

Family Support Chronicle

Welcome !

Have you registered for the National Caregivers Conference? If not do so today - the first 40 paid registrants will receive a copy of luncheon speaker Carol D. O'Dell's book, "Mothering Mother: A Daughter's Humorous and Heartbreaking Memoir." Click [here](#) and register today!



Family Support Center of New Jersey

To learn about the Family Support Center of New Jersey please visit us on the web: www.fscnj.org or call (800)372-6510 and a friendly staff member will be more than happy to assist you.

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Executive Director, Eric Joice, Honored at Disability Awareness Night



Last Thursday night, next to the Trenton Thunder dugout, Eric M. Joice, Executive Director of The Family Resource Network and Caregivers of New Jersey was awarded with the EP Maxwell J. Schleifer Distinguished Service Award. This award, named after the founder and former Editor-In-Chief of Exceptional Parent Magazine, is awarded to an individual who has displayed remarkable accomplishments and dedication in the care and advocacy of individuals with disabilities under difficult circumstances. Congratulations Eric, and thank you for your dedication throughout the years!

To learn about The Family Resource Network and its affiliates click [here!](#)

Disability.gov

Connecting the Disability Community to Information & Opportunities

The U.S. Department of Labor recently launched Disability.gov, the Federal Government's Web site for people with disabilities, their family members, veterans, caregivers, employers and others. The new site, previously called DisabilityInfo.gov features comprehensive information about disability-related programs and services, as well as social media tools to better serve the more than 50 million Americans with disabilities.

Disability.gov, an effort led by the Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy, contains thousands of links to reliable, trusted information from numerous federal agency partners, as well as educational institutions, non-profit organizations and state and local governments. It is an important resource not only for Americans with disabilities, but also for the parents of children with disabilities, employers, workforce and human resource professionals, veterans, military families, caregivers and many others.

[To learn more click here and visit Disability.gov today!](#)



Thursday, October 29th, 2009
Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel - Iselin, NJ

We hope that you will join us for the National Caregivers Conference, where you will have the opportunity to learn and collaborate with speakers, providers and caregivers from around the country.

[Visit www.nationalcaregiversconference.org](http://www.nationalcaregiversconference.org) regularly for event updates!

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CAROL D. O'DELL'S BOOK
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[CLICK HERE AND REGISTER TODAY!](#)

Help the Lifespan Respite Care Act Receive Funding!

The New Jersey Lifespan Respite Coalition is seeking funding for the Lifespan Respite Care Act (PL 109-442) in the authorized level of \$71.1 million. Despite its widely supported enactment in 2006, the program received only \$2.5 million in FY09, a small fraction of the \$289 million originally requested.

We are asking that you, citizens of the United States, family caregivers, supporters, friends and advocates, sign on to this petition in hopes that the families of those with disabilities and chronic illnesses may receive the deserved respite care services they desperately need.

Click [here](#) to sign the Lifespan Respite Care Petition.

Thank you in advance for your continued support!



The Training Calendar Offers a Clearinghouse of Community Events

In an effort to spread awareness about workshops, conferences and other training opportunities the Family Support Center of New Jersey has launched The Training Calendar. We invite professionals to post information on activities, lectures, trainings, or other events for caregivers and the people they are caring for on www.thetrainingcalendar.org. We also invite families and caregivers to view the trainings available in their area.

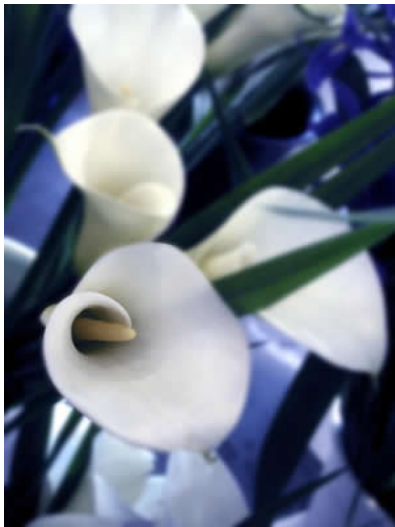
The concept is simple. Pick an available date and plan any type of event that focuses on either training for the caregiver, awareness, advocacy, support of anything you think that would assist caregivers in New Jersey. Through a partnership of the Family Support Center of New Jersey and your organization, we will work together to promote your event on our website, in our print publications as well as with the assistance of local and statewide sponsors. By participating you will have the opportunity to spread awareness of your upcoming activities and provide support for the individuals you work with and for others around the state.

