

AL-APSE... "Employment for All a Winning Platform"



Conference Registration Brochure

Dear APSE Friends:

Alabama APSE, The Network on Employment is pleased to announce our 10th annual conference and training event scheduled for June 11 – 13, 2008 at the Marriott Renaissance Hotel in Montgomery. We are working to plan an inspiring and educational training event for everyone. This will be a milestone for our chapter as we celebrate our 10th year as a recognized chapter of APSE.

The conference site is impressive. The hotel is brand new, opening its doors in February 2008. Just a few blocks away you will find many historic sites, including the State Capital, First White House of the Confederacy, and the Rosa Parks Museum. In addition, other sites to behold are the Biscuits stadium, Union Station, and other developments taking shape as a result of the downtown revitalization. Montgomery is centrally located and we look forward to this being the host city for this year's conference.

The purpose of the conference is to inform counselors, social workers, other rehabilitation professionals, and persons with cognitive, intellectual, and developmental disabilities and their families how to develop and maintain employment. This conference will also include a mini conference addressing Autism Spectrum Disorder and meeting the employment needs for individuals with ASD. Further, the conference will offer best practices in supported employment training, information on SSA Work Incentives and PASS, Addiction, Job Burnout, Mapping out Priorities, Job Development and Marketing, Coaching for Greater Performance and Leadership and many others. For a complete listing of session titles and descriptions with approved continuing education credits, visit the Alabama APSE website at www.al-apse.org. In addition, this year's conference will include three general sessions featuring Mr. Chris Davies, Mr. Mike Chapman and Mr. Kent Radar.

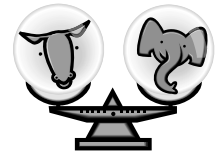
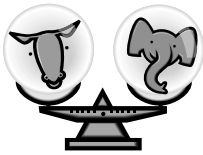
The conference will kick off at 1:00 p.m. with the opening session featuring Mr. Chris Davies. A special awards ceremony will be held at 4:00 p.m. to recognize the winners of this year's annual AL-APSE awards. Following the ceremony, a reception will be held to honor our winners. The reception will include food, fun, and entertainment. This event will also recognize 10 years of AL-APSE success. Come prepared to be part of this 10 year celebration. Other highlights of the conference will include the annual silent auction, a variety of exhibitors, an AL-APSE membership breakfast and other activities

I look forward to seeing each of you in Montgomery. We anticipate a large attendance so make your hotel reservations early. You can contact me at 334-613-3527 if you have any questions or email me at byron.white@rehab.alabama.gov

Sincerely,
Byron White, President



2008 Conference Keynote Speakers



Chris Davies is the founder & president of InnerVoice Works and is an internationally recognized speaker, trainer, and consultant who has been motivating audiences to “take action” since 2002. Chris is a regular presenter for Mental Health and Disability Advocacy organizations and also presents for several other associations and corporations including 3M. He previously worked as a job developer for an employment organization for people with developmental disabilities and (or) mental illness and is the former Director of Human Resources for J&J Distributing, where he employed people with disabilities. He lives in St. Paul Minnesota with his wife Andrea and son William.

Mike Chapman is currently the statewide Director of Services for Division TEACCH's Supported Employment Program. He went to work for the Supported Employment Program soon after graduating from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1998. Mr. Chapman advocates for Supported Employment services for individuals with autism around the state of North Carolina and has trained audiences both nationally and internationally.

Kent Radar is known as the “World’s Cleanest Comedian and Speaker,” and helps people and associations learn and experience how laughter matters in reducing stress. Kent graduated from William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri with a B.S. in Accounting. He spent five years in public accounting and twelve years as C.F.O. and C.E.O. of hospitals before becoming a professional speaker in 1997. Kent also performs clean stand up comedy in comedy clubs from New York City to Seattle and is the winner of the 2007 Branson Comedy Festival.

This training event will consist of lecture style format with question and answer opportunities at the end of sessions. The following presenters, in addition, to the keynote speakers will be in attendance:

Howard Green, M.S.
Wanda Berry
Judy Barclay, B.S.
Lisa Manly
Sharleen Smith, B.S.
Susan Ford, PhD.
Daniel Ray
Dale Verstegen, M.B.A.
Beth Blair, M.A.
Molly Brooms, M.A.

Donna Bowden, M.S.
Vicki Brooke, M.E.
Lisa Jones, B.A.
Miranda Brown, M.S.
Beverly Johnson, M.P.A.
Althea Pittman, M.P.A.
Chip Kenney, M.S.
Yana Wiggins, B.S.
Beverly Bell-Shambley, PhD

Customer Driven Supported Employment Beyond the Basics Job Coach Training

Certificate-Based Training provided by
Virginia Commonwealth University
Beginning at 8:30 a.m. on June 11 and concluding at
12:00 noon on June 13.

