

Friday April 8

6:00PM Registration

**7:00PM Anything Is Possible!!!
Alison Ouellette**

Everyone wants a place to call home. We helped our son to create his own home. Come and hear how David at 30 years old son is able to live on his own only minutes away from us. We will share our strategies for making the impossible ... possible. See the remarkable quality of Dave's life and how this has affected his health. Hear about the connections that are allowing David to celebrate his success.

Saturday April 9

7:30AM Registration

**8:00AM Secondary School Transitions for Students with Asperger's Syndrome
Richard Hales**

This presentation will provide a brief overview of the characteristics and learning styles of students with Asperger's Syndrome, as well as outlining the structure of the Regional Transitional Programs operated by Peel District School Board. Special emphasis will be placed on the need to identify and manage sources of anxiety.

**10:30AM ASD Students in High School – Visual Supports for Meaningful Learning
Sheila Bell**

Traditional school classrooms are very auditory-verbal environments. This workshop will give you practical strategies for modifying your high-school classroom for your ASD students, who tend to be more visual learners. Topics covered will include setting the stage for success, how to modify learning tasks so that the ASD student can learn with comprehension, visual supports to avert and manage behavioural crises, and supporting the transition from school to work, or secondary to post-secondary education.

**1:00PM High School Integration
Lindsay Moir**

This highly interactive workshop will explore the successful integration of high needs exceptional pupils into secondary programs. Successful practice from across the province will be shared as well as outlining a framework that parents and educators can use to develop a unique integration plan. Issues such as credit or alternate programming, levels of support, secondary attitudes, effective IEPs, Job Shadowing, Work Experience and Cooperative Education for exceptional pupils, Life Skills and post-secondary opportunities will be explained and addressed. Ample time will be allotted for discussion of individual cases.

**3:00PM Planning for Transition to Employment, Community & Post Secondary Education
Lindsay Moir**

This workshop will use the Ministry of Education's Transition Planning Guide as a vehicle to plan a smooth transition from secondary school to employment, Community programs and/or appropriate post-secondary programs. This mandated process for exceptional pupils age 14 and above will be explored. Concrete, practical examples of the successful use of this process across the province will be used to teach participants how to use this planning process to develop an appropriate secondary education for exceptional pupils. Ample time will be allotted to discuss local cases.

**6:00PM The Psychosocial and Clinical Needs of Young Adults with Asperger's Syndrome
Kevin Stoddard**

This presentation will review some of the psychosocial and clinical needs of young adults with Asperger's Syndrome and suggest appropriate ways of intervening. Ways to address the psychosocial and clinical needs of young adults with Asperger's Syndrome have received little consideration in the clinical literature. These young adults and their families find themselves at the intersection of a number of potentially stressful developmental transitions and life decisions. The need to make necessary accommodations during this period may lead them to seek counseling or other types of clinical support. This presentation will review the common presenting issues of these young adults and their families based on the presenter's clinical experience and suggest appropriate interventions.

7:15PM Panel Discussion On Educational Issues

Please come prepared to ask YOUR questions!

Sunday April 10

8:30AM Registration

**9:00AM-3:30PM Sexuality and People with Developmental Disabilities
David Hingsburger**

Sexuality of people with disabilities is a difficult issue for parents and professionals. There are so many worries - inappropriate touch, public masturbation, unwanted pregnancy, disease, exploitation, hurt, pain - that it appears best to just protect the child from any sexual expression at all. Using case examples this presentation will address the needs of both individuals with disabilities and professionals in dealing with the explosive area. Parents and professionals are encouraged to come prepared to ask their questions!

REGISTRATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE (____) _____

EMAIL _____

ORGANIZATION: _____

REGISTRATION FEES:

| | Before Jan. 21/05 | After Jan. 21/05 |
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| ASO member (full wknd) | \$135.00 | \$170.00 |
| Non member wknd) | \$160.00 | \$195.00 |
| Friday only | \$10.00 | \$20.00 |
| Sat. only | \$75.00 | \$90.00 |
| Sunday Only | \$75.00 | \$90.00 |

Corporate discount 15% for groups of 5 or more, discount applies to registration only. Registration forms must be submitted together.

NOTE: Lunch is included in full registration as well as day registration for Saturday/Sunday. Supper is not included with the Saturday or full registration fee but is available at the restaurant at the conference centre.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
Registration must be received ON or BEFORE MARCH 25, 2005 to:
What Now
c/o 1602 Walton Street,
Cornwall, ON
K6H 1W2**

I am registering for:
Friday _____ Fee: _____
Saturday _____ Fee: _____
Sunday _____ Fee: _____
Full Conference _____ Fee: _____
Accommodation _____ Fee: _____
Total Fee Enclosed: _____
(Cheque payable to ASO-UCC)

Accommodation:

A limited number of rooms are available for accommodation at the Nav Canada Conference Centre located on the shore of the St. Lawrence River. Accommodation includes your room Friday and Saturday Evening (**you must book both nights**), supper Friday evening, breakfast/lunch/supper Saturday, as well as breakfast/lunch on Sunday. Rooms are deluxe hotel rooms including phone, TV, private bath, use of the pool and Wellness Centre and are wheelchair accessible. Cost of the rooms is:

- \$150.00 for a single tax included
- \$190.00 for a double /couple tax incl.

If you wish to reserve a room at Nav Canada please indicate your preference below. Check in is 4PM or later on Friday April 8. If you are booking a double room please indicate the name of the person you will be sharing with. FOR A COUPLE ONLY ONE PERSON SHOULD INDICATE AND PAY FOR THE ROOM RESERVATION WITH THEIR SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION! The other person must still register themselves for the actual symposium separately.

I would like to reserve the following room:

Single _____
Double _____ roommate: _____
Smoking _____
Non Smoking _____

ROOM RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 4, 2005. We cannot guarantee accommodations for any reservations received after this date!

Checks for full amount including accommodation should be made payable to: ASO-UCC

(Cheque must be received by March 25, 2005)

Autism Society Ontario

Autism Society Ontario is the leading source of information and referral on autism and one of the largest collective voices representing the autism community. **ASO** is dedicated to increasing public awareness about autism and the day-to-day issues faced by individuals with autism, their families, and the professionals with whom they interact. The Society and its chapters share common goals of providing information and education, supporting research, and advocating for programs and services for the autism community.



ASO-Upper Canada Chapter serves Cornwall, Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry, Leeds-Lanark-Grenville and the Prescott-Russell counties of Eastern Ontario. **To join ASO (\$40/family) go to www.autismsociety.on.ca**

Travel Directions:

Train: By VIA RAIL along the Ontario – Quebec City Corridor, travel to the Cornwall Depot. **Quote Conference promo number 10422** for 35% off regular fares or 5% off VIA1 (excluding other promos).

Driving: Take hwy. 401 East or West to the Boundary Road Exit (Cornwall). Head South to the end of the road and turn Right (West at the river). Turn into the Nav Canada Conference Centre, approx. 2Km on your right.

From Ottawa: Take hwy. 417 to hwy. 138. Take the 138 south to Cornwall (end of the road) and turn left (east - Cornwall Centre Road). Travel to the end of the road and turn Right (south -Boundary Road – you are out in farmland heading into the city!). Travel to the end of the road. Turn right (West, at the river). Turn into the Nav Canada Conference Centre, approx. 2KM on your right.

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