



WELCOME SPRING!



The New Brunswick Association of  
Speech - Language Pathologists and Audiologists

***"I like nonsense.  
It wakes up the  
brain cells."***

- Dr. Seuss

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gloria Yachyshen



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I have always thought that we should celebrate more! Research has repeatedly shown that the more you acknowledge your past successes, the more confident you become in taking on and successfully accomplishing new ones. NBASLPA celebrates 30 years of achievements this year and marks an exciting new chapter in the growth of our professional association. I feel privileged and honoured to be your President during this exciting time as well as humbled by the contributions and efforts of those who preceded me.

As you are aware, NBASLPA Executive Council meets monthly via teleconference; however, most, if not all, of what happens on your behalf takes place outside of the meetings. I would like to highlight some of the opportunities" (paradigm shift from "issues"), which the Executive has addressed.

The opportunity has arisen in which the speech and language services provided to the school-aged population have been augmented through the use of (unregulated) supportive personnel. The Legislation Committee, chaired by Beth McCann, has worked tirelessly, consulting with regulatory bodies, our national association, our membership, as well as our lawyer to ensure that the communication needs and protection of the client is held paramount at all times. A revision to Rule 14 in our Bylaws has been completed and will be presented, followed by a vote. NBASLPA will also be making a

proposal to the government that an anglo-phone training program be developed and provided by qualified professionals, similar to the one offered for the francophone population.

NBASLPA was not initially involved with or consulted regarding the province's restructuring of second-language teaching in NB schools, but NBASLPA took this opportunity to write both the Premier and Minister of Education. One of many concerns expressed was the lack of consultation with speech-language pathologists on matters dealing with language development/acquisition. Individual members also took the initiative to respond to the government's report.

The Joint Rehab Council, comprised of two representatives from the Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, and Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology associations, will be meeting in early April. This is a great opportunity to share information, collaborate on common issues, and promote initiatives relevant to each profession.

We are often faced with a series of great opportunities brilliantly disguised as problems. Our thirtieth anniversary is a wonderful opportunity for NBASLPA, as well as for all of us, individually, to take stock of and to celebrate our achievements

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**NEXT SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

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**SUBMISSIONS / ENQUIRIES**

Letters to the Editor, commentaries, and other submissions (including photos) are welcome. The Editorial Board reserves the right to edit submissions for length and clarity. Please forward submissions to:

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business card	\$ 25.00
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## CASLPA UPDATE



## NBASLPA'S ANNUAL AGM!



Hello to all NBASLPA and CASLPA members! I am very pleased to be continuing as your CASLPA board member. We had three members run in the board election this year, which I think is a testament to the strength of CASLPA in our province right now.

The annual CASLPA conference was recently held in beautiful Kananaskis, Alberta. Several NBASLPA members were in attendance. Noëlla Basque presented a poster (Auditory Skills Training in a Group Setting) that she and Chantale Gallant co-authored, André Lafargue received the 2008 CASLPA Promotions Award, and Ruth Berube, Sandra Surette, Margaret Melanson, and Kathleen King received pins as long-term members of 25+ years. To read André's inspiring acceptance speech from the Kananaskis podium, check out the May issue of CASLPA E-news!

Looking for May Month ideas? Find ideas and publicity tips at <http://www.caslpa.ca/english/resources/maymonth.asp>. This year CASLPA has also launched downloadable print public service announcements which completes the third phase of our public service announcement campaign. They can be downloaded at [http://www.caslpa.ca/english/resources/psa\\_print.asp](http://www.caslpa.ca/english/resources/psa_print.asp). Remember to let CASLPA know what your May Month plans are and add your event to the list <http://www.caslpa.ca/english/resources/maymontheventsubmit.asp>.

A salary and benefits survey has been sent to full members by e-mail. You are encouraged to complete this survey so that a comprehensive report can be developed. The report will be published in June 2008 and will be available free to CASLPA members.

CASLPA continues to work on a toy safety advocacy campaign focusing on noise levels in toys. An issue paper has been published and is available at <http://www.caslpa.ca/PDF/Noisy%20Toys/edited%20Final%20Issue%20paper%20english%20Noisy%20Toys.pdf>.

CASLPA, along with provincial associations and colleges, sent a joint letter of response to Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) expressing serious concerns over the January 2008 VAC bulletin. The bulletin and the letter can be viewed on the CASLPA Web site at <http://www.caslpa.ca/english/profession/VACBlueCross.asp>.

