

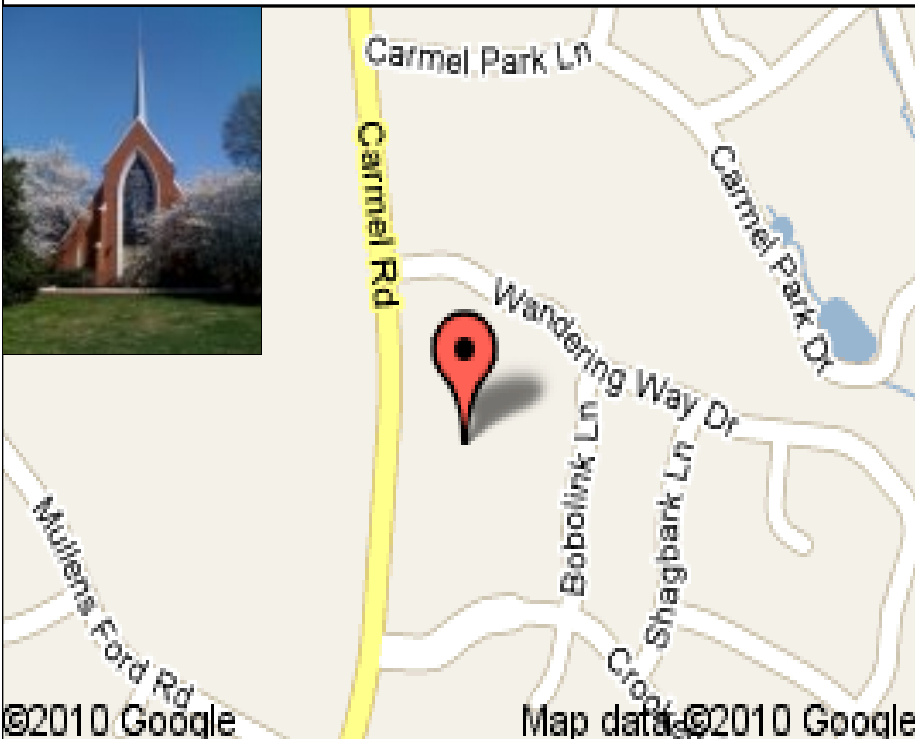
Advocating for Your Child in School!

Thursday, Sept 1st, at 7:00PM

Nancy Popkin will speak about “Advocating for Your Child in School.” She will also discuss ways to be a team player in all situations, share on-line resources for families and schools, and explain her role as a parent advocate for the Autism Society of North Carolina.



Park in the back of the church. Meeting is in rooms 204 & 205. Doors Open at 7:00. Announcements 7:10. Meetings open to all regardless of membership. Come when you can and leave when you must.



Free Childcare for the first 12 children registered. Those not registered will be turned away. To ensure the safety of all children under our care during the meeting, we must know how many will be in attendance.

To register for childcare, contact Lauren Moore by Tues. Aug 30th: lpoder@gmail.com or 704-649-7440.

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Meeting Location: - *St. John's Episcopal Church: 1623 Carmel Rd., Charlotte, NC 28226– 5097. The church is located across the street from the campus of Charlotte Country Day, close to the intersection of Fairview and Carmel Roads. It is located about 3 miles east of SouthPark Mall.*



Autism Society
of NORTH CAROLINA
Mecklenburg County Chapter

President's Letter

Well, summer is winding down and most everyone is getting ready for fall, school and everything that comes with that time of year. The Mecklenburg County Chapter of the Autism Society of North Carolina is also starting a new "year," and with that new start comes a change to our leadership. As you saw in the last newsletter, Nancy Nestor has accepted a position with the Autism Society of North Carolina and has resigned as the president of the local chapter. I would like to thank Nancy for the last seven years, and wish her the best of luck as she works with the local chapters in this part of the state in her new role.

