A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

I hope you enjoy the spring edition of the BG SIG newsletter! It appears that many aging researchers are hard at work, and this year's ABAI conference is not to be missed! On pages 2 through 4 we summarize the aging related options at ABAI 2013. Be sure to note the informal panel discussion that will be part of the SIG business meeting this year. As noted on page 5, due to a generous donation we are offering THREE student researcher awards this year. If you or someone you know is a student presenting at ABAI, we hope you will consider submitting your description by May 3rd. Finally, pages 6 and 7 provide useful information on upcoming conferences and training opportunities. I hope you enjoy the newsletter and we look forward to seeing many of you at ABAI.

Best,
Jon

Behaviorism Turns 100!

As many of you may know, 2013 will mark the 100th year since John B. Watson’s seminal article, “Psychology as the Behaviorist Views It.”

Let this also be the year we also celebrate our centenarians! More than ever, our science is needed to help another population — older adults.

We encourage everyone to attend behavioral gerontology presentations at ABAI and meet potential collaborators in the field!

Let’s make a difference in 2013!

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ABAI 2013
See Page 2-4 for a list of presentations in gerontology.

Student Presenter Awards
See Page 3 for more information.

Become a member TODAY!
ABAI 2013

ABAI 2013 is quickly approaching! We are thrilled to see several presentations in behavioral gerontology. Below are a list of some of these presentations.

Saturday, May 25
1:30pm-2:50pm
# 36 Symposium M101 A (Convention Center)

Reinforcement Among Older Adults With Dementia: Identification, Assessment, and Skill Development

- Conditional Discrimination Training and Tests for Generalized Identity Matching and Derived Relations in Senior Citizens and Dementia Patients
- The Effects of Reinforcement and Extinction on Responding Among Older Adults With Dementia
- Effectiveness of Errorless Learning and Reinforcement Schedules for Establishing and Maintaining Behavior in Alzheimer's Disease
- Evaluation of Preference and Subsequent Stimulus Engagement Among Older Adults With Dementia

Chair: Jonathan C. Baker  BACB CE Offered
ABAI 2013

Provide intellectual, clinical, and organizational support to other professionals interested in aging.

Saturday, May 25
8:00pm-10:30pm
# 103 ABAI EXPO Exhibit Hall B (CC)
Behavioral Gerontology Special Interest Group

MEET YOUR OFFICERS

Sunday, May 26
8:00am-8:50am
Behavioral Gerontology Special Interest Group
Business Meeting
# 116 M101 A (CC)

Meeting Agenda:

• Student Presenter Awards
• Officer Elections
• Informal panel discussion: How BCBAs navigate the road to providing behavioral services and the challenges faced.
Applications of Skinner’s Analysis of Verbal Behavior to Older Adults

- Development and Treatment Utility of a Behavioral Assessment for Aphasia
- Mand Training and Maintenance in Older Adults With Dementia
- Teaching Picture Recall for Older Adults: A Comparison of Two Verbal Behavior Protocols

Chair: Jonathan C. Baker  BACB CE Offered

Extensions of the Functional Assessment of Problem Behaviors

- Antecedent Versus Consequent Events as Predictors of Bizarre Speech in Individuals with Dementia
- Descriptive Assessments of Environmental Events Correlated with Inappropriate Vocalizations Emitted by Individuals With Dementia

Chair: SungWoo Kahng  BACB CE Offered

Increasing Activity Engagement in Dementia Care: A Review and Call for Additional Behavioral Research
Student Researcher Award

Every year the Behavioral Gerontology SIG provides one student researcher with a cash award for $50 at the annual Association of Behavior Analysis International conference.

This year, BG-SIG will give away THREE AWARDS!!

Graduate or undergraduate students who are first author on a behavioral gerontology related talk or poster are invited to submit their presentations for consideration.

Submit a one-page description of your poster or presentation to Jonathan Baker at jonathan.c.baker@siu.edu. Include: purpose, methods, results, conclusions, data.

Entries are due Friday: May 3, 2013
Upcoming Conferences

Association of Professional Behavior Analysts

3rd Annual APBA Convention
March 21-23, 2013
Rio All-Suites Hotel & Casino
Las Vegas, NV

Association of Professional Behavior Analysts

May 3-5
Grapevine, TX

ABAI International Conference

October 6-8
Merida, Mexico

Gerontological Society of America

November 20-24
New Orleans, LA
Training in Grant Writing

Summer Institute on Aging Research
Location: Bethesda, MD
Date: July 14-19, 2013
Application Deadline: March 22, 2013
http://www.nia.nih.gov/summer-institute-aging-research-application

Summer Research Institute on Developing Behavioral Interventions
Location: Baltimore, MD
Date: June 12-14, 2013
http://www.ijhn.jhmi.edu/ContEd_Class.asp?id=SRIonBI2013
ABAI Behavioral Gerontology SIG
Dues & Membership

Please send your contact information and dues ($5/year) to Allison Jay (ajay@uccs.edu).

Dues can be paid in the form of cash (at the annual business meeting), money order, or through PayPal: bgsig.web@gmail.com.

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