



SOUND EXPRESSIONS

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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE



*Suzanne Miltich,
2006 ArkSHA President*

As I begin my year as ArkSHA President I am reminded of many things, including my first ArkSHA convention in 1991, which my husband and I attended the day after his move to Arkansas, and how impressed I was with the attendance, convention program, and friendly reception we received. I'm also reminded of the many opportunities our professions have in which to serve and the many situations in which I've practiced. I'd like to share some of those with you as a way of letting you know more about my background. I've practiced from Arkansas to Rhode Island, worked in an Easter Seals agency and in medically-oriented facilities; worked as a clinical supervisor and in home health and also in a rehabilitation agency as a manager and as a contract provider; taught at universities; engaged in private practice; coordinated an early special education program; and am now providing services in an elementary school. In many of these situations I've had the opportunity to work with other speech-language pathologists and with audiologists, as well as with professionals from other disciplines. Certainly my history as a speech-language pathologist is an example of the many opportunities that are available to us, and I think my diverse background helps me relate to and understand, the situations in which each of you practice. In addition, my husband, an audiologist, serves as my resident consultant regarding audiology and hearing services.

As ArkSHA embarks into 2006, I want this to be a year of working together to build a strong professional organization that supports its members in all of the situations in which they practice. In 2005 ArkSHA was

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Nominate your ArkSHA Board of Directors 2007

The Nominations and Elections Committee is actively seeking nominations for the 2007 ArkSHA Board. Who do you want to represent you on the Board of Directors? Do you know someone who has something to offer our professions? Perhaps you would like to sit on the Board. Nominate someone you know or even nominate yourself!

The Nominations and Elections Committee invites you to nominate someone for one of the Board positions that will be open in 2007. The following positions are open for election this coming year: President-elect, Vice President-elect of Continuing Education, Vice President of Audiology and Hearing Services, and Secretary. The Past President of the Association serves as chairman of this committee.

Email Nominations: cbflem@swbell.net

Send your nominations by mail:
Carol Fleming
815 Coulter Road
Sherwood, AR 72120-5919.
Call Nominations to: (501) 590-1702.

When nominating someone, please be sure they are willing to serve. The committee will contact them with further information. Please make your nominations as soon as possible.

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instrumental in passing the salary supplement legislation for school-based speech-language pathologists. We will work to secure funding for this legislation during the next legislative session, whether that is a special legislative session this year or next year's regular session. ArkSHA recently established a State Advisory Board to address recruitment and retention of SLP's in the public schools, and SLP's will be working this year with other stakeholders such as special educators, principals, superintendents, and OT's and PT's to develop an action plan for this purpose. In 2006 an ArkSHA priority is to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates and we'll be working with Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy state organizations in a joint effort to effect this change.

In April ArkSHA's Board of Directors will retreat to develop a strategic plan for our association, working with Stan Dublinske, ASHA's Senior Advisor for Planning. I'm excited about this opportunity for our association and will keep you informed of the plans as they develop and how you can be involved.

Indeed, we've already begun a year of working together, and we hope you'll join us in these efforts. Renew your ArkSHA membership early this year so you too can participate. Become a committee member by completing the Committee Pool Data form or by contacting a board member to let them know of your interest. Join us June 10 on beautiful Petit Jean Mountain for the Leadership Conference we've scheduled. Come to learn more about ArkSHA and how you can serve as a board member—and to enjoy the view!

I am honored to be your ArkSHA President for 2006. A long succession of fine professionals has served in this position, and I'm grateful for their examples of leadership. I look forward to a year of working together with both members and the Board to continue ArkSHA's tradition of excellence.

Suzanne

Job Opportunity!