My name is Bill Farnsworth, and I will be serving as the president of the Mecklenburg County Chapter. I've been on the board for the last three years, and am looking forward to this new position. As a quick introduction, I moved to Charlotte in 2006, and just recently moved to Huntersville. I have two sons, Evan (8) and Noah (10). Evan is on the autism spectrum and was diagnosed just before we moved to Charlotte.

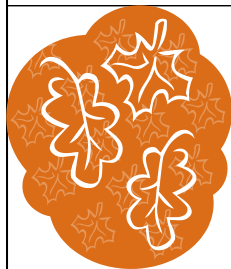
Over the past several years, I've been lucky to have met, worked with and served on the board alongside other parents of children with autism. It's always struck me how similar so many of our stories are, and yet how different every one of our experiences have been. That community of people who have been where we are, and have lived through what we're living through, has been extraordinarily helpful to me and my family, and I would hope that each of you reading this have also been able to participate in that community, whether it's at the monthly support meetings, social activities, summer programs or other events. The community of parents, advocates, teachers, caregivers and children who live with autism on a daily basis is, in my opinion, one of the most valuable resources we have. It provides information, support, respite and fellowship.

As much as we may tend to focus on the medical and therapeutic needs of our children, the emotional, social and intellectual needs of everyone in the community also need to be recognized and addressed. I hope that we can continue to do that, and I will be asking everyone for ideas and help in making that happen as much and as often as possible.

My most recent experience with our community was last week when my sons participated in the Learn to Bowl Camp offered by the special-needs program sponsored by the towns of Cornelius and Huntersville. Trina Roeder, special-needs coordinator with the Town of Cornelius PARC Department, did such a great job. My boys had a blast at the camp, and it was wonderful to see how many other children with special needs (and their siblings) were also having such a great time. It was also inspirational to see the high-school student volunteers working with our children, learning how they can help, and also enjoying the week as they gave their time and support to our community.

So, as we look to the coming school year and all of the challenges and successes we will face, I hope you remember that this community, and all it has to offer, is here for you and your families. I hope to see you at our monthly support meetings and at the events we and other organizations will be hosting over the year. Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Bill Farnsworth
President
Autism Society of North Carolina – Mecklenburg County Chapter



September Calendar

Sept 1st (Th) ASNC– MCC Support Meeting; Nancy Popkin will speak about “Advocating for Your Child in School” and explain her role as a parent advocate for the Autism Society of North Carolina; 7-9:00; St. John’s Episcopal Church, 1623 Carmel Rd. Charlotte, 28227

Sept 6th (Tu) Caregiver’s Summit Support Group; 6-7:00 PM; Donato’s/Bojangle’s, 6555 Morrison Blvd; FREE; Karen Howard 704-432-4325
Karen.Howard@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov

Sept 10th (Sa) - Sailors with Special Needs: 9AM-1:00PM; Blythe Landing Park; 15901 NC Hwy 73, Huntersville, NC; ages 5 and up; FREE; Register by Sept 2nd; Trina Roeder; 704-892-6031 Ext.162 troeder@cornelius.org

Sept 13th (Tu) Bounce U Victory Bounce: 5-6:00PM; 10624 Metromont Pkwy Charlotte; FREE; families with Special Needs children; 704-921-8771
www.bounceu.com

Sept 15th (Th) Parents of Newly Diagnosed children with Autism Spectrum Disorder; 9:30AM-Noon; 209 Delburg St. Davidson NC; Workshop on Autism by Autism Society Advocates; FREE; Must RSVP. Contact Nancy Popkin 704-894-9678 npopkin@autismsociety-nc.org

Sept 17th (Sa) Sensory Story Time: 9:30AM; Steele Creek Branch Library, 13620 Steele Creek Road, Charlotte; Preschool to early elementary; Register at 704-416-6800

Sept 24th-Nov 5th (Sa) - Let’s Play Baseball! 9-10:00AM; Torrence Chapel Park; 21309 Torrence Chapel Road, Cornelius, NC; ages 5-16; \$35-40; Register by Sept 16th; Trina Roeder; 704-892-6031 Ext.162 troeder@cornelius.org

Sept 28th (W) Monkey Joes Free Bounce Time: 6-8:00 PM; Any location in Mecklenburg; Kids 12 and under with autism & their sibs!

