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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Julie S. Vargas

ABA as an organization is streamlining its operations. At the Fall council meeting, Bill Redmon, Secretary-Treasurer, presented a strategic plan to increase the accomplishments of ABA. The plan outlined ABA's major activities (for example, the annual conference) and proposed specific goals and performance measures for each goal. A financial management section included five-year comparisons of expenses and income. Council members were so impressed with the plan that we asked Redmon to put the plan into operation, employing him for one day a week in order to do so.

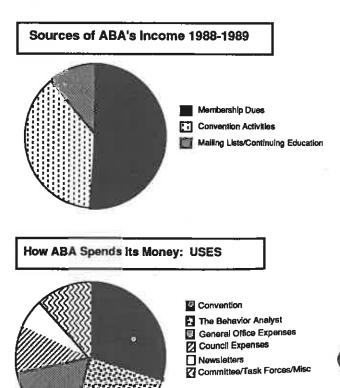
### A STEP TOWARDS AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTORSHIP FOR ABA

The step of paying an officer of ABA, even part time, moves the organization towards an executive director style of administration. Those who answered the Fall questionnaire (see the summary elsewhere in this newsletter) only moderately supported hiring an executive director. I was one of those who demurred. A hypothetical director would cost ABA at least one hundred thousand dollars, by the time you add together salary, benefits, travel expenses and a secretary. That amount is over half of ABA's current yearly budget. Once hired, I reasoned, such a person would come under contingencies to continue funding his or her own position by increasing membership, soliciting funds, or raising money in other ways. I could visualize an executive director spending a majority of his or her time looking for money. Worse still, in a budget crunch, it would be tempting for such a person to "save" money from other activities of ABA, such as its publications or convention expenses, in order not to lose his or her job.

While I still am dubious about the executive director model, I have no reservations about the person who has taken on a part of an executive director role, nor about the actions he has initiated. One of these things that bothered me when I became president of ABA was that I really could not separate out the costs of various ABA functions. The accounting system was detailed—extremely detailed. But the 30-odd line-items of expenses did not permit a ready answer to such questions as "How is my

membership dollar spent?" The answer to such a question is more complicated than one might think. Part of the money from membership dues supports the ABA office in Kalamazoo. Some of those costs. however, are also born by the convention, on which ABA makes money. Part of ABA's income from membership dues pays for the newsletter. Part supports the journal, but it is difficult to say exactly how much support is involved. ABA buysThe Behavior Analyst from SABA. (SABA was set up as a tax exempt organization, so that donations, unlike those to ABA, could be tax deductible. SABA cannot engage in advocacy, but it can support educational activities, such as the production of a journal.) The cost of the journal per member can be calculated, but student membership fees do not cover the costs of sending journals to them, so part of "journal costs" is actually a student subsidy. To come up with a figure depends on how you count these and other factors.

Although we do not yet have a satisfactory breakdown of the apportionment of membership dues, Redmon has begun to analyze how ABA is spending its money—not in terms of number of the items purchased (printing, postage, telephone, etc.), but in terms of what ABA is getting for what it spends. The following charts show where ABA derives its money (sources) and spends its money (uses):



Interestingly, the two largest expenditures, the convention and *The Behavior Analyst*, were the two services ranked "most important" by members who asswered the questionnaire. ABA generates sufficient funds for its activities, and income and expenses have been remarkably consistent from year to year, a sign of overall financial health.

In addition to working with the budget, Redmon will follow up on actions initiated by council. In the past, committees and task forces have been set up during council meetings and then pretty much ignored until the next council meeting. The level of work on most projects has depended, not on how important they are to ABA, but on the personal commitment of the appointed chair. This Fall, Council charged Redmon with setting goals for each committee and working with committee members throughout the year to maintain consistent progress towards ABA's goals.

Redmon's appointment, in sum, should help tighten ABA's functioning and provide an impetus for new directions the organization is taking. One new direction is that of advocacy.

### ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES OF ABA

Many members of ABA and most of its chapters' members work in applied settings. For them, issues such as credentialing and "third party payments" critically impact their professional lives. Even academics, whose salaries are little affected by political action, acknowledge the advantages of an increased demand for behavior analytic programs and of support for behavioral research. Clearly ABA members would benefit if more states required behavior analytic training for staff members working in applied fields, and if the public increased its support of behavior analysis.

ABA has taken a few steps in the advocacy arena. For several years we have set up press rooms at the national conventions. In 1989 we issued our first position statement (Right to Effective Treatment) and we are working on others (Ethics and Education). This Fall, following the Governor's conference on Education, Council directed me as president to send letters to each of the state governors in support of behavioral methods in education. To provide amples of behavioral methods, Council voted to include a copy of the issue of Youth Policy Magazine put together by ABA members in the summer of 1988.

While the central organization can take action in support of behavior analysis in general, it cannot advocate specific positions without antagonizing part of the membership (witness the "punishment" issue). What ABA can do, however, is to alert members to state or national actions which impact behavior analysts. ABA has just adopted a vehicle which could get out information very rapidly, with very little cost. Our networked bulletin board on CompuServe can provide timely information to a large part of ABA's membership. I realize that not everyone has a modem and subscribes to CompuServe, but if one member of each local chapter or informal group of behavior analysts signed on regularly, that person could communicate information to others. Individual ABA members could then take action or not, and could do so in a more timely fashion than would be possible for an organization committed to consensus.

Most of the advocacy work of ABA members occurs at the chapter level. Florida has a certification exam for Behavior Analysts, and other states are exploring similar certification. The term "behavior analyst" and behavior analytic language appear with increasing frequency in state regulations and licensing criteria. Other professions, such as law, credential practitioners at the state level.

While ABA international is not involved in certification, it must share some responsibility for the repertoire of individuals who call themselves "Behavior Analysts". One way to influence the training of behavior analysts is through accreditation. A committee is already looking into accrediting behavior analysis programs, and its work should impact curricula and program quality both nationwide and abroad.

### **SUMMARY**

Over the fifteen years of its existence, ABA has evolved from a group of volunteers into a professional organization. Recently ABA has begun to promote behavior analysis through advocacy as well as through its publications and yearly conference. By appointing a part time paid officer, and setting measurable goals for committees and task forces, Council has established a mechanism to help ABA more effectively promote behavior analysis among the public at large, and to begin to influence public policy at state and national levels.

JOIN US IN NASHVILLE FOR THE 1990 ABA CONVENTION!

### Notes From the Editor

We're seeing some changes in the ABA
Newsletter! Some of them will be more obvious than
others. Last issue (Fall 1989) the cover was composed
on a Macintosh Computer for the first time, while the
rest of the issue was set up as it had been previously.
This issue we have added more Macintosh pages—
desktop publishing technology in progress!

A more subtle change has also occurred. Newsletter articles should now go directly to the Editor, who puts the content on a Macintosh file (Microsoft Word 4.0). The Editor not only welcomes but encourages submissions on 3.5" disks in the above format, since that allows quick transfer to a current Newsletter file for editing. Prior to this issue, all copy, including the Editor's "Notes", had to be retyped at the ABA office on a word processor by ABA's Executive Manager, Shery Chamberlain.

