PROGRAM

6:30-7:00
Cocktails and Welcome

7:00-8:00
Dinner and Slide Show

8:00-9:00
Selected Remarks
Mike Perri, Steve Boggs,
Ronald Rozensky, Carolyn Schroeder,
Reesa Donnelly
Students from the UF Child Study Lab

9:00-9:15
Presentation of Gifts from the
Department of Clinical and Health Psychology
Michael Marsiske

9:15
Dr. Eyberg’s Response

9:30
Farewell and Group Pictures with Sheila
Sheila M. Eyberg, Ph.D., ABPP, received a B.A. from the University of Nebraska at Omaha, and an M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Oregon. After completing a two-year postdoctoral residency in pediatric psychology, she accepted her first academic appointment in 1974 as an Assistant Professor of Medical Psychology at Oregon Health Sciences University. In 1985 she came to the University of Florida as a Professor of Clinical and Health Psychology and is now a Distinguished Professor of Clinical and Health Psychology, Psychology, and Pediatrics. For nearly 40 years, Dr. Eyberg’s extraordinary career has been dedicated to excellence in research, teaching, and service.

Dr. Eyberg’s concern and compassion for young children and their parents led her to pursue a research program focused on the development, evaluation, and dissemination of Parent–Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT). Because of Dr. Eyberg’s personal efforts, supportive guidance to students and colleagues, and international leadership, PCIT has been designated officially as an empirically supported and evidence-based treatment for disruptive behaviors of young children and as a well-supported and efficacious treatment for child-abusive parents of young children. She has published more than 150 research articles, review papers, and chapters and has presented more than 275 symposia, papers, and posters at international, national, and regional conferences and conventions. Her influence on our field is far reaching and lasting.

During her time in our department, Dr. Eyberg has been an active and enthusiastic teacher. She has taught core and advanced assessment and treatment practica and conducted courses in child psychotherapy, child psychopathology, and PCIT. She has provided clinical and research mentoring to numerous students, interns, and postdoctoral fellows and has given her time freely for guest lectures and departmental presentations. In addition to teaching within the department, Dr. Eyberg is a frequent presenter of extremely popular workshops for professionals in the mental health field designed to provide introductory and advanced training in PCIT. These workshops have attracted participants from not only across the United States but also from around the world, including Japan, South Korea, Australia, Israel, Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Great Britain, Puerto Rico, and Canada.

In addition to her distinguished research and teaching activities, Dr. Eyberg has been a leader in service to the department, university, and profession. From 2002 to 2007 she helped lead the department’s efforts to grow our funded research programs in her role as the Associate Chair for Research. She has served on many departmental and university administrative committees where her wise guidance has been of great value in assuring the continued success of the department. Dr. Eyberg has given tirelessly to the profession as well. Her contributions have been recognized by multiple national awards, including the Lee Salk Award for Distinguished Service to Pediatric Psychology, the Nicholas Hobbs Award from the Society for Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology, the APA Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training Award, and the Trailblazer Award from ABCT among many others.

Her colleagues and friends from the department and from around the world all wish Sheila success and happiness after her retirement from the University of Florida. Her positive influence on the growth and direction of our department will maintain for many years to come, but we will certainly miss her presence. Thank you, Sheila, for the time, energy, and devotion you have given so willingly.