

2007 STATISTICS:

- 13,646 People attended Family Support Center of New Jersey presentations and exhibits.
- 5,290 Information and Referral Intakes
- 6,000 Options Manuals were distributed
- 1,353 New resources were added to the database

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We celebrate the individuals who work each day to ensure a better quality of life for their family members and loved ones.



NATIONAL CAREGIVERS CONFERENCE

Changing the Face of Caregiving

The National Caregivers Conference was a huge success. On Wednesday, October 29, 2008 more than three hundred professionals and caregivers from thirteen states came together at the Woodbridge Hotel

and Conference Center in Iselin. There were many opportunities throughout the conference for learning, sharing and networking.

Lee Woodruff kicked off the day with an outstanding Keynote presentation. Immediately following attendees lined up to meet Lee and have her best selling book [In an Instant: A Family's Journey of Love and Healing](#) signed. There were eighteen workshops offered throughout the day. A few topics included Cyberbullying, Dementia, Mental Health and Planning for the Future. There were approximately forty Exhibitors providing information and resources to attendees.



Luncheon Speaker Regina Lewis, AOL Consumer Advisor, covered shortcuts for caregivers and making the internet work for you. At the Meet and Mingle a Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Edward J. Madara from NJ Self Help Clearinghouse for his dedication and leadership in

the National Self Help Movement. Conference attendees had the chance to relax and network at the Meet and Mingle Reception. Representatives from the McCain and Obama Campaigns were on hand to discuss Caregiving and Disabilities issues.

A special thanks to the Apple Store at the Menlo Park Mall who provided demonstrations and complimentary internet use throughout the Conference. A huge thanks to Attendees, Presenters and Exhibitors. A special thanks to the Support of our Sponsors Eisai and Ortho McNeil. Lastly, thank you for all of the hard work of everyone on the Conference Committee.

FRA Sibling Group News

Sibling groups for children aged 4-9 who have a brother or sister with a disability or developmental delay.



Groups are held on Thursdays
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

If you have any questions or need further information, contact Sue Levine at (732)747-5310 or via email slevine@frainc.org.

The Family Support Center of New Jersey presents:

Guardianship and Estate Planning for
Parents of Children with Special Needs

Workshop Presenter:
Donald D. Vanarelli, Esq.

Wednesday, November 12, 2008
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Light refreshments will be served

Location:
Family Support Center of New Jersey
2516 Route 35 North
Manasquan, NJ 08736

To register please call Cheryl Guaimano
at (800)372-6510.

The Family Support Center of New Jersey presents:

Important Considerations for Caregivers

Workshop Presenter:
Valerie Powers Smith, Esq.

Wednesday, November 19, 2008
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Light refreshments will be served

Location:
Morris County Library
30 East Hanover Avenue
Whippany, NJ 07981

To register, please call
Cheryl Guaimano at (800)372-6510.

The Family Support Center of New Jersey presents:

A Unique Approach to
Planning to Future

Workshop Presenter:
Don R. Ayers, CLU.
Jeffrey McWeeney, Esq.

Wednesday, November 19, 2008
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
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