

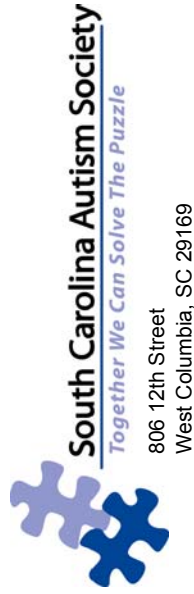
2009 Annual Meeting & Conference

Perspectives in Autism

October 8-10 at the Columbia Conference Center

Sponsored by

Autism Division of SCDDSN, SC Dept. of Education, SC Vocational Rehabilitation



Meet Your Speakers...

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Saturday, October 10, 2009

Dena Gassner - Dena Gassner holds a Master's Degree in Social Work from the Univ. of Kentucky. She studied disability issues with the Dept of Mental Health, First Steps and Children's Hospital of Cincinnati. She was thrust into the disability community when her son, Patrick was diagnosed with autism. Through her research on his behalf, she discovered her own autism. She now works as a consultant/professional development trainer for school districts and families, and is a regular contributor to the M.A.A.P. newsletter. She presents nationally on her research and life experiences. She is presently producing a book called, "Looking for Common Ground; a Journey to Autistic Wholeness" which chronicles her life as the daughter of, mother of and person with autism. Topics on which she presents includes autism and female sexuality, overlapping issues of autism and ADHD, spirituality and inclusion, high functioning autism I/OI, Irlen technology for visual perceptual problems and many others.

Roger Stevenson - Roger E. Stevenson, MD is Director of the Greenwood Genetic Center. Since its founding in 1974, the Center's focus has been on developmental and intellectual disabilities, autism, birth defects, and related genetic disorders. The Center has worked closely with public and private organizations to further the understanding of disabling conditions and to assure that related services and information are available for South Carolina citizens. Dr. Stevenson has headed the South Carolina Autism Project: A Search for Causes and will discuss findings from the project, including the research team's latest discoveries regarding the predisposition to autism spectrum disorders.

Ron Dozier - Mr. Dozier has over 40 years of experience at steadily increasing levels of responsibility, in state, regional and local organizations. He holds a BS in Elementary Education from the University of Mississippi. Ron has served as a special education classroom teacher, Associate State Director of Operations with the SCDDSN and as the Director of Mental Retardation Services in Virginia as well as the Grant Coordinator for SCAS's Microboards. He is currently retired from the Center for Disability Resources.

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Friday/Saturday Conference	SCAS Members			NON Members			Total	Circle Day(s)	Attending
	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	1 Day	2 Days	3Days			
Family Mbr or Ind w/Autism	\$70	\$100	\$120	\$100	\$130	\$150			Thur Fri Sat
Two Family Members	\$100	\$130	\$150	\$130	\$160	\$180			Thur Fri Sat
Full Time Student	\$70	\$100	\$120	\$100	\$130	\$150			Thur Fri Sat
Professional	\$100	\$130	\$150	\$130	\$160	\$180			Thur Fri Sat
3 or more of same group/each	\$90	\$120	\$140	\$120	\$150	\$170			Thur Fri Sat

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***** Add late fee of \$20 after September 25

Registration Total

register online - www.scautism.org

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Thursday, October 8, 2009

Mitch Yell - Dr. Yell is the Fred and Francis Lester Chair in Teacher Education at the University of South Carolina. He has many years experience in the classroom as a Special Education Teacher and for the past seventeen years has worked as an Associate Professor/Professor in Special Education at the University of South Carolina. Dr. Yell is the author of *The law and special education*, co-author of *No Child Left Behind Act: A guide for professionals; Best practices in educating students with emotional and behavioral disorders* and *Nature and characteristics of children and youth with emotional and behavioral disorders*, as well as numerous articles. Dr. Yell has had several grants funded the past few years from the US Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs. He is the Co-Editor of the Journal of Disability Policy Studies, President of the Executive Board: Behavioral Institute for Children and Adolescents, he serves on the Professional Development Committee of the Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders and is the Vice-President of the SC Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders.

Friday, October 9, 2009

Sheila Wagner - Ms. Wagner earned her undergraduate education degree from Univ. of Wisconsin-Whitewater, and graduate degree from Georgia State Univ. Ms. Wagner is a former special education teacher and teacher consultant on educating students with autism for over 25 years. Ms. Wagner is a teacher and school consultant, national and international lecturer on educating students with Autism Spectrum Disorders, project director for a multi-county Inclusion Project affecting over 600 students with ASD, and is a long-term Member of an interdisciplinary diagnostic team. Ms. Wagner has authored four publications in the area of ASD, including *"Inclusive Programming for Elementary Students with Autism"* (Future Horizons, Inc. 1999), *"Inclusive Programming for the Middle School Student with Autism and Asperger's syndrome"* (Future Horizons, 2001), *Inclusive Programming for High School Students with Autism and Asperger's* (Future Horizons, 2009), and *"Understanding Asperger's Syndrome: Fast Facts"* (Future Horizons, Inc., 2004).

