A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I would like to start off by saying thank you to all those who have taken the time to have an interest in CASSA; you will not be disappointed. This semester, we have planned many fun and exciting events that will help our students develop as professionals and allow them to socialize amongst each other. They range from involving guest speakers and community service events to CASSA get-togethers and social mixers that will get anybody thrilled to take part in. Stay tuned to the Sunday updates that I will be sending out and prepare for an informative and exciting semester!

Thank you,
Cameron Heath
CASSA President
Welcome new and continuing members of CASSA! We hope you enjoyed your winter break and have jumped headlong into the spring semester.

There are numerous ways for you to get involved in CASSA this semester. By donating your time to a community service activity, attending our weekly meetings, coming to a social event, or even contributing baked goods to a bake sale, you can serve the department and earn credit toward your red graduation cords. Once a month at our Wednesday meetings, CASSA will host a professional development workshop that will help students prepare for interviews, improve their resumes, and write effective personal statements. Please browse our website or talk to a CASSA Board member to see what other activities we have planned.

Remember that you do not need to attend our Wednesday meetings to be a member of CASSA. President Cameron Heath emails all members an update every Sunday with information about upcoming events and community service opportunities.

We eagerly anticipate recognizing our graduating CASSA members and their families at the Celebration of Achievement in May. For members that are not yet graduating, we look forward to your continued involvement in CASSA and encourage you to consider running for a Board position in April. CASSA is a student-led organization, and your leadership is critical for its functioning. Becoming a Board member looks great on your resume, provides a valuable service to your fellow CHAD majors, and is a whole lot of fun.

Best wishes for a productive semester,

Professors Shelli Wynants and Janna Kim
**WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN CASSA?**

- **Krystal McGregor**

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**GUEST SPEAKERS**

- **Heather Creelman**

For the spring 2008 semester we have a variety of guest speakers to look forward to. Each speaker will give you insight into topics that are related to child development and could open your mind to potential career opportunities. Our first guest speaker on February 20th was Mary Read, a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) who spoke about the educational requirements needed to become a MFT. On April 23rd, Holly Sneed, a theater teacher here on campus, will give examples of how to bring theater into classrooms to benefit students' learning. Future teachers may find this speaker event very helpful.

Other guest speakers we hope to invite this semester include a child life specialist and a physical education teacher. I am looking forward to the upcoming events, and the speakers are excited to present information to all of us that will be useful to us as professionals.

Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it.

- Marian Wright Edelman

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Can you match these faculty members to their childhood pictures?

Dr. Kate Bono
Dr. Jaki Coffman
Prof. Leigh Hobson
Dr. Janna Kim
Dr. Kari Knutson-Miller
Dr. Sharon Seidman
Dr. Susan Shipstead
Prof. Shelli Wynants

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WHEN THEY WERE KIDS

1 Year

4 Years

3 Years

4 Years
Name: Krystal McGregor  
Year: Junior  
Major: CHAD  
Position: Membership Manager

I joined CASSA for my first semester in Fall of 2007. I attended every general meeting and enjoyed wonderful and interesting guest speakers and social interactions between the members. I got involved in many community service events such as CHOC walk, Jumpstart and Orangewood, which I loved. I met great friends and faculty here on campus. CASSA is a great club on campus to familiarize yourself with your major. When elections were held last semester, I decided to run for Membership Manager because I wanted to be more involved in CASSA, and I wanted to make all the members feel welcome and comfortable. My duties as Membership Manager are to recruit new members and manage the application process. Members should feel free to ask me anything that has to do with the cost of becoming a member, the events we have coming up, or anything else!

