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# The 25th Annual C. J. Davidson Lecture Series: Advances in Literacy Presents

**The Perfect Storm** – Inattention, Dyslexia and Anxiety &

**Imperfect Solutions** – The Multidisciplinary Management of a Child with Inattention, Dyslexia and Anxiety

Featuring Eric Tridas, MD, FAAP

Date: Friday, February 25, 2022
Time: 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: The Scottish Rite Learning
Center of West Texas, Lubbock, TX
Cost: \$50
6 ALTA CEUs



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## In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we say good-bye to our beloved leader and friend, Jan Morris. Jan died on September 1, 2021 and her service was held in Lubbock on a beautiful fall morning on September 8, 2021.

Jan was the Director of the Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas from 1988 – 2001 and was named Director Emeritus at her retirement. During her tenure she increased the Learning Center student body, spearheaded community awareness of dyslexia, established the C. J. Davidson Memorial Lecture Series: Advances in Literacy, and launched the fall and spring newsletters. From 1989 – 2000, Jan and her qualified staff were frequent presenters at the Orton Dyslexia Society National Convention and the International Dyslexia Association Conference. She was a close friend and colleague of Marietta Biddle and Aylett Cox, and together these ladies guided the SRLCWT Teacher Training Program through its first accreditation in May, 1988. Presently this program is known as the Dyslexia Therapist Training Course.

Due to her leadership, Jan was the recipient of two prestigious awards: The ALTA Dyslexia Pioneer Award recognizing her pioneering efforts as the director of the center as well as for the advancement of The Lena Waters Memorial Training program founded in 1984. She was also awarded the 1999 Lubbock YWCA Women of Excellence Award for Education.

Jan's graceful spirit, poise, and sense of humor will always be remembered. Her kind spirit, love of learning, and passion for teaching students with dyslexia to read, write and spell continued throughout her retirement and will live on through those whom she trained.



Jan Morris
Former SRLCWT Director
1988-2001

"Jan Morris
guided our
Learning Center
through its first
Therapist
Training
accreditation in
1988."



Jan is seen here reading to students at the Learning Center in 1994.



Former student, Toly Rhoads (center) and his mom, Dorothy (left) had the opportunity recently to thank Jan for the positive impact she made on Toly's life. They both credit his current employment to his ability to read.

## Congratulations, CALTs!

We are pleased to recognize the following 24 Dyslexia Therapists who passed the National ALTA Competency Exam and are now Certified Academic Language Therapists (CALT)!

This is a record number of new Certified Therapists from our Training Centers. Way to go, ladies!



Robin Hambright



**Misty Ross** 



Diane Lindsey



Jamie Aduddell



Angie Clements



**Debbie Torres** 



Elizabeth Turner



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Manda Moralez



Krystal Moyers



Barbara Sypert



Lori O'Banion



Kristi Smith



Mary Ann Lang

## **Therapist Training Course**

### Lubbock Campus



**Introductory Class** 

These Therapists-in-Training celebrated completion of their 3-week Introductory Course in June 2021: *Top row*: Liana Garcia - Brownfield ISD, Michelle Lopez - Jal Public Schools (Jal, NM), Elsa Martinez - Lubbock ISD, Misty Ramos - Canutillo ISD (El Paso), Vanessa Zenteno - Canutillo ISD *Bottom Row*: Brenda Morales - Canutillo ISD, Misty Ramos - Canutillo ISD, Delaila Sifuentes - Canutillo ISD, and Qi Hang - Kenley School (Abilene)



#### **Advanced Class**

Back Row: Barb Biard - Lubbock ISD, Shelli Thompson - LISD, Haley Carson - LISD, Becca Webb - LISD, Crystal Orum - Seminole ISD, Page House - LISD, Sheri Dendy - Seminole ISD, Jenn King - Wellman Union ISD, Kyndra Montgomery - Plainview ISD Front Row: Allison Klinke - LISD, Emily Smyth - LISD, Karen Webb - LISD, Amber Bozeman - Idalou ISD, Anita Owings - Eunice, NM (not pictured: Nicky King - Jayton ISD)



