available, on a time-limited basis, for applicants who may not be able to document the required course work but who have engaged in approved alternative behavior analytic activities. These options will expire at various points over the following four years (for example, the College Teaching option will expire on June 30, 2002). Persons who are interested in certification should attend immediately to the nature of these options and their expiration dates.

The BACB web site, www.BACB.com, has been expanded to include an examination results summary, information on the examinations and administration procedures, Frequently Asked Questions for applicants, Continuing Education Units information, draft renewal and recertification applications, an improved application download capability and updates of existing pages. The web site contains a new Certificant Registry that lists the name, city, state and certification level for active BACB certificants. The BACB web site is the best source for current information on all aspects of the BACB and its activities.

The BACB has reached an agreement with the Association for Behavior Analysis for ABA to act as the agent for approving Continuing Education Units required to maintain BACB certification. An ABA committee, chaired by Gina Green, is currently developing the approval process policies and procedures. Committee members include representatives from state affiliated chapters (including CalABA), the chair of the ABA Affiliated Chapters Board, ABA and the BACB.

Over the following several months, the BACB will be considering implementing an approval process for university curricula that meet the course work requirements for taking the examinations. Individuals who are interested in having their curricula approved by the BACB should check the BACB web site for developments and information on this process.

Gerald L. Shook, Ph.D., BCBA
Executive Director

Agencies Endorse Certification

The following agencies have endorsed the certification process for behavior analysts and associate behavior analysts. They support and encourage current and prospective employees to become certified. If you know other agencies or private practice vendors that endorse certification, please ask them to contact the CalABA office for a free listing on the web site and in the newsletter.

ANOVA - Santa Rosa
Applied Behavior Consultants - Sacramento
Behavior Analysts/STARS School - Pleasant Hill
Behavior Counseling and Research Center - San Rafael
Behavior Consultants Association - Los Angeles
On Our Own - Santa Rosa
Tucci Educational Solutions - Aptos
Spectrum Center - Berkeley

Students!

Apply for the Julie Vargas Award

The Julie Vargas Award was created by Dr. Julie Vargas of West Virginia University to promote research by students in the field of Behavior Analysis. The \$250 award will be presented at the CalABA luncheon on Friday, February 2, 2001. This competitive award is presented to a student for conducting original research in Behavior Analysis. All current student members of CalABA are eligible will be printed in the Spring CalABA newsletter.

To apply, mail a 3-page summary of your study, a 50-100 word abstract, and a statement of your professional goals by December 15, 2000, to CalABA, Julie Vargas Award, 2220 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95816

The International Association for Behavior Analysis: International will hold its 27th Annual Convention at the Hyatt Regency in New Orleans May 25-29, 2001

The convention is well worth attending. There are typically close to 1,000 presentations on a variety of topics relevant to behavior analysis presented by behavioral experts from around the world. It is an excellent opportunity to meet some of the fields' leading researchers, and find out about their latest work.

If you are planning to attend the convention, it is wise to get your hotel reservations early (504-561-1234). Also, the convention rates are substantially cheaper if you register before March 15, 2001. There are special "Chapter-adjunct" rates available for CalABA members, as well as student and Emeritus rates.

ABA International Conference Calendar

2001 New Orleans
2001 Venice, Italy (November)
2002 Toronto, Canada
2003 San Francisco

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Department of Developmental Services Regulations regarding Behavior Vendors

In 1999, CalABA petitioned the California Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to amend the Title 17 vendor regulations for Behavior Management Consultant. The requested amendment would add Board Certified Behavior Analysts to the list of professionals currently eligible for regional center vendorization. Public written comment periods and public hearings were held. The vast majority of comments were very positive and supportive. At this time, DDS is preparing the proposed regulatory change for review by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL). If approved by OAL, this regulatory amendment would become effective early 2001.

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Educational Consultants: Working within our Integrated Sites Division, the educational consultant assesses students' language and learning skills, develops IEPs and educational programming, and provides an ongoing analysis of students' educational programs by working with the student, parents, school and other program staff. Some travel may be involved. BCBA or eligible preferred; supervised experience available to meet BCBA eligibility criteria.

We are located in Pleasant Hill and Walnut Creek, California. Please see our web site: www.behavioranalysts.com for full position details, or contact Siri Ming, director of training and resources, for further information, at ming@behavioranalysts.com or (925) 210-9370 ext 108.



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Membership Directory

A new membership directory will be available for purchase at the CalABA Conference. However, in order for your name to appear in the directory, you will need to have joined CalABA by January 10, 2001.

CalABA Conference: VIP Breakfasts

Murry Sidman, Ph.D. and Don Baer, Ph.D. have made major contributions to the field of Behavior Analysis. CalABA has scheduled a breakfast with Dr. Sidman for Friday, February 2; and a breakfast with Dr. Baer for Saturday, February 3. Don't miss this special opportunity to hear each speaker reflect on the development of the field and respond to questions.
Special rates for student registrants.

**Our gratitude and appreciation is
extended to the 2001 Conference
Committee for their planning an
outstanding conference!**

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