September 2018 Communicator

President’s Message

The goal of the MSHA Fall Convention is to provide a networking and educational opportunities for SLPs and AUDs in Montana. This year our annual conference theme is Creating Communication Connections. You may register for Fall Convention online or print and mail in your registration. Look on the MSHA website for topic and speaker information on each of the three days of the MSHA Fall Convention. You will also find a recent draft copy of the SLP and Aud Assistant’s Bill. Please take time to share your feedback with us.

* In addition to a variety of speakers and topics there will be increased opportunities to network, join yoga Thursday and Friday mornings, special music on Thursday evening, a President’s reception Wednesday evening, and a past president’s breakfast on Saturday. We have added numbers of vendors and exhibitors for this year’s conference as well. * Please reach out to other members in your communities to share a ride and/or share a room. I look forward to meeting and greeting each of you. * One of the healthiest things about summer is the way it changes our perspective. The long days, lovely Montana weather, trips away from home and reprieve from school, work and other commitments release us from our usual routines and allow us to see our regular lives from a certain detached distance. Suddenly we are looking at our lives from outside instead, see the whole picture instead of frantic, fragmented parts. * This vacation viewpoint can also happen for us in our professions and with MSHA. Summer’s distance from regular obligations lets us broaden our outlook and change our focus from narrow to wide. What an opportunity! I also find that my summer connections with people improve my perspective to ask and answer some big picture questions. It is imperative that we combine our ideas in order to create a shared vision for our professions. * We need input from everyone including students, professionals from all settings, past presidents, retired members and non-members. Let’s use our vacation viewpoint to help us focus on what we want and make Connections at our Fall MSHA Convention. Let’s use our excellent problem-solving skills and our open communication lines to make our MSHA Vision happen.

Most Appreciative, Lezlie Pearce-Hopper - Current MSHA President

This will be the last mailed issue of The Communicator — unless you request a paper copy!
Contact us at msha@fmdh.org

Special Points of Interest

- Membership Renewal
- Fall Convention Information
- Call for Nominations
- Membership Update
- ASHA ACE State Members Recognized
- Convention Registration
- Joke
- Mission & Vision Statements...
- Request to fill out registration carefully

Dates To Remember

MSHA Fall Convention in Helena
October 18-20, 2018

More conference information & registration details are available online at www.mshaonline.org
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If you prefer paper copies I can help... contact msha@fmdh.org
ASHA ACE Award Recipients

MSHA received notification from ASHA that there are some professionals in our state who earned an Award for Continuing Education (ACE). They earned 7.0 ASHA CEUs (70 contact hours) within a 36 month period. Please join MSHA in congratulating the following individuals from Montana who were recognized. These listed individuals are also members of our state MSHA organization.

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Thank you both for your obvious dedication to this profession. Thank you also for your dedication to MSHA.

Carol Morse has submitted a report that we included on the website for you to review at leisure. The STARs component (State Advocates for Reimbursement) topics include: Language Equality & Acquisition for Deaf Kids (LEAD-K), ABA Therapy, Occupation Licensure Legislation Elimination and more…
The STAMP component (State Advocates for Medicare Policy) topics include: 2018 Coding and Reimbursement updates. Learn Key Component of Payment Success.
Carol will be one of the speakers featured at MSHA Fall Convention.

How many MSHA members do we have currently?
15 Audiologists
4 Dual (Speech Pathologist/Audiologist)
140 Speech Pathologists
79 Students
2 SLP Aides

240
Mail this form and your check to: MSHA; P.O. Box 1065; Glasgow, MT  59230
You can also become a member or renew your membership online at www.mshaonline.org

Montana Speech - Language - Hearing Association

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Full Membership (licensed) - $75.00
Aide/Assistant—$25.00
Student Membership—$25.00
If you are Retired—Lifetime Membership for $125.00
Membership dues include January 1 through December 31 of each year