Slots are limited.
See registration form for more details

Can't attend the entire conference? No Problem!

This year's event also includes
Autism Mini Conference
Featuring
Mr. Mike Chapman, Division TEACCH
June 12 – 13, 2008

See registration form for more details!!!!

Sessions begin at 8:30 a.m. on June 12

Marriott Renaissance
201 Tallapoosa Street
Montgomery, AL 36104
Phone: 1-334-481-5000
Toll-Free: 1-877-545-0311



Single/Double: \$109.00
Triple: \$119.00
Quad: \$129.00

Ask for APSE Room Block Rate
Deadline for Special Rate 5/10/2008



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM



Full Conference Autism Mini Conference

APSE Member Yes Membership # _____ No

Please Print or Type

Name _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____ Email: _____

		Registration Fee		
Before June 1, 2008	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75.00 Members	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125.00 Non-Members	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75.00 Autism Mini Conference	
After June 1, 2008	<input type="checkbox"/> \$90.00 Members	<input type="checkbox"/> \$140.00 Non Members	<input type="checkbox"/> \$90.00 Autism Mini Conference	

Registration Fees are non-refundable; however you can send a substitute.

Special Accommodations needed (i.e. Interpreter, Braille, etc.) Yes No
Accommodation Needed: _____

(Accommodations Must Be Requested By May 16, 2008)

I will attend the Membership Breakfast

I will attend "A Night out at the Biscuits Game" \$21.00 not included in registration fee, Please add \$21.00

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Make Registration Checks payable to AL-APSE
and mail to:
Lisa Alford
P.O. Box 1610
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403

You registration can be charged to Visa or MasterCard. There is a \$2.00 processing fee. Please contact Lisa Alford at 205-554-1300 to for this service.

BEST PRACTICES IN SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATE BASED JOB COACH TRAINING

**Please Check if you
Plan on attending**

TRAINERS: Howard Green & Vicki Brooke of Virginia Commonwealth University

This training is required of all Milestones Supported Employment Project Personnel. The last available session for 2008 will be offered in conjunction with this year's AL-APSE conference. Participants in this training will remain in the certificate based job coach training track throughout the conference. However, you will be able to attend the general sessions and the awards luncheon.

You will need to register for the conference to participate in this training!!!

Continuing Education and CRC Credit Available

There will be a charge of \$20 for Continuing Education Credits
This program is offered for up to 8 Continuing Education Credits (8 clock hours)

This program is co-sponsored by the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and by Alabama APSE, The Network on Employment. The Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation is an approved provider of continuing education for **Social Workers** in the State of Alabama through the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners; is an NBCC Approved Continuing Education Provider (ACEPTM) and a co-sponsor of this event/program. The Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation may award NBCC approved clock hours for events or programs that meet NBCC requirements. The ACEP maintains responsibility for the content of this event.



By registering for the conference each attendee understands that photographs and videos will be taken throughout the conference for use in publications, presentations, and other events. The photos will remain the property of AL-APSE. Please inform photographer(s) if you do not wish to be photographed.

Tentative Conference Schedule

Wednesday, June 11
1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Thursday, June 12
8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Friday, June 13
8:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

This conference was specifically designed to inform counselors, social workers, other rehabilitation professionals, and persons with disabilities and their families how to develop and maintain supported employment. The conference will disseminate information regarding the best practices in supported employment for individuals with disabilities. There is an emphasis on the areas of mental illness, mental retardation, autism and other cognitive and physical disabilities.

Conference Objectives

After participating in this program, participants will be able

- To list the characteristics of individuals with autism spectrum disorder and how to facilitate successful employment opportunities for them.
- To demonstrate an understanding of supported employment needs and challenges for individuals with disabilities including Mental Illness, Mental Retardation, Autism, and other Cognitive and Physical Disabilities.
- To demonstrate an understanding of the principles of marketing supported employment to employers.
- To understand principles of leadership in order to take on more responsibility at work and within organizations.



Night Out at the Biscuits Game **Price includes meal and ticket**

Thursday, June 12, 2008
\$21.00

Payment must be received by
April 25th

The Boxcar Buffet includes all you can eat hamburgers, freshly grilled hot dogs, chicken, spicy bratwurst, fabulous side dishes: baked beans, potato salad, and coleslaw and all-you-can-drink Coca-Cola products
Great centerfield location provides a terrific view of the action.

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