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This has been a busy time for all of us, particularly trying with the record breaking winter we are having. Given all the stress that is involved with the weather and the regular demands of life, CSHA is so grateful for the ongoing work and professionalism of our volunteers-executive board members, committee chairs, and committee members. We continue to stay strong because of them. As we get going on this new year consider becoming an active member of CSHA. There is much to be done and it is ever so much easier with the support of others. I have many kudos to share:

- Thanks to Katrina Woodward and Swallowing Diagnostics for co-sponsoring our Spring Conference. We have many reasons to be grateful for the ongoing support offered by Katrina. Further, she is now our SMAC representative to ASHA-helping us to stay informed of issues regarding reimbursement and changing regulations.

- As always, Meghan Krodel is on top of legislative issues. It is shaping up to be an active session with a number of bills regarding reimbursement, treatment of autism and funding for hearing aids. The best way for any member to stay informed is to join the Legislative Affairs committee.

- Deni Van der Voort is forever on call as our Treasurer with multiple financial duties and oversight of our website payment system. We are very grateful for her efforts in acquiring a $2000 grant from the State Department of Education for our conference and for her attention and oversight of many issues facing our organization.

- Thanks to the State Department of Education for their generous grant which is helping to fund our conference.

- Our Hospital and Medical Speech Pathology committee, ably led by Cheryl Rowe, is on fire. The list serve is active with issues brought up almost daily-issues shared by many of us in healthcare. The committee meets regularly and tackles all issues relevant to Speech pathologists in Healthcare. The committee is growing. Remember, you must be a member of CSHA to join.

- Thanks to Ginny Weill for her meticulous attention to all things related to ASHA CEU’s. We are so grateful, as well, that she and Sara Burnham have agreed to run as Co-VP’s for Educational Programs for the current year.

- We have a full slate for the coming year’s elections. We are so grateful for their willingness to contribute and to be active in our organization.
  Ginny Weill and Sara Burnham for VP for Educational Programs
  Jean McCarthy for Secretary
  Liz Schoen for VP for Public Information

We are looking for a CEU Coordinator. Ginny has offered to assist in training. Please consider this as a good opportunity to contribute.
President’s Message-continued

- The School leadership Council is rapidly evolving and CSHA is proud to have this group join our ranks. Look for upcoming notices regarding meetings and agendas. Thanks to Julie Giaccone for her ongoing leadership.

- Our fall conference at The Farms was a great success. This is a new venue for us and we look forward to being there again in the fall. Thanks to Julie Zellner for her efforts in securing this site for us and assuring a pleasant experience for all.

- Rhea Paul stepped in as acting VP for Programs and we have her to thank for our fall conference. We’re not sure how she has enough hours in the day to do what she does but we thank her for stepping in at a difficult time. Many best wishes for success with the new program at Sacred Heart.

CSHA 2015 SPRING CONFERENCE
APRIL 24, 2014: COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT IN CROMWELL
PLEASE GO TO THE WEBSITE-REGISTRATION IS ON LINE.

“THE “CORE OF THE CORE”: USING STORY GRAMMAR MARKER TO SUPPORT STUDENTS IN MAKING GRADE-LEVEL COMMON CORE STATE STANDARD”

and

“STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS IN THE CHALLENGING REHAB WORLD.”

PLEASE JOIN US-REGISTRATION IS LIMITED.

NOW IS THE TIME TO RENEW YOUR CSHA MEMBERSHIP
OUR MEMBERSHIP YEAR IS FEBRUARY 1 THROUGH JANUARY 31
(CURRENT LIFE MEMBERS-PLEASE REMEMBER YOU MUST RENEW YOUR LIFE MEMBERSHIP EVERY YEAR.)
2015 US News and World Report: UCONN Speech Language Pathology Graduate Program ranked # 32 of 229!

CEU Opportunities:

New recorded webinar resource for off-campus supervisors (appropriate for AuD or SLP): “Audiology Student Supervision and Precepting” by Virginia Ramachandran, Henry Ford Hospital is a good overview of the various roles played by academic faculty, university clinical faculty and off-campus clinical educators as well as useful tips for supervision. [http://www.audiologyonline.com/audiology-ceus/course/audiology-student-supervision-and-precepting-24854](http://www.audiologyonline.com/audiology-ceus/course/audiology-student-supervision-and-precepting-24854)

Announcements:

Outreach:

Wendy Chase, SLP, Kristin Dilaj, AuD and Terry Yanaway, AuD just presented a workshop sponsored by the Early Childhood Hearing Outreach (ECHO) Initiative that was created by the National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management at Utah University. The goal of the initiative is to support evidenced-based hearing screenings in the birth to three population and now serves as a National Resource Center to update hearing screenings practices in Early Head Start (EHS) Programs. Updating screening protocols requires training and support in order to be successful as it relies upon the successful administration of otoacoustic emissions.

Current Research Spotlight:

“Effects of Sport-Related Concussion on Auditory Processing in University Athletes”

Julianne Ceruti, AuD/PhD student has just won a 2015 Travel Award from the American Auditory Society (AAS), a highly competitive award, sponsored by the NIDCD. She will present the research at AAS in Scottsdale AZ in March 2015. Julianne designed this project under the supervision of Dr. Frank Musiek (AuD) and Dr. Pradeep Ramanathan (SLP). This project is now being conducted by Stephanie Waryasz, Au.D. student, who has won one of the top five AAA student research forum awards for this project. She will present at the Student Research Forum at AudiologyNOW! 2015 in San Antonio, TX in March 2015.

