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News & Notes

Center Updates

Thank You UWAC Holiday Card Artists!

Thank you to everyone who submitted drawings for the 2015 UWAC holiday greeting cards. We truly appreciate you sharing your artwork with all of us!





Inspiring Generosity



Anderson decided to use profits from his lemonade stand this summer to help kids with autism! He donated great new games and playdough to our center! Thank you for your kindness, Anderson.

Clinic Updates

Our Staff is Growing!

A warm to welcome to Kimberly Wronkiewicz, who recently joined our clinic staff as a behavior technician! Kimberly graduated from Truman State University in Missouri



with a BA in communication disorders and English literature. Kimberly has contributed to research on how toddlers with ASD use gestures to communicate and was a counselor for our UWAC APEX summer camp.



We are also pleased to welcome Kelly Shaw, MS CCC-SLP, joining the UW Autism Center team in Tacoma as a speechlanguage pathologist! Kelly and her husband relocated from Wisconsin, just over two years ago, and have been greatly en-

joying the Northwest. Kelly has provided ABA therapy and respite care support for children with ASD and their families, and enjoys working with all ages, from children to adults. Kelly is really looking forward to meeting UW Autism Center clients and families!

UW Distinguished Staff Award Nominee

Congratulations to UW Autism Center psychologist, Dr. Kelly Johnson, for her welldeserved nomination! Dr. Johnson's commitment to collaboration, excellence and respect enrich us all!



Training Updates

Welcome Training & Practicum Students!

We are excited to have psychology practicum students Sarah Edmunds (right) joining us from the UW clinical psychology doctoral program, and Julia Zigarelli (below) from the UW



school psychology doctoral program! Lamees Shahtout (lower right) is our new BCBA practicum student

the UW BCBA program. Please welcome this talented new generation of practitioners who will be learning about autism



with the supervision of UWAC psychologists and behavior and education consultants!

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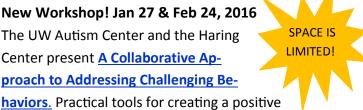
Stepping Stones: Getting Started in Preschool Jan 13, 2016



Are you a parent of a 0-5 year old who is newly diagnosed with ASD? Stepping Stones workshops emphasize skills and strategies for understanding, teaching, and having fun with your child. Follow this link to register and learn about Tacoma's Stepping Stones training in March!

New Workshop! Jan 27 & Feb 24, 2016

The UW Autism Center and the Haring Center present A Collaborative Approach to Addressing Challenging Be-



learning environment for teachers and other professionals. Discounted <u>early registration</u> by January 5th! Clock hours and continuing education units are available.