ArkSHA 2017 Convention
October 11 - 13
Embassy Suites & Hot Springs Convention Center

Early Registration Deadline: Sept. 11th!

50/50 Scholarship Drawing

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Message from the President

Jeff Adams, EdD, CCC-SLP

Welcome to the 2017 ArkSHA Convention in beautiful Hot Springs National Park! ArkSHA’s Vice President for Continuing Education and Convention Chair, Alicia Davidson, has worked diligently to provide this exciting and diverse line-up of professional development to help you “Unlock Your Superpower”. Being the ArkSHA Convention Chair truly requires superpowers, and Alicia and her committee of volunteers have risen to the challenge of coordinating the premier continuing education event for audiologists and speech-language pathologists in Arkansas.

The word “Unlock” in the title of this year’s convention reminds me of a famous quote by Ralph Waldo Emerson that says, “Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered, you will never grow”. Lifelong learning is important for each of us, and this year’s convention offers something for everyone. I encourage you to use the 2017 convention as a catalyst to explore areas of potential growth and preparation in your professional practice.

In addition to continued learning, my hope is that the convention will help you network with new colleagues and reconnect with old friends. Take some time to reflect and honor those who have influenced your career, and consider honoring those individuals with a contribution to the newly named Betty Bass Student Scholarship Fund. Make a step towards more involvement in ArkSHA either through service on the Board of Directors or an ArkSHA committee. Collectively, our superpowers can advance the professions forward and strengthen the impact that we have throughout The Natural State.

You may donate to the Betty Bass Scholarship when registering for the convention, or online at www.arksha.org/scholarship

Message from the VP of Continuing Education

Alicia Davidson, MCD, CCC-SLP

On behalf of ArkSHA, it is my privilege to sincerely invite each of you to this year’s ArkSHA Convention where we hope you are able to Unlock Your Superpower. The goal of this convention is that each speech-language pathologist and audiologist leaves with a renewed sense of confidence in their skills as current knowledge is obtained. As professionals in the fields of audiology and speech-language pathology, we have the privilege of working with a very diverse population. It is our desire that professionals leave with new skills that allow them to grow in their current areas of expertise as well as to equip professionals with new skills that will improve and enhance their current service delivery. We have an exciting lineup of featured presenters as well as sessions offered by our local colleagues to provide insight and information on topics that are pertinent in our current situations. Continuing education hours will be approved by ASHA and the ADE for attendees. As handouts are provided by the presenters, they will be available either for download on the ArkSHA website or as an advance purchase with your convention registration. Folders will be provided upon check-in to assist you in tracking your attended sessions as well as providing session evaluations and convention feedback.

We are excited that the convention will be held in the beautiful town of Hot Springs again this year. We hope that you enjoy this year’s convention. It was organized by a group of hard working professionals who have a desire to bring quality continuing education to you. Additionally, we would love for each of you to find a way to connect with ArkSHA in the coming year. Please take the time to renew your membership or become a first time member to your state organization. If you have the desire to ensure that quality continuing education opportunities are consistently available in your home state, we hope you will consider volunteering your time to help with the 2018 convention. We look forward to seeing you in Hot Springs as you Unlock Your Superpower.
2017 ArkSHA Convention At-A-Glance

Program and Speakers subject to change.

All abstracts, learning objectives and speaker disclosures can be found on the ArkSHA website, www.arksha.org.

Wednesday, October 11

3:00-4:00  ArkSHA Annual Business Meeting

4:00-5:30  Registration - Grand Lobby

5:30-8:30  Perry Flynn, MEd, CCC-SLP
The SLP's role in the Arkansas Educational Standards While Providing Educationally Relevant Service Delivery

6:00-8:00  STUDENT Reality Roundtable
Conversation with practicing audiologists and speech-language pathologists.

Thursday, October 12

7:30  Registration - Grand Lobby

7:30-6:00  Exhibits - Grand Lobby

8:00-9:30  Awards Ceremony & Opening Session
Marilee Fini, MA, CCC-SLP
Your Briefcase with Superpowers for a Day in Speech Pathology & Audiology

9:30-10:00  Break

10:00-1:00  Featured Presentations
Marilee Fini, MA, CCC-SLP
Breaking the Silence of a Communication Disorder
Elizabeth Walker, PhD, CCC-A/SLP
Monica Purdy, MA, CCC-SLP
Oral Placement Therapy to Improve Speech Clarity
Ashlen Thomason, PhD, CCC-SLP
Stuttering Assessment Techniques: Beyond Dots & Slashes
Towino Paramby, CScD, CCC-SLP; BCS-S
Unlocking Medical SLP’s Super Power – A Crash Course in Adult Dysphagia Evaluation