For more information on these and other CASLPA initiatives visit the CASLPA Web site at [www.caslpa.ca](http://www.caslpa.ca) or contact me directly. I welcome input, comments, and questions and can be reached at [melanie.osmond@rvh.nb.ca](mailto:melanie.osmond@rvh.nb.ca) or 452-5726.

*Respectfully Submitted by Melanie Osmond*

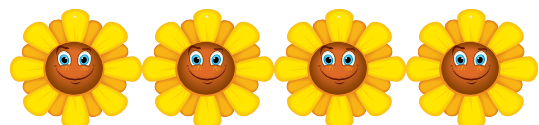
This fall on November 7 and 8 (Friday and Saturday), join your colleagues in Fredericton at the Crowne Plaza Lord Beaverbrook for our annual conference, AGM, and celebration of NBASLPA's 30th anniversary!

Highlights include:

- Carol Westby will present on language and literacy (full day);
- Julie Purdy will present on cerumen management (1/2 day) and facilitating hearing aid acceptance in baby boomers (1/2 day);
- a presentation on supported conversation for people with aphasia will be offered "en français" (full day);
- people are invited to submit poster presentations;
- noon-hour interest groups;
- the Awards & Recognition Event, which will include entertainment, a silent auction, presentation of awards, and a keynote speaker;
- Saturday AGM, with lunch provided;
- parents' session with Carol Westby;
- and a session on sharing sensitive information.

**A brochure will follow soon!**

For more information, check out the association Web site, or contact Ruth Woodworth at [ruth@ruthwoodworthslp.com](mailto:ruth@ruthwoodworthslp.com) or by phone at (506) 470-6352.



## MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Hi everyone,

This year, we are celebrating our 30<sup>th</sup> year! Everyone concerned is already at work to organize our upcoming AGM. As you may already know, it will take place in Fredericton from November 6-8. The schedule will soon be posted on the Web site. Prepare yourselves! The Awards Committee is organizing a banquet on Friday evening, November 7, to mark this year in a very special way. Invite a guest... To top it all off, the Public Relations (PR) Committee is currently working on strategies to promote your professions and increase visibility within our communities.

I am happy to report that more and more members are really getting involved on issues of interest within each of our committees. It is nice to see the AGM, Awards, and PR Committees joining forces and energies together in order to plan strategies for the AGM while promoting our professions in various ways. Our Membership Committee is doing an excellent job at getting our new members approved within record time. Our Training Trust Fund Committee has developed new documents in time for our members to benefit from its bursaries for continuing education programs. The Legislation Committee has finally gone through the pain of drafting modifications to the rules on supportive personnel. The Finance Committee was finally up and running again in order to analyze and recommend to the Executive Council members the best ways to invest our monies in these times of uncertainty and volatility in the stock market. The progress on our new Web site project is going well and we anticipate that it will be online very soon.

Finally, we encourage even more members to get involved in their association. In fact, we are seeking someone to fill the Chair position on our AUD Committee. We also need another audiologist on our PR Committee. So, if you feel you can make a difference then we invite you to step up and make your intentions known to us by sending me an e-mail.

Should anyone have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me on my cell phone at (506) 866-5087 or by e-mail at the following address:  
[Robert.J.Cormier@umoncton.ca](mailto:Robert.J.Cormier@umoncton.ca).

*Submitted by Robert Cormier  
Executive Director*

## PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Thank you to all the members who completed the public relations survey. You have provided a road map for the Public Relations (PR) Committee to follow. A summary of the survey results will be posted on the NBASLPA Web site shortly.

The PR Committee has met twice since January 2008, and will have met a third time by the time you read your copy of Echo. Four main areas have been chosen as priorities for this year. Since each is a necessary element of the total PR package, they are presented in no particular order.



