

Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis Saturday School Begins Soon!!



Thoughts and Thanks From the Prez

Summer has flown by and here it is time for our fall semester to start. It seems like the time goes faster each year. One minute it is time for our summer

semester to start and the next minute it is four weeks later and we are having our end of semester awards program. This summer we were able to give two special awards to two special people. Two behind the scenes people, who for the past three years have rewritten our Book B. They have "polished" the wording and corrected mistakes that we found when we actually started using the book. They have made the book look better and made it easier to use. It has been hard work but they persevered and finished this summer. Please give them a pat on the back the next time you see them because without dedicated people like Paula Landrum and Tina Carson, our program could not go on. Our Foundation is such a wonderful program because everyone does their part. They

do their part quietly. Most of the time Mrs. Futrell and I are the only ones who know how much work goes on to make the Foundation "work" as well as it does. From the outside it looks easy because everyone does their part so well, but really it takes many people doing many things to make a semester "come together". It takes selfless people like Paula

LDAT Conference and **Our Annual Meeting**

Rick Lavoie – Yes, the man who did the FAT City video, is going to speak in Austin, TX this fall. Wouldn't it be fun if we could get a group together to go and hear him and

> other professionals speak? Here is a brief outline of the details:

Important Dates Fall 2005

Application Deadline	Sept 7
Supervisors Saturday	Sept 10
New Parents Meeting	Sept 15
Workshop	Sept 17
Student's First Day	Sept 24
Thanksgiving Holiday	Nov 26
Student's Last Day	Dec 17

Spring 2006

Application Deadline	Jan 10
Supervisors Saturday	Jan 14
New Parents Meeting	Jan 17
Workshop	Jan 21
Student's First Day	Jan 28
Spring Break (Holiday)	March 18
Easter Holiday	April 15
Annual Meeting	TBD
Student's Last Day	April 29

THE CHALLENGE OF **CHANGE** 41st Annual LDAT **State Conference**

November 9-12, 2005 Renaissance Austin Hotel Austin, Texas

41st Annual Conference of the Learning Disabilities Association of Texas is scheduled for November 9-12, 2005, at the Renaissance Austin Hotel, Austin, TX. This is the largest disability conference in the State of Texas and welcomes anyone interested in the many aspects of living and working with individuals with learning disabilities. numerous sessions related to a variety of instructional methods and behavior management, make this a useful conference for regular educators as well as special educators and for parents and professionals serving students and adults who are "struggling," but may not have been identified as a person with a learning disability. You are

This conference will provide helpful information and give parents, educators and other professionals and concerned individuals opportunities to ask questions, be involved in discussions, and leave the conference with a sense of preparedness to meet the challenges ahead.

If you are interested and would like more information, visit the web site http://ldat.org/about/conference.html for all the details or just call Karen, 901 377-8731

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Donations

Listed below are the donations that many of you so generously gave during the fall semester.

Thanks to all of you for your help. All of the items are appreciated greatly

Allen, K.	Store
Capoth, N	Store
Davis, D	Snacks
Drain, A.	Store
Ector	Store
Harting, L.	Flash Cards,
	Videos, Store
Hyde	Toys, Store
Kincade, N & D	Store
Kincade, M.	Store
Turnage, R.	Store

Do You Have An E-Mail Address?

Videos.

Dolls Store

Would you like to save the Foundation some money and get your newsletter sooner? We have realized after much prodding that it is very cost effective to have the News Letter sent to those members who are into e-mailing by using e-mail instead of snail mail. So E-mail us your address and we will e-mail you the next news letter. You can even e-mail us your application if you want to...My aren't we becoming techies.

Thanks

Young

Please send an e mail request to

Memphisdyslexia@bellsouth.net

An acknowledgment will be sent confirming your request as quickly as possible.

May you have enough happiness to make you sweet,

enough trials to make you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human and enough hope to make you happy.

Graduates

The following students completed books during the Spring Semester:

Book B
Lehigh, Kathleen
McDonald, Jennifer
Rose, James
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Book D
Wolf, Craig

This represents a great effort on the part of students, tutors and supervisors. We are so proud of all our graduates. Keep up the Great work one and all.

When a student finishes a book they receive their choice of a trophy or a medallion at an award ceremony on the last day of school. These awards can be engraved for just a few dollars. We have an agreement with First Place Trophies to engrave these awards for a discounted price. Therefore should you wish to have the award your child chose engraved take it to 1st Place Awards, 377-9214 and be sure to tell them to give you the Dyslexia Foundation discount.

