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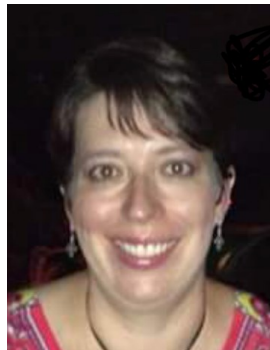
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## Graduation Speakers

Jennifer Gumaer will speak to graduating students, as well as their families and friends at the Graduation Ceremony held at 1101 70th Street in Lubbock, Texas, Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 2:00 P.M.



Jennifer received a B.S. from Texas A&M University and a M.S. from Sam Houston State University. While she was a former poultry sales representative and agricultural science teacher, Jennifer is now a devoted wife to Mark and mother of 5th grader, Nate, (who is graduating from the Scottish Rite Learning Center) and Kindergartener, Danny Joe. Always making her family a top priority, Jennifer is the Children and Youth Director for Community Bible Study and is a Consultant for Pampered Chef. She likes to read, cook, and do floral designs. Her unique talent is knowing how to judge chickens and eggs.

Speaking on behalf of the graduating Therapist Training Class is Amber Boyce Stravlo. Amber was born in Lubbock, Texas and is a graduate of Frenship High School and Texas Tech University. She is currently pursuing a Masters Degree as a Diagnostician at Midwestern University in Wichita Falls, Texas. Amber began the Dyslexia Therapist Training Course in 2016, and is currently teaching three classes here at the Scottish Rite Learning Center. She is a dedicated teacher with a passion for working with children who are dyslexic. Amber is also a happy, devoted wife to Brandt, mother to two year old Beau and daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Boyce.



Matthew Jenkins, speaking on behalf of the 2018 graduating students, is an inquisitive 5th grade home schooler who enjoys building just about anything



with LEGOS, improving his chess game, fishing with his Dad, visiting museums, and traveling with his family. He also has a passion for competitive swimming, soccer, theatre, coin collecting, and all-things-Star Wars! Matthew has a heart to serve others. He jumps at the opportunity to "love thy neighbor" whether it's picking up trash on the side of the road, holding doors open for strangers, or helping raise money for a good cause. His favorite subjects are reading and history, and one day aspires to be an author. Last year he read over 55 hours during a summer reading challenge. He is incredibly grateful for the Scottish Rite Children's Hospital in Dallas and for everyone involved with the Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas.



### *WELCOME Gary Armstrong*

The SRLCWT in Lubbock is pleased to welcome the new General Secretary for the Lubbock Scottish Rite Masons, Gary Armstrong. Mr. Armstrong is a 32° Scottish Rite Mason and has been a Mason for 26 years. We look forward to working with Gary.



### *The Scottish Rite Learning Center Of West Texas*

*Announces  
Graduation Ceremonies  
Sunday, the sixth of May  
Two thousand and eighteen  
At two O'clock in the afternoon*

*Lubbock Scottish Rite Building  
1101 70<sup>th</sup> St. Lubbock, Texas  
Reception to follow*

## *Qualified Instructors*

These three ladies have successfully completed a two-year training course to become Qualified Instructors. They are now qualified to train teachers to teach the *Take Flight* curriculum. We are looking forward to their assistance with therapist training this summer.

### **CONGRATULATIONS LADIES!**

June Hoffman



Toni Parrish



Cindy Sallee



## *Graduating Trainees*



Pictured left to right: Trainees—Lauren Jones, Greta Miers, QI -Sue Rodgers, QIs in training—Cindy Sallee and Toni Parrish, Trainees - Amber Boyce Stravlo, Kristi Nelson, Kristine Garrett, LDT—Sandy Morgan , Trainees— Manda Morales, Mandy Guess, and Heather Jenkins

These ladies have put in a lot of hard work to meet the requirements of this extensive training.

## SRLCWT Graduating Students Lubbock Campus



Dustyn Baird



Bennett Biggs



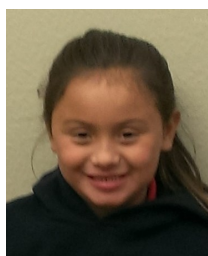
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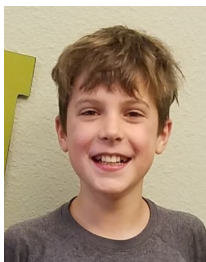
Matthew Jenkins



Zane Lindsey



Kyndal Lung



Jett McFerrin



Shane Robinson



Madeline Sikes



Abigail Turley



Colton Weaver





## First Graduation

The first graduation ceremony for the Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas Satellite location was held at 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the Khiva Shrine Building in Amarillo, Texas.



