

**ABOUT EASTER SEALS DUPAGE  
AND THE FOX VALLEY REGION**

**Easter Seals DuPage and The Fox Valley Region** serves more than 2,500 infants, children and young adults with developmental disabilities each year. For more than 50 years, families have relied on us to provide specialized services. Through our dedication to helping individuals gain their independence, we have become one of the largest pediatric outpatient rehabilitation centers in the Midwest providing the following: Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Evaluations, Medical Nutrition Therapy, Audiology, Social Services, Assistive Technology Therapy, Community Outreach Programs, Specialty Clinics, a Child Development Center, and a Continuing Education Program.

We have a staff of over 130 people, including more than 75 therapists who have significant knowledge, medical expertise and experience in pediatric rehabilitation. Through continuing education courses, our staff is continually creating new treatment options to assist children from infancy through young adulthood. From a child with multiple needs to a child needing assistance in one specific area, our center is a valuable resource.

Our inclusive child development center is a special component offering day care and learning experiences for children 6-weeks to 6-years of age. In the center, children with disabilities play and learn right along side their typically developing friends.

*Our Mission:* To enable infants, children, and adults with disabilities to achieve maximum independence, and to provide support for the families who love and care for them.

**EASTER SEALS DUPAGE AND  
THE FOX VALLEY REGION**

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830 S. Addison Avenue  
Villa Park, IL 60181  
**630.620.4433**

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698 S. Route 59  
Naperville, IL 60540  
**630.357.9699**

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391 Quadrangle Drive  
Bolingbrook, IL 60440  
**630.226.5029**

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Jayne Shover Center  
799 S. McLean Blvd.  
Elgin, IL 60123  
**847.742.3264**

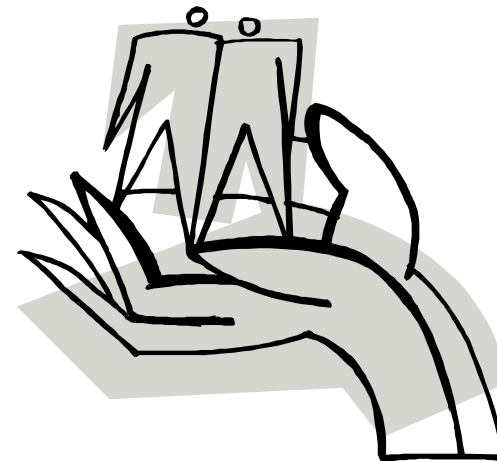
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**“ALL ABOUT YOUR  
FAMILY”  
SEMINAR SERIES**



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SPRING 2007 SCHEDULE

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*These seminars are made possible through a grant from the Topfer Family Foundation.*

## WRIGHTSLAW: FROM EMOTIONS TO ADVOCACY

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2007

REGISTRATION: 8:30AM-9:00AM

SEMINAR: 9:00AM-4:30PM

**\*\*REGISTRATION FEE APPLIES (SEE BELOW)**

Parent advocate Pat Howey teaches you how to take an active role in managing your child's special education, the gentle art of disagreeing, and how to maintain healthy working relationships with the school.

### You will learn:

- ◆ How to assess your child's strengths and needs
- ◆ How to prepare a Parent Report for the IEP team
- ◆ How to build healthy working relationships with school personnel
- ◆ How to document information that may prevent or resolve disputes
- ◆ How to participate as an equal member of your child's IEP team

### ABOUT THE PRESENTER

◆ **Pat Howey:** Pat is an advocate who has worked with families since 1986, helping parents obtain special education services and resolve special education disputes with their school districts. Pat writes articles for *Ask the Advocate* and holds a B.A. in Paralegal Studies from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College where she graduated with honors. She is active in the Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates (COPAA) and was honored in 2004 with an outstanding service award from the Learning Disabilities Association of Indiana for her commitment and compassion towards students with disabilities.

**\*\* Please note that a charge of \$30.00 applies to this seminar, which includes a luncheon and seminar textbook (Wrightslaw: From Emotions to Advocacy, 2nd edition. Retail: \$19.95)**

### SEMINAR LOCATED AT:

ARAMARK CONFERENCE CENTER  
2300 WARRENVILLE ROAD  
DOWNS GROVE, IL 60515  
630-271-2683

*This seminar is sponsored by Burke, Mahoney & Wise, LLC in conjunction with the Topfer Family Foundation.*

## PLANNING YOUR VACATION:

TIPS FOR TRAVELING WITH  
CHILDREN & ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2007

TIME TBD

A vacation should free you from stress and grant enjoyment to everyone who travels. Come and hear expert travel planner Lisa Hartlage share the secrets to traveling alongside persons with disabilities without breaking your budget. You'll learn the top places to go and the destinations to avoid. You'll find beaches with easy access, resorts with vacation nannies, and examine activities that suit different interests and needs. Lisa will share advice on tackling Disney and advise you on where to stay and how to navigate the parks. You'll discover tips for traveling by airplane, ship or car. Lisa's background in children with disabilities lends for easy and candid discussions. Everyone who attends will receive a discount on booking travel with the Change of Scene agency. ([www.changeofscene.com](http://www.changeofscene.com))

### ABOUT THE PRESENTER

◆ **Lisa Hartlage:** Happily married for ten years, Lisa is the mother of three, young boys, including twin, six-year-olds with Asperger Syndrome. Before earning her degree in Travel and Tourism and opening the Change of Scene travel agency, Lisa taught elementary school and served as an elementary-school Principal. At Change of Scene, Lisa plans dream vacations and honeymoons for singles, couples, families and corporate meetings. You can reach Lisa at 630-941-0355 or via email at [lisa@changeofscene.com](mailto:lisa@changeofscene.com).

## FAMILY RESOURCE OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2007

2:00-6:00PM

Please join us for this open house featuring agencies that are available to provide services to you and your family. Invited agencies include the Department of Human Services, Ray Graham, PACT, Suburban Access, Extended Home Living, DuPage Center for Independent Living, Coach House, Bednorz Children's Respite Center, UCP, Department of Rehabilitation Services, DSCC, Mobility Works, and special recreation programs including NEDSRA, WDSRA and SEASPAR.

### SEMINARS LOCATED AT:

EASTER SEALS DUPAGE AND THE FOX VALLEY REGION  
830 SOUTH ADDISON AVENUE  
VILLAPARK, IL 60181

**\*\*ABOVE TWO SEMINARS ARE COMPLIMENTARY\*\***

## Registration Information

### WRIGHTSLAW: FROM EMOTIONS TO ADVOCACY

Please complete this form and mail with check or money order for \$30.00 payable to:

Easter Seals DuPage and The Fox Valley Region

Attn: Sharon Pike

830 South Addison Avenue

Villa Park, IL 60181

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Registration fee includes luncheon and seminar textbook.*

*Space is limited - Please register early.*

*Registration deadline: March 1, 2007*

*Cancellations must be in writing and will incur a \$10 processing fee. No refunds granted after March 1, 2007.*

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### FAMILY RESOURCE OPEN HOUSE

To register please contact our Parent Liaison:

**SHARON PIKE:**

630.282.2036

[spike@eastersealsdfvr.org](mailto:spike@eastersealsdfvr.org)

*Registration is required and light refreshments will be provided.*