Two articles in this issue will provide an update on what's happening within ABA: notes on the Council meeting held in the fall and Julie Vargas's Message from the President. Survey results are also included which show how 560 members responded to the 24 questions mailed to 3460 individuals.

Dick Malott fires some provocative questions at us in the second Newsletter installment of *Notes from a Radical Behaviorist*. Selected responses will appear as they come in, as well as additional questions posed by inquisitive readers.

Malott also announces an exciting informationage addition to the ABA communication line-up. It's the Behavioral Bulletin Board - another indication of incorporating information technology within ABA.

Murray Sidman shares with us a letter he sent to Newsweek last fall and suggests it might be useful to publish others like it in the future. Several other announcements may signal your inspection. Sigrid Glenn descibes a new master's degree in behavior analysis; Larry Fraley reports on the 2nd International Behaviorology Convention held in northern Mexico; Joseph Wyatt tells about a new behavior analysis periodical; and Claudia McDade provides a preliminary glimpse of a conference geared to enhance the use of instructional technology.

That's it for now, except to say that Macintosh is a registered trademark of Apple Computer and Microsoft is a registered trademark of Microsoft Corp.

Stephen A. Graf

# SUMMARY OF MOTIONS AND DECISIONS FROM THE 1989 FALL COUNCIL MEETING

Thanks to the efforts of Jon Bailey, ABA now has
a brochure describing the Association. The brochure
also includes an abbreviated membership form. If
you would like to have some on hand to recruit new
members, call Sharon Myers (616-387-4494) and let
her know how many you need.
Council approved a motion that a brief form be
developed for Special Interest Group and Affiliated
Chapter reports, that the Special Interest Groups and
Affiliated Chapters include the ABA Secretary-
Treasurer on their mailing lists, and that the Special
Interest Group and Affiliated Chapter newsletters be
displayed at the convention.
Reports were received from the following Affili-
ated Chapters for review at the Meeting: Chicago
Area ABA, Northern California ABA, Texas ABA,
and the Quebec Association. ABA President, Dr. Julie
Vargas, is continuing to gather information from the
Chapters on how services could be improved. Please
send your suggestions to the President of the Chapter
in your area so that your comments may be
considered.
Although the survey results indicated that most of
you are in favor of presenting awards to poster ses-
sion presenters, few suggestions were received on
how this might be done. Council, therefore, decided
that no poster session awards be presented at the
1990 Convention. We need your help! Council is
also requesting information from you about how to
address the problem of judging posters. Please send
your comments to Bill Redmon, Secretary-Treasurer,
ABA, Western Michigan University, 258 Wood Hall,
Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5052. Suggestions received by
April 1, 1990, will be presented to Council at the May
meeting.
A proposal was received from the International
Development Committee to establish an award to
recognize members who have contributed to the
international development of behavior analysis.
However since this proposal is for an Association
level award and the structure for such review has not
yet been established; the proposal was deferred until
the awards committee is established.
Reports were received from the following Com-
mittees: Professional Development, Public Relations,
Student, International Development, and Program.

The Student Committee submitted a proposal for a "transitional" dues structure for student members during the transition to full status. While supportive of such a discount, Council requested estimates of the revenue that may be lost and gained under this proposed dues structure. The Student Committee Chairs will present this information at the May 1990 meeting.  Council approved a motion to have a session evaluation and a convention evaluation for the 1990 convention, and asked the Secretary-Treasurer to determine the logistics for conducting the evaluations.	Success of the model developed for reorganization depends on the willingness of an individual to take responsibility for the supervision of the Boards and Coordinators. Council approved a proposal submitted by Bill Redmon, Secretary-Treasurer, for the development of a strategic plan for ABA, including framework, methods of reporting, and performance measures. Based on the plan, Council asked Redmon to pilot various functions of the Executive Director Model on a part-time basis with appropriate compensation. The surveys had indicated that Members were				
Session evaluations will be piloted at the addresses.	supportive of the <i>idea</i> of an Executive Director, but were concerned about the proposed expense; the				
The evaluations will make duplicate copies (carbon-	hiring of Redmon on a part-time basis provided a				
less forms); the original is to be given immediately to	tenable solution to the concerns and wishes of the				
the presenter and the copy is to be given to the Ses-	membership.				
sion Volunteer or turned into the Volunteer Desk.We	Council considered and approved a proposal that				
need your help! Please, remember to pick up an	The ABA Newsletter be published four times each				
evaluation form from the Volunteer or the Chair of	year contingent upon evidence that additional costs				
each session, fill it out, and return it!	would be absorbed through savings on other mailings				
Council reviewed and accepted a contract from	and increased advertising revenue.				
the Chicago Mariott. It's back to Chicago in 1993!!	Council discussed the Governor's Conference on				
FUTURE CONVENTION SITES AND DATES	Education and approved a motion that the ABA President white the President of the ILE, the President				
90 May 27-31 Nashville Opryland Hotel	dent write to the President of the U.S., the Department of Education Segretary, and the Governors of				
1991 May 23-27 Atlanta Hilton Inn & Towers	ment of Education Secretary, and the Governors of each state bringing to their attention a small number				
1992 May 24-28 San Francisco Hyatt/Embarcadero	of effective behavioral approaches to education as				
1993 May 26-30 Chicago Marriott 1994 May 26-30 Atlanta Hilton Inn & Towers	recently published in Youth Policy Magazine.				
1994 May 20-30 Adama Thron hin & Towers	Council approved a motion to reactivate the Task				
In response to inquiries about the Convention	Force on Regulatory Issues: Review of the 1990				
dates from several members, Council approved a	ACDD Standards on Behavior Management to				
motion to investigate the cost of moving the conven-	follow-up on the report submitted to the Accreditation				
tion dates off of Memorial Day. The following dates	Council.				
will be used as the first day to obtain this information	An application was received and approved for a				
from the hotels: May 1, May 15, June 1, and June 15.	Special Interest Group on the Experimental Analysis				
As soon as the information on costs is received, you	of Nonhuman Behavior.				
will be asked to express your preference about future	Reports were received from the following Special				
Convention dates. Look for this survey in a future	Interest Groups: Behavioral Gerontology, Computer				
issue of the Newsletter!	Users, Direct Instruction, Experimental Analysis of				
From the comments on the survey, it was apparent	Human Behavior, and Behaviorists for Social Action.				
that many members had missed previous reports on	Users SIG to adopt Compuserve as its telecommuni-				
the outcome of the Certification Task Force study.	cation network for a one-year period. (See the article				
The report indicated that accreditation of graduate programs was a more feasible process for ABA than	on the Behavioral Bulletin Board in this issue for				
certification of individual skills. Council does encour-	details!)				
e the efforts of state chapters to develop licensing	The report of the Right to Effective Education				
processes for behavior analysts and will help dissem-	Task Force was received.				
inate information on licensure. Please send materials	The proposed Association Position Statement on				
and suggestions to Shery Chamberlain (ABA office).	Ethical Conduct was received from the Task Force				
	appointed to prepare this document. Council approved				

a motion to accept the Task Force's recommendation for an Association Position Statement on Ethical Conduct and to place this statement before the membership for a vote.