Previously The Training Calendar had been administered by the Progressive Center for Independent Living. We applaud their foresight in developing this clearinghouse program.

FSCNJ Spotlights the DDD Family Forums

The County-Based Family Forums are designed to share and exchange information with individuals who are near the top of DDDs' Priority and Priority Deferred Community Services Waiting List (CSWL) as well as enrollees of Real Life Choices (RLC) and Self-Determination (SD). To date, Morris County, Middlesex County and Ocean County have held forums.

[Click here to learn more!](#)



SEASIDE SOIREE - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2009

Ocean Place Resort & Spa
Long Branch, NJ
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Join us for an oceanside affair including dinner, cocktails, silent auction, music, dancing, and a beachside bonfire.

Featuring Entertainment by The Billy Lawlor Band

For more information call (877)237-4477 or click [here](#) to be redirected to www.autismfamilyservicesnj.org.

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY FOR THE BEACH BASH!

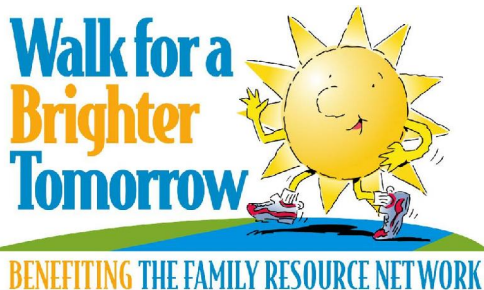


Autism Family Services of New Jersey proudly announces
Beach Bash 2009
Sunday, September 13, 2009 - Belmar, New Jersey

Featuring a surf camp, music, beach activities and arts and crafts!

[To register online for the Beach Bash please click here!](#)

If you have any questions or concerns please call (877)237-4477



Join Us on Sunday, October 11th, 2009
Roosevelt Park - Edison New Jersey

Call your family, friends and co-workers and start a walk team today!

Visit www.walkforabrightertomorrow.org for more information and register today!

This will be a fun filled day for families and friends.
Entertainment and refreshments will be just a few of the day's highlights.
If you have any questions please call (800)376-2345.

NJ Lifespan Respite Summit
has been postponed to October 28th, 2009 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel - Iselin, NJ

For more information call Dana Goldberg (732)262-8020
or email DGoldberg@njcaregivers.org

Over 1,000 People Have Signed Our Petition - Have You?

Thousands of families in New Jersey's disability community know how beneficial the resources are at the Family Support Center of New Jersey.

1,022 New Jersey residents have endorsed the Family Support Center of New Jersey's petition. We are hoping we can count on your support to help us in our effort. [Click here to sign this petition in support of FSCNJ.](#)

Thank you for your assistance and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to call (732) 528-8080 or (800)FSC-NJ10 and a friendly staff member will be more than happy to assist you.

Keeping You Connected!

Everyone is social networking, and FSCNJ will not be left behind. Our goal with blogging is to keep you informed of the latest hints, trends and resources that may pass our way. We encourage you to tag this as a favorite, to check back on a weekly basis to see what is going on, and to make suggestions and comments that might help others as well. [Click this link to be redirected to our "blog spot"!](#)



Blogger™

FSCNJ is on facebook!

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The Family Support Center of New Jersey has joined cyber space and we want to connect with you! Click on [Facebook](#) to become our "fan" to receive bulletins and messages. Our goal is to keep people updated on news, legislation, and other activities important to the community we serve.

Respite Workbook for Families & Care Providers



The Family Support Center is distributing comprehensive patient information tools that can be entrusted to a temporary care or respite provider. "About Our Family - A Respite Workbook for Families & Care-Providers" is a product of the Child Neurology Foundation and is distributed free of charge by the Family Support Center. Call (732) 528-8080 or (800)FSC-NJ10 and a friendly staff member will mail you a free copy today!

Thank you for reading Family Support Chronicle! If you have any information you would like included in our e-zine, please email me at enza.jacobowitz@fscnj.org. To receive regular publications click "Join Our Mailing List" located on the top of our newsletter.

Additionally, the Family Support Center of NJ is dedicated to keeping you informed and sharing resources with the community, so we invite you to utilize the "Forward Email" button at the bottom of this email.

Sincerely,

Enza Jacobowitz, Website Operations Manager
[Family Support Center of New Jersey](#)

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