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Presidential Message

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The CASP Convention has come and gone so quickly. I heard many great stories of members who really enjoyed the convention this year, held right in our back yard no less. And one thing rang true. The keynote address, the speakers, the workshops, they all had one thing in common. From those who have been in the field a long time to those who are just beginning, there were many opportunities to grow, reflect, and share thoughts and anecdotes with colleagues who may not have had a chance to attend.

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Have you been wondering just what the heck executive functioning is all about?!! Think of planning, problem-solving, and flexibility! These skills are expected of younger age students as well as older ones! (Think of planning for that fourth grade Mission Project and sequencing all the parts into a whole!! Think of the middle school student who may need help on a group project but cannot muster up the initiative to ask!) Come on over to the Delis-Kaplin Executive Functioning System (DKEFS) workshop at the Santa Clara Office of Education on May 2. (For more details, see enclosed registration form.) Whoo-hoo, SCCASP's Annual Awards Luncheon on Friday, June 6th and welcomes speaker Rose DuMond!! She is a former School Psychologist and Past President of SCCASP and CASP. Ms. DuMond has also been a CASP Board member since 1995. Come celebrate the end of the year with your local affiliate!! Do you know someone who has given exceptional expertise to the field of school psychology? Think about it! Please find the nomination information for SCCASP's Meritorious Award and the Michael Goodman Award attached.

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A warm welcome to recently appointed Co-President-Elect, Colleen Kong-Sawyer and Sarah Rodriguez. Colleen joins SCCASP from the San Mateo affiliate and was a recent Region II Representative. Sarah joins SCCASP as President-Elect after recently serving on the board as member-at-large. Are you looking for something different than the usual routine!! Then volunteer for the board during the 2008-2009 school year. It is very rewarding to give back to a local affiliate who looks after your best interests as a school psychologist.

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Get your registration in for the DKEFS soon. See you at the June Luncheon at Maggiano's in Santana Row!!

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All material must be sent to the editor by the deadlines listed below: Hard copy/Fax, Material on disk, Email information (preferred). If you wish to have your disk returned, please label it and include a self-addressed stamped envelope. If sending email, attachments are preferred. Please send submissions to the newsletter to:

Fiona Wu
fionaywu@yahoo.com

Newsletter Submission Schedule:

- By 5/15 for 6/1 delivery of June issue

JOB LISTINGS

Please contact the newsletter editor as soon as you have a position to list that is available in Santa Clara County and adjacent counties. Positions will be advertised in one issue of the newsletter and will need to be resubmitted for each subsequent issue. SCCASP maintains this list of positions of interest to school psychologists and/or licensed educational psychologists and associated professionals as a service to the membership. The editor and SCCASP are not responsible for errors in information reported.

- Ψ School Psychologists needed - Oak Grove School District. 1 full time position available. Please contact Elizabeth Tjader, Program Specialist at etjader@ogsd.k12.ca.us or 408-227-8300 x335 for more information.
- ψ School Psychologist needed-Fremont Union High School District. 1 full time position at Homestead High School for the 2008-2009 school year. See posting on EdJoin via fuhsd.org or call Trudy Gross, Director of Educational Services at 408-522-2290 for more information.

****Please also refer to www.edjoin.org and www.casonline.org for additional job openings and online applications****

CASP Update

Convention News:

Wow! The 2008 CASP convention has come and gone. The committee members are breathing sighs of relief that events went smoothly. Although smaller than usual, the 800 plus CASP attendees hopefully came away refreshed and re-energized. I especially enjoyed the keynote speaker Barbara Doyle who spoke of her personal experiences of members of her family who have disabilities with humor. She keyed on the role of school psychologists to create inclusive environments, thus reiterating the convention's theme "Bridging the Way to Success." The PAC auction was especially entertaining this year as the bidders were serenaded by the Coopersmith Jazz trio while sampling yummy appetizers and wine. The first ever live auctioneer added to the excitement for both the silent and live auctions. Over \$13,600 in gifts were donated to the silent and live auctions. Thank you for your generous contributions and volunteering support. Kudos go to the year-long efforts by the members of the convention committee, co-chaired by Lane Coopersmith of School Psychologists' Association of San Mateo County (SPASMc) and Claudia Blodgett of Santa Clara County School Psychologists Association (SCCASP). Can't wait for next year convention to be held in Riverside!