Needed: A part-time Speech Pathologist for office in Fort Smith

Contact: Susie Moore, Director of HR
Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care
2201 Brooken Hill Drive
Fort Smith, AR 72918-0001
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Speech Pathology Services

Brandi Nixon, M.S., CCC-SLP

Vice President for Speech Pathology Services

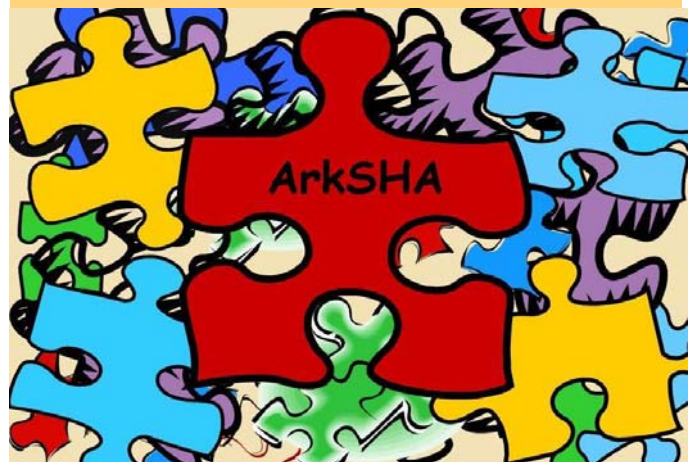
As quoted by Aristotle, "Well begun is half done." We are off to a great start with the passing of Act 1187, which became effective on July 1, 2005. This Act states that the Speech Pathology Certificate of Clinical Competence is comparable to National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Although the passage of this Act is a great beginning, our work is far from over – Act 1187 was **not funded**. There have been reports that a special session may be called to address public school funding; however, that has yet to be determined. In an effort to be proactive, I am challenging each and every one of you to take a stand for your profession by contacting your representatives and senators to ask for their support if and when a special session is called. A special session to address educational funding is the perfect opportunity for Speech Language Pathologists to seek equitable reimbursement and secure appropriations for Act 1187. As members of your professional organization, it is important that you educate the legislators about the importance of the work Speech Language Pathologists do, and the long-lasting impact such work has upon students.

Remember...COMMUNICATION is the key to success!

Save the date!

October 26 & 27, 2006

Hot Springs Convention Center &
Embassy Suites



ArkSHA Convention 2006:

Working Together

More details to come...

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2005 7:30 a.m.

Hot Springs Convention Center

Board members present at the meeting included: Carol Fleming, DeAndra Gibson, Jennifer Fisher, Charlie Palmer, Suzanne Miltich, Jeff Adams, Beckie Weaver, Donna Fisher Smiley and Amy Shollenbarger. Also present were Randy and Nancy Martinsen, ARKSHA administrators.

President Carol Fleming called the meeting to order at 7:35 am.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Amy Shollenbarger presented the minutes from the August 2005 board meeting. Jeff Adams made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Charlie seconded. The minutes were approved as corrected.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Past President
DeAndra Gibson

Nominations and Election Committee

DeAndra presented the nominees for officers needed for ArkSHA in 2006. They are as follows:

President Elect – Dr. Laura Smith-Olinde, Vice-President Elect of Continuing Education – Colleen Allen, Treasurer – Linda Edwards, and Vice President for Speech-Language Pathology – Brandi Nixon. Jeff Adams moved that the proposed slate of officers be accepted. DeAndra seconded. The motion carried.

Honors and Awards Committee

Honors and Awards were given at the Reception during the ArkSHA convention. Awards recipients were as follows:

Honors of the Association – Carol Fleming, Brandi Nixon, Kay Hall

Louis M. DiCarlo Award for Clinical Achievement: Tracy Pate

Frank R. Kleffner Clinical Career Award: Jane LeBlanc

2004-2005 Poster Ambassador: Heidi Courtway

2005 Certificates of Appreciation: Representative Betty Pickett, Senator Shane Broadway, Mike Mitchell, Marcia Harding, Jeff Adams, Jane Willard

Marketing Committee

The Marketing Committee received pictures from the Governor's office and copies were sent to Heidi Courtway, the 2004-2005 Poster Ambassador, and her family.