1:00-2:00  Lunch

2:00-5:30  Featured Presentations (will include 30 min. break)
Marilee Fini, MA, CCC-SLP
Building Connections with our Clients, Students & Colleagues
Elizabeth Walker, PhD, CCC-A/SLP
Remote Microphone Systems for Preschool-Age Children who are Hard of Hearing: Access, Utilization and Impact on Language Acquisition
Monica Purdy, MA, CCC-SLP
Oral Placement Therapy to Improve Feeding
Ashlen Thomason, PhD, CCC-SLP
Stuttering Therapy Workshop
Towino Paramby, CScD, CCC-SLP; BCS-S
Unlocking Medical SLP’s Super Power – A Crash Course in Adult Dysphagia Treatment

5:30-7:00  Scholarship Fundraising Social
Embassy Suites

Friday, October 13

7:30-12:00  Exhibits - Grand Lobby

8:00-10:00  Professional Presentations
Perry Flynn, MEd, CCC-SLP
Advocacy, Leadership, and Volunteerism: Strategies for Member Success
Pamela Rowe, MA, CCC-SLP
Implementing An Evidence-Based Oral Pathology Screening in your Oral Mech Exam
LeeAnn Griffith, MS, CCC-SLP
Kelly Long, NBCT
Redefining Collaboration: Reaching Students with Language Disorders and Learning Difficulties
Gretchen Hicks, MS, CCC-SLP
Ruth Eyres, MSE, NBCT
To Puberty and Beyond: Self-Awareness, Safety and Social Skills
Mary Ellen Nevins, EdD
Donna Fisher Smiley, PhD, CCC-A
Lana Eggleston, MA, CCC-SLP
It Takes a Village: Why your Clinical Supervision Matters

10:00-10:15  Break

10:15-11:15  Professional Presentations
Betholyn Gentry, PhD, CCC-SLP
Chenell Loudermill, PhD, CCC-SLP
Change Is Good: Transitioning from Adolescence to Adulthood with ASD
Kamela Rowland, MS, CCC-SLP
Empowering You: Understanding our Roles & Responsibilities in the Schools
Dana Moser, PhD, CCC-SLP
Eli Skelton, BS
Empowering Persons with Aphasia through Photovoice
Cheris Fraley, MA, CCC-SLP
Stretch Your Knowledge of Telepractice: Service Delivery, Regulation, Reimbursement

11:15-12:30  Student Presentations*
Carley Hill; Hannah Harris, Ella Corrine McDaniel

11:30-12:30  Professional Presentations
Betsy Clifford, MHS, CCC-SLP
AAC: Putting Aided Language Input into Practice
Rachel Glade, PhD, CCC-SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT
Ellie Cooper, MS, CCC-SLP; Shayne Brown
Why Does Audition Matter?
Eldon G. Schulz, MD
Community Based Autism Liaison Training (CoBALT) in AR: Update
Jeff Adams, EdD, CCC-SLP & Melodee Owens, MS, CCC-SLP
Cheri Stevenson, MS, CCC-SLP
Unlocking the Superpower of Collaboration: Medicaid Reform in Arkansas

* Student presentation titles & abstracts can be found on the ArkSHA website.
Featured Convention Speakers

Perry Flynn, MEd, CCC-SLP, is the ASHA Vice-President for Planning, Consultant to the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction in the area of Speech-Language Pathology and a professor in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at UNCG. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Special Olympics North Carolina, a PATH certified therapeutic horseback riding instructor and an Operation Smile volunteer.

Marilee Fini, MA, CCC-SLP, is a practicing Speech Pathologist and has been running her own private practice, MLF Speech Therapy in Cleveland, OH. In her practice, she primarily works with children and adults who stutter. In addition, Marilee serves as an adjunct professor at South University and Lakeland College where she teaches public speaking courses. Marilee has been a professional speaker for over 16 years and has traveled across the U.S., presenting to many diverse audiences on stuttering. Marilee sheds a unique light on the subject of stuttering since she has spent most of her life dealing with her own stuttering. Marilee was awarded the “Annie Glenn National Leadership Award - Best Practices in Speech-Language Pathology” given to her by The Ohio State University Department of Speech and Hearing Services in recognition for excellence in leadership in the field of Speech Pathology and dedication to individuals who stutter.

Elizabeth Walker, PhD, CCC-A/SLP, is an assistant professor in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at the University of Iowa. Her research focuses on pediatric aural habilitation, specifically examining malleable factors that relate to individual differences in speech perception and language outcomes for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. For the past few years, she has been an investigator on several NIH-funded research grants, including the University of Iowa Cochlear Implant project, Outcomes of Children with Hearing Loss study, and Complex Listening in School Age Children who are Hard of Hearing.

