

## **TIBIA Memberships & Benefits**

The levels of TIBIA membership include increasing amounts of basic benefits. Here are all the membership levels and their associated, basic benefits:

*Free—online membership.* Online visitors (who may or may not elect to register online as a free *member*) receive benefits that include these: (a) access to selected, general interest *Behaviorology Today* articles and links, (b) access to Institute information regarding TIBI Certificates and course syllabi, and (c) access to previews of the benefits of other membership levels.

*\$5 (to \$19) Basic—online membership.* Online visitors, who register and pay the \$5 dues online, receive benefits that include these: *All* the benefits from the previous membership level plus (a) access to all *Behaviorology Today* articles and links online, (b) access to TIBIA member contact information online, and (c) access to special organizational activities (e.g., invitations to attend TIBI conferences, conventions, workshops, etc.).

*\$20 (to \$39) Subscription membership.* Those who mail in (by regular post) the \$20 subscription fee receive benefits that include these: *All* the benefits from the previous levels plus a subscription to the paper—printed issues of *Behaviorology Today* (ISSN 1536-6669).

Contribution amounts beyond these first three levels are *Donor* levels, which are described in *TIBI Donors & Levels* in this issue. All memberships are per year. The next four membership levels (Student, Affiliate, Associate, and Advocate) were the Institute's original membership categories, and so are sometimes designated the "regular" membership levels. Here are these regular membership levels and their basic benefits:

*\$20 Behaviorology Student membership* (requires paper membership application co-signed by advisor or department chair, and dues payment—see *TIBIA Membership Criteria & Costs* in this issue). Benefits include *all* those from the previous levels plus these: Access to all organizational activities (e.g., invitations to attend and *participate* in meetings conferences, conventions, workshops, etc.).

*\$40 Affiliate membership* (requires paper membership application, and dues payment—see *TIBIA Membership Criteria & Costs* in this issue). Benefits include *all* those from the previous levels plus these: Access to advanced levels for those acquiring the additional qualifications that come from pursuing a professional behaviorology track.

*\$60 Associate membership* (requires paper membership application, and dues payment, and is only available to qualifying individuals—see *TIBIA Membership Criteria & Costs* in this issue). Benefits include *all* those from the previous levels plus these: TIBIA voting rights.



*\$80 Advocate membership* (requires paper membership application, and dues payment, and is only available to qualifying individuals—see *TIBIA Membership Criteria & Costs* in this issue). Benefits include *all* those from the previous levels plus these: May be elected to hold TIBIA or TIBI office.

### **Other Benefits**

Beyond the intrinsic value that TIBIA membership bestows by virtue of making the member a contributing part of an organization helping to extend and disseminate the findings and applications of the natural science of behavior for the benefit of humanity, and beyond the benefit of receiving the organization's publications, TIBIA membership benefits include the following:

- ❧ Members will have opportunities to present papers, posters, and demonstrations, etc., at the organization's meetings;
- ❧ Members paying regular dues in the last third of the calendar year will be considered as members through the end of the following calendar year;
- ❧ Members paying regular dues in the middle third of the calendar year will be allowed to pay one-half the regular dues for the following calendar year;
- ❧ A TIBIA member may request the Institute to evaluate his or her credentials to ascertain which TIBI certificate level most accurately reflects the work (and so, by implication, the repertoire) behind those credentials. The Institute will then grant that certificate to the member; as part of this evaluation, the Institute will also describe what work needs to be accomplished to reach the next certificate level. The normal processing fee for this service (US\$20) will be waived for members. For the processing fee of US\$20, a non-member may also request this evaluation and, should she or he ever join TIBIA, the US\$20 already paid will be applied to the initial membership dues owed. (Faculty teaching behaviorology courses can encourage their students to request this evaluation.)

TIBIA continuously considers additional membership benefits. Future iterations of this column will report all new benefits upon their approval. ☺