Oct 1st (Sa) - ASNC Sensory Friendly Films: Dolphin Tail; 10:00 AM; Concord Mills 24; 2421 Concord Mills Blvd; Concord NC, \$5.00.

Oct 1st (Sa) Ready Set Hike Football Camp; UNCC; http://recservices.uncc.edu/intramurals_ready_set_hike.htm

NOTE: In an effort to get the Autism Matters newsletter out earlier, we must go to press earlier. Sometimes information is not available at the time of publication. To find the most current information, go to: <http://www.asncmeck.org/>

To learn about activities happening in the area and to receive weekly updates about events, outings and other news, sign up through email at weekly-blast@asncmeck.org

One Final Teacher Appreciation Note from June: Kate Dull and Bethany Nettles and "The A-Team" Selwyn Elementary

Our son, Hunter, has been so blessed to have these two patient and loving women as his teachers for the past three years. He has grown and matured so much with them guiding and teaching him everyday —his communication has improved so much through them. We so appreciate the commitment of time and love that Mrs. Dull and Ms. Nettles have given to Hunter everyday. We also appreciate the rest of the "A-Team" at Selwyn Elementary - Bernice Clark, Kim Eley, Gwen Robinson, and Amelia Worley — who have also loved and supported Hunter these past seven years at Selwyn. We will miss you but never forget you!



Thank you! Thank you!
Amy and Jimmy Emmanuel

ASNC News



Providing Support...
Promoting Opportunities...

ASNC offers Support Statewide and more here too!

By Nancy Nestor

For forty years, the Autism Society of North Carolina has been a statewide organization which manages programs, administers services, and maintains over fifty support groups or chapters for individuals with autism and their families. This work includes facilitation of the Mecklenburg County Chapter and all the programs you can take advantage of.

But ASNC's work is not just with support groups. The largest self-contained collection of autism-related books can be found in the ASNC Bookstore. Camp Royall, owned and run by ASNC, is one of the largest and oldest camps in the world specifically for those with ASD. It is unique because it offers programming year round. Because of the work done by ASNC Director of Government Relations, those with autism have a consistent voice with lawmakers in Raleigh. The work done state wide is impressive. You can sign up for e-mail blasts to receive important information from ASNC each month and you can go to their website to enjoy blogs, chats, and gain information from the ASNC calendar of events. Specific information about all the programs can be found on the ASNC website: www.autismsociety-nc.org. Charlotte area services may not be as extensive as they are in other parts of the state; however, in the past year we have seen the addition of new positions in our city. A brief overview of services that ASNC provides in our area include:

- A Regional Chapter Support and Development Person, Nancy Nestor, whose job is to provide guidance and support for the chapters in Charlotte, and the surrounding counties. Chapters are run by parent volunteers who have a family member, usually a child, with autism. Their work with the chapter can be challenging, especially when trying to balance it with the rigors of raising a child with ASD. Mrs. Nestor helps chapter leaders find that balance.
- A Regional Autism Training Facilitator, Chris Nealy, a new position in our part of the state. Mr. Nealy will provide autism-related trainings for professionals in our part of the state, as well as provide social skills trainings and activities for those on the spectrum. Please look for information on his offerings in future newsletters.
- Two Parent Advocates, Nancy Popkin and Kim Tizzard, both of whom work closely with parents to create positive working relationships with schools and with other entities in our community. Along with attending IEP meetings, our parent advocates provide workshops for parents of newly diagnosed children, school personnel and students, and also for community groups such as police, medical staff, and companies. They also interface with local family support programs such as the Arc of Mecklenburg, Smart Start, and CMS to insure that important programming exists for families. For over ten years, these ladies have done this important work for families free of charge. Many families have found them to be life savers in dealing with problematic situations. You can contact them by calling: 704-894-9678, or e-mail: ktizzard@autismsociety-nc.org / npopkin@autismsociety-nc.org.

