

Autism Awareness Symposium



Saturday, August 20th 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

United Methodist Church (609 NW 8th Street, Buffalo)



Life Resources

This event is being hosted by Life Resources Counseling Services of Buffalo and Deborah Company Midwest as an outreach to the community and surrounding areas. It is a free event open to the public which will help parents, professionals and interested parties learn more about Autism, and tell them what is available for the care and treatment of individuals with Autism Spectrum disorders. All parties are encouraged to attend.

Although this event is free of charge, space is limited so we ask that you register online at <http://debcomidwest.com> when you pull up our homepage, click on the conferences page link on the left side under the main menu. There you will need to fill in your information.

***We are currently applying for Continuing Education Credit for this Symposium.

For more information or to find out the status of Continuing Education Credit contact: Lucy Riethmiller, Pastoral Counselor at Life Resources Counseling Services or email her at Liferesourcessvc@aol.com

Free will donations for this event would be appreciated

We are excited to announce our Speakers and Workshop Leaders for this Event



Richelle Kramer, B.S., M.S.W., L.G.S.W., holds a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and a Master's Degree in Social Work. Ms Kramer worked in direct practice for Wright County Human Services Agency from 2001-2001 as an adoption social worker as a foster care licenser. Currently she works serving children in developmental disabilities for Wright County. She is also a professional trainer for the state of Minnesota training foster and adoptive parents through the child welfare training system. Ms Kramer is a founding member of Wright County Autism Task Force and has more than 15 years' experience in social work practice serving children and adults with mental health disorders and developmental disabilities. Ms Kramer has been a professional speaker at several conferences. She is the parent of three children, one with Asperger's.



Brenda Schuler, B.S., C.N.H.P., has worked personally and professionally with essential oils for over 12 years. She has been utilizing therapeutic grade essential oils in private practice helping others with multitudes of conditions. Brenda is an Exercise Physiologist and Certified Natural Health Practitioner, with diplomas in Aromatherapy, Herbology, and Homeopathy. Brenda brings her vast knowledge of the human body and nutrition to every seminar. Brenda struggled with gastric reflux for a number of years. Using Essential Oils she no longer has reflux or has a need for any reflux medications. Come and learn about nature's medicine that other countries have been using for centuries for: improving memory, focus, concentration, allergies, colds, flues, injuries, viruses and more serious health challenges. Essential Oils dramatically improve our body's ability to slow down and in many cases reverse the aging process on a cellular level including damaging environmental effects. Cosmetically & Agriculturally Essential Oils are an excellent organic alternative to common "cancer causing" chemical based products. Achieve outstanding results boosting your family's immune systems from bacterial infection, disease, injuries, virus, wounds and other common ailments.



Tammy Sorenson of Jaran Family Ministries and the arts expressed has been involved in music ministry since elementary school. She has a B.A. in Piano Performance, a B.S. in Vocal Music Education, an M.A. in Music Education, a Doctorate in Practical Theology, and is licensed and ordained by the Fellowship of Christian Assemblies. Jaran Family Ministries has ministered at family camps, conferences, seminars, prayer and worship gatherings, and women's retreats. Sorenson has been involved in local church leadership, beginning in worship ministry leadership at age eleven, and serving the last 30 years with her husband, Kevan. She taught in the public school as a music educator for nearly 10 years, in private music instruction for 21 years, and as a home educator of their six children for 17 years. The Sorenson's have three biological children, Jaran (21), twins Jessa and Jadan (18), and three adopted children from Guatemala, Jenna (18), Jocilyn (16), and Josiah (13), all of who have ministered with the family in various areas of gifting's over the past 16 years. Tammy has also served in children's and family ministry

leadership 16 years and House of Prayer ministry seven years. She is a pianist, singer, psalmist, songwriter, teacher, speaker, and author. The vision for the arts expressed is presented in her books, *No More Orphans! The Journey of Adoption*, *I Am A Good Idea!*, a collaboration with her daughter, *Jocilyn*, called *The Little Ugly House*, and her most recent book project entitled, *Hidden Treasure, Kingdom Jewels and Me!* Sorenson has done a number of CD projects, with her most recent being *Spontaneous Expressions* (a spontaneous prophetic instrumental family CD, unrehearsed and created during recording - includes Scripture, prayer, and one original worship song with vocals), *No More Orphans! Intercessory Piano CD and Companion Book* (spontaneous instrumental intercession on behalf of every at-risk child throughout the world: born and unborn), and *The Journey* (instrumental intercession utilizing software that converts the Hebrew to musical notation, and under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit adding harmonies, rhythms, and form to transform the spoken Word into a musical word). She is currently working on her newest CD project entitled, *Free to Be*, to be released this fall. For more information visit the following website: www.TheArtsExpressed.com.



Dr. Warren Zook, D.C., is a Maximized Living healthcare practitioner in Buffalo, MN. Dr. Warren strives to bring his community the latest methods for correcting nerve supplies, creating nutrition life lines and treating many conditions, including autism, by taking 100's of hours of continuing education yearly over the past ten years. He is able to teach you to minimize your toxins through chiropractic, nutrition, and an exercise system that gives you 60 minutes worth of benefits in only 12 minutes. Dr. Warren takes great pride in changing the way healthcare is viewed and delivered and does numerous seminars for his patients, churches and community organizations yearly to educate his community on everything from vaccine awareness to summer safety. Dr. Warren lives in Buffalo with his wife Dr. Heidi Zook, DC Pediatric Chiropractor, 4 boys (2 never vaccinated), and their Bernese Mountain dog.