President Elect
Suzanne Miltich

Membership Committee

Suzanne moved that Shay Renfro, Amanda Norris, and Amy Vinson be accepted for student membership, and

Lori Gott be accepted for full membership. DeAndra seconded. The motion carried.

Suzanne reported that 39 student members, 28 full members, and 2 associate members were accepted for membership via an email vote by the board.

Treasurer
Rick Neeley

Treasurer's Report

In Rick's absence, his written report was available for Board review; no actions were taken regarding his report.

Amy Burris, from UA, was the ArkSHA scholarship recipient at the convention.

Secretary
Amy Shollenbarger

Archives and History Committee

The committee formed includes Amy Shollenbarger, CCC-SLP, Christy Douglas, CCC-SLP, and Shelly Weir, CCC-SLP.

Publications Committee

The committee is made up of: Amy Shollenbarger, CCC-SLP, Christy Douglas, CCC-SLP, and Shelly Weir, CCC-SLP. The next newsletter will go out after the ASHA convention in November 2005.

Vice President for Audiology Services

Charlie Palmer

Charlie reported that five state legislators from Arkansas visited the American Academy of Audiology booth at the National Conference of State Legislators in Seattle, WA. He contacted the legislators and thanked them for showing interested in the work audiologists do in the state of Arkansas.

Vice President for Speech-Language Pathology Services

Jeff Adams

Jeff continues to maintain contact with Medicaid and AFMC regarding therapy issues. He reported that he is gathering information about Medicaid's interest in developing guidelines for the provision of speech and language services in Spanish speaking Arkansans.

Vice President for Continuing Education

Margie Gilbertson

Margie did not attend the Board meeting.

Board Meeting Minutes continued

Vice President Elect for Continuing Education Jennifer Fisher

Jennifer reported that the ArkSHA convention was registered with ASHA and approved for continuing education credit. Our ArkSHA convention information was placed on the ASHA and CSAP websites. Jennifer also reported that the 2006 ArkSHA convention dates are Oct. 26-27, 2006.

Legislative Council Donna Fisher Smiley & Beckie Weaver

Donna and Beckie are going to attend the Legislative Council meeting at the ASHA convention in San Diego in November, 2005.

Association Lobbyist Mike Mitchell

Mike was unable to attend the Board meeting. His report was available for the board to review. No actions were taken regarding his report.

ASHA SEAL

Kay did not attend the meeting. She submitted her reports for discussion by the board.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Kay Hall, the ASHA SEAL, asked the board to discuss a state advocacy group. Carol Fleming and Kay Hall already serve on this group. 10 other states have this work group. The purpose of the group is to provide a grassroots effort to deal with legislative issues in the state. The group will include parents, therapists, and professionals. Carol Fleming will meet with Eileen Crow from ASHA to get more information about the group.

Suzanne Miltich reported that the ArkSHA board will have a training with Stan Dublinski on April 21-22, 2006.

Suzanne also reported that there will be a leadership training June 10, 2006. The Board will meet with any interested ArkSHA members.

Jeff Adams asked for the appointment of two ArkSHA members to represent the association in developing an initiative to address reimbursement rates with Arkansas Medicaid. Suzanne moved that the VP for Speech-Language Pathology and Cheri Stevenson form an Ad Hoc committee for Medicaid reimbursement issues. DeAndra seconded. The board approved the motion.

DeAndra Gibson moved to adjourn the meeting. Jennifer Fisher seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Nominate your ArkSHA 2007 Poster Ambassador

ArkSHA Poster Ambassador

It is that time again - Time for our membership to nominate individuals to be the 2006 ArkSHA Poster Ambassador! The Nominations and Elections committee encourages you to submit nominations of clients or students that should be recognized for this distinguished honor. You may consider someone who has made significant gains in therapy, someone who has overcome insurmountable odds, or someone who is irresistible, charming, full of charisma and adorable. Nominees can be any age. Just think how nice it would be to have two ambassadors - both an adult ambassador as well as a child/adolescent ambassador.

