Dear Alumni, Faculty, and Students,

We are very excited about the upcoming alumni event celebrating the 50th anniversary of our program. Here is our plan for the day:

- First distinguished alumna/alumnus award; followed by a research presentation given by the awardee.
- Introducing our new Alumni Association;
- Video presentation showing short interviews with our alumni about their work;
- Roundtable discussion: how to increase the visibility of our scientific field, recruitment questions, etc.

Lunch and time for socializing.

We hope to see many of you at this event.
I wish you a wonderful summer!

Klara Marton
Executive Officer
Ph.D. Program in Speech–Language–Hearing Sciences
UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Date!

Annual Alumni Event/50th Anniversary:
Friday, October 16th, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Concourse Level
Rooms C201 and C202

6th Annual Student Research Day:
Friday, April 1, 2016, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00p.m.

Additional information and details on all the above events will be forthcoming as the events get closer.

If you have events, job postings, workshops, conferences, etc. that you would like our students, faculty and alumni to know about, you are welcome to send those announcements to our Assistant Program Officer, Patricia Goodson and she will share the information with all.
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Dissertation Defenses

Please join us in congratulating the following students who have successfully presented their Dissertation Defenses. Congratulations Dr. Susan Gray, Dr. Jennifer Gerometta, Dr. Lee Jung An, and Dr. Judith Iannotta!

Dr. Susan Gray defended on December 22, 2014
“Empowering Adult Struggling Readers with Morpho-Phonemic Word Study and Civics”
Chair: Dr. John Locke

Dr. Jennifer Gerometta defended on April 14, 2015
“Network Modeling of the Developing Mental Lexicon: Phonological Links Within and Between Communities”
Chair: Dr. Valerie Shafer

Dr. Lee Jung An defended on April 22, 2015
“Effects of Native language on perception and neurophysiologic processing of English /r/ and /l/ by native American, Korean and Japanese Listeners”
Chair: Dr. Brett Martin

Dr. Judith Iannotta defended on April 28, 2015
“Maturation of Speech Discrimination and Attentional Requirements in Late Childhood”
Chair: Valerie Shafer

Second Level Research Projects and Second Examinations

Joshua Hajicek presented his second level research project on January 15, 2015,
“Optimization of Stimulus Frequency Ocoacoustic Emission Measurement”.
Dr. Glenis Long chaired the project.

Jet Vonk passed her second exam on February 13, 2015.

Ai Mizoguchi presented her second level research project on March 18, 2015,
“Articulatory Gestures of Moraic Nasal /N/ in Japanese: An Ultrasound Study”.
Dr. Douglas Whalen chaired the project.

First Examinations

The following student passed their first examination:

Erica Richman – January 5, 2015. “Comparison of Treatment Strategies on School Aged Children Diagnosed with Auditory Processing Disorder (APD)”
Advisor – Dr. Brett Martin
Dr. Lee Jung An, who successfully defended her dissertation on April 22, 2015, presented on her dissertation research at the International Evoked Response Audiometry Study Group Conference in Busan, South Korea.

**PUBLICATIONS**


In Press


Eve Higby (left) and Jet Vonk (right) presented their latest study at the Cognitive Neuroscience Society on March 31, 2015 in San Francisco, CA. Looks like they had a great time!


Neumann-Werth, Y. (May, 2015). Face to Face with Aphasia. Invited speaker at the Margaret Teitz Nursing and Rehabilitation Center Symposium, Jamaica, NY.


Paplikar, A., Goral, M., Gitterman, M., & Obler, L. K., (May 2015). Language Mixing vs. Borrowing in Bilingual Speakers with Aphasia and


Dr. Klara Marton presented at a panel at the Bilingualism and Executive Function Workshop on May 18-19, 2015 at the Graduate Center.

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

**Rupa Balachandran** is the new Audiology Program Director in the Department of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology at the University of Pacific, Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

**Dana Battaglia** received a Pathways Program grant from ASHA in June, 2015.

**Luca Campanelli** received a Doctoral Student Research grant and the Dissertation Year Fellowship from the Graduate Center. Congratulations!

**Katherine Dawson** received a Dissertation Year Fellowship from the Graduate Center.

**Eve Higby** has several accomplishments since the last Newsletter. She has received a Doctoral Student Research grant, the Mario Capelloni Dissertation Fellowship from the Graduate Center, as well as an NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant in Linguistics. Well done!
Yael Neumann received a grant, Undergraduate Research/Mentoring Education (URME) Initiative, along with his student for the project, *Codeswitching and Discourse Markers in Bilingual Aphasia*, in March 2015.

Suzanne Thompson received the St. John's University Chapter of the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association Distinguished Alumni Award.

Jet Vonk received a Doctoral Student Research Grant.

**Other News**

Zara Waldman Deluca was accepted to ASHA’s Research Mentoring (ARM) Network’s Pathways Program for 2014. Here is link about the program [http://www.asha.org/Research/Pathways-Program/][asha.org] Her assigned mentor is Dr. Ann Geers.

Susan Longtin was promoted to Associate Professor in the Department of Speech Communication Arts and Sciences at Brooklyn College.

Arlene C. Neuman was elected as a Fellow of the Acoustical Society of America for her contributions in the areas of classroom acoustics and hearing aid development.

Jet Vonk was filmed for Dutch television and aired on April 8, 2015. The interview is part of a miniseries on Brabanders in New York. Jet discusses her research on language, the brain and dementia and her experience living in New York. Part of the interview was filmed at the GC in the Neurolinguistics lab. You can view the interview on YouTube at the following link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0mrfisExzK8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0mrfisExzK8)
Contribute to the Speech-Language Hearing Sciences Doctoral Student Fellowship

Thank you to all who have contributed and who continually contribute donation to the Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences Doctoral Student Fellowships. The fellowships and the discretionary funds allow the program to help students every year.

Four funds have been set up to honor three colleagues who contributed importantly to our program: Professors Moe Bergman, Arthur Bronstein and Martin Gitterman.


Moe and Hannah Bergman Scholarship for Conference Travel: The Moe and Hannah Bergman Award makes funds available to students who travel to present research papers at conferences.

Martin Gitterman Excellence in Teaching Award: The Martin Gitterman Teaching Award gives awards for Excellence in Teaching.

The recipients for 2015 are:

The Professor Arthur J. Bronstein and Elsa Bronstein Fellowship for Excellence in Dissertation Writing

Amy Vogel-Eyny

Moe and Hannah Bergman Scholarship for Conference Travel

Jessica Scheuer
Amy Vogel-Eyny
Jet Vonk

Martin Gitterman Excellence in Teaching Award

Sameer Ashaie
Eve Higby

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