Perfect Attendance

A big salute goes out to the students who did not miss any days during the entire Summer 2005 session! Thanks for your dedication to the Foundation.

Bonds, S	Griffin, R
Burns, J	Groendyke, K
Cox, A	Lehigh, J
Cox, S	Rose, C
Davis, D	Rose, M
Draine, A	Whaley, K
Ector, E	Young, L

If we left you off any list we are so sorry.

Please know it was an accident.



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Landrum and Jo Pennington whose children have graduated from the Foundation and yet here they are semester after semester supervising. People like Marilyn and Amy McDonald who come and work even though they are hurt and hurting yet they still come and help. People like Nona Kincade and Joyce Futrell who drive two hours to come and yet they show up with a smile and a helping hand or two. We have people in casts, braces, using walkers and crutches still smiling and doing their part to make our little Foundation work. Some even come in purple hair. We have wonderful people who give generously year after year so we can pay our bills and keep the "doors open". We have tutors who come and work tirelessly, who take on challenges and amaze me by their willingness to do new and different things so that our children can learn to read and succeed. What a lucky lady I am to be able to witness this grand Foundation working like a well oiled human machine. Everyone doing their part with a smile. Even the students go beyond where people say they can go. This summer we had an older young man who came. He tried so hard and worked so well that tutors were fighting over who would get to work with him. What a great idea a teacher wanting to work with one of our children. God has been so good to our Foundation. When things are looking dark because we don't have enough people to make everything work – God steps in and makes it work. When our children seem like they are never going to learn to read or master a concept in math, "poof", God makes it happen. Please continue to have faith in your child and in our Foundation and make your plans now to come to the fall semester so that together we can make great things happen for our students and for ourselves. God Bless you all as we begin a new school vear and a new fall semester.

> As ever, The Prez

When you were born, you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Live your life so at the end, you're the one who is smiling and everyone around you is crying.

Rules to live by:

ONE. Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully.

TWO. Marry a man/woman you love to talk to. As you get older, their conversational skills will be as important as any other thing they do.

THREE. Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have or sleep all you want.

FOUR. When you say, "I love you," mean it. FIVE. When you say, "I'm sorry," look the person in the eye.

SIX. Be engaged at least six months before you get married.

SEVEN. Believe in love at first sight. EIGHT. Never laugh at anyone's dream. People who don't have dreams don't have much.

NINE. Love deeply and passionately. You might get hurt but it's the only way to live life completely.

TEN.. In disagreements, fight fairly. No name calling.

ELEVEN. Don't judge people by their relatives.

TWELVE. Talk slowly but think quickly. THIRTEEN. When someone asks you a question you don't want to answer, smile and ask, "Why do you want to know?"

FOURTEEN. Remember that great love and great achievements involve great risk. FIFTEEN. Say "bless you" when you hear

SIXTEEN. When you lose, don't lose the

SEVENTEEN. Remember the three R's: Respect for self; Respect for others; and

responsibility for all your actions.

EIGHTEEN. Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.

NINETEEN. When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.

TWENTY. Smile when picking up the phone. The caller will hear it in your voice. TWENTY-ONE. Spend some time alone.

Paid Membership List

Congratulations... You remembered... These *smart* people remembered that dues are due the first of *each year* and they are current paid members! Is your name here or did you forget? No problem you can send a check for \$15.00 or *more* to:

Karen Carson The Dyslexia Foundation 7532 Hatch Circle or P.O. Box 240792 Arlington, TN 38002 Memphis, TN 38124

.... and pay your dues today. Dues makes it possible for us to send you Our Dyslexia Newsletter and other mailings during the year. (Cain says if I don't quit writing the Great American Novel each Quarter then the dues will have to go up ... so be sure to take advantage of our low annual dues ... still only \$15.00!)