You may email your nominations to cbflem@swbell.net or send your nominations by mail to Carol Fleming at 815 Coulter Road, Sherwood, AR 72120-5919. Be sure to state in your nomination the reason your client/student should be considered for recognition along with their communication disorder diagnosis. Include contact information for both you and the client. All nominations should be received no later than March 31, 2006. This will allow for the selection process to be completed in time for "May is Better Hearing and Speech Month" proclamation.



Pictured: Last year's poster ambassador, Heidi Courtway. Heidi lives in Conway with her parents, Claudia and John Courtway. She was nominated by her speech-language pathologist, Sharon Ross, who began working with her in 2001.

Recent ASHA Legislative Council Meeting San Diego

Arkansas Legislative Councilors: Donna Fisher Smiley and Rebecca Weaver

The ASHA Legislative Council met during the recent ASHA convention in San Diego (November, 2005). Here are some of the highlights from that meeting:

The entire Legislative Council made the following decisions:

- **Approved the ASHA 2006 budget** In September, 2005 the Legislative Council voted to suspend (for 2006 only) the balanced budget provision of LC 21-93 in order that ASHA might be able to provide some support to members who were affected by recent catastrophic disasters (i.e. hurricanes). This budgeted deficit was not to exceed \$150,000. An example of how ASHA might assist its members in affected areas will be to waive membership dues. The ASHA National Office staff will try to find ways to reduce the proposed deficit with a goal of balancing the 2006 budget. However, if there is a shortfall, the ASHA reserves would be reduced by that amount in the year-end financial statement.
- **Passed a resolution to change the charge to the Council for Clinical Certification (CFCC) in Audiology and Speech Pathology** so that they might be able to address the issue of the consequences of failing to comply with the new certification maintenance standards
- **Passed a resolution to offer graduate student membership discounts** to full and part-time students.
- **Passed a resolution to restructure the Legislative Council committees** to improve efficiency and effectiveness.

In addition to voting on these policies, the Legislative Council heard a report from the outgoing ASHA President, Dolores Battle. The Speech Language Pathology/Speech Language Sciences Assembly and the Audiology/Hearing Sciences Assembly met. Dr. Weaver participated in the SLP/SLS Assembly, while Dr. Smiley participated in the A/HS Assembly.

A few items that may be of interest to ASHA members include the "Share Your Stories Project" and ProSearch. The Share Your Stories Project is a new initiative of the ASHA Public Relations Department. They are seeking human interest stories related to our professions to share with the media and the public. Do you have a unique and compelling story you would like to share? All you need to do is email a brief synopsis of it along with your contact information to dplesh@asha.org. ProSearch is a free client-referral service exclusively for professionals with ASHA certification in speech-language pathology, audiology or both. ProSearch can be accessed by the public online at www.asha.org/findpro. Clients can also obtain a ProSearch referral by contacting ASHA's Action Center HELPLINE. But you aren't listed in this database unless you register. You may register online at www.asha.org/findpro/join. These are just a few of the things that ASHA is doing for you.

ArkSHA Leadership Conference 2006

It's back!! The ArkSHA Board of Directors will be conducting a 2006 Leadership Conference for ArkSHA members the afternoon of June 10, 2006.

More information regarding place and time will be published at a later date. Lunch will be provided at the start of the Conference. **If you are interested in becoming a board member or seeking re-election, you are encouraged to attend!**

Interested members should contact, Suzanne Miltich at (479) 925-6275 or email her at suzanne@dhsc.com.

Audiology and Hearing Services

Charlie Palmer

ArkSHA Vice President

Audiology and Hearing Services

Well, here we are in the doldrums of legislative issues concerning audiology. Having said that, let's recap a couple of important items that should be big talking points of 2006.