## Amarillo Campus



**Introductory Class** 

From Left to Right: Lydia Stang - PSP CISD, Shonda Forman - Kansas ISD (Kansas, OK), Melissa Espinio (QI-in-Training) Kristin Watson - Amarillo ISD, Tara Lowery-Hart, St. Andrews Episcopal School (Amarillo), June Hoffman, QI



#### **Advanced Class**

Back Row: Roberta Hazen, PSP CISD, Sammie Jones, Brittany Dockery - Tulia ISD, Melissa Hale - Miami ISD,

Kathryn Wiggins - PSP CISD

Front Row: Melissa Espino, June Hoffman

### Congratulations, 2021 Therapist Training Graduates!



The following ladies have completed the 2-year Therapist Training program in Lubbock:
Robin Hambright, Lori McCullough, Misty Weddle, Lori O'Banion, Susan White, Sandy Lou Lopez,
Kristi Smith, Meredith Jones, Jennifer Mitchell, Debbie Torres, Krystal Moyers, Patty White,
Donna Rush, Leigh Ann Flores, Mary Ann Lang, Misty Ross, Robin McClure, Heather Abel,
Amanda Robison, and Terri Welch.



Amarillo Graduates
Alicia Smith - River Road ISD,
Laura Bow - Happy ISD,
Angie Clements - Dumas ISD,
and (not pictured) Regina Gaillard
- Texhoma ISD



## Continuing a Longstanding Partnership with Lubbock Christian University

The Lubbock Scottish Rite Learning Center continues to build upon their relationship with the Lubbock Christian University School of Education.

On September 29, 2021, Toni Parrish, Associate Director of Therapist Training was invited to speak to the 14 Methods and Clinical Teaching students of Mrs. Annette Mahan, M.Ed. Mrs. Parrish's presentation included the identification of students with dyslexia, the Texas and national laws pertaining to dyslexia, and the analysis of assessment profiles through the dyslexia lens.





On September 30, 2021, Mrs. Parrish was again honored to address the 24 students in "The Exceptional Child" class of Mrs. Karissa Ramos, M.Ed. The lecture included the characteristics of dyslexia, multisensory strategies for teaching students with dyslexia, and accommodations for students with dyslexia.

Both presentations help to fill the need to comply with the Texas Administrative Code TAC §228.30 and the Texas Education Code TEC §21.044, laws requiring a teacher training course to include dyslexia training to obtain a teaching certificate in Texas. Our time shared with Lubbock Christian University students and staff is always cherished.

## **Lubbock Campus News**

## Congratulations to our Graduates!

Although we were not able to hold our 2021 graduation ceremony in-person, we are pleased to recognize the following students who have successfully completed the Take Flight program!

We are proud of you!



Honorary Student Graduation Speaker Eve Shannon



**Brailey Sterling** 



Dominic O'Loughlin



Keaton Cox



Ginny Lucus



Luke Altman and Caden Dyess



William Shannon



Adalynn Latham



Imelda Chavez



Jaxon Irwin

## Welcome, New Students!





Alexis Price



Natalie Partain



Payton McCord



Preslee Forsythe



Lydia Anderson



Mia Collier

## **Amarillo Campus News**

#### Time to Celebrate these recent Grads!



Adaline Davis



From left to right: Calais Ondara, Timothy Rivers, and Honorary Student Graduation Speaker Tristan Winegeart

## Welcome, New Staff and New Students!



David Nieto



Kristin Watson, Therapist-in–Training, is teaching an afterschool class at the center. She is shown here with her new students: Maggie Gummersheimer and Brody Webb



Miles Braswell



Fisher Ham



Kolt Langham



Eric Tridas

MD, FAAP

Dr. Tridas is the recipient of the 2017
International Dyslexia
Association Margaret
Rawson Lifetime
Achievement Award and the 2012 IMSLEC
Innovator Award.

# Announcing The 25th Annual C. J. Davidson Memorial Lecture Series: Advances in Literacy

We are pleased to announce that the 25th annual C.J. Davidson Memorial Lecture Series will feature international speaker and Past President of the International Dyslexia Association, Dr. Eric Tridas. This in-person event will be hosted by The Scottish Rite Learning Center in Lubbock, Texas on Friday, February 25, 2022.

