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- What** “The Role of the Speech-Language Pathologist in Treating the Wounded and Injured Soldier” is the subject of the 10th Annual Marni Reisberg Memorial Conference and Student Recognition Program
- When:** Friday, May 2, 2008 from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- Where:** Kean University, University Center, Room 228, 1000 Morris Ave., Union, NJ
- Details:** The present conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan have the highest survival rate and lowest mortality rate of any conflict in U.S. history due to advances in protective gear and medical care. However, greater use of explosive devices is increasing the frequency of “blast injuries”. As the injured veterans recover and return to their civilian communities, speech-language pathologists will be treating many cognitive-communication, swallowing, and speech issues. The conference will cover the nature and severity of injuries and the types of disorders among wounded veterans in an effort to address rehabilitative, educational and vocational needs.
- Speaker:** **Lisa A. Newman, Sc.D.**, is chief of the Speech Pathology section and a Research Speech Pathologist in the Army Audiology and Speech Center, Walter Reed Army Medical Center. She received her Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees at Northwestern University and Doctor of Science at Boston University.
- Organizer:** **The New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association (NJSHA)** is an organization of NJ professionals working in the fields of speech pathology and audiology. The majority members are certified or licensed and have Master’s or Doctoral degrees. NJSHA establishes and promotes high ethical and professional standards and provides programs and services that meet members’ needs. NJSHA also advocates for services provided to people by audiology and speech-language pathology professionals.
- Details:** The conference honors **Marni Reisberg**, a dedicated speech-language pathologist and an active member of NJSHA, who lost her battle with cancer in May, 1996. **The Student Recognition Program** honors Marni by celebrating her dedication to growth and development within the field of medical speech-language pathology. During the conference lunch, \$500 awards will be presented to one student from each graduate program in NJ as follows:
- Kean University – Danielle R. Catarino
 - Montclair State – Janel Modoski
 - Seton Hall – Angela Heerah Park
 - William Patterson – Jessica Okken

Media are invited to attend.