Currently H.R. 414 proposed by Rep. Jim Ryun (R-KS) has 89 co-sponsors as of December 7, 2005 and is presently in the House Ways and Means Committee. To review, this bill is the Hearing Aid Assistance Tax Credit that was introduced in January of last year. Also introduced by Rep. Ryun is H.R. 415 or the "Hearing Health Accessibility Act" that is currently referred to the Sub-committee on Health. It has 45 co-sponsors and is an amendment to title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for direct access to audiologists for Medicare beneficiaries.

I think what is most interesting about the "Hearing Health Accessibility Act" is that this proposal comes at the same time that CMS is looking to cut audiometric reimbursement rates quite drastically in 2006. CMS's proposed fees do not recognize that hearing and balance services include "physician work". Physician work means that CMS views our services as not requiring any patient management. CMS assumes that we only perform a test and then turn over the results to the physician for interpretation and patient counseling, as I mentioned last month. My point? On one hand we have active legislation that supports the autonomy of the audiology profession as believing that we are qualified to provide hearing healthcare without a direct physician referral, while on the other hand government reimbursement will be cut with the argument that we can't function without our hands being held by a physician.

My fear is that with both of these issues occurring at the same time, independence may come at a steep financial cost. Apparently we are completely capable of providing healthcare services, just so long as we don't get paid for them.

Treasurer's Report

Linda Edwards

ArkSHA Treasurer

ArkSHA finances as of November 30, 2005

Simmons Checking Account \$55,099.23

Simmons Main CD \$50,000.00

Simmons Scholarship CD \$20,000.00

Simmons Emergency CD \$6,573.50

Total Assets \$131,672.73

Convention:

Convention Income: \$68,106.00

Convention Cost: \$30,449.68

Total Convention Profit: \$37,656.32

One of the professional goals I set as a graduate student was to take an active role in our state association. I am honored to be able to do that by serving on the ArkSHA Board as Treasurer for the next two years. I am looking forward to working with all the members of the Board and learning much more about our Association and how it runs from year to year.

It has been a difficult year for many organizations that rely on funding from members as we do. With the tragedies of the hurricanes in our neighboring states and with the soaring gas prices last summer, our organization is still feeling the strains. Many people have had to cut personal spending. Unfortunately, ArkSHA dues may have been cut from personal budgets. I hope that in the next two years we can recover by increasing our number of members and by increasing the donations to our scholarship funds.

Our annual budget meeting will be held by the end of January. At this time, the Budget Committee reviews last year's spending and plans for this year. I welcome any comments you may have about ArkSHA finances. My e-mail address is lindae@uca.edu.



2006 ArkSHA CONVENTION CALL FOR PAPERS / PRESENTER INFO / MODERATORS

The Program Committee will use this information to review and select quality programs for the 2006 ArkSHA Convention
October 26-27, 2006

It is imperative that the form be complete. If your proposal is accepted for presentation, convention registration is required

 PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATION **STUDENT PRESENTATION**

PRESENTATION TITLE (maximum of 10 words):

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTERS must submit the following by email:

- Narrative Abstract (50 to 75 words) - to be used in the Convention Program
- Brief Bio - to be used in the Convention Program
- Current Resume
- Minimum of 3 Learning Objectives

For presentations with multiple presenters, a separate form with all information must be submitted for each presenter.

Mail this form to: [Jennifer Fisher, 12 Hartwell Place, Searcy, AR 72143](mailto:jenniferfisher@swbell.net)

AND

Email attachments to: jenniferfisher@swbell.net

Send in Microsoft Word format with an email subject line saying "ArkSHA Speaker"

SPECIFY: 1 Hour Mini-Seminar 1.5 Mini-Seminar Poster/

STUDENT PRESENTERS must submit a narrative abstract of 50 to 75 words.