PERSONAL INFORMATION
Name: ___________________________     Best Phone: _____________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________________
City: _____________ State: _____ Zip: _________
Best Email: ______________________________________________________________

EMPLOYER INFORMATION
Name: ___________________________     Phone: _____________________
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Please circle all that apply:
SLP    AUD    DUAL    AIDE/ASSISTANT    STUDENT
HOSPITAL    SCHOOL    PRIVATE PRACTICE

The information may be published in the directory yes / no on the website yes / no
__________________________________  (signature). Year you first became a MSHA member: _________
Would you like to volunteer to work on a committee yes / no or be nominated for an office yes / no.
If so, which one(s)?: _______________________________________

Consider a Financial Contribution to one or both the Community Outreach Program and/or the Scholarship Program. These are both great ways to help students and clients needing MSHA support.

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MSHA Fall Convention...

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Convention dates are October 18th – 20th, 2018 and will be located at Helena, Delta Hotels by Marriott Helena Colonial (Previously Radisson Colonial Inn).

The reservations number is (406) 443-2100.

**LODGING:** Delta Hotels by Marriott Helena Colonial
2301 Colonial Drive, Helena, MT
Phone: 406-443-2100

Discounted lodging starting at $129 per night - **Last day to book at reduced rate** is 9/16/18

Be sure to mention: MT Speech/Language Hearing Association

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**Schedule at a Glance**

* MSHA Board Meeting begins Wednesday @ 4 pm
* Join us for the President’s Reception Wednesday @ 7 pm
* Yoga with Ashley early morning Thursday and Friday
* Bring gently used materials no longer used to share with students
* Music with Bruce Anfinson Thursday evening following poster sessions

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**We look forward to seeing everyone at the MSHA Fall Convention.**

**Things to look forward to:**

1. Lobbyist on site Thursday at lunch to give us an update.
2. Round table discussions during lunch Friday with regional representatives.
3. Award & Honors on Thursday at lunch meeting.
4. Several exhibitors to stop in and see/support.
5. Past President’s Breakfast—Saturday morning
6. Lucy Richards on site for licensure issues in MT.
7. MSHA table for membership and SLP and AuD Assistant information.
8. Poster Sessions at 4:45 on Thursday for additional CEU’s.
9. Silent Auction items to raise money for Scholarships & Community Outreach programs.
10. MSHA Products arranged by Kitty Griffin.
Hello MSHA Members!

September has arrived, and we are in full swing to prepare for Fall Convention. It is time to start thinking of individuals or organizations in our profession that you’d like to nominate for the various MSHA awards. We are accepting nominations for the following award categories:

- **Meritorious Award** is presented for outstanding professional achievement in the area of communication disorders of a non-technical nature or exemplary service to our organization, profession, and the communica-tively impaired.
- **Achievement Award** is presented for technical and/or professional achievement in the fields of speech-language pathology, audiology or any other related area concerned with the treatment of communication disorders. This award is presented to a person who has made a major contribution to the knowledge base within our professional fields, and/or to the methods or materials for the treatment and/or prevention of communication disorders. Their devotion and effort far exceed standard performance.
- **Service Award** is presented for outstanding dedication and excellence in service to the MSHA organization.
- **Organizational Award** is presented to an organization that has made a major contribution to increasing our knowledge of the disorders of communication, developed a new clinical tool or techniques for the treatment of communicative disorders or had exhibited virtuous attitudes and behaviors in the delivery of services to the communicatively impaired.
- **Laura Jo McKamey Award (aka “Big Purse Award”)** is presented to someone who has provided exemplary service to MSHA. This is someone that exemplifies a spirit of volunteerism.
- **Undergraduate Student Clinical Achievement** is presented for outstanding work in the area of undergraduate level clinical practice.
- **Graduate Student Clinical Achievement** is presented for outstanding work in the area of graduate-level clinical practice.
- **Undergraduate Research Award** is presented for outstanding work in the area of undergraduate level research.
- **Graduate Research Award** is presented for outstanding work in the area of graduate level research.
- **Off-Site Supervisory Award** is presented for exemplary mentorship and supervision for the professional development of communication disorders students.

