

## NSSLHA Minutes

2/25/09

### Website Updates

- Hayley and Julie Ostrem are awesome for getting the website updates completed!
- Check it out at <http://www.uiowa.edu/~comsci/nsslha/index.html>
- We still need **pictures** for the website!
- Send any NSSLHA-related pictures to [hayley-ellis@uiowa.edu](mailto:hayley-ellis@uiowa.edu)

### Iowa Speech and Hearing Association Board Meeting

- Annie and Jess attended
- Everyone is encouraged to **become a member** of ISHA
- Discussed funding for **EDHI** (Early Hearing Detection and Intervention)
  - EDHI helps to fund newborn hearing screening
  - Also pays for hearing aids for kids with a unilateral hearing loss pays for ½ of the hearing aids for kids with a bilateral loss
  - This funding is important because insurance does not cover much of the cost of hearing aids.
  - Funding for EDHI is at risk for being cut. With enough support, this funding cut may be reconsidered
  - **Please add your name to the sheet in the student lounge to show your support for EDHI**
- ISHA **Schools Spring Forum** is coming up
  - Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 9:00a.m.-3:30p.m.
  - Great opportunity to network with School-Based SLPs.
  - Learn about innovative practices across Iowa
  - Some topics Include:
    - Innovative Practices
    - Early Literacy Supports
    - Response to Intervention—Vocabulary Initiatives
    - Telepractice
  - To register for this forum, please e-mail Rhonda Anderson Balch by April 13<sup>th</sup> at [rbalch@aea11.k12.is.us](mailto:rbalch@aea11.k12.is.us)

### Treasury

- **It is not too late to join NSSLHA**
- You can give your \$10 dues to Christie ([christina-aldrich@uiowa.edu](mailto:christina-aldrich@uiowa.edu)) or Rosie ([elizabeth-n-rose@uiowa.edu](mailto:elizabeth-n-rose@uiowa.edu)), and they will add you to the NSSLHA listserv
- Budget will be discussed at next meeting
- Christie and Rosie are working on applying for funding project (\$1000) for NSSLHA

## Visitors Day

- March 27<sup>th</sup> for students accepted into the Speech Pathology Grad Program
- Hayley will send out more info for people who signed up to volunteer

## Spring Apparel Sale

- Congratulations to Bri for submitting the winning T-shirt design! You get a free t-shirt and hat!
- T-shirts are \$12 & sweatshirts are \$27
- **To see the design and order a shirt, sign up on the bulletin board.**
- **Orders and Money will be due to Kate Paulline ([kathryn-paulline@uiowa.edu](mailto:kathryn-paulline@uiowa.edu)) or Megan Jones ([megan-d-jones@uiowa.edu](mailto:megan-d-jones@uiowa.edu)) no later than *Wednesday, March 11***

## Upcoming Volunteer Events

- **Autism Walk at Westdale Mall in Cedar Rapids**
  - March 28<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m. to 11:00a.m.
  - Donations of any monetary value are appreciated.
  - Rides will be available for anyone without transportation.
  - **If want to join us for the Autism Walk, put your name and e-mail on the sign-up sheet on the NSSLHA bulletin board**
  - Contact Kate ([kathryn-paulline@uiowa.edu](mailto:kathryn-paulline@uiowa.edu)) for more information
- Senior (Citizens) Prom in the works for April or May

## Upcoming Social Events

- **FAC(Friday After Class)**
  - March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 5p.m (Location to be determined)
- **Bar Crawl**
  - April 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7p.m. (Locations to be determined)
  - Shirts are \$13.00—please order your Bar Crawl T-shirt by March 27<sup>th</sup>
  - **Sign-up sheet and t-shirt design is on the NSSLHA Bulletin Board, and t-shirt money can be given to Lea Greiner ([lea-greiner@uiowa.edu](mailto:lea-greiner@uiowa.edu))**

## Graduate Student Senate Reps

- One more spot is available on the Graduate Student Senate
- **Contact Mindy Grieb([melinda-glasco@uiowa.edu](mailto:melinda-glasco@uiowa.edu)) to become a Grad Student Rep for Speech Pathology or Audiology**

## Audiology Representative

- **Hearing Screening at the Children's Museum**
  - Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> 5p.m. –8p.m.
  - Great way to get observation hours!
  - Contact Jennifer Fowler([jennifer-fowler@uiowa.edu](mailto:jennifer-fowler@uiowa.edu)) for more info.
- Upcoming Speaker—family with a child with cochlear implants is coming to talk