Although you may get the bulk of your support through the local chapter with its support meetings, coffee times, e-mail blasts, newsletters, and recreational activities, we hope you appreciate ASNC's commitment to Charlotte area families through the addition of new staff and the continued hard work of our veterans.

News from ASNC...



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From the ASNC Blog... Current Autism Related News in NC~

Tax Credit for Children with Disabilities: NC House Bill 344

Posted on July 5th by Jen Mahan

Thursday June 30th 2011 **House Bill 344 Tax Credits for Children with Disabilities** became law in North Carolina. Starting this year, families will be able to claim a tax credit for moving their child with a disability from a public school to a private school or home school setting. The Autism Society of North Carolina (ASNC) is already getting a lot of questions about the tax credit, how it will work and who will qualify. *If you have questions that are not answered in the post below, please add them in the comments or contact Jennifer Mahan, Director of Government Relations at ASNC, at jmahan@autismsociety-nc.org*



Tax Credits for Children with Disabilities gives a \$6,000 tax credit (\$3,000 per semester) to families whose child with a disability moves from a public school to attending a private school or home school. To qualify for the credit, children must have been in a public school the previous two semesters or if in pre-school have been receiving special education services through the public school, have an individual education plan and have been receiving special education or related services on a daily basis. Children must be re-evaluated by the public schools every three years to continue to qualify for the credit. Children may qualify through high school, up to the age of 22; the credit does not count for college education.

In a unique arrangement, the legislation also establishes a special needs trust fund to be administered by the NC Department of Education to supplement funding for special education services in the public schools. Since the amount of the tax credit is less than the average cost of educating a child with a disability in public schools, the tax credit saves the state of North Carolina money. Part of these savings will be retained by the special needs trust, part will go back to the state of NC's general fund and part will be used to fund the tax credit.

Because private schools are not required by law to provide educational services to children with disabilities, we urge parents to select private schools carefully. Make sure they understand your child's unique needs and are ready to provide the support for them to be successful. Some private schools are already working with children on the spectrum. Check with other parents to see what their experiences have been like.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: When can I start to claim this tax credit? A: If the child moves to private school this fall semester, taxpayers can start to claim a one semester tax credit, the cost of tuition and/or special education related services up to \$3,000, when they do their 2011 taxes next year. In years following, the taxpayer can claim a credit based on the number of semesters the child attends private school in that tax year.

Q: Is the tax credit for any services for my child with a disability? A: The tax credit is for education purposes; private school tuition costs and related educational services. It's not a general child with a disability credit.

Q: Can I claim this credit on my taxes if my child is already in a private school or being home schooled?

A: Currently, to initially qualify for the credit, the child must have been in a public school for the previous two semesters.

Q: Is there a list of schools where the tuition is close to the \$6,000 credit? A: Since the law just passed, we have not yet seen a list of schools where tuition is near \$6,000. As we get this information, ASNC will do our best to share it.

Q: If another person, like a grandparent, is paying for my child's tuition, can they claim the credit?

A: The person who claims the child as a dependent on their taxes must be the one to claim the tax credit.

*** Be sure to check with a tax professional for questions about the use of this or any other tax credit.**

Changes at TEACCH

Dr Joyce Lum & Dr Nancy Dartnall

The Charlotte and Gastonia TEACCH Centers would like you to be informed about the many changes in the TEACCH Autism Program. Like all other state agencies, we are busy working to incorporate additional cuts to our budget which will approach 21% this year. Paper may be at a premium, but we are working hard to keep personnel to serve you and your family members with autism.

Most of you are aware that Dr. Gary Mesibov, Director of the TEACCH Autism Program in Chapel Hill, retired last spring after many years of service. We have missed him, but enjoy working with Dr. Margaret Dardess, our Interim Program Director. Dr. Dardess has been a guiding force and strong advocate as we look for solutions to budget cuts. She also led the nationwide search for a new Program Director. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Laura Grofer Klinger, a leading autism researcher and former TEACCH intern, as the new Director of Division TEACCH in Chapel Hill. Dr. Klinger will join the program on September 1, 2011 and has already made plans to visit each of the regional TEACCH Centers by the end of September. We are all looking forward to continuing to serve you under Dr. Klinger's direction. Please visit the TEACCH website at www.teacch.com to learn more about her appointment and to view her thoughts about the future of TEACCH (Click on the link for TEACCH Director Search for a video of Dr. Klinger's public statement).

