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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

SEPT. 2013

Dear Members,

The President of the 2013 ASHA Board of Directors, Patricia Prelock, PhD, CCC-SLP, recently stated in the ASHA Leader: "Interprofessional education may be just what we need to be responsive to current health care and educational reforms." In line with ASHA's new direction, we have invited as our speaker Dr. James W. Partington, PhD, BCBA-D, world-renowned for the assessment and treatment of children with autism. He has created a workshop specifically for us entitled "Working Partnerships with SLPs and Behavior Analysts in the Treatment of Autism: We're All in This Together." Dr. Partington will present the critical components of effective language-based intervention using behavioral language teaching methodology. When it comes to interpersonal education (IPE), we are cutting edge!

We invite you to visit our website [www.sccsha.org](http://www.sccsha.org) and see how easy it is to access information about our organization. When you send your Membership Application, please include your **email address** printed legibly. If you have a – (dash) or \_ (underscore), please specify this by writing 'dash' or 'underscore' underneath your email address. Since we will be **emailing** the **SCCSHA Newsletters** directly to you, we want to be sure that we have your correct email address. We encourage you to mail in your membership application, include your email address and payment, and of course register for our dynamic workshops.

Our SCCSHA Board Members are a dedicated and supportive group of professionals, and it is my honor to work with them. We have two new board members Wendy Quach, Legislative Liaison, and January Villarreal, Student Representative. We are fortunate that Claudia Paige is filling in for Wendy who is out on maternity leave until October. Thank you Claudia and January for your informative and timely articles.

Register now for our **October 4<sup>th</sup> workshop** at the Santa Clara County Office of Education. I look forward to seeing you there.

Best wishes,  
Joan Havard,  
SCCSHA President, 2013-14

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# 2013 State and National Legislative Updates

By *Claudia Paige for Wendy Quach*

Since the last Capitol Update over three months ago, the Commission on Legislation has been very busy monitoring, and actively participating in, California's budget process, legislative process, and a very active Administrative process. Below please find summaries of how funding will be allocated. For more in-depth information see CSHA Legislation at the CSHA website. We thank our new Legislative Representative, William Barnaby (of Barnaby and Barnaby) for this information.

**Education:** *K-12* – California schools received an infusion of at least \$3.6 billion in new funding. The Governor's plan to replace many categorical aid programs, with a new "Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)" prevailed after Brown agreed to increase basic aid for all districts.

**Special Education:** Another \$2.6 million was approved in funding to fully backfill the (sequestered) loss of federal special education funding authorized under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) for services and programs for infants and preschoolers with disabilities in 2013-14. The Governor vetoed \$30 million intended to begin equalizing Special Education Local Program Areas (SELPA's) in 2013-14.

**Higher Education:** Significant increases also were approved for the University of California (UC), the California State University (CSU) system and California Community Colleges (CCC). In addition, a "Middle-Class Scholarship" proposed by Assembly Speaker John Perez (D-Los Angeles), will offer UC and CSU tuition discounts for students from families earning \$80,000 - \$150,000/year.

**Autism Advisory Task Force:** Around the time the 2013 CSHA Annual Convention and last Board meeting was held, DMHC (1) issued the Autism Advisory Task Force Report as mandated by SB 946, which can be accessed at: [http://healthhelp.ca.gov/dmhc\\_consumer/br/br\\_autismtf.aspx](http://healthhelp.ca.gov/dmhc_consumer/br/br_autismtf.aspx), and (2) worked with CSHA and the California Association of Health Plans (CAHP) to solicit CSHA/ASHA input to discuss (a) insurance coverage of speech therapy for diagnoses of autism, (b) current test/baseline measures that are used to determine when speech therapy is medically necessary, and (c) specifically when tests/measures are used in a diagnosis for autism or other development delays.

[Click Here for a Link to other Legislative updates](#)

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## STUDENT REP CORNER

By *January Villarreal*

Greetings! Thank you to everyone involved in my admittance as the 2013-14 Student Representative for SCCSHA. I am pleased and honored to represent both San Jose State University (SJSU) and SCCSHA. I realize that Alyssa Borg, the 2012-13 Student Representative, did an excellent job in this role and I hope to accomplish the same. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and to explain my vision.