Dr. Tridas practiced developmental and behavioral pediatrics in Florida for 37 years. He is a member of the National Joint Committee on Learning Disabilities as well as the Professional Advisory Board of the Learning Disability Association of America. Dr. Tridas is a Clinical Associate Professor in Pediatrics at the University of South Florida. He lectures and consults nationally and internationally on behavioral and developmental pediatrics topics.

#### Friday, February 25, 2022

#### **Topics**

The Perfect Storm - Inattention, Dyslexia and Anxiety

Dyslexia, ADHD and anxiety often coexist. During this presentation, Dr. Tridas will discuss the main contributing factors to a student's struggles and how they interact with each other to impair learning. He will review the symptoms of ADHD and anxiety as well as their impact on executive function and reading.

Imperfect Solutions – The Multidisciplinary Management of a Child with Inattention, Dyslexia and Anxiety

Dr. Tridas will provide a practical review of management of ADHD and anxiety for educators. In addition, he will discuss different strategies to help address executive function difficulties when instructing students with dyslexia and other literacy challenges.

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## **Calendar of Events**

<u>2021</u>	
November 5	SRLCWT Lubbock Campus Introductory Seminar #2
November 7	Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 19	SRLCWT Amarillo Campus Advanced Seminar #6
November 22 -26	Thanksgiving Break – Lubbock Campus Closed
November 24 -26 December 3	Thanksgiving Break – Amarillo Campus Closed Lybback Compus Advanced Seminar #2
December 5	Lubbock Campus Advanced Seminar #2 Amarillo Campus Introductory Seminar #2
December 15	Lubbock Campus – Last Day of Classes – Christmas Party
December 16	Christmas Holiday Begins - Lubbock Campus Closed
	Amarillo Campus - Last Day of Classes - Christmas Party
December 20	Christmas Holiday Begins - Amarillo Campus Closed
<u>2022</u>	
January 5	Lubbock Campus Classes Resume
January 10	Amarillo Campus Classes Resume
January 14	Lubbock Campus Introductory Seminar #3
January 17	Martin Luther King Day – Lubbock and Amarillo Campuses Closed
January 21	Amarillo Campus Advanced Seminar #7
January 28	Amarillo Campus Introductory Seminar #3
February 21	President's Day – Lubbock and Amarillo Campuses Closed
February 25	C. J. Davidson Memorial Lecture Series – Dr. Eric Tridas
March 4	Lubbock Campus Advanced Seminar #4
March 11	Amarillo Campus Introductory Seminar #4
March 13	Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 14 – 18	Spring Break – Lubbock and Amarillo Campuses Closed
March 25	Amarillo Campus Advanced Seminar #8
	Lubbock Campus Introductory Seminar #4
April 15	Good Friday – Lubbock and Amarillo Campuses Closed
April 17	Easter Sunday
April 18	Easter Monday – Lubbock Campus Closed
April 28	Lubbock Campus – Last day of classes
April 29	Amarillo Campus – Last day of classes
April 30	Amarillo Campus – Graduation
May 1	Lubbock Campus – Graduation
May 27	Lubbock Campus – Closed
May 30	Memorial Day – Lubbock and Amarillo Campuses Closed
May 31 – June 17	Lubbock Campus Introductory Dyslexia Therapist Training
June 6 – 18	Amarillo Campus Introductory Dyslexia Therapist Training
June 20	Juneteenth Holiday – Lubbock Campus Closed
June 21 – July 1	Lubbock Campus Advanced Dyslexia Therapist Training
June 20 – 28	Amarillo Campus Advanced Dyslexia Therapist Training

ONLINE Registration Now Open for the 2022 Lecture Series!

Visit our website @ www.srlcwt.org



Pictured: Gary Armstrong, LSR General Secretary and Toni Parrish, Associate Director Therapist Training. All Proceeds from the Car Show Benefit Students with Dyslexia at The Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas!

### Lubbock Scottish Rite Car Show Success!



Thank you, Chairman Matthew Reynolds, for another well-attended event!



Pictured from left to right: Larry Massengill, LSR Treasurer, Lamar Hayes, LSR Office Manager, and Sue Rodgers, Learning Center Associate Director Administration

> "I had a lot of fun with my family at the Car Show! I was able to see a bunch of cool cars, including my grandpa's!"

- Scottish Rite Student, Caden Dyess



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