Addressing the budget cuts is one of the greatest challenges the TEACCH Autism Program has faced during its almost 40 year history. Over the last few years, we have had a series of cuts to our state operating budget which has made it more and more difficult to provide the needed services to the increasing number of individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders and their families. The Directors of the TEACCH program have put together a strategic plan that calls for us to merge some of our centers in order to decrease our non-personnel costs (rent, utilities, etc.) so as to preserve as many of our clinical staff as possible. Our goal is to continue to provide state of the art, empirical based services to our clients with ASD and their families by joining our resources. We want to let all the family members in our regions know that the decision has been made to officially merge the Charlotte and Gastonia TEACCH Centers. This recommendation affected the Chapel Hill and Raleigh Centers as well.

On October 1, 2011, the staff from Charlotte and Gastonia will combine to form a larger Charlotte TEACCH Center. We will continue to serve you and the community in the current Charlotte location but plan to expand our office which may lead to a move. Dr. Joyce Lum will serve as the Clinical Director with Dr. Nancy Dartnall serving as Associate Director. We embrace this change and the many possibilities of where it will lead us.

While TEACCH has always appreciated the opportunity to offer our services without cost to individuals with ASD and their families, we have made the decision that we can no longer afford to do this. Consequentially, TEACCH will begin charging for services this fall. Again let us direct you to the TEACCH website for more details about fees for services (Click on the link for News to read our UNC TEACCH Newsletter-Summer 2011 Edition).

In order to be able to continue to serve families for whom these fees might prevent their participation in sessions, TEACCH is developing a Scholarship Fund that will assist those who are unable to pay the full amount for those services. We welcome donations to the Scholarship Fund to help clients and families access local services. Please go to www.teacch.com/support-teacch if you would like to make a donation and specify the Charlotte TEACCH Center.

Congratulations to Paula Caldwell: Winner of Ruth Fuller Scholarship

ASNC-MCC is very proud to announce the 2011 winner of the Ruth Fuller Scholarship, Paula Caldwell, teacher assistant at Providence High School. Over the summer, she spent a week attending the TEACCH Summer Institute here in Charlotte. This training is designed to provide participants with practical knowledge of autism, as well as, giving them practice in development and implementation of structured programs for students with autism.



Ms. Caldwell was chosen because of her strong work history and desire to enhance her skills related to helping those with autism communicate more effectively, promoting positive behavior, and developing better personal teaching techniques. In addition to working at Providence High, Ms. Caldwell also works with autistic adults in a local group home. Her work ethic was highlighted by her supervising principal, Colleen Barnes, who noted Ms. Caldwell's wonderful rapport with people of all ages, especially her students with whom she is able to teach simple concepts. Her principal also shared other great qualities which made her stand out as a scholarship candidate, such as excellent written and verbal communication skills, organization, reliability, computer literacy, independent work skills, follow through, shows initiative, and her very positive attitude.

The board members at ASNC-MCC are very excited for Ms. Caldwell's students and the staff at Providence High, as we feel certain she will be able to apply what she has learned through TEACCH and become even more of an asset to her program.

Finally! A Medical Diagnostic Code for Wandering

The approval of a new medical diagnosis code for Wandering was announced by Dr. Coleen Boyle of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). When implemented in October, the new code will be listed as V40.31 – Wandering in Diseases Classified Elsewhere.

