

HABA

Hawaii Association for Behavior Analysis

HABA's mission is to expand behavioral knowledge, support service providers implementing behavioral interventions, and promote board certification in behavioral analysis.



Message from the President

ALOHA KAKOU!

In 2003, a small group of people interested in the field of behavior analysis met to discuss the formation of HABA. There were 15 people at that meeting and maybe three people in the state that were board certified. All in attendance were living on the island of O'ahu. At the end of 2008, there were twenty people at the business meeting and a head count of 21 BCBA/BCABAs in the state was established (representing three islands).

Being an island state is one of our greatest challenges. The state of Hawai'i includes eight islands: O'ahu, Maui, Hawai'i, Kauai, Moloka'i, Lana'i, Kaho'olawe, and Ni'ihau. The state of Hawai'i is part of the Hawaiian Archipelago, which includes 137 named islands of which only twelve islands are known to be inhabited. It is often said the further a person or issue is from Honolulu, the less the world cares about that person or issue; while we hope it is an exaggeration, there is some truth to the matter, the further away from the city the less support and fewer professional contacts a person may have. The challenge to any organization in Hawai'i is to include members statewide/archipelago wide. While not all of the islands in the archipelago are legally part of the State of Hawai'i, we would like to assure all inhabitants of our archipelago have access to ABA knowledge. To meet this need we are exploring the use of our list serve to provide structured professional development discussions about professional topics. Please join our discussions.

HABA is an organization for people interested in behavior analysis and is primarily an interest group. HABA works to promote behavior analysis by: 1 - promoting and providing training opportunities in Behavior Analysis; 2 - providing a forum for the discussion of research and conceptual issues in behavior analysis; 3- maintaining a website containing information about the organization and about behavior analysis in Hawaii and elsewhere; 4 - functioning as the Hawai'i contact for and representative of the Association for Behavior Analysis: International (ABA); and 5 - promoting cooperation between behavior analytic organizations in other countries, regions, states and localities.

Me ka `oia`i`o
(With sincerity)

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Side note: Ghanzi, Botswana is Honolulu's antipode, that is, the point precisely opposite to it on the globe. As a crow flies it is about 12,108 miles between Ghanzi and Honolulu. The planet is small; the behavior of one impacts all of us!

UP COMING EVENTS

2009 Autism Conference

Title: *Research to Practice: Making Real Changes in the Lives of People with Autism*

Date: February 6 - 8, 2009

Location: Hyatt Regency
Jacksonville-Riverfront

35th Annual Convention

Date: May 22-26, 2009

Location: Phoenix, Arizona,
at the Phoenix Convention
Center.



Check out the
HABA listserve!

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HawaiiABA/>

Learning Differences Conference 2009

Title: Learning Differences

Date: Feb. 20 & 21, 2009

Location: Wo International
Center, Punahou School Campus

Registration: Contact Variety
School.

*Journal of Speech-Language
Pathology and Applied
Behavior Analysis has just
been published at*

<http://www.slp-aba.net/> JSLP-
ABA is an open-access on-
line journal published by
Behavior Analysis Online.

HABA Listserve

The HABA list serve is a great way to share information between other HawaiiABA members which may include behavior analysts, parents, teachers, or others interested in applied behavior analysis. Membership in this Group is not limited to HABA members, but is open to others interested in ABA worldwide. Therefore, it is an excellent forum to disseminate information relevant to Hawaii and the field of applied behavior analysis. Moreover, membership is entirely FREE.

The HawaiiABA Group operates as both an electronic mailing list and an Internet forum. Group messages can be posted by members and read by e-mail or on the HawaiiABA Group homepage, like a web forum (or blog). Members can choose whether to receive individual e-mails or daily digest e-mails, or to read the posts at the web site. Our Group is a member-only discussion list and membership requires approval by the Group Moderator.

As well as providing e-mail relaying and archiving facilities, the HawaiiABA Group service provides additional functions on the

web site, such as voting, calendar systems, photo and file uploading. How can this benefit our Group? Conference photos can be uploaded and shared, journal articles can be discussed (journal review), members can be polled to vote on various questions, and important dates such as quarterly meetings or conferences can be entered in the calendar. The basic mailing list functionality is available to any e-mail address, but a Yahoo! ID is required for access to other features.

A link to the HawaiiABA Group can always be found on our web page

www.hawaiiaba.org

If you prefer to directly go to the HawaiiABA group website or if you prefer to post and read messages at the web site (like a blog or web forum), navigate to:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HawaiiABA/>

Sign up today!!

Justin Kyriannis, M.A., BCBA
HABA Webmaster

APBA Affiliate Association application update!

