

Visit to Paris

“Wood, Swofford Visit Paris”

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For two weeks in July, Martha Wood and Joyce Swofford represented the Southeastern Center for the Enhancement of Learning in Paris, France. Martha is the founder and director of the Center.

The occasion was the 26th annual International Conference for Reuven Feuerstein’s Cognitive Enrichment Programs. Joyce took the Trainer’s 1 Workshop, while Martha was in the Advanced Trainer’s Seminar, where she presented SCEL’s “Implementation Index.” This document is an Evaluation Instrument that provides a guide whereby the implementation of a cognitive enrichment program can be structured and evaluated.

At the request of staff members from the International Center for the Enhancement of Learning Potential (ICELP), Martha and Joyce are now revising the Index to make it more generic. Once in its polished state, this Index can be used by other Feuerstein Centers around the world.

Of course, while they were in Paris, they took advantage of “time off” to visit some historic Paris cathedrals and landmarks. Who wouldn’t?