CLD Library: Task Force Favorites

Members of the Cultural and Linguistic Diversity (CLD) task force continue to identify favorite books, therapy materials, articles, and Web sites that are useful when working with CLD populations. We hope you will enjoy reading their comments and that you find the information valuable. Look for more "favorites" on the TSHA Web site!

Books:

• Roseberry-McKibbin, C. (2002). Multicultural students with special language needs: Practical strategies for assessment and intervention (2nd ed.). Oceanside, CA: Academic Communication Associates.

Lynette Austin says: Perhaps the best aspect of this resource is the general information it provides regarding bilingualism and second language learning. With helpful figures and examples, it is useful for communicating with teachers and parents about these issues. This volume also provides information about a number of cultures and languages, and how cultural differences may impact the assessment/intervention process.

 Mattes, L. J. (1985). Bilingual language, speech, and hearing dictionary. Oceanside, CA: Academic Communication Associates.

Gina Glover shares: I use this book when training interpreters. Frequently they are not familiar with terms used in our field and have difficulty interpreting those terms.

Web site:

• www.classweb.gmu.edu/accent/

Lynette Austin tells us: This site contains English dialect information and audio-clips for hundreds of dialects of English. Information about the first language is available as well, such as phonemes in the language, etc.

Gina Clover has this to say about the Web site: I just recently learned about <http://classweb.gmu.edu/accent/> from fellow task force member, Lynette Austin. This site has a lot of information on the articulation patterns of about 419 different speech patterns from many languages and cultures. Users can actually hear speech samples. This site is a very helpful tool when trying to distinguish an articulation disorder versus difference.

Materials:

• Jacobson, T., Casas, C., & Portillo, P. (1992). *Think up a solution*. Oceanside, CA: Academic Communication Associates.

Gail Totten tells us: This book has pictures and scripts in both English and Spanish, and the older children really liked them.

Steckbeck, P. M. (n. d.). *Artic calendar capers*. Greenville, SC: Super Duper Publications.

Gail Totten goes on to say: This product had been out of print, but has recently been revised. It has lists of words in Spanish and English for articulation practice, and sheets in English and Spanish to go with all the months of the year to use as activities with the words.

CLD Task Force at Work...

TSHA's Task Force on Cultural and Linguistic Diversity (CLD) Issues is in the process of developing a document entitled "Linguistically Diverse Populations: Considerations and Resources for Assessment and Intervention." This document was prepared to highlight important issues meriting consideration when providing services to culturally and linguistically diverse individuals. It will be available for widespread review on the TSHA Web site throughout August of 2005. Please visit <www.txsha.org/prof_issues> to review the document draft and provide comments and input. All feedback must be submitted by September 1, 2005. We look forward to your input. Thank you!

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part of your Executive Council, who are made up of all TSHA task force, committee and standing committee chairs. On August 26 and 27, the Executive Council will meet in Houston to take the beginnings of the strategic plan forward to give it definition and an action plan.

So, which of our friends will I be calling at 3:00 A.M. when I can't sleep? If it is a Public School SLP Vacancies issue, my first call will be to Cherry Wright, my task force Chair. If it involves up-coming Honors and Awards, I'll get Chair Melanie McDonald on the line, and if it is an Ethical Practices issue, I'm sure Sue Johnsen will be happy to pick up the phone. When election time rolls around, April Smith, chair of Nominations and Elections, will become a "must" on my cell phone speed dial. Donise Pearson, chair of planning the year-long events surrounding our 50th Anniversary celebration, has already "picked up the phone" many a time! And I am really excited to have Kathryn Martin and Tori Gustafson, co-chairs, just a phone call away to advise the EB and provide focus and momentum regarding Audiology Issues. And when things get really rough, I'm calling Gil Hanke, who, as the Texas Speech-Languge-Hearing Foundation President, is Ex Officio to the Board and will offer wisdom — I am counting on it! Everything else goes to a wonderful Executive Board and Council - and who do they call on? YOU, the membership!

Save the Date — TSHA Executive Board and Council Members



Council members should mark your calendars for August 26 & 27 for a meeting of the TSHA Executive Board and Council at the Hilton of the Americas Hotel in downtown Houston (site of the TSHA 2007 Annual Convention). This meeting time is a departure from the

traditional October meeting. Watch for a message from the State Office and your Vice President for specific details. Go ahead and make your travel plans for the best flight fares. You should plan to arrive by Friday, August 26, at noon and should book your return for Saturday, August 27, after noon. See you in August!