Speaker information continued on other side

The **bookstore** will be open during the entire conference and will carry recommended speaker titles!

The **silent auction** will be located in the bookstore.

Register Online! www.scautism.org

Thursday, 10/8 *bookstore closes at 4:15pm on Thursday

- 8:00 - 9:00 **Registration**
- 9:00 - 9:15 **Welcome**
- 9:15 - 10:30 **Mitch Yell, Ph.D.**
Goal Writing - Family and School Collaboration
(Participants are invited to bring IEPs)
- 10:30 - 10:45 Break
- 10:45 - 12:00 **Yell - Goal Writing**, continued
- 12:30 - 1:00 **Lunch**
- 1:00 - 3:00 **Yell - Goal Writing**, continued
- 3:00 - 3:15 Break
- 3:15 - 4:00 **Yell - Conclusion and Questions**

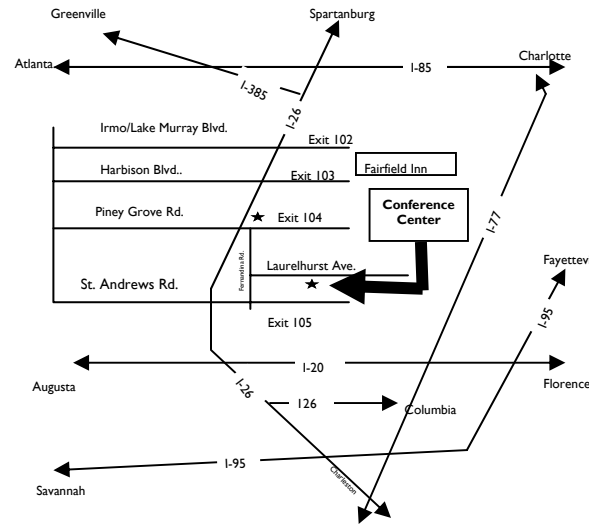
Friday, 10/9 * bookstore closes at 4:15pm on Friday

- 8:00-9:00 **Registration** (Bookstore is open)
- 9:00-9:15 **Welcome** by Roy Williams, SCAS Board Chair
- 9:15-10:30 **Sheila Wagner, M. Ed.**
The Quest for Inclusive Programming: Meeting the challenges across the educational years for students with ASD
- 10:30-10:45 Break (Bookstore is open)
- 10:45- 12:00 **Wagner**, continued
- 12:00-1:00 **Lunch** (provided)
- 1:00-3:00 **Wagner**, continued
- 3:00-3:15 Break (Bookstore is open)
- 3:15-4:00 **Wagner** Conclusion & Questions

Saturday, *bookstore/silent auction closes at 12:30 on Sat.

- 8:00-8:45 **Registration** (Bookstore is open)
- 8:45-9:00 **Welcome** by Roy Williams, SCAS Board Chair
- 9:15-10:30 **Dena Gassner**
Looking for Common Ground
- 10:30-11:00 Break (Bookstore is open)
- 11:00-12:00 **Roger Stevenson**
Autism: X Marks the Spot
- 12:00-12:15 **Ron Dozier**
Self Directed Support Corporation
- 12:15-2:00 Lunch (provided)
Annual Meeting & Awards
*bookstore/silent auction closes at 12:30
- 2:00-2:30 Pickup silent auction items

Purchase Orders accepted from State Agencies and School Districts



From Greenville/Spartanburg

- I-26 East to Piney Grove Road - Exit 104
- Turn Left onto Piney Grove Road, crossing over I-26
- Turn right at the second light onto Fernandina Road
- Continue for 9/10 mile and turn left (beside Hampton-Pontiac Dealership) at the Westpark Entrance A, onto Laurelhurst Ave.
- CCC is the first building on right behind dealership

From Charleston

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Hotel Information

At exit 103 - Harbison Blvd.
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SCAS will send e-mail Confirmations ONLY!

Are you a current member of SCAS? Yes ___ No ___

If no, join NOW and SAVE on your registration fees!

Basic Individual \$10 _____ Basic Family \$20 _____

Supporting Ind. \$35 _____ Supp. Family \$50 _____

Total Membership Fees \$ _____

REGISTRATION - (see other side for registration fees)

***Cancellation Fee of \$25 before 9/25**

***No refunds after 9/25**

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In the amount of: (please add pre-conference fees, conference fees, late charges & mbrshp fees) \$ _____

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