2005 Paid Members

Barlow, Steve & Becky Jones, Tachima Rose, Lonnie Bertling, Chuck & Bunny Kincade, Wenona Rose, Monica Bertling-Wilson, Heather Lafferty, Angel Smith, Barbara Burns, Barry Lance, Lori Steffens, William Cantrell, Denise Lindsey, Henry & Diane Turnage, Rachel Carson, Cain & Karen May, Charles & Brenda Tyler, Pam Cox. Susan McCauley, Terri Vining, James & Ann

Davis, Timeko McDonald, Marilyn Weeks, Donna Egler, Rita Medina, Susan Whaley, Shiela Elder, Katie Nelson, Sandra Williams, Kimberly Griffin, Debbie Penna, David & Maria Williams, Megan Groendyke, Carolyn Pennington, Jo Winfield, Alesia Quarles, Elizabeth Harting, Marc & Hilda Young, Tammy Hyde, Linda Robinson, Wanda Zinn, Robbie

Let's work together to make our list of paid members grow and GROW! (If you have sent in your check and your name is not here, please let us know — Errors do happen

Wish List

Here is a list of items that were requested by the Program Directors. Some are just wishes others are needed. If you have any of the following items or know of a company that will donate them please do so. Thanks "The Staff"

Notebook paper
Large rings for sight words
Incentive Prizes (Please)
Diet drinks

Microwave Popcorn
Chips (Individual bags)
Pretzels
Jar Peanut Butter
Trash bags (36 & 13 gal)

Styrofoam cups (6 or 8 oz.) Whiteout

Hot chocolate (sugar-free)
Coffee
Copy paper
Paper towels

Styloloam cups (6 of 8 oZ.)
Pencils
Kleenex
Cheese crackers
Cheese crackers
Zip lock bags (Gallon and Quart)
Function
Reusable Ice packs
Soccer and basketballs
Hardbound Dictionaries

Help, we especially need your help in replenishing the store room supplies. If you would like to give a donation of snack food, or toys to the "store", we would sure love to receive them. We need snack foods like pretzles, peanut butter, popcorn, crackers, apples, etc. The toys, games or puzzles are used for rewards in our store where the students may redeem their tokens for toys - We need your help.



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information y	vou provide.
My Name:	
Phone:	
Address:	
City, State:	
Zip:	
I have enclose	sed my check for \$15.00.
Send to:	Karen Carson
	7532 Hatch Circle
	Arlington, TN 38002

We Don't Want To Loose You!



The post office will not send out your change of address after just a few months. So keep us in the information loop by returning this form; or you may e mail us at caincarson@hotmail.com In the meantime, you may miss receiving two or three news letters.

Name		
Address		

City State Zip

Tear off this part of the page and mail to the Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis. P.O. Box 240792 Memphis, TN 38124

EDUCATIONAL WEB SITES

Listed below are several interesting web sites. Each has a great deal of information covering many areas of the LD community. If you need information or have a question more than likely one of these sites has the answer.

http://www.ld.org · National Center for Learning Disabilities - Features "Get Ready To Read" - a free online screening for 4-and 5-year olds.

http://www.schwablearning.org · The Schwab Foundation for Learning – Includes articles by Rick Lavoie

http://www.ldonline.org · Interactive guide to learning disabilities for parents, teachers and children - Includes - Dr. Larry Silver answers questions
 http://www.rfbd.org · Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic

http://www.interdys.org · International Dyslexia Association

http://www.ldanatl.org ·Learning Disability Association

http://www.national@chadd.org · Children and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder http://www.cec.sped.org · Council for Exceptional Children

http://www.nichcy.org • The National Information
 Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities
 http://www.copaa.net • The Council of Parent
 Attorneys and Advocates

http://www.ed.gov · U.S. Dept. of Education

REMEMBER

All tutors must attend the workshops on Sept. 17, 2005 if they are planning to tutor during the Saturday School Program. YES, this includes experienced tutors!

Don't forget to fill out and send in your Fall Saturday School Application on page 12.



A Creed to Live By

Don't undermine your worth by comparing yourself with others,

It is because we are different that each of us is special.

Don't set your goals by what other people deem important,

Only you know what is best for you.

Don't take for granted the things closest to your heart

Cling to that as you would your life, for without them life is meaningless.

Don't let your life slip through your fingers by living in the past or the future.

By living your life one day at a time, you live all the days of your life.

Don't give up when you still have something to give. Nothing is really over ... until the moment you stop trying.

Don't be afraid to admit that you are less than perfect,

It is the fragile thread that binds us to each other. Don't be afraid to encounter risks,

It is by taking chances that we learn how to be brave.

Don't shut love out of your life by saying it's impossible to find.