- Bob Cormier, our executive director, has been hard at work updating the NBASLPA Web site. The goal is to have a user-friendly, up-to-date site that will be frequently accessed. Members who responded to the PR survey indicated that the Web site content needed to be updated regularly and that our professions are largely unknown. An easily accessed Web site that offers timely and relevant information to families, members, other professionals, and the general public will respond to both these concerns.
- This year marks the thirtieth anniversary of NBASLPA. Recognizing the achievements of the association and its members and increasing our visibility is a priority area and the PR Committee is working in concert with both the executive and the AGM Committee to make this a reality. Promotional materials will be developed to mark the anniversary.
- May is the time of year when most S-LPs and audiologists think of promoting the professions and educating those that may require our services. Although time prevents the committee from producing a major promotional campaign this year, the editor of ECHO, Kerri Schriver, has requested that members submit PR events that they have organized in the past. The list will later appear on the NBASLPA Web site for members to access when they are planning promotional events. Remember to keep the committee informed of new promotional ideas you have so that they can be added to the Web site.
- NBASLPA will be present at the annual meeting of the New Brunswick Federation of Home and School Associations in Sussex this spring. The PR Committee is preparing a display and information packets. It is our hope that NBASLPA will be invited to similar events in the future.

As you can see there is much work to do. If you have a bit of time and an interest in public relations, I welcome you to join the committee. The committee members are Shirley Corbett, Robert Cormier, André Lafargue, Rhonda Rubin, and Anne Turner. We can always use a few extra hands, even if they choose to remain behind the scenes. We rely on you to let us know if something is happening in your area that would be of interest to PR. A few people have volunteered to write articles but we can certainly use more.

*Submitted by Noëlla Basque  
Chair, PR Committee*

# NBASLPA REGIONAL UPDATES!

**REGION 1** Renee St-Laurent


*No news received...  
Until next time!*


**REGION 2** Katie McGuire

Hello from Region 2!!

Several S-LPs from Extra-Mural, Talk With Me, and the hospitals attended the ASHA convention in Boston last November. We had the chance to hear about many of the sessions attended and it sounded like an excellent learning opportunity and a wonderful experience.



We are very pleased to welcome Karyn Fillmore back from maternity leave. Adam David John Fillmore is a beautiful 15-month-old boy. Congratulations and welcome back Karyn. We were very sad to have to say goodbye to Melanie Osmond in August; she has taken a temporary leave of absence from St. Stephen Extra-Mural to fill a leave at Fredericton Extra-Mural. Best wishes and good luck Melanie.

The S-LPs at Saint John Extra-Mural were excited to hear this month that a new 0.5 position was granted to that office. Good luck to all applicants.

The S-LPs in the region participated in the Teddy Bear Fair at the Saint John Regional Hospital on March 29. This annual event sees 5,000+ children and their favourite bears get "treated" by the various professional staff at the hospital. It was a great opportunity to help children understand how friendly the hospital can be. The Public Relations Committee is also getting ready to celebrate May Month.

That is all for now from Region 2.  
Happy Spring!

**REGION 3 & REGION 4** Lissa Dionne-Smith  
Julie Hudon


*No news received...  
Until next time!*


**REGION 7** Still Vacant!!!

**REGION 5** Josée Castonguay

On January 27, the Talk With Me Early Language Services from Restigouche organized a storytelling show at the L.E.R. School in order to celebrate Family Literacy Day. What a great success! Over 100 people (parents and children) attended this event. Mrs. Marie-France Comeau (French children's book author) and Mr. Mike Lushington (storyteller well-known in the region) captured children's and parents' interest with their stories and enthusiasm.

Families had the opportunity to get their regional library membership card and also received a bag containing many goodies: pencil, calendar, DVD, tattoos, game ideas, etc. A snack was also served. Students in the "Techniques en réadaptation" of the NBCC - Campbellton Campus offered their assistance, which was greatly appreciated.

Carmen Daneault is moving to the Grand Falls area with her family. We will miss you a lot Carmen! Patty Campbell will soon be on maternity leave! Good luck!

**REGION 6** Guy Doré

Jeopardié

A new game, modeled after the popular TV game show Jeopardy, was developed by Carole Asselin, S-LP with the Talk With Me Service in Region 6. This game targets secondary students in their courses of Personal Development and Career Planning or Family Living. The objective of the game's development is to provide pertinent information on language development for children from 0 to 5 years. These secondary students are often of an age where they provide child care, have younger brothers or sisters, or will themselves become parents in the near future. The game was created in a Power Point format for use with a projector. Students participate in teams of 3 or 4 students. Most questions are in a true/false format; however, there are a few open-ended questions which allow the possibility to earn double the points. "Talk With Me" money was created in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, and \$1000 bills. Members of the winning team will receive a magnetic clip from the Talk With Me Service (very practical in lockers). So far the participation of the students and teachers has been exceptional. To date, almost 400 students in Caraquet, Shippagan, and Tracadie have participated.