The keynote speaker for the Amarillo graduation ceremony was Karen Avrit. She is the Director of Dyslexia Education at the Luke Waites Center for Dyslexia and Learning Disorders at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas, Texas. Karen is the lead author of *Take Flight: A Comprehensive Intervention for Students with Dyslexia*. She received her BS in Elementary Education from UT Tyler and her M.Ed. in Special Education from Texas A&M Commerce. She is a Licensed Dyslexia Therapist, a Certified Academic Language Therapist and a Qualified Instructor. Karen is currently President elect of IMSLEC and a past president of ALTA. Karen was a public school teacher for thirteen years. She is married to Tim and they have two married children, two grandsons, a granddaughter, and is expecting another granddaughter in July.



June earned her Bachelor's and Master's degree at West Texas A&M in Canyon, Texas and was trained in the *Take Flight* curriculum at SRLCWT. June Hoffman has completed her Qualified Instructor training while assisting with the Dyslexia Therapist Training Course in Amarillo. She is a grandmother to four beautiful children. She retired from a thirty year career of teaching at Panhandle ISD in 2016 and began Qualified Instructor training at that time. June enjoys her family, traveling and quilting.

Ivonne Tennent is a Dyslexia Therapist and teacher trainer at the Luke Waites Center for Dyslexia and Learning Disorders at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Tennent received her BS in Experimental Foods from the University of Maryland College Park and her M.ED. in Reading from Texas A & M Commerce. She is a Licensed Dyslexia Therapist, a Certified Academic Language Therapist and a



Qualified Instructor. She was the lead Qualified Instructor for the therapist training in Amarillo. Previous to joining the staff at TSRHC, Ivonne worked with the Department of Agriculture as a Food Science Researcher. As an educator, she has worked in private schools, public schools and as a private dyslexia therapist. She is married to Ed and they have three children and two lovely grandchildren.



Speaking on behalf of the trainees was Denia Brinkmann. Denia is a teacher at Dumas ISD. She has been teaching for seventeen years in the elementary classrooms and has ventured into dyslexia in the last three years. She is married to Bob and they have three children. They are active in their community and enjoy spending time with family and friends.

Jax Day spoke on behalf of the students. He is a fifth grader at Dumas Intermediate. Jax is eleven years old. His parents are Barbara and Jeremy Day. Jax has three siblings. He enjoys camping, building things, and collecting old stuff.

We are proud of all the graduates, therapists and students alike.



### Graduating Therapists

Back Row: QI - Ivonne Tennent, Trainees - Kim Clark, Melissa Espino, Misty Dawson, Keri Melban, and QI in Training - June Hoffman  
Front Row: Trainees - Teddi Wilkinson, Mendy Boyd, Denia Brinkman, and Misty Adams

## *C. J. Davidson Memorial Lecture Series: Advances in Literacy*



Dr. Ari Tuckman



## ADHD from Home to School: Preparing Them for Life Beyond







Shane Robinson and Dustyn Baird play soccer on the same team.

Finn Newsom played basketball in the Lubbock Church Athletic Association.



## SRLCWT Students Achievements & Activities



Matthew Jenkins worked hard helping to load trucks with water and other supplies to send to the Houston, Texas area after Hurricane Harvey.



Owen Myers is a member of a science team that is participating in the Ecybermission Challenge. He is on the 6th grade team from Southcrest Christian Schools called the Arsenic Slayers. The team won 1st place at the state level. Each member of the team was awarded a \$1,000 savings bond. The 4 member team will now advance to the Regional Competition.

Berkley Bowser loves to snow ski and has been skiing since she was 4 years old. Her favorite place to ski is Santa Fe, New Mexico. Berkley also enjoys vacations with her family, tennis and swimming. Berkley is going to become scuba certified this summer.





Seth Gale also played basketball with Halo Hoopsters. His team name is the Knicks.



Addie Hook likes to design stained glass pictures in her spare time.



Matthew Jenkins walked the entire 5 miles in the Ransom Canyon 4th of July Parade.