The quickest way to receive love is to give love. The fastest way to lose love is to hold on too tightly, And the best way to keep love is to give it wings. Don't dismiss your Dreams. To be without dreams is to be without hope.

To be without hope is to be without purpose. Don't run through life so fast that you forget where you've been,

But also know where you're going.

Life is not a race, but a journey to be savored every step of the way.

Author Unknown

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some evening and she will be glad to tell you all about it.

It is never too early to start getting ready...In April, the Foundation has a dinner (usually Bar B Q and hot dogs) a speaker, the election of officers and a silent auction. I know April seems like it is a long way away but it will be here before you know it. So start planning now to help. If you shop at a store on a regular basis or eat at a certain restaurant a lot, stop and ask if they will give a gift certificate or a piece of merchandise to our silent auction. If your company is willing to donate something to non-profit organizations please keep us in mind. Remember, we are a 504 c3 organization and will furnish a letter if you need one. Or, if you receive a gift and you would like to donate it, we would love to have it. Or, if you bought something and now you don't want it any more, we would love to have it. Or, if your neighbor has a carport sale and you must buy something or she will get mad at you but she doesn't have anything you like/want or need, then buy something and donate it to our silent suction. Then, your neighbor will be happy and so will we. Remember April is just around the corner and we need your help.

This is our only fund raising program and we need your help. We have not raised our dues or tuition in many years even though our expenses and payroll have continued to rise. This is your chance to help the Foundation by collecting items for the silent auction and most of all by coming, enjoying and participating in the dinner, fellowship and silent auction so we can continue to operate without raising our prices.

Hope to see you there!

When the door of happiness closes, another opens; but often times we look so long at the closed door that we don't see the one, which has been opened for us.



Suggested Modifications to be Provided in Regular Education

- 1. Subject matter: Read/paraphrased
- 2. Visual demonstrations
- 3. Instructions: given in several channels: written, spoken, demonstrations
- 4. Utilization of supplemental aids: vocabulary, multiplication cards, etc.
- 5. Utilization of visual or multisensory materials
- 6. Mnemonic aids/review instruction of mnemonic devices
- 7. Overhead/outline for desk use
- 8. Small group
- 9. Functional level materials
- 10. Emphasis on success experiences
- 11. Taped texts
- 12. Highlighted texts
- 13. Taped lectures
- 14. Note taking assistance
- 15. Extended time for assignment completion
- 16. More time for reading assignments
- 17. More time for mastery of points of recall
- 18. Shortened assignments
- 19. Assignment notebooks
- 20. Study sheets/summary sheets/outlines of most important facts
- 21. Time for repeated review/drill
- 22. Repeatedly draw facts to point of mastery
- 23. Use of Content Mastery program
- 24. Learn to test/retest self
- 25. Use of calculator
- 26. Reduction of pencil/paper tasks
- 27. Manipulation of materials in small steps

- 28. One/one for at least 10-20 minutes daily
- 29. Class work graded on what is completed only
- 30. Printing accepted rather than cursive
- 31. Credit given for class participation, effort, and attendance
- 32. Tutoring assistance provided, i.e., peer, pals, teacher
- 33. Assistance given in organization and planning of class work and/or homework
- 34. More time for test preparation
- 35. Tests given during study hall. Reviews done the day before the test. Review of test is activity in lieu of other assignments at that time.
- 36. Review/testing matched to student pace
- 37. Test directions read/explained
- 38. Fewer repetitive test items to complete
- 39. Test format allowing more space
- 40. Test format is close-ended objective items
- 41. Fewer written responses
- 42. Oral tests
- 43. Short answer tests
- 44. Modified tests
- 45. Preferential seating to reduce distraction
- 46. Frequent breaks
- 47. Defined limits
- 48. Cooling off period
- 49. Concrete reinforces
- 50. Positive reinforces
- 51. Behavior check cards
- 52. Waiver of assignments to students because of schedule needs, illness, other

How can I determine if my child has a learning disability?

Children reach certain "milestones" of development: the first word, the first step, and so forth. Both doctors and parents are watching for these developmental milestones. Learning disorders may be informally flagged by observing significant delays in the child's skill development. A 2-year delay in the primary grades is usually considered significant.

While children can be informally flagged by using observation techniques, actual diagnosis of learning disabilities is made using standardized tests that compare the child's level of ability to what is considered normal development for a person of that age and intelligence. Test outcomes depend not only on the child's actual abilities but on the reliability of the test and the child's ability to pay attention and understand the questions.

