

# Registration for Fall Conference & Auction

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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*(for confirmation of registration)*

Registration fees (includes lunch)

- Vegetarian entree requested
- Speech Language Pathology CEU's
- Social Work CEU's

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00 for ASI Member (\$125 after 9/15/09)  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00 for additional ASI Family Members  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$125.00 for nonmember (\$150 after 9/15/09)  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00 for full-time college student (\$125 after 9/15/09) \*Please provide proof at registration  
\_\_\_\_\_ ASI/ASA Membership Dues (\$40 Individual, \$50 Family, \$35 Student)  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 for ASI Benefit Auction Registration  
\_\_\_\_\_ Tax-Deductable Donation for Scholarship for a parent to attend  
\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL AMOUNT**

**Check Payment:** (Please make check payable to ASI)

Enclosed is check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
for (# registrants) \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**Charge Card Payment:** (# of registrants) \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
to my  VISA  MasterCard  
Card # \_\_\_\_\_  
Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Please print name as it appears on card  
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Purchase Order Payment:** Please mail to ASI,  
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## MEMBERSHIP for ASI & ASA: (joint membership)

Individual - \$40 Family - \$50 Student - \$35

**New**  **Renewal**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Annual Dates:

**Individual.....\$40**  
**Family.....\$50**  
**Student.....\$35**

National (ASA) and State (ASI) dues are included in the above amounts. Subscriptions to the ASA Advocate and the ASI Link are included in your annual dues.

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**Friday, September 25, 2009**  
**Sheraton Hotel**  
**West Des Moines, Iowa**

*Speaker: Suzette Southwick*

***How to Develop an Effective  
Individualized Education Program!***



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## Conference Location

Sheraton of West Des Moines, 1800 50th St.  
West Des Moines, IA 50266 Phone: 515-223-1800

A Block of Rooms has been reserved for conference attendees. Reservations must be made by September 11th for the conference rate.

*Social Work and Speech Language Pathology CEU's*  
5.0 hours will be credited for Social Work and Speech Language Pathology CEU's

### *Conference Scholarships*

There are a limited number of scholarships available for family members for this conference. Please fill out the family scholarship form on our web site [www.autismia.org](http://www.autismia.org) and send it to [autism50ia@aol.com](mailto:autism50ia@aol.com)  
One scholarship per family please.

### *ADA Accommodations*

If ADA accommodations are needed for you to attend this conference, please contact ASI by September 1, 2009, at 1-888-722-4799 or [autism50ia@aol.com](mailto:autism50ia@aol.com)

### **How to Develop an Effective Individualized Education Program!**

This workshop is designed for family members, educators, speech language pathologists, social workers, support staff, and those working with students with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. Each participant will be provided with the step-by-step components that are considered essential in developing an effective IEP. Interventions, strategies, and accommodations will be discussed in a practical format. The day's activities will be designed to provide a comprehensive approach to IEP development.

## Conference Agenda

7:30 – 8:00 – **Registration**

8:00 – 8:15 – **Welcome & Announcements**  
*Michelle Hicks, ASI President*

8:15 – 9:45 – **Session 1 – Present Level of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance (PLAAF)**

This session will focus on the integral components of the PLAAF as it relates to students, educators, and parents. When driving a car, people believe the center of power lies in the engine. We know without a steering wheel, that even with the engine, our car has no direction. The PLAAF is the steering wheel of the IEP; we must make sure it is connected to the engine; to measure goals.

9:45 – 10:00 – **Break**

10:00 – 11:30 – **Session 2 – Standard Based Effective Individualized Education**

This session will focus on understanding and developing "Measurable Goals" that meet "Mandate Core Content Standards" with supporting benchmarks that provide detail in identifying the knowledge and skills that should be acquired in the classroom. According to the Iowa Department of Education, "Each component is an essential piece to ensure rigor and to challenge current student performance.

11:30 – 12:30 – **Lunch**

12:30 – 12:45 – **Tsai Award Presentation**

12:45 – 1:45 – **Session 3 – Accommodations and Modifications**

This session will focus on understanding the difference between accommodations and modifications. An overview of Evidence-Based Intervention, that may be critical to learning, will be discussed. According to the Texas Statewide Leadership for Autism, "The best measure of effectiveness of an intervention is whether it is effective for a particular individual."

1:45 – 2:00 – **Break**

2:00-3:00 – **Session 4 – Data Collection**

This session will focus on the components of data collection. It will discuss the value of taking good data, using data to shape a student's program as well as assessing the usefulness of the chosen activities and teaching styles and how to look for trends in the child's behavior and learning. According to Polyxo.com, "If the data one collects have no other value than as a visual aid for an IEP meeting or for filling in a report card, there really is little sense in taking data at all."

3:00 – **Adjourn**

## **"Christmas in September" Annual Action to benefit the Autism Society of Iowa**

6:00 p.m. – Silent Auction Preview  
6:30 p.m. – Live Auction Begins

21st Annual "Christmas in September"  
Auction will be held on

**Friday, September 25, 2009.**  
**Cost is \$10.00 and the doors open  
at 6:00 p.m.**

Everyone is welcome and  
encouraged to attend!

## Speaker

### **Suzette Southwick**

Suzette Southwick is an Autism Consultant for the Belton School District as well as a Missouri Autism Consultant. She directs and supervises trainings for students, staff, and parents across Missouri in regards to "Evidence Based Practices." She has participated and organized ongoing "institutes" for educators in the area of Autism Spectrum Disorders.

Suzette earned her B.A. in Elementary Education from William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri and received her M.S. in Special Education from the University of Central Missouri. Suzette was a special education classroom teacher for 23 years and has over 30 years experience working with students within the Spectrum. Currently, she provides ongoing support and collaboration with the University system in the State of Missouri. In addition, she works with the Regional Professional Development Centers and local Cooperatives to develop and implement programs for students, parents, and educators. Suzette has been married for 32 years to Ken who has been Superintendent of Schools for the Belton School District for 12 years.