Currently, I reside in San Jose, CA with my husband and thirteen-year old daughter. Prior to graduate school, I had the fun and rewarding experience working as a preschool teacher for approximately six years. My employment as a preschool teacher is what initially ignited my interest in providing early intervention, speech and language services. I also received my B.A. in Psychology, with a focus in neurology at SJSU. Presently, I am completing my third year in the Extended Master Program for Communication Disorders at SJSU.

My vision as Student Representative includes (i) fostering communication between the SJSU student body and SCCSHA members, and (ii) promoting early intervention services by utilizing SCCSHA's resources. I have commenced this plan with other SCCSHA board members, through my involvement with the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual CSR (Customer Service Realty) Golf Tournament that benefits the Autism Tree Project Foundation. This foundation has served more than 350 families by providing mentorship programs and more than 5,458 preschool screenings have been conducted by SJSU graduate students. I have started the process of recruiting volunteers for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament, but more volunteers and donations are always appreciated. This includes any raffle donations, hole sponsors, corporate sponsors, and event volunteers.

I am inspired by all that SCCSHA has accomplished and the goals that its past and present board members have set forth. I hope to serve its members and our community proud. Thank you again for this amazing opportunity.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND HONORS

By *Dr. Jean M. Novak*

### Jan Wilkerson Memorial Scholarship

SCCSHA is offering a \$500 scholarship to a qualified graduate student in the field of Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology. The scholarship money will be paid directly to the student's university or college for tuition fees.

### 2013-2014 Honors of the Association

SCCSHA is seeking nominations for Honors of the Association for 2013-2014. The nominee must have been a SCCSHA member in good standing and have made significant contributions to the field of Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology.

For more information, see [www.sccsha.org](http://www.sccsha.org) or contact Dr. Novak at [jean.novak@sjsu.edu](mailto:jean.novak@sjsu.edu).



## Membership Application

### 2013-2014 School Year

PLEASE NOTE: Your name will appear in the directory alphabetized by the first letter of your last name.  
Please record the following information as you wish it to appear in the SCCSHA directory.

*Information boxes  that are checked below will NOT be included in the SCCSHA directory*

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Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 District/Agency: \_\_\_\_\_  Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail: (personal) \_\_\_\_\_  (other) \_\_\_\_\_

**In order to receive your Newsletter directly via email, please include your email address as we have gone green!**

SCCSHA Continuing Member: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_      Past SCCSHA President : Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
 ASHA Member: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_      CSHA Member: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Would you be willing to serve as:

A contact person between SCCSHA and your District/Agency? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
 An Executive Board member for 2014-15? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Do you provide clinical services in any foreign language? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Languages: \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership year is from September 2013 through June 2014**

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Regular                                      | \$30.00         |
| Student/CFY/Retired                          | \$10.00         |
| Scholarship Donation (optional)              | \$ _____        |
| PAC Donation (optional) - NOT tax deductible | \$ _____        |
| <b>Total Amount</b>                          | <b>\$ _____</b> |

**Please send this membership application and CHECK (made payable to SCCSHA) to:**

**SCCSHA**  
**% Marian Gericke**  
**1641 Knollwood Ave.**  
**San Jose, CA. 95125-5043**  
*For questions, contact Marian: [mbqslp@aol.com](mailto:mbqslp@aol.com) or 1-408-440-8811*

# James W. Partington

Ph.D., BCBA-D



## Working Partnerships with SLPs and Behavior Analysts in the Treatment of Autism: We're All in This Together

James W. Partington, Ph.D., BCBA-D is the director of Behavior Analysts, Inc., and provides services to children and their families. He is a licensed psychologist and has 35 years experience working with children with developmental disabilities. He is internationally recognized as a leader in the field of behavior analysis with expertise in language-based interventions. He is known for his work in teaching parents and professionals about practical, evidence-based procedures necessary for effective educational interventions. He has been a faculty member of several universities including West Virginia University, University of San Francisco and St. Mary's College. Dr. Partington is a former President of the Northern California Association for Behavior Analysis and has served as a member of the Behavior Analyst Certification Board. He has co-authored the book, *Teaching Language to Children with Autism or Other Developmental Disabilities*. He is the author of *The Assessment of Language and Learning Skills-Revised (The ABLLS®-R)* and *Capturing the Motivation of Children with Autism*. He has also produced several instructional videos related to effective treatment for children with autism.