## Awards Committee News!

*Submitted by Anne Turner*

It's time to start thinking about nominating colleagues for awards again. Please note that this year, we have made a few changes to the awards. The Margaret Christie Award is now called the **Margaret Christie Lifetime Achievement Award**. In order to make it truly a lifetime award and to distinguish it from the NBASLPA Clinical Excellence Award, we are now requiring nominees to have worked for at least 20 years as an S-LP or audiologist to be considered. In addition, due to privacy concerns, we now require the nominator for any of the three awards to get the consent of the person that they are nominating. There is a place on the nomination form for the nominator to sign indicating that this has been done. As always, all three awards must be received (regular mail or fax) at the NBASLPA office by September 15. We will be posting the award forms as well as the list of previous winners on the newly revised NBASLPA Web site that Bob Cormier, our executive director, is working on.

*Respectfully submitted by the Awards Committee,*

*Anne Turner, Chair  
Chantale Melanson  
Jennifer O'Donnell  
Rhonda Rubin  
Martha Vowles*



## President's Message

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and personal successes. We especially would like to celebrate with all of our members at the November AGM in Fredericton. It promises to be a gathering of colleagues, past and present, with much socializing and great opportunities for continuing education. Keep that date open!

Congratulations are extended to Melanie Osmond who was elected as CASLPA's board member from NB. Also, thank you to Darrelyn Snider, who has offered to join the CASLPA Awards Committee. Jennifer O'Donnell also serves on that committee.

On behalf of the Executive, I would again like to thank all of you for your contributions and support to the Association. May is just around the corner! Although May is Speech and Hearing Awareness Month, we can help raise awareness everyday!



## Training Trust Fund (TTF) Update

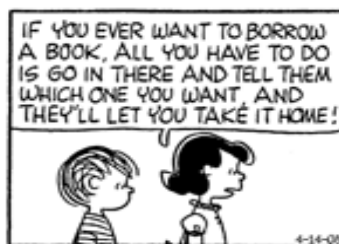


Since the last AGM (November 2007), the TTF official documents were sent to all members with the information concerning the individual bursaries for 2008. A total of 13 applications were received by the deadline date (January 31). The random draw was done on February 11, 2008. We are pleased to announce that Danielle Pelletier and Nicole Jenkins were selected at random to receive the bursaries (up to \$1000 each). Congratulations to Danielle and Nicole!

We would also like to announce that Annie Giasson, NBASLPA Treasurer, is the latest member to join the TTF Board. Also on the board are: Patty Campbell-Guitard, Paula Murray, Francine Cormier, and Robert Cormier (non-voting member).

The TTF Board continues to meet on a regular basis to discuss funding requests and investments. So far this year, one request for funding has been received. All TTF official documents (including forms) are available on the NBASLPA Web site in the member's section. If you have any questions or comments, do not hesitate to contact any one of the board members.

*Respectfully submitted by Francine Cormier*



***May is "Better Speech and Hearing Month!"  
Here are Some Great Ideas from Our Members...***

**May Month Activities from the ELS "Parle-Moi/Talk With Me" Program**

**Region 2 - SERHA  
(Sheelagh Callahan reported)**

We had a booth at the Moncton Hospital (MH) last year where we offered basic information to parents and interested individuals that may be visiting the MH. In addition, the Speech and Hearing Department at the hospital and ELS had All Users Messages go out each week during the month on messages related to speech and hearing. We also had the fun fact sheet to give out during our programs about speech and hearing issues that are included in popular culture and movies.

**Region 3 – Woodstock/Fredericton/Oromocto  
(Anne Turner reported)**

In Woodstock, we did a couple quizzes. First, we had a preschool speech and language quiz that we gave out to community partners and parents and generally spread around the community. It included facts on speech and language development in the first 5 years, touching on various topics like ear infections, fluency, and late talkers. We also had found a movie trivia quiz on the CASLPA Web site that we put in the local video stores and distributed to our colleagues (the prize to the person with the most correct answers was a free movie rental). It had fun facts about movies with speech/language/hearing themes. Fredericton arranged some fact sheet questions that they put in the physicians' mailboxes. They were very well done and well received. Apparently many of the physicians put them in their waiting room so parents got to see them too. In Woodstock, we also scheduled coffee breaks for the medical staff at the various hospitals in our area. We were available at a table with free food and information on the program with the hope that doctors would drop by and chat about the program.