Glenna Kramer, OTR/L (member AOTA and MOTA), Pediatric Occupational Therapist, has 20 years' experience in pediatric outpatient clinics and public schools. She has worked at Sister Kenny Rehabilitation Institute and Buffalo Hospital for the past 8 years. Glenna graduated from College of St. Catherine's, St. Paul, Minnesota. She has training in Sensory Integration theory and treatment from the Sensory Integration Institute. Glenna has taken several other courses in Sensory Integration throughout the past 20 years. Other areas of interest and education are from the Svetlana Masgutova Educational Institute using the Masgutova Neurosensorimotor Reflex Integration-MNRI Method.



Julie Melberg is the senior pastor of Door of Hope Church. Julie is also the founder of Door of Hope Ministries. She ministers as a prayer counselor applying the principles of spiritual warfare in an affective combination of inner healing, deliverance, and generational mapping. She offers a simple, systematic, scriptural explanation of the principles deliverance, inner healing, and generational curses to build a foundation that helps the believer understand the basis of their authority in Christ. Julie has spoken at conferences on subjects such as Freemasonry, homosexuality, Autism, Aspergers, and more.



Jewels Whitehead lives on a farm in Buffalo, Minnesota with her husband Mark They raise cattle, goats, sheep, chickens, grow organic vegetables, fruits, herbs and flowers. As a Cosmetologist and Esthetician she learned the power of oils and touch. As an International Flight Attendant she learned the value of cultural diversity and the importance of the universal language of love. As a teacher for 30 years she learned the importance of ministering to the whole body, soul and spirit. In exploring the arts for ministry Jewels formed an intergenerational ministry team called "Come Play with me in Destiny". The mentoring group helps others to find and develop their talents and gifting's. She currently works with Meeker and Wright County Special Education Coop. as a Para-professional sub. In this and in raising her own children she knows from personal experience the challenges children with exceptionalities face.

Jewels is also a Licensed Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aid and works as a Patient Care Technician at the Buffalo Hospital in OB. Mark and Jewels do wellness consulting from their home. Jewels holds an Associates Degree in Education and is currently working on a BA in Christian Ministry at Crown College.

Jewel's workshop is titled Healing Processes and Healing Oils: "And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good." Genesis 1:12



Anne Quiner...From childhood, working alongside her older sister in the nutrition industry, Anne started her journey of learning all she could about health and wellness. Multiple car accidents, neck injuries and hormonal issues became the breaking point in her pursuit of healing using natural drug free products. Over the years, Anne has received prior training from multiple natural path doctors and nutritionist who have a history of positive results. Currently through prayer and using essential oils she has seen more positive results in a shorter time period, which led her into sharing what she has learned with others on a full time basis. Her desire is help educate others in the healing

of the "whole man"(body, soul and spirit), so that that their health and well being may be improved as much as her family and friends. Anne currently resides in Buffalo, MN with her husband Scott of 25 years and her three children. Her ministry and business in Buffalo Minnesota is Lifesource Ministries (Oils).



Beth M. Ley (Knotts), Ph.D., is author and publisher of over 40 books, is Nutritional Director of The Life Center, Crystal, MN, and is host of a healthy cooking show "Recipes For Life with Dr. Beth." Dr. Beth does Biblical-based nutrition and wellness counseling in the Twin Cities area and also on line or by phone. She speaks on Biblical nutrition, health and Divine healing locally and nationwide. Dr. Beth and her husband Michael Knotts together produce "Recipes For Life with Dr. Beth" seen on local cable TV throughout MN, WI and nationwide through Sky Angel (ch 126) and Direct TV (ch 378), airing on Tuesdays at 1:30 pm central time. Dr. Beth graduated in Scientific and

Technical Writing from North Dakota State University in 1987 (combination of Zoology and Journalism) and has her masters (1998) and doctoral degrees (1999) in Nutrition from Clayton College. Memberships: American Academy of Anti-aging, New York Academy of Sciences, Resurrection Apostolic International Network (RAIN) and Omega Team.



Stacey Dinner-Levin received her MA in Human Development from St. Mary's University and BA's in Social Work and Women's Studies from the University of Minnesota. For five years she led the PACER Center "Count Me In" program promoting disability awareness to schoolchildren. Two of her scripts dealing with autism and ADHD are still in use by PACER. Her one-act shorts *Preaching to the Choir* and *Mosticlioli Hanukkah* were part of Illusions Theater's *Festival of Lights*. A published author of several articles on autism as well as miscarriage, her writings have appeared in national newsletters and are used by physicians and support groups nationwide. She is the mother of four boys, the eldest of whom was diagnosed with autism in 1993. *Autistic License* is Dinner-Levin's first full-length play and was named one of the Ten Best Plays Of 2007 by the St. Paul Pioneer Press. The original production remounted for film was accepted into film festivals in Fort Lauderdale, New Jersey, South Africa and the Family Film Festival of Burbank where it won "Best Educational Film" in 2010. To learn more about *Autistic License*, please visit