Recognition of one's work by his/her peers is the highest form of praise. Nominations by peers are highly regarded, but only one nominee per region can be selected. This year the Nadine Lambert's Outstanding School Psychologist from Region II is Jennifer Simmons. She is currently employed by the Diagnostic Center of Northern California. She was honored at the CASP Awards Luncheon and was joined by members of her family.

A reason for the low attendance at this convention is the ongoing uncertainty about budget and layoffs. Please visit the CASP website and click on the Resource Fact Sheet: Pink Slip Recipients link in the "What's New" section to learn what your next steps should be regarding your relationship with your school district employer. Direct Link: <http://www.caspsurveys.org/NEW/pdfs/rifs.pdf>

In other CASP News. . .

CASP is moving to support replacing the use of "mental retardation" with the term "intellectual developmental disability" as part of other larger national efforts to provide accurate information about the nature of the student's disability and at the same time use terms perceived as less demeaning. In a 2007 CASP survey, 81% support a change in terminology.

Continuing the challenge: Do you realize that your right to work as a school psychologist is again being challenged right here in California? The Dept. of Consumer Affairs and California Psychological Association propose changes to the Title 5 Regulations (Nonpublic School and Agency Certification) which would eliminate all other nondoctoral professionals and their services in assessment and consultation to students enrolled in nonpublic schools. Such psychological work activities would be solely under the purview of doctoral level, licensed psychologist and regulated by Dept. of Consumer Affairs. Psychological services delivered by School Psychologists, as well as by licensed MFTs, clinical social workers, and licensed LEPs would be excluded. This is a dramatic departure from current practice and educational law.

Nationally Certified School Psychologist (NCSP): CASP is beginning the process to become a NASP provider of continuing professional development activities. These hours are necessary for school psychologists wishing to obtain or renew the NCSP credential.

Reminder - VOTE for the CASP board and affiliate representative. The President-Elect's position is contested between John Brady and Margaret Sedor. **Kit Galvin** of Evergreen School District of SCCASP is running unopposed as Region II representative but still needs that vote. You can find the candidates' statements in the recent election ballot flyer. The deadline for sending your ballot back to CASP is April 1. Make sure your ballot is postmarked by that date so it will be counted.

Applications for the Certification of Advanced Training and Specialization (CATS) in all three programs areas – Assessment of English Learners; School Crisis Prevention, Response and Intervention; and Functional Analysis and Behavior Intervention – are due on April 15, 2008.

The CASP Summer Institute 2008 will be held June 17 – 21 at the Wyndham Hotel in San Jose. Concurrent workshops offerings are:

- Comprehensive Strand Regarding Children and Youth with Emotional and Behavioral Problems
Instructors: Brent Duncan, Ph.D., Ray Easler, Ph.D., Shelley Hart
- Beyond Autism 101: Building Your Autism Toolkit
Instructors: Bev Long and Sherry Fritts, Ph.D.
- The Role of Neurodevelopmental Assessment and Intervention in the Era of RTI
Instructor: Jan Paulus, Ph.D.
- Assessment of English Language Learners, for the Certification of Advanced Training and Specialization (CATS)
Instructor: Dyana Vukovich
- Special Friday and Saturday workshop:
NASP's PREPaRE, School Crisis Prevention and Intervention Training Curriculum, for the Certification of Advanced Training and Specialization (CATS)
Instructors: Melinda Susan and Richard Lieberman

Look for the registration brochure in the mail.

Affiliate News:

The SCCASP affiliate is honoring psychologists who are the go-to-persons to relay important information between the district's psychologists and SCCASP/CASP in a special, thank-you luncheon in April.