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**Region 4 – Edmundston/Grand Falls  
(Michele O'Connell & Julie Boucher reported)**

Last year in Edmundston, we hosted a Mother Goose Family Picnic outside our local library that was open to the public. We invited our ELS clients as well as new preschool families. Families were invited to bring their lunch and we provided the beverages and cake. We then divided the group in two: 0-2 years of age and 2-4 years of age to sing and dance. We also had meet and greet stands in our daycares to discuss speech and language development with parents at the end of their work day.

In Grand Falls, we gave mini-information sessions on our program to Regional Health Authority employees. We offered these in every hospital and EMP office in the region. We also got together with the hospital and EMP S-LPs to organize a morning filled with activities for the preschool children, kindergarteners, and first grade students. We chose a Friday morning when school was closed because of teacher conferences. Our activities included free play, crafts, story time, treasure hunt, and snack time.

**Region 5 – Campbellton  
(Patty Campbell/Josée Castonguay reported)**

This year, we are planning to have an open house-style Teddy Bear Clinic where kids bring their favourite bear or doll to have its hearing checked by Audiology, a communication assessment by Speech-Language Pathology, height and weight checked by Public Health, and a book reading station with New Brunswick Public Library, followed by a snack and a craft.

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### May Month Activities from Ideas from Other Programs & Professionals

I'm a Speech-Language Pathologist and I work in schools. Here are some of my ideas:

- ❑ Place posters in our workplaces (school, hospitals, Extra-Mural Program, etc.).
- ❑ Send out emails to our partners (teachers, school principals, doctors), maybe once a week during the month of May on different language disorders and the impacts on communication (SLI, dyslexia, autism, aphasia etc.) and the importance of language in the learning process.
- ❑ Have the May month of communication mentioned on a couple of local radio stations.
- ❑ Have them talk about our professions and the importance of early intervention.
- ❑ Give tips to parents (what to look for, how to stimulate language day to day, etc.).
- ❑ Have someone from Parle-moi talk about the different sessions that are offered monthly.
- ❑ NBASLPA could get into contact with our employer (e.g., public relations services-Chantal Roussel), to set up promotions for all regions during the month of May.

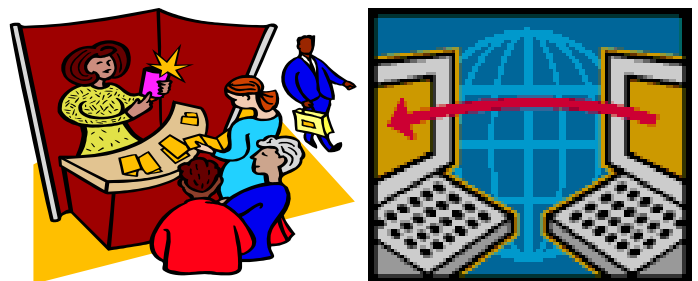
I'm not a member of CASLPA; therefore, I do not receive the promotional material that is sent to the members for the month of May. It would be great if NBASLPA had materials they could send to members! I am more than happy to promote our occupations during the month of May. I realize the importance of doing so. Although I have to admit that I don't have much free time in my schedule to prepare materials for the occasion.

*Submitted by  
Caroline Lafrance, S-LP*



For past May Month activities, a former colleague and I have created a Celebrity Communication Quiz. I have a complete file of things, but this was the most fun. We sent it to all of the employees in the health region and we got a lot of responses. There are a lot of other ideas but I am sure they are already being used: baby baskets, placemats, and activity-a-day calendars.

*Submitted by  
Rhonda Shultz, S-LP  
Perth Extra-Mural Program*





## **Volunteers Needed For NBASLPA Standing Committees!**



**Now is your chance to GET INVOLVED and become a more active member of the Association!**

**We need YOU to fill vacancies we currently have on both the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Committees.**

***The purpose of the Audiology Committee*** is to help promote the profession of audiology and to provide information and advice to the Executive Council Members on professional issues.

***Duties of committee members are as follows:***

1. To promote audiology services throughout the province.
2. To promote public awareness of auditory disorders and prevention by preparing articles for publication in magazines and newspapers.
3. To disseminate current research in audiology and information about the delivery of audiological services.
4. To provide leadership in upgrading professional standards for audiologists including recommending regulatory actions to the Legislation Committee.
5. To promote advocacy for audiologists in all areas of hearing health care respecting the role of the Executive Council.

