

## Psychology Club Schedule of Events 2004-2005

- September**
- 8th**      **8th**      Organization, plan for the year
- 22nd**      **Speaker from Abbott Nursing Home** (if you would like to volunteer to help work with individuals suffering from mental illness you must attend this meeting). Nominations for Elections (president, Vice-president, Publicity, Communications).
- October**
- 4th**      **Field trip to Abbott Nursing Home**  
We will be working with patients on therapeutic activities with those who live at Abbott home, these individuals suffer from long term mental illness.
- 18th**      **Awakenings:** This film originates from Oliver Sack's book of the same name. A group of individuals suffer from years spent in a catatonic state. William's (a semi-autobiographical Sack's) attempts to treat them to return them to some semblance of a normal life.
- 29th**      **Psychology Club Halloween party:** Enjoy brain jello, witches hats and lots of Halloween fun!!!!!!
- November**
- 1st**      **Dog Trainer Guest Speaker:** The speaker will explain how Operant Conditioning techniques are used to teach animals how to aid non-sighted individual in highly complex tasks.
- 15th**      **Meditation:** You will go through a guided meditation, in order to aid in stress reduction and rejuvenation.
- 22nd**      **Visit to Abbott Home**
- December**
- 1st**      **Career Panel:** We will host a panel of individuals with different careers in the field of psychology. They will introduce their educational background and describe what they do on a daily basis and then there will be time for questions.
- 8th**      **A Beautiful Mind:** This film deals with the struggles of Economist John Nash to deal with schizophrenia, it also demonstrates the hardship this illness often causes for the family of an individual suffering from Schizophrenia.
- 15th**      **Holiday party at Abbott Home**

## **January**

**3rd**            **Speech Pathologist:** This week, the speech pathologist will address the issues surrounding those who suffer from damage to either Broca's or Wernicke's area in the brain. She will discuss damage, treatment and show a video tape of individuals with this type of damage. She will also discuss how the patients are treated and how families are trained to help the patient.

**17th**           **Visit a Sleep Lab:** During this visit we will see the mechanisms of a sleep lab, including the operation of EEG's and the methods used to treat those with sleep disorders.

## **February**

**Guest Speaker:** We will host a former graduate of Stevenson High school who is training to be a medical doctor. He has suffered through years of obsessive-compulsive disorder but is now functioning and willing to talk about what he has gone through.

**Prepare for Brain Awareness Week:** We will be visiting to local grade and middle schools to introduce students to the basic functioning of the brain and nervous system and labs in sensation/perception. In order to get ready we will need to create labs, activities, books, and other learning utensils.

**Visit Abbott Home**

## **March**

**Presentation of Brain Awareness Week:** We will be presenting our activities for Brain Awareness Week at a all area institute. The audience will be made up of teachers from local feeder schools who will be participating this year, as well as those who may be interested in participating in the future.

**Brain Awareness Week:** We will be visiting the local schools with the final version of our presentations

## **April**

**2nd National Psychology Quiz Bowl:** Students will participate in a Scholastic bowl style forum of question and answers relating to 14 topics in Psychology. We will have teams of ten, five will play at a time. We will play in round robin style, with those 2 teams with the best record going on to the final round. This event will take place at the College of dupe.

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## **May**

**Psychology Fair:** Students in AP Psychology will be presenting their year long-research projects.

End of the year Party!!!!!!