[Source: National Institutes of Health, 1993.]



The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis

Dear Parents and Tutors:

We are again planning a 12 week fall program. It will be conducted on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The program will run from Saturday, September 24, 2005 to Saturday, December 17, 2005 at St. Francis of Assisi (SFA), 2100 N. Germantown Parkway, Cordova, TN 38016.

Workshops, which are *mandatory* for all personnel, will be held Saturday, September 17, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi **BRING A LUNCH!!!!**

The Dyslexia Foundation's own language curriculum is used for instruction. Students **MUST** take part in the full curriculum for the entire 12 week period.

The following policies must be understood by all who apply to the program - - as tutors or students:

Only those who have been tested and recommended will be accepted as students. 1.

Unexcused absences by anyone (students and/or personnel) can result in dismissal from the program and all future Foundation programs. Illness is the only acceptable reason for absence. Any other excuse must be cleared before the absence by the board.

All tutors must exceed sixteen years of age.

All participants must be current members of The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis. Dues are \$15.00.

5.

A certain dress code will be observed by everyone.
ALL WORKSHOPS ARE MANDATORY FOR ALL PERSONNEL. 6.

All personnel must fulfill all obligations as set forth in the application contract.

Please apply for the subject you prefer to tutor, math or social values. New parent-tutors apply only for reading. The following areas require tutors:

- Reading (All tutors tutor Language)
- Math or Social Values

Workshops and daily staff meetings will provide instruction in the use of the materials. Supervision will be given over all areas of instruction.

The tuition will be \$180.00 per student. The entire amount is due with the application before September 7, 2005. It cannot be refunded. Remember parents who wish to tutor must apply. The above figures require an enrollment of 80 students in order for the Foundation to offer the Fall Program at this tuition cost.

All applications must be returned **before September 7 2005.** If you are unable to meet this deadline please call and notify the Director of your intentions. Neither students nor tutor applications will be accepted after that date unless verbal approval has been made. An exception will be made for new families who tested in the Summer 2005.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the director before the application deadline.

SEND APPLICATIONS TO:

Sincerely,

Karen Carson 7532 Hatch Circle Arlington, TN 38002

Karen Carson



WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In partial consideration of the willingness of St. Francis of Assisi to allow its facility to be used by The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis, of which my child is a participant, the undersigned parents or guardians of the child(ren) listed below, acknowledge that St. Francis of Assisi shall be free from all liabilities and claims for damages and/or suits for or by reason of any injury or injuries to me, my child(ren), or property, from any cause or caused whatsoever while in or upon the campus of St. Francis of Assisi during any and all functions of The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis held on said premises.

I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless St. Francis of Assisi from all liabilities, charges, expenses (including counsel fees) and cost on account of or by reason of any such injuries, liabilities, claims, suits or losses however occurring or damages growing our of same.

Children:				
Signed this	day of	,	2005	
Parent or Guar	dian			
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Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis

Student Application

I wish to enroll:		
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Name	Birth Date// Se	x Grade
School	Dominant Hand	Glasses Yes / No
Parents Name	Teleph	one <u>()</u>
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My child has permission to be given (if neede	d): Tylenol	
Please list any allergies or other medical information	mation that might be needed:	
Has your child been tested and recommended		
If so, Where?	When?	
Are you a current member of the Dyslexia Fo	oundation?	
If not, please enclose a separate check for dues of Memphis.	(\$15.00). Make this check paya	able to: Dyslexia Foundation
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Signature of Parent and/or Guardian		
Return Applications by Specified D	eadline	
Notice of Nondiscriminatory Policy as to stude and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, pr to students in the program. It does not discrim administration of its educational policies, or o	ograms, and activities generally inate on the basis of race, color,	accorded or made available
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Tutor Application

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Cook Book Order Form

To order by phone call 377-8731

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Qty.	Description	Price	Total
	Dyslexia Cook Books	\$12.50	
	Shipping and Handling charges		
	for orders \$1.00 to \$25.00 \$2.00	Cook Book Total	
	\$25.01 to \$50.00 \$4.00	S&H	
	\$50.01 to \$75.00 \$6.00		
	Orders over \$75.00 are 10% of order	Amount Due	
	Thank you for your order.		

Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis P.O. Box 240792 Memphis, TN 38124

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