Name: Lani Akimi Endo  
Year: Freshman  
Major: CHAD  
Position: ICC Representative

I wanted to get involved on the board of the organization because I love planning events. By being a board member for CASSA, I am able to meet other students in CHAD and provide community service and help in fundraising. I like being able to get my voice heard and helping out behind the scenes. I attend the Inter-Club Council (ICC) meetings with Luz Valdez where we meet with the ICC officers and other groups in our college. As the link between the ICC and CASSA, we can keep each other informed and updated on happenings on our campus. Also, we write proposals to the ICC officers to get funding for CASSA events. If members purchase items for CASSA meetings, they can give their receipts to either Luz or me the day they bring in the purchased item(s) for reimbursement.
Our newest board members

Name: Heather Creelman
Year: Junior
Major: CHAD
Position: Professional and Career Development

I was a member of CASSA last semester. After dedicating time into different events, I began to understand what a great student organization CASSA is, and I wanted to be a bigger part of it. Being a CASSA board member allows me to help plan activities that others will enjoy, meet new people, and have an extra outlet to be goofy. I have worked hard this semester to provide CASSA members with a diverse line up of guest speakers to help guide CHAD majors toward their future career goals. I look forward to the future events and seeing you all there.
**Community Service Opportunities**

Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile  
- Albert Einstein

**Community Service**

- Kelly Anderson

This semester is going to be filled with many fun and exciting opportunities for members to earn community service hours! In February you can serve as a mentor for children residing at Orangewood Children’s Home, a transitional home. This is a fun event where you can help children relax and enjoy their stay by participating in crafts and activities. In both March and April you can take a trip down to Mexico to play and interact with children in an orphanage as part of the Corazon de Vida program. These children really look forward to your visit. CASSA will also be partnering with Anaheim YMCA and Jumpstart in events that will be announced throughout the semester. For more information please contact Kelly at cassacs@live.com, or stop by one of our meetings! We are looking forward to seeing you!

**March of Dimes March for Babies**

- Pamela Gutierrez

On April 27th, CASSA will take part in the March for Babies at Fashion Island in Newport Beach. March for Babies is an event where participants raise money to aid in the research and medical treatments for babies that are born prematurely or have birth defects or complications. March for Babies, in affiliation with the March of Dimes, thrives for helping babies who need the extra assistance. Every baby born needs and deserves a chance to live a long and healthy life. So join CASSA for the March for Babies walk this year, and see why “Every Step Counts.”

Sign up at www.marchforbabies.org under the team CSUF CASSA!

Answers to “When They Were Kids”

1. Dr. Kari Knutson-Miller  
2. Dr. Jaki Coffman  
3. Prof. Shelli Wynants  
4. Dr. Sharon Seidman  
5. Dr. Kate Bono  
6. Dr. Shawn Selldman  
7. Prof. Leigh Hobson  
8. Dr. Susan Shipstead
CASSA Mission Statement

CASSA is the Child an Adolescent Studies Student Association for Child and Adolescent Development majors. CASSA is an organization in which student, faculty, and community members interact to help students develop their leadership skills, professional skills, and knowledge of children. CASSA also provides opportunities to interact with fellow students and faculty in an atmosphere that fosters social networking. In addition to hosting regular monthly meetings, semi-annual career development days, and a variety of other social events, CASSA sponsors community service activities and public awareness activities.

Any comments or suggestions about what you’d like to see in our next newsletter? Send your responses to us via e-mail: noreencortez@gmail.com

Resources for Child and Adolescent Development Majors

Admissions & Records:
Office: LH 114
Phone: (714) 278-2300

Admission to Teacher Education Department
Room: CP 540
Phone: (714) 278-3352
Website: http://ed.fullerton.edu/adtep/ContactInfo.htm

Career Center:
Room: LH 208
Phone: (714) 278-3121
Website: https://campusapps2.fullerton.edu/Career/students/

Center for Careers in Teaching:
Room: H 113
Phone: (714) 278-7130
Website: http://www.fullerton.edu/cct/

Child and Adolescent Studies Department:
Office: EC-105
Phone: (714) 278-2255
Website: http://hhd.fullerton.edu/cas/

College of Education:
Office: EC 190
Phone: (714) 278-3411

Department of Elementary & Bilingual Education:
Office: EC 581
Phone: (714) 278-4023

Department of Special Education:
Office: EC 503
Phone: (714) 278-5453

California Commission on Teacher Credentialing:
Website: http://www.ctc.ca.gov/

CBEST:
Website: http://www.cbest.uncs.com/

CSET:
Website: http://www.cset.uncs.com/

CSUF Course Catalogue (CAS):
Website: http://www.fullerton.edu/catalog/academic_departments/cas.asp