School: _____

Professor: _____

Mail this form to: [Jennifer Fisher, 12 Hartwell Place, Searcy, AR 72143](mailto:jenniferfisher@swbell.net)

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Email attachments to: jenniferfisher@swbell.net

Send in Microsoft Word format with an email subject line saying "ArkSHA Speaker"

STUDENT PRESENTATIONS WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE STUDENT RESEARCH FORUM ON FRIDAY 10/27/2006

DEADLINE FOR ALL PRESENTER APPLICATIONS - MAY 15, 2006.

MODERATOR - Moderators are responsible for introducing presenters, helping with handouts, and distributing CEU/CPE information. *Please ask a friend to moderate your presentation and complete the information below:*

Name: _____ SLP A A/SLP CCC Ph.D. Ed.U.

Circle All That Apply

Employer: _____

Complete Mailing Address: _____

Daytime Phone: () _____ Home Phone: () _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

Clinician's Corner: Strategies for Coping with AFMC Denials: A Private Provider's Perspective

This Clinician's Corner is written by Christy Austin Lemmons of Northeast Arkansas. Lemmons has owned her own private practice for over 9 years.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 provides entitlement to language treatment for children with diagnosed disabilities. The Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care (AFMC) has been discriminating against children with disabilities by denying reimbursement for language therapy services. A therapist's informed clinical opinion is essential in the determination of the efficacy of language treatment. As of January 1, 2003, AFMC began ignoring informed clinical opinion. Arkansas Medicaid had such an influx of complaints about AFMC that they now have hired an additional group of individuals to review AFMC's denials. How much more money could be dedicated to children with disabilities if AR Medicaid could eliminate unnecessary reviews by AFMC? In my opinion and from observation, AFMC is forcing exceptional private practitioners out of business. Even when denials are overturned, therapists are under mountains of paperwork, scrutiny, and stress. AFMC's methods of review are not preventing Medicaid fraud. In actuality, I believe that they promote fraudulent claims. While I agree that therapists must be held accountable for treatment, I also believe that AR Medicaid needs to find a more cost effective, efficient, and friendly method of accountability for both the provider and the patient. By constantly threatening to recoup funds for services rendered, AFMC is denying children the rights to which they are entitled.

I have been asked to share resources that have proven beneficial in the overturning of AFMC denials.

- Speak with Jarrod McClain at AFMC each time a denial is received. Mr. McClain will be able to provide pertinent information regarding your denial. Speaking with Mr. McClain ensures that no pertinent information is overlooked. His number is (479) 649-8501 ext. 292.
- Document the date and time of each conversation regarding the denial. Name the individual with whom you spoke, and make note pertaining to the conversation. This process provides credibility.

- If unsuccessful when dealing with AFMC, contact

Cheryl Freeman with Medicaid at (501) 682-8472. She oversees peer reviews. Ms. Freeman has been extremely helpful.

- If the above procedures fail, contact your Congressman. I now have one patient whose file has congressional recognition due to denials by AFMC. Our Congressmen have been more than willing to invoke whatever means necessary to ensure that individuals with disabilities are not denied the rights to which they are entitled by Federal law.
- At any time, you may have the patient or patient's guardian appeal a denial. Patients may contact Jarrod McClain with AFMC or Wayne Davis with the Department of Human Services (DHS) office of appeals and hearings at (501) 682-8622, P.O. Box 1437-Slot N401, Little Rock, AR 72203-1437.
- Contact David Ivers, ArkSHA attorney. Sarah Israel, the previous ArkSHA attorney compiled cases using complaints from numerous therapists. When AFMC was claiming that reviewed files were selected via random sampling, I sent documentation highlighting patients whose files had been audited for six consecutive quarters. Consequently, AFMC has been limited to one audit per patient per year.
- You may also wish to attend open meetings with AFMC and Medicaid.