Wandering incidents appear to be on the rise and the autism community has suffered unimaginable loss over the past several years. Because children with autism often have an impaired sense of danger, they are at serious risk of injury, trauma or death. Drowning is the leading external cause of death among individuals diagnosed with autism. Autism-related wandering incidents also present a unique set of challenges to first responders and search personnel, as many children with autism are non-verbal and unable to respond to rescuers. Training for law enforcement personnel is crucial to reduce the number of deaths resulting from wandering.

Preliminary data from a survey conducted by the Interactive Autism Network show that roughly half of children with autism attempt to elope, a rate nearly four times higher than their unaffected siblings. Fifty-seven percent of parents report that wandering is among the most stressful of all behaviors associated with autism; it can have a dramatic effect on quality of life for the entire

For more information on autism-related wandering prevention and response, visit <http://www.awaare.org>. To learn more about the National Autism Association or to make a donation supporting NAA's safety programs, visit, <http://nationalautismassociation.org>.

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South Carolina Autism Society

Together We Can Solve The Puzzle

The purpose of the South Carolina Autism Society is to enable all individuals with autism spectrum disorders to reach their maximum potential.

Annual Conference



Perspectives in Autism

South Carolina Autism Society's 2011 Annual Meeting &
Conference

Columbia Conference Center, 169 Laurelhurst Avenue,
Columbia SC

Saturday, October 15

Keynote Speaker - [Dr. Temple Grandin](#)

Information and Registration at <http://www.scautism.org/>



2011 Annual Conference
Concord, North Carolina

The Arc of North Carolina 2011 Annual Conference

September 23 – 24, 2011

Embassy Suites

Concord, North Carolina

Information and Registration at:

<http://arcnc.org/pub/files/2011AnnualConventionlowres.pdf>

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Therapeutic Recreation Young Adult Day Program





**Independence Skills - Community Skills - Social Skills
Leisure and Fitness**

The Young Adult Day Program offers support in leisure skills, independent living skills and community service. Instructional opportunities offer a 'hands-on' approach to learning and incorporates role-playing activities, expressive activities, communication, problem-solving and team building.

Age: 18 +
Time: 1:00-5:00pm
Days: Mondays and Wednesdays
Beginning September 19th
Fee: \$15.00 daily or \$30.00 week
Location: Mecklenburg County Aquatic Center
800 East Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

For more information contact:
Margot.Howell@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov or 704-432-4328
Jana.McMullen@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov or 704-432-4330

Monday & Wednesday
Time: 1:00 to 5:00 pm



<http://TR.Charmeck.org>

Transition Packets for Local Residents

The Mecklenburg County Chapter of the North Carolina Autism Society is giving transition packets to those leaving high school or those who have recently left high school to venture out into the world. The packets contain information on leisure activities, employment, day programs, how to access case management services and other helpful information.

If you would like a packet, contact Lois Stickell at spencerstickell@att.net



Autism Speaks Transition Toolkit

The Autism Speaks Transition Tool Kit was created to serve as a guide to assist families on the journey from adolescence to adulthood. Anyone can download the Transition Tool Kit for free! You can also view a PDF of each section by clicking on the links below. [Click here](#) to download the entire kit. Family members of adolescents and young adults with autism between the ages of 14 and 22 may request a complimentary hard copy of the Transition Tool Kit by filling out the [Transition Tool Kit](#)



Beyond the Bell Teen After School Program

Marion Diehl Recreation Center is offering Beyond the Bell Teen After School Program. Experienced staff will lead the group in crafts, cooking projects, games, homework time, swimming, and community service projects. Your teen will have the opportunity to work on social skills, communication skills, make new friends, and have lots of fun.

What: Beyond the Bell After School Program

Who: All teens ages 13-21 with a disability

Where: Marion Diehl Recreation Center

Days/Times: Monday-Friday 2:00-6:00pm

Dates: August 25-Last day of school *We follow the CMS schedule

Cost: Only \$75 per week!

*For more information contact:

Ariel Kliem

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or

Megan Hotze

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TEACCH Forums: Wed, Sept 14th

The Charlotte TEACCH Center offers one hour morning information forums on a monthly basis. Forums are open to family members of clients of the Charlotte TEACCH Center. Some sessions recommend previous participation in an introductory level session. Enrollment required. **Call 704-563-4103 to enroll.**

Autism 101 (9:00 & 10:30)

This introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders helps parents better understand how autism affects behavior, learning and interactions within the family.

