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Announcements

Thank You to Volunteers Involved With the Journal on Developmental Disabilities

The Journal on Developmental Disabilities (JoDD) would not exist without involvement of committed and dedicated volunteers who are involved with its production. In particular we thank and honour: Dr. Ann Fudge Schormans and Dr. Lynn Martin who have stepped down after years of expert involvement on the Chief Editorial Board, and Dr. Jonathan Weiss who will soon be stepping down from this role; Dr. Carly McMorris and Dr. Melody Ashworth for their valuable input as JoDD Associate Editors and Connor McGuire as JoDD Assistant Editor; and to Dr. Jay Rao who is stepping down as Chair of the Ontario Association on Developmental Disabilities Publication Committee. Very special thanks are in order for the many individuals who served as reviewers of manuscripts submitted during the 2016 calendar year (see list below).

Welcome on Board

JoDD welcomes: Dr. Carly McMorris, Department of Psychology, University of Calgary, to the JoDD Chief Editorial Board; Jo-Anne Link, Executive Director of Brantwood Community Services, as OADD Publications Committee Chair. Volunteers who join the JoDD production team will be acknowledged in future issues of JoDD.

JoDD Reviewers of Manuscripts Submitted During 2016

Charles Anyinam
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Winner of the Brown & Percy Journal on Developmental Disabilities Student Publication Prize

About the Student Publication Prize

The Brown and Percy *Journal on Developmental Disabilities* Student Publication Prize ... is intended to ... "encourage student contribution to the journal." The prize is awarded to an author of what is judged to be the most outstanding student contribution published in a particular calendar year. A student contribution is deemed to be a paper that has been successfully peer-reviewed and published in the *Journal on Developmental Disabilities* based on research or ideas of someone who is currently a student, or of someone reporting work completed while he or she was a student (e.g., a thesis).

Normally, an eligible author for this award would be the first author of the paper though exceptions are made. The prize carries a cash value of \$500 in Canadian funds, and is awarded with a plaque and letter of notification about the honour. When two individuals tie for first place, the cash award is split and two plaques are awarded. In the case of a runner-up, the recipient receives a letter of notification about the honour. Funds for this award come from profits generated by the OADD textbook *Developmental Disabilities in Ontario* and are donated by the book editors.

Kyle Pushkarenko was awarded first place in the competition for papers published during 2016. Particulars of the winning paper are: "Pushkarenko, K., Gregory Reid, B., & Smith, V. (2016). Effects of enhanced structure in an aquatics environment for three boys with autism spectrum disorders: A pilot study. *Journal on Developmental Disabilities*, 22(2), 3–15". The prize was presented via Skype on April 21, 2017, at the Annual Research Special Interest Group Symposium held at the Hilton/Fallsview Hotel, Niagara Falls, ON.