OCTOBER 4

### Workshop Description

This workshop is designed for speech and language pathologists who wish to learn more about behavioral language-based treatment interventions for children with autism. The seminar provides a review of the behavioral analysis of expressive language (verbal behavior), the motivational factors involved in maintaining active learner participation, and the development of social skills necessary for establishing friendships. Specific techniques used to develop effective programs in both the home and school settings will be presented for individuals at both the early learner and more advanced student levels along with information regarding the ABLLS®-R.

### Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Describe the different types of expressive language skills that a student must acquire in order to successfully interact with others
- Describe how to directly shape critical social interaction skills
- Identify problems that are related to the failure of students to make adequate progress in the development of critical learner skills
- Identify how motivational issues are related to the acquisition of language skills

| LOCATION   | SCHEDULE    |  |
|--|-------------|--|
| Santa Clara County<br>Office of Education<br>Eastside Room<br>1290 Ridder Park Drive<br>San Jose • CA 95131<br>(408) 453-6500<br><a href="#">MAP</a> | 8:00-8:45   | Opening  |
|  | 8:45-10:00  | Critical components of effective language-based intervention             |
|  | 10:00-10:15 | Break  |
|  | 10:15-12:00 | Behavioral language teaching methodology                                 |
|  | 12:00-12:30 | Lunch  |
|  | 12:30-2:00  | Teaching language skills necessary for social interaction and friendship |
|  | 2:00-2:15   | Break  |
|  | 2:15-3:15   | Teaching language during daily activities (natural environment)          |
|  | 3:15-3:45   | Questions and Answers  |
|  | 3:45-4:00   | Evaluation   |

# registration form

## 6 CEUs

## SANTA CLARA COUNTY SPEECH-LANGUAGE HEARING ASSOCIATION

Friday, October 4, 2013

**\*Required**

Last Name\* \_\_\_\_\_ First Name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone\* \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail\* \_\_\_\_\_

District/Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- Check here to request an e-mail confirmation of your registration.
- Check here if you are interested in serving on the 2014-15 Executive Board.

**Please check the appropriate fees (includes 6 CEUs and meals)**

- SCCSHA Member.....\$125.00
- Non-Member .....\$160.00
- CFY .....\$40.00
- Student (excludes all meals; cafeteria available).....\$10.00
- Retiree .....\$75.00
- Scholarship Donation (Optional).....\$\_\_\_\_\_
- PAC Donation (Optional) - NOT tax deductible.....\$\_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed .....\$\_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: RECENT CEU CHANGE:**

Although SCCSHA is not an ASHA approved Provider, our courses DO satisfy the requirements for maintaining ASHA certification. Please note, ASHA will not track our CEUs in the ASHA CE Registry. However, those attendees who participate in our CEU process will receive a "certificate of completion" to submit in response to an audit. Moreover, events' CEU attendance records are saved by SCCSHA for 4 years. Please also refer to ASHA's website for further information at <http://www.asha.org/certification/FactDef.htm>.

**Send this form and CHECK (made payable to SCCSHA) to:**

**SCCSHA**  
% Marian Gericke  
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San Jose, CA. 95125-5043

**For questions, contact Marian: [mbgslp@aol.com](mailto:mbgslp@aol.com) or 1-408-440-8811**

*This is a first-come, first-served event. Space is limited, so register early!*  
**Pre-registration must be received no later than 9/29/13.** Phone calls will not be accepted.

**Refund Policy:** *Written cancellation must be received no later than 9/29/13. Phone calls will not be accepted.*

**Driving Directions to Santa Clara County Office of Education**  
1290 Ridder Park Drive, San Jose

**From Highways 101 or 880**  
Take Brokaw Road exit  
Travel east to Ridder Park Drive

**From Highway 680**  
Take Hostetter Road west to Ridder Park Drive