- Send comments or inquiries about ABA activities to Bill Redmon, Secretary-Treasurer, ABA, Western Michigan
- University, 258 Wood Hall, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5052.

### The 1989 International Event

At the '89 ABA convention, the International Development Committee organized a poster session with the theme "Behavior Analysis: An International Event". Poster session participants informed the ABA community about behavior analysts' activities around the world. The Fall '89 Newsletter listed 16 of the presentations; 11 others included:

BRAZIL. The Historical Analysis as a Methodology for the Comprehension and Assessment of Radical Behaviorism. M.A. Andery, T.M. Serio (Pontifica Unv de Catolica de Sao Paulo). Sibling's Child Care Competence in the Home without Parental Supervision: Research for Future Intervention. E. Ferreira (Unv Federal de Para), T.P.L. Mettel (Unv de Brasilia). The Function of the Object in the Child-Child Relationship. T.P.L. Mettel (Unv de Brasilia).

CANADA. Community Behavioral Services. L.MacDonald, B. Brazier (Alberta Social Services).

CHILE. C. Henriquez (Behavior Modification Institute). L.T. Ojeda (Corporacion de Ayuda Al Paciente Mental).

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Research Programs at Dominican Behavioral Medicine Center. F. Monegro, M.D. (Unv Autonoma de Santo Domingo and Dominican Behavioral Medicine Center).

FRANCE. Behavior Analysis Activities in France. E. Freixa: Baque, F. Tonneau (Unv de Lille).

**MEXICO.** The Definition of Walden Two. Comunidad Los Horcones.

PERU. Ann Sullivan School. L. Mayo (Ann Sullivan School).

We look forward to an exciting International Event at the 1990 Convention in Nashville!

# Conference on Enhancing Instructional Technology: From Research to Reality

Claudia McDade, Director of the Center for Individualized Instruction at Jacksonville State University, Alabama, has put together a special conference at which participants will devise approaches to accelerate instructional technology across educational and training settings. The conference will be held in Nashville just prior to the 1990 ABA Convention. Details will be released in the Convention program and the preconvention *Newsletter*.

### New Master's Degree in Behavior Analysis

The University of North Texas now offers a master's degree in behavior analysis through its Center for Behavior Analysis. Students may choose a general or an applied track; applied courses will focus primarily on the areas of developmental disabilities and organizational behavior management.

The program has been designed to provide thorough grounding in the concepts, methods, theory, and philosophy of behavior analysis. A coherent curriculum includes courses surveying experimental and applied literatures, research methodologies in laboratory and natural settings, and philosophical/conceptual and interdisciplinary issues. The faculty is comprised of four behavior analysts: Janet Ellis, Sigrid Glenn, Joel Greenspoon and Cloyd Hyten.

All students participate in basic research in human operant behavior, and applied research opportunities are continuously available—many for pay in supervised practicum settings. Recipients of the Donald L. Whaley scholarship will be eligible to have out-of-state tuition waived.

Located less than 40 miles from both Dallas and Ft. Worth, the University of North Texas is one of Texas' four largest institutions of higher learning, with an enrollment of more than 25,000 students. The 414-acre campus is beautifully landscaped, with 75 major buildings.

For further information, please contact Sigrid Glenn, Ph.D., Director, Center for Behavior Analysis, University of North Texas, Denton, TX 76203.

### The International Behaviorology Association

2nd Annual Convention Occurs in Mexico
After its first convention at Clarkson University in August of
1988, TIBA held its second convention January 4-8, 1990 at
Communidad Los Horcones, a behaviorologically based
experimental community, near Hermosillo in northern Mexico.
Presentations on a variety of scientific topics were featured.
Formal and informal discussions were directed to the continuing
development of the discipline of behaviorology as a scientific
verbal community informed by the philosophy of radical
behaviorism. The Convention was designed to provide a high
degree of interaction among participants. For information on
TIBA membership and future conferences, contact Dr. Ernest A.
Vargas, TIBA Secretary, West Virginia University, College of
Human Resources & Education, 609-B Allen Hall, Morgantown,
WV 26506-6122 (USA). Telephone: 304-293-2515.

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### NOTES FROM A RADICAL BEHAVIORIST

"May I Ask Some Rhetorical Questions?" he asked, rhetorically.

Richard W. Malott

Western Michigan University

At the risk of offending my friends, I'd like to share a few semi-random questions that have been bugging me, over the years. Maybe you can help me get unbugged.

1. Has the Animal Research on Schedules Been Worth It? What more do we know about the basic behavioral processes, as a result of the millions of key pecks emitted in the study of schedules? This isn't the same as asking whether basic research has been worth it. We shouldn't confuse basic research with research on schedules.

Also, what more do we know about everyday life, as a result of those key pecks? Are most everyday examples of schedules just simplistic, strained metaphorical extensions? Has the strainer ignored the complexities of stimulus control, verbal control, and rule control? As Skinner pointed out years ago, getting paid once a week is far from a 7-day fixed-interval schedule of reinforcement.

Some think nonsense syllables has been a blind ley for traditional experimental psychology. Could schedules of reinforcement be our blind alley?

- 2. Has the Human Research on Schedules Been Worth It? Who cares if humans often fail to generate FI scallops? Especially if you don't care if pigeons do? Or would it be more productive to ask, why don't pigeons respond like people on the FI schedule? Or does the FI schedule provide too complex an environment for answering basic questions. Is that like asking why don't pigeons and people respond the same way at the computer keyboard?
- 3. What Happened to Schedules of Aversive Control? If schedules is so important, why don't we also have miles of cumulative records generated by schedules of escape and punishment?
- 4. Is Life Free Operant or Discrete Trial? How often do we meet the following situation? There's no S<sup>D</sup> for each discrete response, only an occasional response gets reinforced, and we repeatedly make the same response until the response produces an immediate reinforcer. How often do we keep pushing the ver on the water fountain until it finally spouts forth its water?

Or suppose you pump your defective car brake several times, before it stops your car. Is that a ratio

schedule of reinforcement? Or is it really a warning stimulus for an avoidance contingency involving taking your car to the mechanic?

Does life come at us with free-operant contingencies based on intermittent schedules? Or is it more often in the form of discrete-trial contingencies based on something more like continuous schedules?

5. Can We Measure the Probability of a Free Operant? The pigeon pecked the key 60 times in 60 seconds. What's the response probability? Hint: it ain't 1.0, 0.1, or 0.01. Lots of luck. Does this mean that *probability* of response, the darling of schedules research, is really an explanatory fiction?

But enough of invidious questions about schedules: let's check out some other areas.