***Committee members should include:***

1. Three audiologists working in hospital settings.
2. One audiologist working in private practice.
3. NBASLPA Executive Director as ex-officio member.
4. The committee shall invite members from all regions in the province to facilitate communication between the committee and the NBASLPA audiologists.

***The purpose of the Speech-Language Pathology Committee*** is to promote the profession of speech-language pathology and provide information and advice to the Executive Council Members on professional issues.

***Duties of committee members are as follows:***

1. To promote speech-language pathology services throughout the province.
2. To promote public awareness of communication and swallowing disorders, prevention, and treatment by preparing articles for publication in magazines and newspapers.
3. To disseminate current research in speech-language pathology and information about the delivery of services.

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4. To provide leadership in upgrading professional standards for speech-language pathologists including recommending regulatory actions to the Legislation Committee.
5. To promote advocacy for speech-language pathologists in all areas of the field of speech-language pathology respecting the role of the Executive Council.

### **Committee members should include:**

1. Speech-language pathologists working in various settings, including hospital settings, the Extra-Mural Programs and private practice.
2. NBASLPA Executive Director as ex-officio member.
3. The committee shall invite members from all regions in the province to facilitate communication between the committee and the NBASLPA speech-language pathologists.

The term of appointment for these committees is two (2) years with an option to renew. There is no limit on the number of terms a member may fill. Meeting frequency occurs up to once a month.

**For more information on these and other committees, please contact:**

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The Learning Disabilities Association of New Brunswick/Troubles d'apprentissage -association du Nouveau-Brunswick (LDANB/TAANB) Inc.

Located at 403 Regent Street in Fredericton currently has a position available for our LINKS Literacy Program. LINKS is a researched-based, after-school intervention program for children in elementary school struggling with literacy skills possibly due to dyslexia or a language-based learning disability.

### **Position:**

Regional Program Supervisor for LDANB's LINKS (Linking Language to Learning) pilot project in the Fredericton area. This person will be responsible for assessments, training and supervising of teaching staff, students and volunteers, parental communication and overall administration of the program. This is a challenging and rewarding opportunity within the nonprofit sector.

The post is part-time - 20 hours/week.

### **Qualifications required:**

Speech-language pathologist-registered member of NBASLPA/eligible for membership with CASLPA (preferred) or Master's Level in Elementary education and literacy instruction or Psychology.

Please submit cover letter and résumé to:

**Learning Disabilities Association of  
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***The South-East Regional Health Authority will be hosting the Lidcombe Fluency Workshop***

**on May 29-31, 2008 at the Moncton Hospital.**

This workshop includes a two-day course for pre-school aged children and an additional one-day course for school-aged children. The workshop fee is \$385 for the two-day workshop, \$550 for the three-day workshop, and \$185 for the one-day workshop (for school aged children). To learn more about the Lidcombe Fluency program, visit their Web site at Montreal Fluency Centre-Lidcombe Program or contact Cathy Cormier at [cacormie4@serha.ca](mailto:cacormie4@serha.ca).

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International Society for  
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***Fifth Atlantic Canada  
Stroke Conference***

***September 19 and 20, 2008***

**World Trade and Convention Centre  
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***"Using the Best Evidence to Provide Better Stroke Care".***

The conference will be preceded by a September 18 workshop entitled *"Effective Communication Strategies - Making Patient Centered Stroke Care Accessible to People with Aphasia"*.

If you have questions, please contact renee.downs@dal.ca, 902.494.1560 or visit the Web site at: cme.medicine.dal.ca/scourse.htm. Brochure and registration form will be available in late June!

**The Prince Edward Island  
Speech & Hearing  
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Spring Workshop  
May 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008  
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**Language and Literacy:  
Making the Classroom Connection**

Presented by **Lynne Healy, SLP(C)**  
**Workshop Description**

This interactive workshop will focus on the important role of "talk" in the classroom, as well as making explicit links between oral language and literacy development. The session will explore the four language systems (pragmatics, semantics, syntax and phonology) and how they connect to the development of reading, writing and spelling. Specific examples of ways to support language development through the components of balanced literacy will also be provided. Participants will have the opportunity to learn more about the role of language in the classroom and how it impacts on students' academic success.

*This workshop is intended for Speech-Language Pathologists, classroom teachers, resource teachers and professionals working with children with language and learning difficulties.*