Introduction to TEACCH (9:00 & 10:30)

General information and introduction to the TEACCH program including information about diagnosis, assessment, and treatment for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

Introduction to Visual Strategies – (9:00 & 10:30)

Introductory information about using schedules, work/activity systems and visually structured teaching activities to provide support and improve learning.

Future Wednesday Forum Date: October 12, 2011; November 9, 2011; December 14, 2011.

Sensory-Friendly showing of:

Dolphin Tail

AMC Concord Mills 24
8421 Concord Mills Blvd
Concord, NC 28027
704-979-019721

Sat. Oct 1
10:00 AM \$5.00



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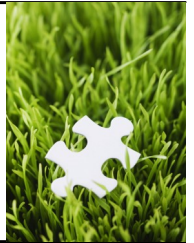
READY, SET, HIKE - ALL STAR EVENT

Saturday, October 1, 2011

For details and registration for this free
football camp, go to:

[http://recservices.uncc.edu/
intramurals_ready_set_hike.htm](http://recservices.uncc.edu/intramurals_ready_set_hike.htm)

ASNC-MCC does not endorse any company, therapy, or program. We offer information and it is your job as the parent to decide what is most appropriate for your family.



Coffee Times:



North Coffee: Sept 13th (Tu) 9:00 AM; Panera Bread @ Northlake Mall~ RSVP: Sumi 704-837-2806 or sumitra.ganesh@gmail.com

Downtown Brunch: Sept 19th (M); 11:30 AM — Matt's Chicago Dog on the Green, 435 South Tryon St, #140 ~ RSVP: Sumi 704-837-2806 or sumitra.ganesh@gmail.com

South Coffee: Sept 27th (Tu); 9:00 AM; Café Carolina— Promenade on Providence (Providence @485)~ RSVP: Sumi 704-837-2806 or sumitra.ganesh@gmail.com



Charlotte Mecklenburg Library

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Programming for Youth with Special Needs

Sensory Storytimes:

This program gives your child an opportunity to practice their communication, social, and participation skills. The books and activities are geared toward a preschool to early elementary school audience. Open to children, at least one parent/caregiver and other family members. Register by phone or in person.

Saturday, Sept 17th @ 11:00am- Steele Creek Library

Steele Creek Branch
Charlotte Mecklenburg Library
13620 Steele Creek Road
Charlotte, NC 28273
704-416-6800



Free Enhanced Child Care Referrals!
For Teen Parents, Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, & Parents of Children with Special Needs

What is an Enhanced Child Care Referral?

Enhanced child care referral guides families through the process of finding quality child care that is affordable, available, and convenient.

How do parents and grandparents access the enhanced referral service?

Call *Child Care Search* at (704) 348-2181 in Mecklenburg County, (704) 786-1024 in Cabarrus County, or (704) 238-8800 in Union County. There is no fee for this service.



We Need Your Help - Become a Member!

Join the Autism Society of North Carolina
Membership Form

ASNC Membership (circle level)

- Individual/Family - \$40
- Contributor - \$75
- Supporter - \$150
- Agency/Service Provider - \$200
- Life - \$1,250
- Student - \$25

*indicate ASNC Chapter name below and ASNC will give back \$10 to your local chapter.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (h) _____ (w) _____

Email _____

ASNC Chapter Name _____

Type of membership(s) (e.g. asnc-family) _____ Total enclosed \$ _____

**Mail all memberships to ASNC to:
Autism Society of North Carolina
505 Oberlin Road, Suite 230, Raleigh, NC 27605-1345
To charge memberships call 1-800-442-2762**

ASNC – Mecklenburg County Chapter
c/o Lois Stickell
620 Lamar Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28204

If you would like to receive *Autism Matters* via email, send a request to eeshka@hotmail.com

Thank you!