- 6. Do We Reinforce the Behavior and Not the Behaver? Why do many of our best behavior analysts still talk about reinforcing people rather than behavior? I think cleaning up our act would help here; but I could use a few good examples to support my pedantry.
- 7. Can We Distinguish between Positive and Negative Reinforcement? How about this? You just ate your third piece of cake. You wish you were still hungry so you could eat more. If you could take the magic hunger-producing pill, you would.

More generally, suppose the opportunity to produce the establishing operation (take the hunger-producing pill) is a reinforcer. Then what does this suggest about the behavioral consequence that's enhanced by that establishing operation (the fourth piece of cake) Does that suggest the cake is a positive reinforcer and therefore we've got positive reinforcement?

In other words, does the Roman *vomitorium effect* suggest the existence of positive reinforcement as a distinct phenomenon?

By contrast, how about this? You have a splinter under your fingernail and you pull it out. Do you wish it were still under your nail so you could pull it out again?

More generally, suppose the opportunity to produce the establishing operation (insert the splinter) is not a reinforcer. Then what does this suggest about the behavioral consequence that's enhanced by that

establishing operation (splinter removed)? Does that suggest splinter removal is not a positive reinforcer? Does that suggest the inserted splinter is a negative reinforcer? Does that in turn suggest we've got negative reinforcement?

(Now please give a little slack, for the momentary use of some tasteless, 1940's preschool humor.) In other words, does the absence of the *little moron effect* suggest the existence of negative reinforcement as a distinct phenomenon? Remember? Why did the little moron bang his head against the wall? Because it felt so good when he stopped.

On the one hand, the implication of this humor is that it's senseless to establish an aversive condition whose termination would reinforce the escape response. On the other hand, everyone knows the Romans of old were bright (decadent—maybe, but bright—for sure)—hence the kinky sensibleness of the vomitorium effect.

So can we conclude the following? We've got positive reinforcement when we go out of our way to evoke the establishing operation. And we've got negative reinforcement when we avoid evoking the establishing operation.<sup>1</sup>

8. Do Even the Experts Confuse Respondent Eliciting Stimuli with Operant Discriminative Stimuli? Are we confusing operant and respondent stimulus functions, when we give the following advice to our students? "Always turn on a green light when it's time to study and turn it off when you start drifting into non-study behaviors. That way you won't contaminate your green-light study environment."

Is the green light an S<sup>D</sup> for studying? If so, what reinforcer is more probable when the student studies in its presence?

Or does this advice suggest the light is a respondent eliciting stimulus? If so, do we really think studying is an elicited respondent?

9. Are There Really Many Mentalists in APA? We typically define mentalism as follows: It's the doctrine that there are psychological phenomena that are not physical (i.e., not materialistic). If it isn't material, then it must be spiritual (I guess). Does that mean all the people we consider mentalists in the American Psychological Association are really spiritualists—that they don't believe there's a physical basis for their data?

Or would it be better to say many believe some of their data cannot be reduced to behavior? Should we distinguish between nonbehavioral analyses and spiritualistic (nonmaterialistic) analyses?

Are we using the slanderous label mentalist too loosely? Instead, should we say there are mentalistic (spiritualistic) nonbehaviorists and also materialistic nonbehaviorists?

10. Help. Thanks for hanging in. Few events would make me happier than your treating my questions as if they weren't rhetorical and sending in your answers.

1 In no sense am I suggesting that self-injurious behavior is a laughing matter, but this insensitive, low-rent humor does help to make the point.

### **Behavior Analysis Digest**

Behavior Analysis Digest is a quarterly newsletter designed to provide a clearinghouse and exchange of concise (300 words or less) news and information on the experimental, theoretical, and applied analysis of behavior. The Digest is a vehicle that will enable professionals to quickly review some of the happenings throughout the broad area known as behavior analysis, according to its editor, W. Joseph Wyatt.

While its primary appeal is to behavior analysts, others should find it interesting as well. "The Digest was conceived as a way to help us keep knowledgeable in an age of increasing specialization," Wyatt said. "It became clear, however, that the Digest might serve another purpose, too, such as providing an overview of behavior analysis to those presently only marginally familiar with it."

The newsletter presents descriptions of recently published or presented research, behavior analytic interpretations of newsworthy events, summaries of theoretical works, and occasionally will report major news about behavior analysis. Volume No. 1 includes summaries of articles about reducing pressure sores, teaching the learning disabled, closing "crack" houses, a behavioral analysis of peristroika, reducing AIDS risk among gays, increasing waiters' wages, and about 50 others.

The newsletter is available for \$8.00 per year (\$10.00 foreign) from W. Joseph Wyatt, Editor, *Behavior Analysis Digest*, 509 Hurricane Court, Hurricane, WV 25526.

A Directory of Graduate Training in Behavior Analysis is now available. Call Sharon Myers (616-387-4494) for details!

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### PSYCHOLOGY POSITIONS

The Fernald State School is a residential facility serving 875 adults with mental retardation. Campuses are located in Metropolitan Boston and 60 miles west of Boston. Psychological Services focus on teaching socially adaptive behaviors and treatment of severe behavioral disorders. Usual caseload size is about 20 and direct care to client ratio is about 1:4. The Psychology Department includes approximately 50 positions and is seeking applicants with a Master's or Doctorate in Behavioral Psychology and experience working with the retarded. Salaries range from \$31,424-\$60,642 depending on training and experience. We also offer excellent benefits. Please contact Renee Briggs, Ph.D., Director of Psychology, Fernald State School, 200 Trapelo Road, Waltham, MA 02154, (617) 894-3600, Ext. 2291. Full-time and part-time positions available.

### The Fernald School

### Behavioral Bulletin Board Bytes<sup>1</sup>

Richard W. Malott (CIS #73547,1141)

### WE'RE OFFICIAL

Fm: Dick Malott

To: All BBB Participants

It had been a long time since I'd presented a proposal to a group of peers and had it unanimously and enthusiastically approved. So long I'd forgotten what a thrill it is. But the ABA Council, which met in Kalamazoo this weekend (14-15 OC 1989), gave me that thrill. They loved the Behavioral Bulletin Board (BBB). And they approved us as an official part of ABA, just like their newsletter, journal, and convention. The Council members were also quick to see the implications of the BBB on the CompuServe Information network:

- Julie Vargas asked if members outside the USA could participate. I said, "Yes".
- Jon Bailey asked if regional and state associations, like FABA, could use it to coordinate their affairs. I said, "Yes".
- Phil Hineline asked if we could use the BBB's online library to store something like a periodically updated *Behavior Analysis Abstracts* that would abstract behavior-analytic articles from journals we might not normally see, as well as the old standbys. I said, "Of course".

Furthermore, many of the Council members talked as if they'd soon be joining us. We're all to be congratulated, as I think they liked your message thread I distributed to them.

### WE'VE GOT OUR OWN SECTION

Fm: System Operator Chuck Lynd
To: Members of Edforum
Section 13 is now called *Behavior Analysis* and
features discussion of issues in this field by members
of the Association for Behavior Analysis (ABA).
Section 13 remains open to all Edforum members,
and ABA members are welcome to participate in

### WE'RE INTERNATIONAL

other Edforum sections.

