Welcome!

The end of another school year is here, and we are proud to send 19 students back to their local school districts. We are pleased by their hard work and accomplishments, and we wish them luck as they begin a new phase of their education!

THANK YOU for making the 2010-11 school year a success. We served nearly 150 students through our enrollment and outreach programs, the annual campaign raised more than $48,400 and 250 professionals participated in our DuBard Association Method® courses and symposium.

Your support is always needed and appreciated. Together we can change lives!

Sincerely,

Maureen K. Martin, Director
Congressman Steven Palazzo, Mississippi's 4th District, visited the school in March. He said he was impressed with the unique education the students received. Photo: Chase Bourne meets Congressman Palazzo.

DuBard Association Method® taught in George County

Another Mississippi school system is implementing the DuBard Association Method® in hopes of raising reading skills in elementary students. In April and May, Professional Development Coordinator, Missy Schraeder, and assistant director/speech-language pathologist (SLP), Daphne Cornett, traveled to Lucedale to teach the basic course to fifteen teachers and speech-language pathologists from the George County Public School System. The professionals underwent six days of intensive training. The school system plans to use the method in general and special education classes. Since 2000, the Professional Development program has reached SLP’s, educators and parents in about 33 states.

Where Are They Now?

Webb Warren: A Student Success Story

**DuBard School Scoop**

- **Diamond Day at DuBard**
  The Southern Miss baseball team, lead by Coach Scott Berry, visited the school in March. Players signed autographs and visited with the excited children. The annual team visit has become a highlight of the Spring. Go Eagles!

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• The Art of Spring
Volunteers from the Lauren Rogers Museum of Art in Laurel helped our students complete a beautiful spring art project in April. Photo: 13 year old Emily Sanders creates flowers for her art project.

• Generosity is Timeless
The upper level students threw a surprise birthday party for our devoted volunteer, Mr. Charles Kroen. He turned 90 years old in March! What an inspirational man! Photo: Mr. Kroen helps Will Bustin with his reading.

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Webb Warren, 35 years old, serves as the IT Director for a major, growing city. But as a child, his future was uncertain because he could barely speak.

In 1978, Webb’s parents desperately turned to the DuBard School for Language Disorders, then called the School for Children with Language Disorders, in hopes that the school’s staff could help the three-year old boy learn to speak.

Webb suffered from severe apraxia and language disorders. After just two years at the DuBard School, Webb experienced significant speech and language improvements. He eventually transitioned into his local public school district, where he excelled academically.

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"DuBard School gave me tools for life," said Webb. "The DuBard Association Method made things tangible, whether it was hearing, touching, writing or speaking. It was a different approach than anything my parents had seen, and it worked!"

Webb earned a full academic scholarship to Louisiana State University, where he majored in management of information systems. He and his wife now live in Florida where Webb serves as the IT Director for the City of Destin.

In His Own Words

"I take great pride in being able to work well with people. My coworkers know they can come communicate with me to make things happen."

Advisory Board celebrates 20 years

The DuBard School celebrated a group of volunteers whose support and guidance has helped the school grow and prosper over the last 20 years. This year is the 20th Anniversary of the founding of DuBard School's Advisory Board. The staff honored the hard work of the advisory board during the group's quarterly meeting on April 18, 2011.

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Over the past 20 years, 83 people have served on the board. The purpose of the advisory board is to assist in fundraising efforts, to educate the public about the services the DuBard School offers to children with severe communication disorders and their families, and to encourage the use of the DuBard Association Method® as a multisensory teaching-learning strategy.

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  **AND...a new Drop Drill Practice Book just arrived. Pricing to be announced soon.**

- The basic DuBard Association Method® course is set for June 6-10, 2011. The **SEMINAR COURSE** is set for June 20-24. For more information, email **missy.schraeder@usm.edu**

- **Missing Links in Academics**
  - The workshop, geared towards 2nd-8th grade teachers, reading specialists and speech-language pathologists, will be held November 3-4, 2011 at the DuBard School. Participants will explore how multisensory techniques and advanced decoding skills can assist in the teaching of the National Reading Panel five areas of reading.

Find out more about DuBard School anytime online at **www.usm.edu/dubard**