# Way to go!

Roman Morales played linebacker & offensive tackle in YFL football for the 49ERS.



Kendal Lung in her basketball uniform. Kendal's team was a travel team in the Premier League called the Storm. She also played in the Frenship League on the Starships.

Finn Newsom played Abraham Lincoln during the Presidents Day Program at All Saints Episcopal School.





# Our New Students



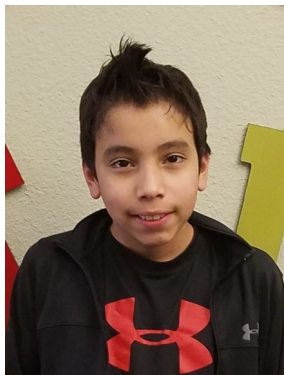
*Crash DeHoyos*



*Charis Galanos*



*Roman Morales*



*Aiden Valdez*



*Cash Victor*



**Congratulations!**

***Sandy Emmerson  
passed the  
Alliance Exam.***





## Introductory Class ~ Summer 2018 Dyslexia Therapist Training Programs

The 2018 Introductory Therapist Training Course of the Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas (SRLCWT) is scheduled to begin on June 4, 2018 and continue through June 22 in Lubbock, Texas.

Information concerning the course curriculum, costs, materials and the enrollment process was mailed in December to the school districts throughout West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.

We welcome those wishing to make a difference in the lives of children with dyslexia.

### Calendar of Events

May 6, 2018	2:00 p.m. Graduation Ceremony	June 4 – 22, 2018	Keyboarding Class
May 9, 2018	SRLC – Last Day of Classes	June 20 – July 3, 2018	Advanced Therapist Training
May 28, 2018	Memorial Day – Center Closed	June 22, 2018	Alliance Exam
June 4 – 22, 2018	Introductory Therapist Training		

### Advanced Therapist Training

Therapist trainees who have completed the Introductory Training requirements will return to begin their Advanced year of training on the following dates:

- SRLCWT in Lubbock, Texas  
June 20 - July 3, 2018
- SRLCWT Satellite location in  
Amarillo, Texas  
July 16 – 20, 2018



Sarah Hair, Carol Lunsford and Danette Aleman

We look forward to working with these ladies who are continuing to work toward becoming Dyslexia Therapists.

## IDA ANNUAL CONFERENCE



Above: Olive Hester, Judith Birsh and Toni Parrish at IDA. Ms. Birsh is the author of Multisensory Teaching of Basic Language Skills which is used as the reference book in SRLCWT's Dyslexia Therapist Training Course.

The Annual Conference hosted by the International Dyslexia Association was held on November 8—11, in Atlanta, Georgia. Olive Hester and Toni Parrish attended the conference. They also represented SRLCWT at the annual IMSLEC board meeting. While in Atlanta, they met several leaders in the field of dyslexia. Toni also met Mr. Frog at the botanical gardens.



Below: Olive Hester, Louisa Moats, Karen Dakin and Toni Parrish—Moats and Dakin co-authored the book Basic Facts About Dyslexia & Other Reading Problems.



**Atlanta, GA**

**November 8—11, 2018**



Speaker

**Sucheta Kamath**

Founder & CEO  
Cerebral Matters, LLC  
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Thinking to Learn. Learning to Think

## Save the Date

*C. J. Davidson Memorial Lecture Series:  
Advances in Literacy*

## February 22, 2019

*Demystifying Executive  
Function, Self-Regulation,  
and Organization*



# Thank You for Your Support!

## 2017 Memorial, Honorariums and Contributions



- On the right, Sue Rodgers is presented with a check from the Downtown Bible Class by Bob Clemmons.
- On the left she is receiving a check from the Lubbock Lions Club.



Blair & Patti Brown - Panhandle, TX  
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 John Walker - Amarillo, TX

## LCU Students Visit SRLCWT



Spring 2018

LCU professor, Annette Mahon, M.Ed. and fifteen of her students visited the Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas on March 21, 2018. The students, who are currently student teaching in area public schools, observed a **Take Flight** daily lesson taught by SRLCWT therapist, Toni Parrish. Following the lesson, the students attended a presentation by Sue Rodgers which focused on the characteristics of dyslexia and the Texas State Law. The Learning Center staff always looks forward to the LCU students coming for their annual visit.

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