We have participants from Canada and Japan, as well as the USA. (It would be great if each international affiliate logged onto the BBB, for continuing access to the message threads or for periodic access to live,

moderated conferences where we all could ask questions of the special guest for the evening.)

### WE'RE READY FOR SIGS AND AFFILIATED CHAPTERS

Some of ABA's SIGs want electronic bulletin boards. Now they can have a chunk of the BBB. It's free to the group—just a small charge to the participants. Same for the chapters. It should cost less and be less hassle for each affiliate within the United States to have its own chunk of the BBB than to try to set up a separate board.

### WE'RE CHEAP

It'll normally cost you around \$7 to \$13 per hour that you're logged on to CompuServe. For most "major" cities, you don't even have to call long distance. But if you're cool, you can bring that down to around \$1 or \$2 per hour of functional time on the BBB. To be cool, you have to have special software, like TAPCIS for the IBM and clones, and NAVIGATOR for the mighty Mac. They cost around \$80.

### FOR MORE INFO

Drop a line, leave a CompuServe message, or call (616-372-1268) for info on how to join CompuServe, the BBB, international participation, SIG and affiliate participation, TAPCIS, NAVIGATOR, or hassles therein.

1 The Behavioral Bulletin Board allows behavior analysts to interact via their microcomputers through CompuServe, an international telecommunications network. For CompuServe members: At the "!" prompt, type "GO EDFORUM". Once you join EDFORUM, go to the Message area. Then select Section 13, and you're home.

### MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT INCENTIVES

Recruit new members to ABA and get an instant reduction on your dues! For each new paid member you recruit, you receive an immediate credit corresponding to the membership category of the person recruited! (New members are those who have never been a member of ABA.) For each person you recruit, send the membership form and payment of those recruited with your membership renewal form and payment to ABA, ATTN: Sharon Myers, Western Michigan University, 258 Wood Hall, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5052.

### Remember:

Take an immediate credit on your membership dues

Sustaining Member Full Member Emeritus Member	\$20.00	Supporting Member	\$10.00
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	\$3.00	Student Member	\$3.00
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### **ASSOCIATION FOR BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS**

# 1990 MEMBERSHIP FORM COPY THIS FORM TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS TO ABA!!!

Please read the following information and complete all sections of the membership form. Mail form and payment to **The Association for Behavior Analysis**, Western Michigan University, 258 Wood Hall, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5052. **Questions?** Call Sharon Myers at 616-387-4494.

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Fo what ABA-Affiliated Chapters do you belong?
Check "M" if you are a member of that SIG or "T" if you are interested in the topic, but not a member.  M I  Autism  Behavioral Gerontology  Clinical Behavior Analysis  Correctional Behavior Analysis  Ethical & Legal Issues  Experimental Analysis of Nonhuman Behavior  Experimental Analysis of Nonhuman Behavior  Behaviorists in ABA  JABA Users Group  Rehabilitation & Independent Living  MEMBERSHIP STATUS, BENEFITS, AND REQUIREMENTS  Full, Sustaining, and Supporting comprise the voting membership of ABA International. Voting Members are required by the Bylaws to have advanced training (Master's degree) in the experimental or applied analysis of behavior as demonstrated by their thesis, dissertation, and/or coursework. Send your vita and course records when applying for this status for the first time.  Full, Sustaining, and Supporting Members are eligible to vote on ABA business matters, to participate in the Nomination and Election of Officers, and to receive the Newsletter, The Behavior Analyst, and special convention registration fees.  Sustaining and Supporting are special recognition categories for those members who help offset the subsidy provided to Student and Emeritus members from the General Fund.  Affiliate is an open category for those who do not have a graduate degree, but who work or have an interest in
the field. Send a letter of recommendation from a Voting Member of ABA with your initial application.  Affiliate Members receive the Newsletter, The Behavior Analyst, and special convention registration fees.  Emeritus is a special category for those who have retired or who are past the age of 65. Send verification of retirement or age with the initial application for this status. Emeritus Members receive the Newsletter, The Behavior Analyst, and subsidized Membership dues and convention registration fees.  Chapter-Adjunct was designed for members of ABA-affiliated Chapters who wish to receive information about ABA International. Verification of Chapter membership must be provided each year. Chapter-Adjunct Members receive the Newsletter, and special Membership dues and convention registration fees.  Student consists of full-time students, residents, or interns, including pre- and post-doctoral fellowships. Verification of full-time status must be provided each year; use the form below. Student Members receive the Newsletter, The Behavior Analyst, and subsidized Membership dues and convention registration fees.
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SIGNATURE (e.g., Advisor's)

# CALL FOR INFORMATION FROM READERS...... PUBLICIZE YOUR BOOKS, IDEAS AND REQUESTS !!!

Many ABA members have suggested that we establish a section in the Newsletter to communicate recent successes, new books, requests for information, etc. Thus we are asking that members send items of interest to the Newsletter for publication in a special section entitled "New Developments." This section will appear for the first time in the next issue of the Newsletter. Please submit items in the categories described below by typing your description in the box at the bottom of this page and sending the information to the address noted at the bottom of the box. This service is offered to readers at no cost. Please help keep the membership informed by submitting your items as soon as possible.

### 1. Books Published

We are especially interested in getting information on new books in behavior analysis. The communication process can be facilitated by getting new book

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books. If you have published a book recently or know about a book that would be useful to behavior analysts, please fill in the Authors, Title, Publisher, ordering address, sale price and a brief descrption of the book in the box at the bottom of this page and send it to ABA at the address indicated.

### 2. Books/Materials Needed

In many cases, members contact us to seek books for courses, training programs, etc. We suggest contacts but do not maintain a database of this information. If you need a book or materials for such purposes, please describe the nature of your request and include an address/phone number in the box below and send it to ABA for publication so that members who can help can contact you directly.

### 3. Exemplary Procedures/Products

Members often describe procedures or problem solving methods that have worked particularly well. We encourage you to share such information with our readers by sending descriptions of procedures, techniques, instrumentation, etc. that others might be able to use to the Newsletter. Type the description in the box below, include your name and address and send the information to ABA for publication.

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### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH CONSENSUS CONFERENCES

NOISE AND HEARING LOSS. Noise and hearing loss is the subject of an upcoming consensus development conference sponsored by NIH. The conference, scheduled for January 22-24, 1990, in Masur Auditorium of the NIH Clinical Center, is open to the public. The conference will bring together specialists in hearing, physiology, and pathophysiology and other relevant fields. On the first two days, experts will present current scientific thinking about the diagnosis, management, and prevention of hearing loss, and concerned voluntary organizations will be invited to make statements. On the third day, after considering the scientific evidence, the consensus panel will present its draft report and invite comments from the audience. Patrick E. Brookhouse, M.D., Director, Boys Town National Research Hospital, will chair the panel. For information, write William H. Hall, Director of Communications, Office of Medical Applications of Research, NIH, Bldg 1, Rm 259, Bethesda, MD 20892.

