

# Newsletter



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*Happy*

*Mother's Day*



*Father's Day*

*Autism Services Incorporated*

## The Lending Library

**Monday - Tuesday 8:00 to 4:00**  
**Wednesdays- Friday 9:00 to 5:00.**

We have educational toys and a big selection of Video Resources. Check our website at:  
[www.autismservicesinc.com](http://www.autismservicesinc.com)

Don't forget our monthly workshop,

## All About Autism

Tell a friend, make a difference, be involved!!

## My Dream

By Carol Wechle

Written on the day his son with ASD was born

I dream of the day you will be able to tell me with your words where it hurts, when you are sick. I dream of the day you stand at the end of the driveway waiting for the school bus for your sister.

I dream of the day you graduate from high school. As I shout, "that's my boy!" while they call your name and you walk across the stage...

Then I dream of the day I greet you in heaven – complete and whole and perfect for the first time.

*You will never disappoint me, my son, even if these dreams don't come true. For your value to me is not in these dreams, but in the blessing of having known and loved YOU.*

\*Autism, Heartfelt thoughts from Mothers  
Compile by Judy Lynne  
Autism Enhancement Publication

## Moms of Autistic Kids go Under a lot of Stress but Show Great Strength, Study Shows

By [Salynn Boyles](#)

WebMD Medical News

Reviewed by [Louise Chang, MD](#)

This study appears in the May issue of the journal of *Pediatrics*.



May 7, 2007 -- The shock of a mother finding out her child has autism is life-changing for most. But a new study shows moms can fare well emotionally and still have a strong bond with their child.

"They were certainly under a lot of stress, but the mothers in this sample were also able to establish close relationships with their [autistic] children, and they felt competent in their parenting and coping skills" (Montes).

### Special Challenges

"The findings are not meant to minimize the challenges of parenting a child with autism, but to point out the moms positive parenting", Montes says.

A mother mention "I have learned to appreciate the things that I probably wouldn't appreciate if I hadn't seen my child work so hard to achieve them."

\* / \*\* Books available at ASI Library

## Summer Activities

Some of the activities that you did during March Break could be done during the summer. Preparation ahead of time is always a good place to start. Some support like a "Visual" -social story, visual schedule, community strips (come to ASI we could help you design some visuals!)- will help your child understand the changes in routine. Select some of his/her favorite places and activities and give them a try.

Some extra ideas are:

**Going to a Picnic** -A good park with lots of shadow is the Optimist on Ypres Street.

**Swimming** -Try the new complex in LaSalle.

**Horse Back Riding**-Make some prior arrangements with WETRA in Windsor or Speqtra in the County.

**Camps** -Some camps are open to accept children with special needs. Call them for extra information and requirements. This includes Windsor Parks and Recreation, some Daycares in Windsor - Essex County, Windsor Vistas Gymnastics or ASI.



Enjoy your child no matter how challenging your child may be, always remember to savour every little positive

## Special Father's Day\*\*

By Michelle M Guppy



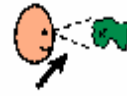
Here's are the men who work hard day and night, and yet find they are always broke. Because of the expenses, the challenges of a never ending financial joke. They are the men who understand the victory, in each tiny battle their son has won.

I give up looking for that elusive "Special Father's Day card", and instead I'll settle to write on a piece of paper, "I love you with all my might!" From the son who understands that a hero is the daddy who cries as he prays every night.

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# May

## Places to go, things to see!!



From: May 25 2008  
RCMP Musical Ride

**Venue:** Windsor Stadium. The troop of 32 horses and riders will perform a variety of cavalry drills choreographed to music.

website at <http://www.windsorparade.org/main/>

**Cost:** Adults-\$10 advance, \$12 at Gate children \$5 advance, \$7 at gate, family 4 pk-\$30 **Hours:** 2 pm show and 7 pm show

**Phone:** 519-254-2880 **E-mail:** [mrssanta@mnsi.net](mailto:mrssanta@mnsi.net)

From: May 24 2008

Mom2Mom Kids Yard Sale

**Venue:** Indoor Soccer Place, in Mic Mac Park, Yard Sale from 10:30am – 2:00pm on Saturday, **Cost:** \$1 **Hours:** 10:30am - 2pm

**Phone:** 519.250.0012 **E-mail:** [mail@mom2mom.ca](mailto:mail@mom2mom.ca)

[www.mom2mom.ca](http://www.mom2mom.ca)

May 31 2008

Mom2Mom Kids Yard Sale at Vollmer Complex, Lasalle. **Cost:**

\$1. **Hours:** 10am-3pm. **Phone:** 519.250.0012 **E-mail:**

[mail@mom2mom.ca](mailto:mail@mom2mom.ca) [www.mom2mom.ca](http://www.mom2mom.ca)

May 31 2008 & Jun 1 2008

Red Bull Air Race World Series

**Venue:** Detroit Windsor riverfront, Windsor and Detroit. The race will be the third stop in a 10-stop world series tour, and the 2nd race in the U.S.A. [www.redbullairrace.com](http://www.redbullairrace.com)

May 31 2008 & Jun 1 2008

War of 1812 Re-enactment

**Venue:** Maidstone Bicentennial Museum, 1093 Puce Rd., Lakeshore  
Special Guest: Amherstburg Provincial Marine. Fun, Food and Entertainment for all! **Cost:** Adults \$5; Children 6&up \$3 **Hours:** 10am-5pm **Phone:** 519-728-1587.

