

President's Message

Our board has been very active during the past year! We were awarded a grant from the Branch Council of IDA to develop a website that can be used by all the branches. Tracy Block, Kelli Sandman-Hurley, and Jose Cruz have been hard at work on the project. We have made wonderful changes to our website and hope to have it completed very soon.

Please look at our website at www.dyslexiasd.org. We think that you will find it easy to use and very readable.

The board is planning two programs for Dyslexia Awareness Month in October. The theme of this year's programs will be "Coping Strategies of Successful Dyslexics".

On October 7, we will have a panel of successful adult dyslexics speak about their strategies. We will have a businessman, an educator, and a fire captain share their insights. Our two October programs for dyslexia awareness month will be underwritten by ACES (Autism Comprehensive Education Services) who provide services to children and adults with autism.

On October 21, John Corcoran will present. Mr. Corcoran is a nationally known speaker who wrote "The Teacher Who Could Not Read". He has been interviewed on Oprah and is a very dynamic and fascinating speaker. You will not want to miss these informative programs.

We will also be a co-sponsor of the Southern California Consortium of IDA's annual program on November 4 in Long Beach. The program is called "Dimensions of Dyslexia" and will feature Guinevere Eden, Ph.D., M.D., Director of the Georgetown University for the Study of Learning

Our branch has also been asked to do the simulation of dyslexia program for teacher training at The Bishop's School and for the Girl Scouts. We will also be an exhibitor at the Southwest College Disability Services Day in October.

Our former president, Jose Cruz, has been interviewed for a PBS special on dyslexia with Bruce Jenner. Although the special is still in production, it promises to be a lively and informative documentary. We will let you know when the documentary will air!

As you can see our branch is made up of a very dedicated group of volunteers who are willing and able to help increase knowledge about dyslexia and learning disabilities to the public. We are currently seeking nominations for next year's board and would love to hear from you if you are interested in joining this dynamic group.

Thank you,
Linda Altes - President

International Dyslexia Association

57th Annual Conference
Racing to Literacy
November 8-11, 2006

Indiana Convention Center &
RCA Dome
Indianapolis, IN



Coping Strategies for Dyslexic Adults

International Dyslexia Association

Part I:

Saturday, October 7, 2006

Hear the stories of four successful adults including a local fire captain and business man.

Assistive technology used by successful learners with dyslexia will be presented by:

Jennifer Zvi, Ph.D.

Dr. Zvi is a Learning Disability Specialist and expert in assistive technology for students with learning disabilities.

The audience will have the opportunity to ask questions.

Part II:

Saturday, October 21, 2006

Meet John Corcoran, entertaining and informative speaker, as seen on the "Oprah Winfrey Show," and author of "The Teacher Who Couldn't Read." One of the biggest advocates for improving literacy in the U.S, he was appointed to the National Institute for Literacy by President Bush, and served on the Board under President Bush and President Clinton.



He is an outstanding and successful adult with dyslexia. He is looking forward to sharing his story and coping strategies with you.

Come join us to hear Mr. Corcoran's inspirational story.

For additional information about John Corcoran and his foundation please visit his website at: www.johncorcoranfoundation.com

For additional information on these workshops please contact IDA at (619) 685-4413 OR online at www.dyslexiasd.org

Coping Strategies For Dyslexic Adults

Part I:

Saturday, October 7, 2006
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Four success stories plus assistive technology presented by:

Jennifer Zvi, Ph.D.

Part II:

Saturday, October 21, 2006
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

John Corcoran

Mission Valley Library

2123 Fenton Parkway
San Diego, CA 92108

Voluntary donations of \$15 per workshop, or \$25 for both workshops.

Light refreshments will be served.

Underwritten by:



DIMENSIONS OF DYSLEXIA

Saturday, November 4, 2006

7:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Renaissance Hotel

111 East Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California

*Sponsored by the Southern California Consortium
of the International Dyslexia Association*

Program

RESEARCH

Guinevere Eden, Ph.D., M.D.

Director of the Georgetown University for the Study of Learning,
Associate Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at Georgetown
Medical Center, and Vice President of the International Dyslexia
Association

STRATEGIES

Andrew Stetkevich, M.A.

Staff Development Specialist Riverside Unified School District

IMPLICATIONS

Kristine Laverty

Clinical Psychologist, Marriage and Family Therapist,
Neuropsychologist and owner of the Applied Neuropsychology
Institute, La Jolla, California

Registration

(including lunch)

IDA members \$90 prior to Oct. 13 (\$105 after Oct. 13)

Non-IDA members \$105 prior to Oct. 13 (\$120 after Oct. 13)

Students \$50

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Teachers (all levels), Parents, Special Ed Support Staff, Speech/Language
Therapists, Adults, and anyone interested in Literacy.

FOR CONFERENCE INFORMATION

call Dawn Keenan-O'Neal at 562-342-6626

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**San Diego Branch
of the
International
Dyslexia Association**

**NOW ACCEPTING
NOMINATIONS FOR
BOARD MEMBERS!!**

The San Diego Branch of
the International Dyslexia
Association is accepting
nominations to its 2007
Board of Directors.

If you are interested in joining
the branch board of directors,
please call 619-685-4413 by
October 31, 2006.

Elections will take place in early
December of this year.

Thank you!