SURGERY FOR EPILEPSY. Surgery for epilepsy is the subject of an upcoming consensus development conference sponsored by NIH. The conference, scheduled for March 19-21, 1990, in Masur Auditorium of the NIH Clinical Center, is open to the public. The conference will bring together specialists in neurosurgery, neuropsychology, research, epidemiology, and other relevant fields. On the first two days, experts will present current scientific thinking about the diagnosis, management, and prevention of epilepsy, and concerned voluntary organizations will be invited to make statements. On the third day, after considering the scientific evidence, the consensus panel will present its draft report and invite comments from the audience. Lewis P. Roland, M.D., Director of Neurological Service, Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center, will chair the panel. For information, contact Conference Registrar, Prospect Associates, Ste 500, 1801 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852; telephone: 301-468-MEET.

☐ORAL COMPLICATIONS OF CANCER THERAPIES: DIAGNOSIS, PREVENTION AND TREATMENT. The report was prepared by a panel of experts and contains recommendations and conclusions concerning oral complications of cancer therapies. Free, single copies of the consensus statement may be obtained from William H. Hall, Director of Communications,

Office of Medical Applications of Research, NIH, Bldg 1, Rm 259, Bethesda, MD 20892. TREATMENT OF DESTRUCTIVE BEHAVIORS IN PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. NIH held a special on Treatment of Destructive Behaviors in Persons with Developmental Disabilities on September 11-13, 1989, in Bethesda, MD. The conference, planned and/or co-sponsored by eight federal agencies, focused on the integration of current knowledge on the etiology, assessment, treatment and prevention of serious behavior disorders, and on the resolution of controversies that exist in the research literature. Prior to the meeting, the consensus panel (representing the fields of education, epidemiology, neurology, pediatrics, pharmacology, psychiatry, psychology, and social work) studied comprehensive background papers on etiology, pharmacology, positive reinforcement therapies, and behavior reduction therapies. Fifteen investigators presented additional data at the open conference, and individuals and organizations who had a special interest in the topic

Expressed their views to the panel.

The panel issued a 39-page preliminary draft of its statement at the close of the conference, and it is expected that the statement will have a major impact on future regulation, legislation, clinical application, and research. Behavioral approaches to assessment and treatment figured prominently in the NIH statement and important information is included on intrusive interventions (both pharmacologic and behavioral). A copy of the draft statement may be obtained from James G. Hill, Chief of Planning & Evaluation, National Institute of Child Health & Human Development, National Institutes of Health, Bldg 31, Rm 2A10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

The following behavior analysts participated in the conference as planners, panel members, authors of background papers, presenters, or representatives of ABA: Saul Axelrod, Joseph Brady, Ted Carr, Michael Cataldo, Judith Favell, Richard Foxx, Robert Horner, Brian Iwata, Leonard Krasner, Victor Laties, Thomas Linscheid, Raymond Romanczyk, Stephen Schroeder, Murray Sidman, Travis Thompson, Paul Touchette, and David Wacker.

The Association for Behavior Analysis Position Statement on the Clients' Right to Effective Behavioral Treatment was presented at the Consensus Development Conference. A copy of this Position Statement follows.

# The Association for Behavior Analysis Position Statement on Clients' Rights to Effective Behavioral Treatment

May, 1989

Formal methods of behavior change, derived from the field of behavior analysis and referred to here as Behavioral Treatment, provide an effective means for establishing new patterns of adaptive behavior and alleviating a number of debilitating behavioral disorders. As uses of behavioral treatment become more widespread, particularly in clinical, educational, and other settings that serve dependent populations, it is necessary to take steps to ensure that clients' rights are protected, that treatment is based on scientific findings, that service is provided in a manner consistent with the highest standards of excellence, and that individuals who are in need of service will not be denied access to the most effective treatment available.

The Association for Behavior Analysis issues the following position statement on clients' rights to effective behavioral treatment as a set of guiding principles to protect individuals from harm as a result of either the lack or the inappropriate use of behavioral treatment.

The Association for Behavior Analysis, through majority vote of its members, declares that individuals who receive behavioral treatment have a right to:

- 1. A therapeutic physical and social environment: Characteristics of such an environment include but are not limited to: an acceptable standard of living, opportunities for stimulation and training, therapeutic social interaction, and freedom from undue physical or social restriction.
- 2. Services whose overriding goal is personal welfare: The client participates, either directly or through authorized proxy, in the development and implementation of treatment programs. In cases where withholding or implementing treatment involves potential risk and the client does not have the capacity to provide consent, individual welfare is protected through two mechanisms: Peer Review Committees, imposing professional standards, determine the clinical propriety of treatment programs; Human Rights Committees, imposing community standards, determine the acceptability of treatment programs and the degree to which they may compromise an individual's rights.
- 3. <u>Treatment by a competent behavior analyst</u>: The behavior analyst's training reflects appropriate academic preparation, including knowledge of behavioral principles, methods of assessment and treatment, research methodology, and professional ethics; as well as practical experience. In cases where a problem or treatment is complex or may pose risk, direct involvement by a doctoral-level behavior analyst is necessary.
- 4. Programs that teach functional skills: Improvement in functioning requires the acquisition of adaptive behaviors that will increase independence, as well as the elimination of behaviors that are dangerous or that in some other way serve as barriers to independence.
- 5. Behavioral assessment and ongoing evaluation: Pretreatment assessment, including both interviews and measures of behavior, attempts to identify factors relevant to behavioral maintenance and treatment. The continued use of objective behavioral measurement documents response to treatment.
- 6. The most effective treatment procedures available: An individual is entitled to effective and scientifically validated treatment; in turn, the behavior analyst has an obligation to use only those procedures demonstrated by research to be effective. Decisions on the use of potentially restrictive treatment are based on consideration of its absolute and relative level of restrictiveness, the amount of time required to produce a clinically significant outcome, and the consequences that would result from delayed intervention.

The above statement is an abbreviated version of a report by the Association for Behavior Analysis, Task Force on the Right to Effective Behavioral Treatment (members: R. Van Houten [chair], S. Axelrod, J.S. Bailey, J.E. Favell, R.M. Foxx, B.A. Iwata, and O.I. Lovaas). The complete report can be found in <a href="https://doi.org/10.258/1.50">The Behavior Analysis</a> (1988, vol. 11, 111-114) or the <a href="https://doi.org/10.258/1.50">Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis</a> (1988, vol. 21, 381-384); or a copy may be ordered from The Association for Behavior Analysis, Western Michigan University, 258 Wood Hall, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5052 (cost: \$1.50).

### WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

The Department of Psychology has a known behavioral orientation which pervades its programs at the undergraduate level, master's level in industrial, applied behavior analysis and experimental psychology, and Ph.D. programs in applied behavior analysis, clinical, experimental and school psychology. The Department has 18 full-time faculty members, 500 undergraduate majors, and supports a graduate program which has a total of 120 students.

### CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST

Applicants sought for a tenure track Assistant Professor position in the Clinical Psychology Program. The successful applicant will have completed the Ph.D. and internship from APA-accoredited programs, and hold a specialty in some area of Child Clinical Psychology. Candidates should be licensed or licensable as a Psychologist in the State of Michigan and bring a behavioral orientation to the specialty. The successful candidate will be expected to teach at the graduate and undergraduate level, conduct research in their chosen areas of concentration and supervise graduate students in both research and practice. Starting date is Fall, 1990. Interested applicants should send a vita, with three letters of recommendation, graduate transcript, and a sample of written work to: C. Richard Tsegaye-Spates, Ph.D., Professor and Director of Clinical Training, Department of Psychology.

### **BEHAVIORAL/PHYSIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGIST**

Tenure track position for Behavioral Psychologist anticipated starting Fall 1990. Possible specialty areas include, but are not limited to, neuropsychology, behavioral pharmacology, and the biological basis of behavior. The ability to teach physiological psychology and to establish an active research program is required, as is training in behavior analysis. Please send by February 15, 1990, a vita, reprints, and letters of recommendation to: Physiological Search Committee, Department of Psychology.

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### **DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSON**

The Department of Psychology seeks applications for an appointment as Chair of the Department effective July 1, 1990. The Department seeks a person who will maintain, as well as facilitate, the continued development of departmental programs. Applicants should have a Ph.D. in psychology, a record of research accomplishment, proven administrative leadership and an academic record commensurate with the rank of full or senior associate professor. Salary is competitive and commensurate with experience and qualifications. Applicants should send a letter of application, curriculum vita, and representative reprints to Search Committee, College of Arts and Sciences. Applications will be received until a decision is made, although those received after January 20, 1990 cannot be gauranteed full consideration.

Send requested materials to the appropriate committee, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008. Western Michigan University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and women and ethnic minorities are encouraged to apply.

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### HAVE YOU PUBLISHED A BOOK?

Don't forget the ABA Cooperative Book Exhibit at the 1990 Convention! Send the following information to your publisher and reach the market for your publication.

DATE: TO:

### FROM:

William D. Wolking

Please display my book at the Cooperative Book Exhibit at the 1990 Convention of the Association for Behavior Analysis. TTTLE:

Fost: \$30 First Title; \$20 Each Additional Title. Contact Sharon Myers, Association for Behavior Analysis, 616-387-4494.

### ABOUT OUR MEMBERS...

Announcements about awards, promotions, changes in employment, and other newsworthy information about ABA members. Send announcements to Steve Graf, Editor, Youngstown State University, Psychology Department, Youngstown, OH 44555.

### Michael Wins WMU Award

Jack Michael has been chosen to receive Western Michigan University's 1989 Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award. This award is WMU's highest honor for a faculty member. Selection criteria include "a significant body of achievement" and wide recognition beyond the university. In addition to the plaque received October 31st at the 10th Annual Academic Convocation, Michael will receive a cash award and a pay increase.

### Sidman's Letter to Newsweek

August 27, 1989

Letters Editor
Newsweek
444 Madison Avenue
New York, NY 10022

### Dear Editor:

Your excellent article, "Committed Youth," (July 31, 1989) unjustly blamed behaviorism for the cruel and unusual forms of therapy often applied to disturbed youngsters. Subjecting them "... to a strict regimen of reward and punishment ... that may include stretches in solitary confinement (a small unfurnished white cubicle called "the quiet room") and physical restraint" is not "an application of behavioristic principles." The material in quotes, taken from your article, is wrong.

My concern is not simply to correct an inaccuracy. Such statements about behaviorism are widespread, but in spite of the slander, behavior analysts continue with successful therapeutic practices that are just the opposite of those your article cites. But when a publication of your stature and circulation perpetuates the inaccurate picture, many who would benefit from the positive therapeutic techniques that only behaviorists practice are frightened off. To produce such an effect is irresponsible journalism.

I know that the distortion was unintentional. You could correct it, and at the same time produce an interesting and informative piece, by informing the public about actual behavioristic practices. Behavior

analysis has been impressively successful with positive therapeutic techniques not just for disturbed youth but for a wide variety of problems of individual behavior and social interaction. Additional digging by your reporters would pay off handsomely both for your publication and for many of your readers.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Murray Sidman, Senior Research Associate The New England Center for Autism, Inc.

### **Lindsley Retires**

In December, 1989, Dr. Ogden R. Lindsley retired from the University of Kansas where he has been a Professor of Education for more than 25 years. Lindsley is the founder of Precision Teaching, and the inventor of the Standard Behavior Chart, and of celeration as a universal measure of behavior change. In the 1950's, Lindsley was a student of B.F. Skinner's at Harvard University where he received his Ph.D. and carried out several studies on psychotic behavior. Lindsley also served as President of ABA from May, 1985 to May, 1986. Behavior analysis owes much to Lindsley for his research, teaching, and dedication to a science of human behavior. His retirement is not an ending, but rather a new beginning, as he is planning on writing a number of books on precisiion teaching and behavior analysis.

Make plans now to attend the 1990 ABA Convention We'll be looking for you in Nashville at the...

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Monday, May 28, 1990

8:00PM-10:00PM

Memphis Ballroom

### **Survey Results**

Mailed: 3460; Returned 560 (16.2%)

At their May 1989 meeting, the Executive Council determined that hormation was needed from ABA members about the type of organization to which they wished to belong and preferences for the direction in which ABA should proceed. The following is a tabulation of results without the many comments that were written in. For a copy of the complete results, mail a stamped self-addressed envelope to Shery Chamberlain at the ABA office.

#### PROFILEOF MEMBERS WHO ANSWERED THE QUESTIONNAIRE

1. For how many years have you been a member o	Of ABA?	ľ
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1-3 yrs = 128 7-9 yrs = 74 13-15 yrs = 108 4-6 yrs = 115 10-12 yrs = 135 No Answer= 10

### 2. What is your current membership category?

Adjunct	2	<b>Emeritus</b>	8	Student	88
Sustaining	15	<b>Affiliate</b>	46	Full	358
Supporting	32	No Answe	er11		

### 3. What is the highest degree you possess?

BA/BS	35	EDD	23	EDS	3
HSD	1	MA/MS	149	MD	1
MED	5	MHD	1	MPA	1
MSW	4	PHD	336	RHD	1

### 4. What is your main professional activity?

No Answer	9	Other	56	Clinical/Co	uns101
Admin	103	Teaching	145	Research	146

5. What one conceptual orientation best describes your position?

NA	7	Behavioral	264
Cognitive	4	Cognitive-Behavioral	56
Radical Behavioral	180	Interbehavioral	20
<b>Behaviorological</b>	15	Other	18

6. Rate the relative emphasis of your professional activities.

Academic/Re	searcn			Practice
1	2	3	4	5
117	95	100	100	136
NT A	10			

No A nswer = 12

7. Which best describes your interest/commitment to ABA?

Most Important	31 3rd Most Important	72
2nd Most Important	132 4rth/Less Important	30
No Answer	7	