In the study, university athletes were divided into low and high severity concussion groups. A variety of behavioral and electrophysiologic measures were administered to investigate the long term effects of sports-related...
Many Thanks

The Connecticut Speech and Hearing Foundation would like to thank the following individuals for their generous donations during 2014. Many of these donations were made in memory of our good friend and founder of CSHF **Meryl Aronin.** His passion for our profession and the people we serve was second to none. Please be assured that his family has been informed of your kindness and generosity. Help keep our mission alive by contributing again in 2015. **We apologize if your name has not been listed as it may have been entered as an anonymous donation on the CSHA website. We are most grateful.**

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REMEMBERING MARIE LOVE JOHNSON

Marie Love Johnson was a key CSHA member who will always be remembered. Please see the obituary below, as reported in the ASHA Leader. In the words of Vernice Jury, “She was a great person, a mighty force in CSHA, and a wonderful speech-language pathologist.” Dr. Love Johnson was President of CSHA from 1971-1975. She was an honored contributor to our organization.

Marie Love Johnson, 88, on Nov. 24, 2014, in Indianapolis. Johnson received a bachelor’s degree from Indiana University and a master’s degree from the University of Hartford. She was the first African American to receive a PhD in speech-language pathology from the University of Connecticut. Johnson began her career in the East Hartford public schools as the sole clinician in the school system. When she retired as director of the East Hartford speech and hearing program, she led a staff of 17 SLPs, a teacher of the deaf, and seven paraprofessionals. During her tenure as president of the Connecticut Speech-Language-Hearing Association, the state passed legislation mandating licensure for SLPs and audiologists in all work settings in Connecticut—the first state universal licensure law in the nation. As ASHA’s vice president for administration, she played a major role in the development of ASHA’s policies to promote the recruitment and retention of master’s-level clinicians from African-American and other ethnic minority backgrounds. Johnson was co-founder and chief executive officer of the Shadybrook Language and Learning Center, a summer residential experience for children with speech-language impairments.

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SEAL (State Education Advocacy Leader)
Julie Zellner

The mission of the state SEAL is to “enhance and perpetuate the advocacy, leadership, and clinical management skills of school-based ASHA members at the state and local levels to influence administrative and public policy decisions that affect the delivery of speech-language pathology and audiology services in school settings”.

On a recent conference call, ASHA wants its members and CSHA members to know about the Practice Portal available on the ASHA website. I am providing the link below:

http://www.asha.org/practice-portal/

This practice portal has vetted information for SLP’s and Audiologists on clinical and professional topics. Across the country, there are lots of conversations on the topic of caseload versus workload. There are worksheets available through ASHA to determine workload analysis.

Please be aware of the document related to the Effective Communication for Students with Hearing, Vision, or Speech Disabilities in Public Elementary Schools and Secondary Schools. This document was published by U.S. Department of Justice and U.S. Department of Education.

I highly encourage you to read this document. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 203-605-5114 or email me at srjaz@comcast.net.
The Connecticut Speech and Hearing Foundation

Lingui Systems – A Friend of the Foundation

The Connecticut Speech and Hearing Foundation CSHF has once again been the fortunate recipient of Lingui Systems annual donation of $1000. The company began this initiative in 2010 to support and recognize local speech and hearing foundations. To date the Foundation has received $5000.00 from this initiative. CSHF appreciates their generous support and we hope as consumers, you can recognize them with your patronage.

Thank you.

JoAnn Q. Forman, CSHF President

Dear Folks,

Well, you’ve done it again! Just when I have decided to stop collecting donations at the CSHA conferences, your generosity comes through again and I collect more money than last year. In the 2014 conferences, you donated more than $900.00 which is almost two scholarships. Thank you. As you know all the money we collect goes to scholarships for the (now) three graduate programs in Connecticut. So, as long as you keep being so generous, I’ll keep begging. I figure it might come in handy after I retire. So, again, the Foundation and the scholarship recipients thank you.

Fondly,
Sherrill Ellis
Join us for the **CSHA Early Childhood Committee’s Winter Meeting**

Monday, February 23rd at 6:45pm  
Southern CT State University  
Center for Communication Disorders  
Davis Hall, Room 18 C  
501 Crescent Street  
New Haven, CT  
The focus of our evening will be Apps & Apps

Bring along a few of your favorite I Pad apps to demonstrate and a snack to share (optional).

We will also use part of the meeting time to brainstorm possible topics and speakers for our spring meeting.

Please RSVP to Kriste so we can plan accordingly. Kristeslp@gmail.com

Also please let us know if there are any questions or topics you would like considered for the agenda.

Hope to see you there!
Prof. Emeritus David Luterman explains the grief reaction during his session on "Counseling in Communication Disorders" at 2014 CSHA Spring Conference.

CSHA members including Sherry Ellis and Lynn Lane concentrate during "happy hour" at Sean Sweeney's presentation at Spring 2014 conference.

Presenter Heather Warner answers questions at her "Update on Issues in Medical SLP" at 2014 CSHA Spring Conference.
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