Towino Paramby, CScD, CCC-SLP, BCS-S, is an assistant professor at the University of Central Arkansas (UCA) and works as a medical speech-language pathologist at the University of Arkansas Medical Science (UAMS) hospital. He is a Board-Certified Specialist in Swallowing and Swallowing Disorders. His research interests include normal/abnormal swallowing and voice disorders. His clinical interests included normal/abnormal swallowing in adults, aging population and complex end of life decision-making.

Ashlen Thomason, PhD, CCC-SLP, is a member of the outpatient speech pathology team at Arkansas Children’s Hospital. She is a graduate of the Arkansas Consortium for the PhD in Communication Sciences and Disorders with a major in stuttering and minor in cleft palate. Ashlen is an adjunct instructor for the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences/University of Arkansas at Little Rock Department of Audiology and Speech Pathology graduate program teaching Fluency Disorders and supervising student clinicians. She is the director of the Arkansas Stuttering Network, a non-profit organization designed to elevate the level of care available to Arkansans who stutter.

Monica Purdy, MA, CCC-SLP, is a graduate of Ball State University with more than 14 years of professional experience. Monica specializes in helping children with special needs to communicate. Located in Indianapolis, Monica is the owner of Kids Abilities Pediatric Therapy- Indianapolis. Kids Abilities provides speech, occupational therapy and physical therapy for children. The majority of Monica’s experience is in outpatient therapy, specifically working with children from 0 to 21 years. For the past two years Monica has focused on children from birth to three years. Monica’s goal is to find whatever means is necessary to enable children to communicate. Monica is PROMPT and SOS-trained, familiar with sign language, and very well-versed in the use of augmentative devices. She finds augmentative device use in conjunction with Oral Placement Therapy (OPT) techniques to be particularly effective. Monica is truly passionate about Oral Placement Therapy. Monica has been invited to speak at numerous conventions and seminars across the U.S. and internationally. Monica has also lectured on the subject of Oral Placement Therapy in over 13 countries around the world.

Please Note:
ArkSHA will NOT be preapproving sessions with AAA. If you would like AAA credit, please contact the ArkSHA office at 501-244-0621 ASAP on how to proceed.

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CALL FOR 2017 BETTY BASS STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

As the 2017-2018 academic year approaches, one of the greatest stressors for many students enrolled in Communication Sciences and Disorders graduate programs is figuring out how to pay for their education. You don’t have to look far to find headlines about how the cost of higher education has significantly surpassed that of inflation over the past two decades.

For one ArkSHA graduate student member, some of the rising costs will be offset by receiving the 2017 Betty Bass Student Scholarship. To be considered for this award, the applicant must be enrolled in a Communication Sciences and Disorders graduate program in Arkansas, and be an Arkansas resident. Additional and more specific guidelines can be obtained from the ArkSHA website: www.arksha.org

The deadline for the receipt of application materials is October 1, 2017.

For more information, please contact ArkSHA at (501) 244-0621 or arksha@arksha.org

Convention Highlights

ArkSHA’S ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
Wednesday, October 11, 3:00 pm

Join the ArkSHA Board of Directors and fellow members for the Association’s Annual Business Meeting. The 2018 slate of officers will be presented.

OPENING SESSION & AWARDS CEREMONY
Thursday, October 12
8:00 am - 9:30 am

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER & SOCIAL
Thursday, October 12
Embassy Suites Grand Salon
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

50/50 Drawing • Silent Auction
Appetizers • Cocktails • Networking

EXHIBITS
Thursday, 7:30 am - 6:00 pm & Friday, 7:30 am - Noon

...AND MUCH MORE!!

NEW in 2017 for STUDENTS

REALITY ROUNDTABLE
Wednesday, October 11
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

You’ve got questions, we’ve got answers. Find the keys to unlocking your superpower by engaging in conversations over cocoa with practicing Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists. Come chat with us!

John Halloran: Center for AAC & Autism
Speaking Technology

Cliff Franklin: UA-LR/UAMS
Hearing Technology

Amy Chandler: Former UAMS Therapy Manager
Hospital setting/Acute care

Mary Ellen Nevins: UA-LR/UAMS
Workplace Soft Skills & Professional Development

Jill Barton: EBS
Clinical Fellowship

Sam Atcherson: UA-LR/UAMS
Research & Pursuing a PhD

LeeAnn Brosh: Pediatric Therapy Services
Private Practice

Jill Fitzpatrick: Arkansas Otolaryngology Center
Medical SLP-Outpatient Clinic

Donna Smiley: ACH
Better Together: Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

First Name ________________________ Middle _________________ Last Name_____ ________________________
Recruited/Referred by _____________________________________

APPLYING FOR:

_____ Full member, Speech-Language Pathologist - $60.00   SLP # __________
Requires a Master’s degree or higher in Speech-language Pathology & adherence to the Code of Ethics
adopted in 1991   (if renewing after February 15, add $10)

_____ Full member, Audiologist - $60.00   AUD # __________
Requires a Master’s degree or higher in Audiology & adherence to the Code of Ethics adopted in 1991
(if renewing after February 15, add $10)

_____ Associate member - $45.00
Requires an undergraduate degree in speech or hearing or an allied profession. Must abide by the spirit of
the Code of Ethics   (if renewing after February 15, add $10)

_____ Student member - $25.00
Requires full-time enrollment in speech-language pathology or audiology

Former Student Members will receive a $10.00 discount on initial Full member dues provided they have current student membership status
when they apply.

