

# INTERNATIONAL DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION-WI BRANCH

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Hello members:

I hope no one gets fooled on April 1<sup>st</sup>. No fooling in this newsletter.

## BRING YOUR PASSION

We all have a passion for Dyslexia. With that in mind, we are always looking for new members to join the board. We meet every other month. We would love to have your passion to help us. We can adapt to your interest level and see what you do well to help us. Please email any board member for more information.

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This month we have the hockey game. I hope we have a great turnout. I am looking forward to it. If you have not, here is the link for your tickets: <https://fevo.me/3lxeqED> IDAWI gets about half of the cost of the tickets.

The board is working on our next conference. In the meantime, I want to get some other educational events out there. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to email me.

We do have a Dyslexia Awareness Party scheduled for Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm at Oakstone in Cottage Grove. We will have a silent auction, raffle, music, food and lots of talking about dyslexia. On top of it all, it is a good place for children and adults to socialize that have a common interest. It was so much fun last time, we decided to do it again.

Also in October is the National conference. It is in Columbus, Ohio on October 12-14<sup>th</sup>. More details at: [IDA Announces DyslexiaCon 2023! October 12-14, 2023 - Columbus, OH - International Dyslexia Association \(dyslexiaida.org\)](https://www.dyslexiaida.org/announcements/dyslexiacon-2023-october-12-14-2023-columbus-oh-international-dyslexia-association)

I hope everyone has an amazing April!

Thanks,

Priscilla Gresens  
President of the IDA-WI

## Article to help

Here is an article about dyslexia to get down to the basics again. Sometimes we have to go back there.

[Dyslexia | Psychology Today](#)

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*Until Every Child Can Read!*

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## Famous Dyslexics

There are many famous people with dyslexia. Here is one that I found interesting.

### Byron Pitts

Byron Pitts is an America born journalist. He was raised in Maryland by his single mother who never gave up on him. Byron had a stutter and a big secret-he couldn't read. When he was in fifth grade, his grades fell from D's to F's and his teacher suggested testing. The testing confirmed he couldn't read. However, the school still didn't help much. His mom went and found a program to help adults learn to read. She encouraged him and wouldn't let him give up. Soon, he started reading and fell in love with words. He decided to go to school and become a journalist, a job that needs lots of reading and speaking. He worked on his stutter and didn't give up. His mom kept encouraging him. He has worked for ABC and CBS!

*"Hard work never lies." -Byron Pitts*

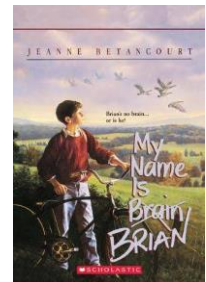


## Books By Dyslexics

Many people with dyslexia overcome their fears and challenges and write books. Here is one that is for children.

### *My name is Brain Brian* by Jeanne Betancourt

This book can relate to many of our children. It is about a boy who is struggling in school. The other kids see him as the class clown, since he is messing around a lot. His peers tease him because they do not understand dyslexia. A great read!



## Books about Dyslexia

### *Uncovering the Logic of English* by Denise Eide

This book helps figure out the English Language. English is a combination of several languages. This book is very helpful in teaching reading, writing and spelling. Ms. Eide uncovers the reasoning why words are spelled and pronounced the way they are. *Uncovering the Logic of English* eliminates the need for guessing and provides reasoning and logic of the English language.