Dealing with AFMC denials has been extremely time consuming. However, involving said resources has proven effective. I believe that we need to be persistent in dealing with AFMC to retain the funds that we have earned. **Don't let AFMC deny your patients the treatment to which they are entitled.**

If you have further questions please contact:
Christy Austin Lemmons
(870) 236-4783

I M P O R T A N T !
2006 Membership Fees
are due
February 15, 2006

Membership renewal forms were sent in December. Review the information on the renewal form and return the form (with any corrections) to ArkSHA before February 15th to avoid the

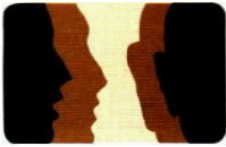
\$10 reinstatement fee.

You may also complete the renewal form in this newsletter and send it with your payment to the ArkSha office.

ArkSHA membership brings many benefits. Continue your membership to take advantage of what ArkSHA has to offer.

WANTED: Speech-Language Pathologists, School-Based

Looking for a change? Columbus Educational Services has career opportunities coast-to-coast for the 2006-07 school year! Positions for CFYs and SLPs are now available in Baltimore, MD, West Central Florida and Long Beach, California school districts. We offer competitive salaries from \$50,000 to \$75,000 per year, as well as relocation assistance, sign-on bonus and full comprehensive benefit package! Learn more about all of our career opportunities at www.columbusorg.com , or email us at recruit@columbusorg.com.



Arkansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association

2006 Membership Renewal / Directory Information Form

PLEASE PRINT NEATLY

**Please mail with a check payable to ArkSHA to:
ArkSHA, P.O. Box 250261, Little Rock, AR 72225**

- _____ **\$50 for FULL Membership** (*Master's Degree or Higher*) SLP AUD
- _____ **\$45 for ASSOCIATE Membership** (*Undergraduate Degree or Allied Profession*)
- _____ **\$25 for STUDENT Membership** (*Full-time Enrollment in Speech Language Pathology or Audiology*)
(*Estimated Date of Graduation* _____)

If renewing after February 15, 2006, please include an additional \$10.00 late fee.

Legal Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name/Initial: _____

Prior/Maiden Name if previously used for ArkSHA membership: _____

Arkansas License Number(s): SLP# _____ A# _____ Public School Cert./Lic.:

Degree: _____ Certification: _____ Graduated From: _____

Work Setting: School University Rehabilitation Clinic Hospital Other

Employment Information

Employer: _____
Company/School - Department

Business Address: (Physical or P.O. Box - Not Both) _____

Business City: _____ Business State: _____ Business Zip (+4 Required): _____ - _____

Business Phone: () _____ Business Fax: () _____

Home or Mailing Address for mailed ArkSHA materials (since you may change employers)

Same as Business Contact Information

Mailing Address: (Physical or P.O. Box - Not Both) _____

Mailing City: _____ Mailing State: _____ Mailing Zip (+4 Required): _____ - _____

Phone: () _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

I have enclosed an additional \$ _____ for the Scholarship Fund.

In Memory In Honor of: _____



Membership dues are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes, but may be deductible as a business expense (except for 21% which is spent on governmental affairs)

Arkansas Speech-Language-Hearing Association

COMMITTEE POOL FORM

Name: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Mail to: ArkSHA, P.O. Box 250261, Little Rock, AR 72225 or Fax to: (501) 244-2333

I would like to participate in the following:

COMMITTEES

- ___ Archives & History ___ Membership
___ Convention ___ Nominations & Elections
___ Honors & Awards ___ Professional Practices
___ Marketing/Recruitment ___ Publications

CONVENTION

- ___ Association Luncheon ___ Hospitality
___ Audio/Visuals ___ Moderators
___ Evening Entertainment ___ Student Research Forum
___ Exhibitors ___ Registration

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- 1. Please check the area(s) listed below in which you feel you have achieved competency, have specialized training, or have extended interest.
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___ Autism ___ Professional Voice Development
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___ Cochlear Implants ___ Tracheotomy
___ Dementia Management ___ Traumatic Brain Injury - Adult
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___ Dysphagia - Pediatric ___ Voice Disorders - Adult
___ Hearing Impairment ___ Voice Disorders - Pediatric
___ Laryngectomy Rehabilitation ___ Other: _____

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