Please direct your nominations or any questions to Emily Stafslien, emily.stafslien@gmail.com. Awards will be presented during the MSHA Fall Convention in Helena.

DEADLINE: September 28th, 2018

Nomination Ideas: ________________________________

Pencil in your ideas and make sure to contact Emily….

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**Donations Needed for Silent Auction!**  
Let’s make this auction wonderful!

The Silent Auction fundraiser helps to raise money for both Community Outreach efforts and also the MSHA Scholarship program. This program awards scholarships to graduate students studying to become SLPs and planning to stay and work in our state!

Please take a moment and ask your place of employment, community merchants, business leaders and longtime friends, if they will consider supporting MSHA by donating an item, providing a gift certificate from their business, donating a service, or making a cash donation. Donating is quick and easy by using the form you can print off of the website (www.mshaonline.org).
Thursday Speakers & Topics Options...
- Christina Hansen: Difference vs. Disorder: Referral & Evaluation of English Language Learners
- Brett Gallio: CABA: Working as a Team with SLPs
- Karl Rosston, LCSW: Suicide Prevention
- Tal M. Goldin: Student First: The role of related service professionals in Special Education Advocacy
- Carol Morse: Documentation for Maximum Reimbursement
- Diane Simpson/Rachel Stansberry: Growing Telepractice in MT
- Kitty Griffin/Leann Goss/Brenda Herlson: Throw me a LINE, Throw me a SIGN MSDB & State of the Heart Therapy
- Professional Panel: Supervision of Aides and Assistants

Friday Speakers & Topics Options...
- Sucheta Kamath: Cognitive and Executive Function development and training for all kinds of brains: Closing the gap between theoretical framework and practical application.
- Lucy Hart Paulson: Here a Dis, There a Dys, Everywhere a Dis, Dys: Writing Assessment and Intervention for Language Disorders, Dyslexia, and Dysgraphia.
- Ashley Meaux: “Do this! Don’t do that!” The Language Behavior Connection in Children with Delayed Language Learning.

Saturday Speakers & Topics Options...
- Samantha Shune: Beyond Swallowing: Other Considerations in Dysphagia Management.

Prior to registering for conference please look at dates, topics, and meal options before making your selections. Your responses help us to plan for our meals and seating arrangements and it helps tremendously if you look at the schedule closely and give us your thoughtful responses. Thanks for your help with this.

The Radisson Colonial Hotel Helena is now rebranded to Delta Hotels Helena Colonial. Start date: 10/16/18 End date: 10/22/18 ** Last day to book: 9/16/18 Marriott hotel(s) offering your special group rate: $129 per night—don’t forget to mention MSHA.

As a guest you will appreciate the complimentary parking, free wireless internet, free bottled water, and extensive fitness facility including our indoor heated pool. Guest rooms feature spacious floor plans, work stations, conveniently located power outlets, upgraded lighting throughout guest rooms and upgraded bedding. The Coffee Corner will be proudly brewing Starbucks Coffee in addition to offering many Grab and Go items.

On behalf of the MSHA Board, we look forward to greeting you at this year's conference in Helena. Lezlie Pearce-Hopper 2018 MSHA President
# CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

**2018 Fall Convention**  
**Delta Hotels Helena Colonial**  
**October 18 – 20**

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Approved Provider: [American Speech-Language-Hearing Association](https://www.asha.org)

This conference is offered for up to 1.95 ASHA CEUs (Intermediate level, Professional area)

Registration can be mailed in to MSHA; PO Box 1065; Glasgow, MT 59230
### Mission:
Provide and promote education, networking and advocacy for professionals and the public with quality and compassion.

### Vision:
Montanans will access speech, language, and audiology services from the highest trained professionals.

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