# June

Jun 1 2008

International Children's Day Celebration

**Type:** Fundraising Family Event

Hungarian Cultural Centre, 790 Hanna. **Cost:** adults \$3, children free

**Hours:** 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.. **Phone:** (519) 969-5498.

Jun 6 2008—Jun 8 2008

LaSalle Strawberry Festival

**Venue:** Gil Maure Park on Front Rd, LaSalle Family **Cost:** \$2.00 .

**Hours:** Friday 6pm-11pm Saturday 10am-12pm, Sunday 10am-6pm.

**Phone:** 519-969-5699

[lasallestrawberryfestival.com](http://lasallestrawberryfestival.com)

Jun 7 2008

Winery Open House

**Venue:** Sprucewood Shores Estate Winery, Harrow

**Cost:** 0.00. **Hours:** 1pm-5pm. **Call** 519-738-9253

[www.sprucewoodshores.com](http://www.sprucewoodshores.com)

Jun 7 2008 & Jun 8 2008

Art in the Park

Willistead Park, Windsor. Call for prices

**Hours:** 10am-6pm on Sat. and 10am-5pm on Sun.

**call:** 519-253-6382 [www.rotary1918.com](http://www.rotary1918.com)

Jun 8 2008

Fun On Wheels Car Show

Canadian Transportation Museum, Essex. 600 vintage 50's

Diner breakfast buffet 7:30am, Village lunch 11:00am. **Call for cost. Hours:** 9:00am to 3:00pm **Ph:** 519-979-5564.

[www.ctmhv.com](http://www.ctmhv.com)

Jun 8 2008

Windsor Waterfront Corvette Show

**Type: Venue:** Dieppe Park, **Phone:** 519-967-8447

[www.corvetteclubofwindsor.com](http://www.corvetteclubofwindsor.com)

June 13 2008

Carrousel by the River

Riverfront Festival Plaza, Windsor Carrousel. **Phone:** 519-

255-1127 Ext.121. [www.themcc.com](http://www.themcc.com)

Jun 14 2008

Checker Flag Raceway Show & Drive In Movie

Canadian Transportation Museum, Call for cost and **hours**

**Phone:** 519-979-5564 [www.ctmhv.com](http://www.ctmhv.com)

Jun 15 2008

Colasanti's Fathers Day Festivities

**Phone:** 519-326-3287. [www.colasanti.com](http://www.colasanti.com)

Jun 17 2008—Jul 1 2008

Windsor Summer Fest

Riverfront **Phone:** 519-254-2880

Jun 23 2008

Target Fireworks

Windsor - Detroit Riverfront. **Phone:** 519-255-6530

Jun 27 2008 -Jun 29 2008

Carrousel of the Nations

City wide, Windsor Carrousel of the Nations runs for two weekends, with various "Villages" throughout the community

**Phone:** 519-255-1127. [www.themcc.com](http://www.themcc.com)

Jun 28 2008

British Invasion Outdoor Rock n Roll Show. Concert

Canadian Transportation Museum, Essex

**Cost:** 3.00 **Hours:** 5:00pm to 11:30pm

**Phone:** 519-979-5564 [www.ctmhv.com](http://www.ctmhv.com)

Jun 28 2008-Jun 29 2008

Olde Town Amherstburg Ice Cream Festival

**Venue:** Toddy Jones Park, Amherstburg Ice cream, **Phone:**

519-730-1309. [www.amherstburg.ca](http://www.amherstburg.ca)

# Workshops

## May

Monday, May 26.

### Summit Centre Parent Support Group “School Issues”

R.S.V.P Please contact Christy at 255.1195. If you need our staff to supervise your child with autism, please let us know when your RSVP by Wednesday May 21, 2008.

### Summit Centre Sibling Support Group

For kids 4 to 12. Come meet new friends, also activities, games, prizes, pizza and snacks! R.S.V.P Please contact Christy at 255.1195

Monday, May 26

### High Functioning Support Group

St. Mathews Church Hall 1600 Norfolk  
519-972-8381 or 519-972-9277

## June

Wednesday, June 11

**All About Autism “ Could it be Autism ; Communication and Play”** presented by Laurie Wright, Summit Center and Cathy Coppens Talk 2 Me. Location ASI Library  
6:30 pm—9:00pm . Call 519-966-7283 to Register

Monday, June 23

### High Functioning Support Group

St. Mathews Church Hall 16000 Norfolk  
519-972-8381 or 519-972-9277

Monday, June 23

### Summit Centre Parent Support Group “Family Barbecue”

R.S.V.P Please contact Christy at 255.1195.

## July

Monday, July 28.

### Summit Centre Parent Support Group “Sensory Issues”

R.S.V.P Please contact Christy at 255.1195. If you need our staff to supervise your child with autism, please let us know when your RSVP by Wednesday July 23, 2008.

Monday, July 28

### Summit Centre Sibling Support Group

For kids 4 to 12. Come meet new friends, also activities, games, prizes, pizza and snacks! R.S.V.P Please contact Christy at 255.1195

## NOTE

Event information is always subject to change by the event holders. Always call ahead.

## All About Autism

Introductory Workshops for parents/professionals/caregivers/extended family of children with a suspicion or diagnosis of Autism.

**Location:** Resource Lending Library located at Autism Services Inc. 3600 Curry Ave., (just north of Cabana. Parking is available at St. Gabriel Church or Delta Chi Day Care Centre

**Cost: FREE**

**Registration:** Please call Cheryl or Liliana at 519-966-7283 or you may register at [autism@mnsi.net](mailto:autism@mnsi.net) with the registrant's name and phone number.

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