Home Address______________________________________ City _________________State ______ Zip __________
Cell Phone _____________________________ Email Address _____________________________________________

Place of Employment______________________________________________________________________________
Address_________________________________________ City ____________________State ______ Zip __________
Work Phone __________________________ Fax ______________________

Full & Associate Members: Academic Degree __________ Year ______ Institution _________________
CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE (check all that apply)

_____ASHA CCC-SLP   ______ASHA CCC-A   ______ASHA CF-SLP

_____AR Licensure, SLP   ______AR Licensure, A _______Public School Certification/Licensure

Student Members:

A. I am currently a full-time undergraduate/graduate (circle one) student at: _____________________________
   (name of university)

B. Estimated date of graduation: ____________

C. Signature of Program Chair or Advisor: __________________________________________________________

* Membership dues are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. In addition 21 % of your dues
spent for governmental relations are not deductible as a business expense.

SEND APPLICATION & DUES TO:
ArkSHA
P.O. Box 24103
Little Rock, AR 72221
FAX: 501-224-0988

Check #: __________
Visa/ MasterCard #: __________ - __________ - __________ - __________
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Food will be ordered based on the following responses:

I plan to attend the Thursday lunch (included in conference fee).

Special dietary needs: _______________________________

I plan to attend the Thursday Social (included in conference fee).

Session Choices
Please take a moment to check the convention session that you plan to attend. Pre-registration is not required, however your selection will assist in planning.

Wednesday, 5:30 - 8:30 pm
- Perry Flynn
- Student Reality Roundtable (6 - 8)

Thursday:
- Awards & Opening Session
- Marilee Fini

10:00 - 1:00 - Choose one
- Marilee Fini
- Elizabeth Walker
- Monica Purdy
- Ashlen Thomason
- Towino Paramby

2:00 - 5:30 (will include break) - Choose one
- Marilee Fini
- Elizabeth Walker
- Monica Purdy
- Ashlen Thomason
- Towino Paramby

Friday:
- 8:00 - 10:00 - Choose one
- Perry Flynn
- Pamela Rowe
- LeeAnn Griffith, Kelly Long
- Gretchen Hicks, Ruth Eyres
- Mary Ellen Nevins, Donna Smiley, Lana Eggleston
- Chenell Loudermill, Jan Traughber, Jennifer Fisher, Arianne Paht, Jennifer Franklin, Kathy McDaniel, Aletha Cook

10:15 - 11:15 - Choose one
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- Kamela Rowland
- Dana Moser, Eli Skelton
- Cheris Fraley
- Student Presentations

11:30 - 12:30 - Choose one
- Betsy Clifford
- Rachel Glade, Ellie Cooper, Shayne Brown
- Eldon G. Schulz
- Jeff Adams, Melodee Owens, Cheri Stevenson
- Student Presentations

CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (CPE’s) - Regular convention sessions have been submitted for up to 14.0 CPE’s (dependent upon which sessions you choose to attend). The yearly minimum standard currently required by the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology is 10.0 CPE’s. ArkSHA approval of continuing education sponsorship does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products, or clinical procedures.

ASHA CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEU’s) - This program is offered for up to 1.4 CEUs (intermediate level, professional area).
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Session Handouts
Handouts will be available online at www.arksha.org two weeks prior to and two weeks after the convention.

Lunch will be provided Thursday to those who pre-register by September 25 and indicate they would like a lunch. (Please note that you will have only an hour for lunch.) ArkSHA will not be ordering lunches for attendees who register onsite.

Thursday Lunch

Online Registration Available! www.arksha.org

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Select size & quantity on registration form.

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Call: (501) 624-9200
Or go to: www.arksha.org/convention

By September 27
$132 - Single
$142 - Double

50/50 Scholarship Drawing
$20/15 tickets
$10/6 tickets

Drawing to be held at the Scholarship Fundraiser & Social on Thursday evening at the Embassy Suites. You must be present to win. Winner gets 50% of all money raised!

CONVENTION ATTIRE
Dress in layers! Rooms may be cool. Business casual is appropriate throughout the conference.

AAA CEUs
If you would like to receive credit with AAA, please contact the office at 501-244-0621.