May 2 Delis Kaplan Executive Function System. Presented by Dr. Patrick Moran. Hosted by SCCASP. Santa Clara County Office of Ed. Milpitas room from 8:30-3:30. Lunch is on your own. Contact K. Scharff for registration information and fees at kscharff@eesd.org. Late registration fees apply after April 18th.

Submitted by

Colleen Kong-Sawyer, Ph.D. NCSP
Region II Representative



SCCASP needs you! Positions are open on the Executive Board for the 07-08 school year!!!

Contact any board member with questions or for job descriptions.



Corrections to 2007-2008 directory for members of the Santa Clara County Association of School Psychologist (SCCASP)

The Directory Editor apologizes for information inadvertently omitted from the 2007-2008 member directory. Corrections are as follows:

On Page 2: Please add

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Page 6: Please add

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SCCASP wants to hear from you. Please take a few minutes to take our survey so we can plan workshops and presentations that you would like to hear.

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=osPJdyj1lvhTbgEAwBL2DA_3d_3d

By taking the survey, no personal information is saved or gathered about you. All information is confidential.

Santa Clara County Association of School Psychologists
presents the

**Mike Goodman Lifetime
Achievement Award**

The Santa Clara County Association of School Psychologists invites members to nominate school psychologists, administrators, legislators, and others who have provided long-term, exemplary service and contribution to the Association. All SCCASP members and honorary members are eligible. The awardee(s) will be recognized at SCCASP's annual June luncheon. All nominations will be reviewed and the awardee determined by SCCASP Executive Board.

**SCCASP Meritorious Service
Award**

The Santa Clara County Association of School Psychologists would like to recognize the meritorious service of our professional colleagues. It is not a competition. You are encouraged to nominate a colleague you feel is deserving of such an award. The recipient(s) will be recognized at the June luncheon. The selection(s) will be made with the approval of the SCCASP Executive Board. The award will be made for outstanding work in one or more of the following categories:

1. Service to students.
2. Service to teachers.
3. Service to administrators.
4. Service to parents.
5. Service to community agencies.
6. Service to the profession of School Psychology.
7. Service to the training of School Psychologists.

Please check the award for which you are nominating:

- Mike Goodman Lifetime Achievement Award
- SCCASP Meritorious Service Award

Nominee: _____ Title: _____

School/School District/Department: _____

Nominee's Office Address and Phone: _____

I feel this person merits this recognition because _____

I may be reached at _____

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

Please mail this form and any letters of recommendation to Mike Christopherson, Awards Committee Chair.
c/o Bachrodt School, 101 Sonora, San Jose, CA 95110
All submissions must be in writing. Deadline is April 30, 2008.

Sponsored by the Santa Clara County Association of School Psychologists:

Delis-Kaplan Executive Function System (D-KEFS)

Presented by Dr. Patrick Moran



Learn about the D-KEFS, the test designed to measure various aspects of executive function. Tests on the D-KEFS include a sorting test, trail making, verbal fluency and six others.

Workshop Date, Time and Location:
Friday, May 2, 2008 Registration starts at 8 a.m.
Workshop is 8:30-3:30 (lunch on your own)
Santa Clara County Office of Education
1290 Ridder Park Drive, San Jose, CA 95131

No purchase orders. Late fee applies to forms postmarked after 4/18/08. No refunds after 4/18/08. Please complete and return the bottom part of the paper along with your check payable to SCCASP to: Karen Scharff, P.O. Box 360116, Milpitas CA 95036-0116

Delis-Kaplan Executive Function System Workshop by Dr. Patrick Moran 5/2/08

CHECK ONE: SCCASP/SPASMc Member*: \$35 Non-member: \$50 Student/Retiree: \$25
 Late Fee (Postmarked after 4/18/08): \$10

*Membership will be verified. You must have paid membership dues for the 2007-08 school year.

