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## THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Our Annual Helpful Hands NREIC Golf Outing was held on June 25, 2007 at the Wild Turkey Golf Club in Hamburg, New Jersey and was a HUGE success! Thanks to all who participated, helped to organize, and made donations! All proceeds will go to support the Special Needs Fund and other family-centered activities of the NREIC.



## Our “ Family Workshop Series Summer/ Fall 2007”

is now available online at:

[http://nreic.org/PDF/  
familyworkshopseries2007.pdf](http://nreic.org/PDF/familyworkshopseries2007.pdf)

For information regarding Hudson County's "Project Lifesaver", contact Captain William Joy at the Hudson County Sheriff's Office 201-217-5226. This is the "FREE" tracking device for children and adults who may wander away from home. If you do not live in Hudson County but are interested in Project Lifesaver for your child, contact your local County's Sheriff's Department and ask for "Project Lifesaver". All NJ Sheriff Dept. have it and most of the country as well. So, if you travel in the US, your county can simply send your child's info to another state if needed.

Helpful Hands NREIC Presents:

## “Sensory Integration Disorder: What Your Child May Be Experiencing”

Presenter Joan Jensen, OTR/L

is a licensed Pediatric Occupational Therapist with specialization in Sensory Integration Therapy. Her 10 year experience includes working with children in Early Intervention, private and public school systems, clinical settings and private home therapy programs.

Thursday, July 19, 2007  
7 to 9pm

Helpful Hands, NREIC  
65 Willowbrook Boulevard, 2nd Floor  
Wayne, New Jersey 07470 (For Directions go to: [www.NREIC.org](http://www.NREIC.org))

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: PLEASE CALL LILY AT 973-256-8484 OR EMAIL HER AT LILY@NREIC.ORG BY FRIDAY, JULY 13TH, 2007 SPACE IS LIMITED

Our office space is expanding here at Helpful Hands NREIC ... In order to keep costs low for our not-for-profit organization, we are seeking a donation of new carpeting for our new office space! Please call 973-256-8484 if you can help us out!



The National Down Syndrome Society has the following website on growth charts. Most pediatricians do not have the DS growth chart on hand when measuring height and weight for a child with DS. These children are often off the charts in both height and weight, and it is helpful to parents to know how their children are growing in comparison to other children with DS. If a child is on the low end of the DS growth chart, this may also be a flag for a parent to take their child to an endocrinologist to explore why.

[http://www.ndss.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=603&Itemid=119](http://www.ndss.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=603&Itemid=119)

\*\*\*\*\***ANNOUNCEMENT**\*\*\*\*\*  
State of New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services: This provides notice that on August 1, 2007, NJEIS Family Cost Participation policies and procedures will go into effect:  
[http://www.nj.gov/health/fhs/eis/documents/public\\_comment\\_response\\_1206.pdf](http://www.nj.gov/health/fhs/eis/documents/public_comment_response_1206.pdf)

The revised policies are online at:  
[http://www.nj.gov/health/fhs/eis/cost\\_participation.shtml](http://www.nj.gov/health/fhs/eis/cost_participation.shtml)  
If you do not have online access, please contact your service coordinator for a hard copy.

Prior to August 1, 2007, you must inform your NJEIS service coordinator about changes, if any, you want to make regarding the early intervention services you are receiving.

Pediatric Hydrocephalus Support Group  
1st Meeting: July 21 at 10 am.



Eden Institute's Outreach Division Presents: A Summer Training Series. Effective Home Strategies for Parents of Children with Autism: Preschool through Elementary yrs. July 25, 2007  
Princeton: 609-987-0099  
[joni.truch@edenservices.org](mailto:joni.truch@edenservices.org)

NJ Shore Tides of Change Walk Kick-Off BBQ - July 24, 2007 Point Pleasant Beach 6:30 - 8 pm  
Jenkinson's Inlet North, For more information contact Dina Schwab [www.autismwalk.org/njsnewjersey@autismspeaks.org](http://www.autismwalk.org/njsnewjersey@autismspeaks.org) 888-777-6227

**Parent-to-Parent CONNECTIONS — Bulletin Board**

If you're interested in connecting with other families in your area, send us your information and we'll post it in the next newsletter...tell us what you're looking for: playdates, specific diagnosis questions, Transition to Preschool or just someone else who is going through the Early Intervention process you are...let us help you get connected! Contact Joy at 973-256-8484 or email [www.joy@nreic.org](mailto:www.joy@nreic.org) for contact information on the following or to place a FREE ad:

⇒ Family in Englewood is looking for play dates for 2 1/2 year old son on the Autistic Spectrum (Ref. #CBB4)



*Notice herein of any workshop, seminar, conference, etc., not offered by the NREIC, does not constitute an endorsement of any specific methodology, organization, or opinion*



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## Helpful Hands, NREIC, Inc. 2007 Awards Nominations



**This year, we would like to honor individuals in our region who have made significant contributions to the field of Early Intervention.**

**We are seeking nominations for awards in the following categories:**

- ***Outstanding Contribution by a Community Member***
- ***Outstanding Contribution by a Family Member***
- ***Outstanding Contribution by a Service Coordinator/EI Provider Member***

**All awards will be presented at the Casino Night Fundraising Event on November 3, 2007 at the Bethwood, Totowa, NJ.**

### **Guidelines for making nominations:**

- o Complete the attached Awards Nomination Form. You may nominate in more than one category.

Use a separate sheet to indicate why you believe the nominee(s) are deserving of the award.

Consider areas such as public/community service, advocacy, teaching, research, clinical expertise, family/professional collaboration, family support, and service to professional organizations, for example.

Your nomination(s) may be submitted without the nominee's knowledge. However, the Award's Committee will inform all honorees prior to the Casino Night Event. The honorees will be offered a copy of their nomination letter(s) after the awards are presented.

**Please mail/fax nominations no later than July 31, 2007 to:  
Patti Ciccone, 65 Willowbrook Blvd., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Wayne, NJ 07470.  
Fax – 973-256-1233**

**Thank you for your participation! The NREIC is very excited about presenting these awards and honoring all those who work so hard to make Early Intervention in our region the best that it can be.**



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## Helpful Hands, NREIC, Inc. 2007 Awards Nomination Form

### **Outstanding Contribution by a Community Member**

Awarded to a community member who has exhibited outstanding service and dedication to the Early Intervention System and the NREIC. (Nominees may include but are not limited to community persons, corporate leaders, and political friends)

Name(s) of Nominee(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Position(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone: Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Outstanding Contribution by a Family Member**

Awarded to a family member who has exhibited outstanding service and dedication to the Early Intervention System and the NREIC.

Name(s) of Nominee(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone: Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Outstanding Contribution by a Service Coordinator/EI Practitioner**

Awarded to an early intervention practitioner who has exhibited outstanding expertise and/or achievement in or related to the delivery of service to children and families in the Early Intervention System and the NREIC.


Name(s) of Nominee(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Position(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone: Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Please use a separate sheet to indicate why you believe the nominee(s) are deserving of the award!



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**Audrey Wrobel**

**Mary Alice Rose-Wilfong**

**Willie Randolph**



**Thank  
You!**

# Directions to Helpful Hands, NREIC

## From Garden State Parkway, North and NJ Turnpike Exit 16W).

Take Route 3 West (Parkway Exit 153 left exit or Turnpike Exit 16W). Route 3 West merges with Route 46 West. After a couple of miles, follow signs for Route 46 West (exits from left). Take route 23 South (Verona) exit (must swing over to right lane for this exit) Follow directions below.

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## From Route 80 & 46

Coming from Rt. 80 East look for sign for 46 East ( just past where Rt. 80 and Rt. 280 split) Take Rt. 46 East to Rt. 23 South, Verona (approx. 6 miles from where you get off Rt. 80) Once on Rt. 23 South stay in right lane, go through two traffic lights (North Leg and Willowbrook Boulevard). Landmarks on right will be Wayne Towne Center and West Belt Plaza Mall. After the second light - directly past the Exxon Station, make a right at the Loews Theater sign. Follow the directions below.

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## From Route 23 North/Cedar Grove/Verona Area

At first light after leaving Little Falls turn left onto Willowbrook Boulevard (between the Exxon Station and Mobil Station). At next intersection, turn left onto the street between The Wiz and Loews Theater. Take next left. 65 Willowbrook Boulevard is the building across the Loews Theater, turn into the parking lot. Parking is available on any of the three levels. Do not park in any of the reserved spaces. Take the elevator to the 2nd Floor. We are the 4th office on the right side.

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65 Willowbrook Boulevard  
is the building across from the Loews Theater.

Turn into the parking lot.

Parking is available on any of the three levels.

Take the elevator to the 2nd Floor.

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