#### **ABA'S ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE**

8. How important is each of the following services or potential services to you?

_	1	2	3	4	5	NA
The Behavior Analyst	290	142	65	36	24	3
The ABA Newsletter	134	192	157	53	19	5
Grad Training Directory	45	69	110	122	199	15
pecial Interest Groups	71	132	185	106	60	6
	145	137	137	61	72	8
Continuing Education	100	121	129	89	115	6
Annual Convention	330	120	88	16	4	2
Awards	<b>77</b>	122	168	84	100	9

9. Rank the following (1=most important) according to what kind of an organization you think ABA should be:

	1	2	_ 3	4	ŇA
An organization that promotes					
behavior analysis through					
publications and an annual					
convention.	284	196	61	3	16
A learned society that supports					
discussion and study of					
behavior analysis among its					
members.	189	181	160	9	21
An organization that advocates					
behavior analysis through					
publicity and political action.	100	141	272	17	27
Other	23	9	9	13	

10. ABA currently has about 2,000 members: Should ABA be
Larger 240 Smaller 4 NA 19
Current Size 59 Size Unimportant 238

11. From what you can tell about trends, how would you describe ABA now and how would you predict that ABA would be characterized 5 and 10 years from now?

	Now	Five	Ten
Academic Organization	34.2%	28.8%	25.9%
Practitioner-Oriented	28.0%	31.9%	34.7%
Scientific Society	27.2%	25.5%	23.9%
Advocacy-Oriented	9.6%	12.8%	14.3%
Other	1.0%	1.0%	1.2%
No Answer	108	139	150

12. ABA allows anyone to join as an affiliate; only those with masters/doctoral degrees in behavior analysis or a related field may become full members. How do you feel about these criteria?

Keep as is 466 Raise standards 31 Lower standards 47 No Answer 16

13. What percentage of your annual dues do you think should be spent on: (NA = 144)

16.7% The Behavior Analyst

16.6% Convention costs not covered by registration

12.0% Working with the media to promote behavior analyst to the general public

7.8% Hiring lobbyists

5.8% Paying Council members' expenses for travel for Fall Council Meeting

17.1% Routine Administration

10.3% Salary of an Executive Officer

7.3% Expenses of invited speakers or special guests

4.3% Awards to members for their accomplishments

2.1% Other

14. Indicate your reaction to the executive director model (1= Strongly Agree to 5=Strongly Disagree)

1 (108) 2 (131) 3 (137) 4 (80) 5 (64) NA (40)

15. Rank order the 5 items from the list below that you believe to be most critical for ABA's future (1-5, 1=Most Important)

Discontinue

Continue with modification

73 Continue

299

55

Don't Care

No Answer

124

1 2 3 4 5 NA	24. Check the alternative below that best describes your position
Continuing Education 112 75 63 53 43 214	regarding the preconvention institutes
Public Policy/Advocacy 86 71 80 64 54 205	Reduce/Eliminate 11 Continue as is 163
Private Practice 12 15 23 18 27 465	Expand/Improve 181 Don't care 187
Publications 120 121 66 66 41 146	No Answer 18
Fund/Support Basic Research 83 60 42 47 49 279	
Placement/Employment Services 12 39 45 49 62 353	A MINI-SURVEY
Graduate Program Accreditation 33 47 54 60 51 315	Council members were surprised by the number of
Increased Size of Membership 58 40 46 46 41 329	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Peer Review/Professional Consultatn 17 31 52 35 48 377	respondents who checked "Administration" as their
International Membership Developmt 9 16 29 38 38 430	main professional activity (see question #4). If you
State/Regional Organizations 31 53 52 49 59 316	checked "Administration", please take a moment and
	fill out and return this "mini-survey"!
16. How do you feel about the input of each of the following groups	THE COLUMN TO WITH THE PARTY OF
into the running of ABA? (DK=Don't Know)	
More Less	The kind of administration in which you are involved
1 2 3 4 5 DK NA	
ABA Office 7 27 207 49 25 242 3	Do you think a need for a Special Interest Group on
President/Council 18 55 200 26 6 252 3	administration exists?  YES NO
Chapters 60 118 107 17 9 246 3	
Committees/Task Force 25 82 157 27 8 258 3	vo
Special Interest Groups 29 58 168 39 24 239 3	If yes, would you be willing to organize such a
	Special Interest Group? ☐YES ☐ NO
THE ANNUAL ABA CONVENTION	
17. Rank the factors below according to how they affect your	Did you check "yes" to either of the above?
convention attendance (1 = Most Important)	Name and address, please
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Name and address, please
Location 148 139 85 65 45 5 2	
Travel Costs 138 146 110 59 16 5 0	
Registration Costs 12 44 115138 97 32 5	
Content of Program 194 101 92 80 15 7 0	
Training/Workshops/Institutes 11 49 44 62 153 89 11	Would you like a colleague
Social Events 1 10 21 28 72 252 26	
Other or No Answer 53 14 5 4 2 1 4	to receive information
40 7 4 4 4 4	abaut ADAO
18. In the past, convention sites have been	about ABA?
Too Expensive 68 Less Expensive 8 No Answer71	
Comparable to other conventions 411	1 . 691
	Just fill out the form below and send it to
19. I believe that the convention should	ASSN FOR BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS
Move to a different city each year 482 Either 20	
Stay in the same city each year 23 No Answer35	ATTN: Sharon Myers
	Western Michigan Univ, 258 Wood Hall,
20. The convention should be held in a	Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5052
Large city 271 Mid-sized city 4	Naiailia200, Mii 43000-3032
Small/mid city 154 Either 70 No Answer61	
	Name
21. Check the choice below that best represents your opinion about	Address
the length of the convention (number of days).	
About Right (3) 442 Extend (4) 37	City State
Shorten (2) 55 Other 12 No Answer 14	Country Zip Code
	Elp codo
22. Indicate your opinion of evaluating sessions at the convention	
Evaluate 280 Don't Care 135	Name
Don't Evaluae 139 No Anaswer 6	Address
23. Indicate your opinion of the poster awards program by checking	City State
one item below	Country Zip Code
Discontinue 72 Continue 200 Don't Core 124	

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CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY & PSYCHO-THERAPY, Berlin, FEB 18-23, 1990.
Topic: Dominant Sympton: Health.
Contact Waltraud Deubert, Deutsche
Gesellschaft fur Verhaltenstherapie,
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FRMANY.

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tact IV World Congress on Behavior Therapy, Ruben Ardila, PhD, Atdo 250770, Bogota, COLOMBIA.

8TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ASSOCIATIONS OF THE ELDERLY. Montreal, PQ, CANADA, JUN 13-18, 1990. General Theme: Senior Citizens & Their Autonomy, Their Place & Their Image in Society. Contact Quebec Federation of Senior Citizens, 4545, ave Pierrede-Coubertin, CP 1000, Succursale M, Montreal, PQ, H1V 3R2, CANADA; 514-252-3017.

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