Name: _____ Amount Paid: _____

School/Agency/Position: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

I am available to help at the event. I would like e-mail confirmation



Please join us for the SCCASP Award

Recognition Luncheon at Maggiano's Little Italy (Santana Row) Friday, June 6, 2008 ~ 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

Maggiano's is located at 3055 Olin Avenue, Suite 1000, San Jose,
CA, 95128
(408) 423-8973

Visit their website at www.maggianos.com for a preview of their facilities

Guest Speaker: *Rose DuMond.*

Ms. DuMond is coordinator of Special Services for the Fremont Union High School District, served as a Past President of CASP in addition to serving many years as a CASP Board Member. She is currently working on a Certificate in Instructional Technology at San Jose State University.



Deadline: Friday, May 30, 2008. A fee of \$10 will be added for late registration. No refunds for cancellations after 5/30/2008. No purchase orders. For more information, contact our Event Coordinator:

Leslie Bacon at (408) 218-2467 or piperlj@earthlink.net, 994-H La Mesa Terrace, Sunnyvale, CA 94086

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SCCASP Award Recognition Luncheon: June 6, 2008, 11:30am - 2:30pm

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Member \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Member \$35 \_\_\_\_\_ Late Fee (After 5/30/08) \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title \_\_\_\_\_ School District/Agency \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like confirmation, please include Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to SCCASP and sent it along with this bottom portion to:  
Leslie Bacon 994-H La Mesa Terrace Sunnyvale, CA 94086

\*If you are sending a check to register two or more people, please complete a separate registration form for each person.

SCCASP MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM  
 SANTA CLARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS  
 July 2007 – June 2008

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS**

SCCASP is an organization of credentialed school psychologists, person practicing in allied fields, and graduate students in school psychology training programs. SCCASP provides an effective in-service education program, disseminates information on educational/psychological issues, assists development of sound educational practices in school programs, and provides a channel for the discussion of improvement of professional practices within the organization and administration of pupil services.

SCCASP membership includes additional benefits:

- Ψ Presentations on pertinent topics,
- Ψ Continuing Professional Development units,
- Ψ A discount on fees to workshops,
- Ψ Six newsletters throughout the school year, and
- Ψ A directory that lists all SCCASP members and district contact persons

To join SCCASP, please complete the form below and send it with a check payable to SCCASP for the amount of the dues to:

SCCASP – Attn: Karen Scharff, PhD – P.O. Box 360116, Milpitas, CA 95036-0116

Cell: 408. 205.7991      Email: kscharff@eesd.org

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SCCASP Membership Registration Form      2007 - 08 Academic Year

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|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Initial Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular      \$25.00   | <input type="checkbox"/> Student      \$15.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate      \$25.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Retired      \$15.00 |

This information will be printed to the annual directory. Information is not reprinted from the previous year unless otherwise indicated.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Ms/Mrs/Mr/Dr

- Use last years' information. There are no changes.
- There are changes! (Please fill out all information you would like to go into the directory)

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_ District/Organization/Company \_\_\_\_\_

College or University \_\_\_\_\_

Concurrent Membership:  NASP     CASP     Other \_\_\_\_\_

Licenses, Credentials, Specialties \_\_\_\_\_

Do you accept referrals? \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. Number for referrals \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your preference for the delivery of the SCCASP newsletter: \_\_\_\_\_ Mail \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail



**SCCASP NEWS**  
Santa Clara County Association  
of School Psychologists

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**Don't Forget! SCCASP Award Nomination Forms are due by April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- ☀ April 12<sup>th</sup>, The International Dyslexia Association: Overcoming Dyslexia and ADHD - Beyond the Basics. Visit [www.dyslexia-ncbida.org](http://www.dyslexia-ncbida.org) for registration info.
- ☀ May 2<sup>nd</sup>, DKEFS Workshop, SCCOE
- ☀ June 6<sup>th</sup>, Awards Luncheon, Maggiano's - Santana Row

**Board Meeting Schedule**

- ☀ May 2<sup>nd</sup>: 3:30pm, SCCOE (after the DKEFS wkshp.)

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