The application on behalf of Hawaii Association for Behavior Analyst to become an Affiliate Association of the Association of Professional Behavior Analysts (APBA) has been approved! There is no fee for Affiliate Associations, so we will proceed to list Hawaii Association for Behavior Analyst on the APBA website, along with its logo as a link to your website. We encourage you to list your Affiliate Association status with the APBA (and our website link) on your website and in other materials.

Our Affiliate Associations represent critical relationships within our field that will be the foundation for our mutual successes in addressing practitioner needs. We want to work with you in addressing not only state, regional, or country issues that are especially important to your membership but national and international issues on which we must all work together. APBA directors, staff, and members who are engaged in APBA projects and initiatives will be contacting the leadership of your association to get a better idea of your organization and its members. We want these contacts to be the beginning of a growing relationship as we work together on practitioner issues, particularly those important to your membership. APBA is already engaged in a number of initiatives, and we will be sharing this work and its benefits with you. We will also be encouraging your organization and its members to join our efforts.

Welcome aboard!

Jon S. Bailey, PhD, Board Certified Behavior Analyst
President



**Check out the APBA
website!**

<http://www.apbahome.net/>

More upcoming Events

Organization: Northern Speech Services, Inc.

Title: Motivating Children with Autism to Speak: Incorporating ABA Principles to Build Functional Communication

Date: May 5, 2009

Location: Holiday Inn Wilsonville
Portland, OR
www.northernspeech.com



Organization: Northern Speech Services, Inc.

Title: Motivating Children with Autism to Speak: Incorporating ABA Principles to Build Functional Communication

Date: May 6, 2009

Location: Embassy Suites
Bellevue, WA
www.northernspeech.com

New HABA Officers!



- Position: President
- Name: Jessie Mitchell
- BCBA: Yes
- Employed at/by: BCRC
- Position Title: Lead Behavior Analyst
- How many years been in the field? –Has been working with individuals with behavioral challenges since 1986



- Position: President Elect
- Name: Todd Addleson
- BCBA: Yes
- Employed by: Quality Behavioral Outcomes
- Position Title: Director of Behavioral Services, Hawaii
- How many years in the field? 13 years



- Position: Treasurer
- Name: Yuri Hasegawa
- BCBA: Yes
- Employed by: Private Contractor
- How many years in the field? 16



- Position: Secretary (Joint effort!)
- Name: Brianna & Lawrence Tatekawa
- BCBA: Yes, both are certified BCBA
- Employment: Both are employed by the DOE
- Position Title:
- Lawrence is a School Psychologist for the Leeward Complex
- Brianna is a Speech Pathologist for the Central Complex.
- How Many years in the field?
 - Lawrence has been in the field for 8 years.
 - Brianna has been in the field for 3 years.

New Officer Support Team!

- Webmaster: Justin Kyriannis
- Conference Chair: Cheryl Ebisui
- Pursuant/Maintenance of Tax Exempt Status: Flavia Ploog
- Newsletter: Donna Nazarchyk

BCBAs' in Hawaii

(Board Certified Behavior Analysts)

FABA monthly podcasts

The FABA Monthly Podcast is a monthly broadcast of the Florida Association for Behavior Analysis (FABA) and is hosted by Dr. Matthew Normand of the Florida Institute of Technology. Each podcast episode contains information pertaining to behavioral science in general and behavior analysis in particular, including news, information about upcoming events, and featured interviews.

<http://www.theskinnerbox.com/Podcasts/FABA/>

The Hawaii Association for Behavior Analysis (HABA) is a professional organization dedicated to the practice, research, and dissemination of Applied Behavior Analysis.

Applied Behavioral Analysis is definitely growing in Hawaii! In a state where we could count the amount of certified behavior analyst on one hand we have now grown to over 20!

The following people are BCBA (*Board Certified Behavior Analyst*):

- Addleson, Edward- Kihei
- Boyd, Cynthia-Kihei
- Clark, Alaina-Pukalani
- Ebisui, Cheryl-Honolulu
- Hasegawa, Yuri-Honolulu
- Huckfeldt, Rachel- Kihei
- Kimball, Karen-Honolulu
- Kyriannis, Justin- Honolulu
- Mitchell, Jessie- Mililani
- Ploog, Flavia-Kaneohe
- Powell, Lezell-Honolulu
- Restivo, Gina-Honolulu
- Tatekawa, Lawrence-Mililani
- Tatekawa, Brianna-Mililani
- Taylor, Johanna-Makawo
- Voss, Bill-Honolulu
- Walton, Christine-Honolulu
- Wiech, Amy-Waialua
- Wilson, Catherine-Honolulu

The following people are BCABA (*Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst*):

- Anjo-Kilby, Kathleen-Honolulu
- De Jesus, Caroline-Honolulu
- Hurst-Jones, June-Waialua

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