



Autism Society of Dallas 2006-2007 General and Self-Advocacy Meetings 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Location

<u>ODD Months:</u> Bachman Recreation Center 2750 Bachman Dallas, TX 75220	<u>EVEN Months:</u> Autism Treatment Center 10503 Metric Dr. Dallas, TX 75243	<u>Special Events:</u> *June: City Arts Festival No Meeting in July: join us in Phoenix for the ASA Conference July 11-14, 2007 www.autism-society.org
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Meetings

<u>Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2007</u> Bachman Rec. Center “Research Around the World” Dr. Carolyn Garver	<u>Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2007</u> Autism Treatment Center “Parent Panel” Diana Hadley - Facilitator	<u>Saturday, Mar. 31, 2007</u> West End Dallas “March For Respect” Register with the Autism Treatment Center Team
Tuesday, Apr. 17, 2007 Autism Treatment Center TBA Autism Awareness Month	<u>Monday, Apr. 23, 2007</u> TBA “Fathers Only!” Dr. Jim Ball	<u>Tuesday, May 15, 2007</u> Bachman Rec. Center “Sexuality” Dr. Marilyn Monteiro
<u>Tuesday, June 19, 2007</u> Autism Treatment Center “A Father’s Perspective” Barry Eggleston	*June 9-10, 2006 City Arts Festival Celebrating Art and Autism Dallas Arts District	*TBA June 2006 Wine and Cheese Gala Autism Art Show/Sale
*October 2006 <i>Kids Camp</i>	Contacts <u>Carolyn Garver</u> at 972-644-2076 or cgarver@atcoftexas.org <u>Rick Highfill</u> at 972-471-3515 or rhighfill@aol.com <u>Kathy Kelchner</u> at 972-286-8808 or kkelch@aol.com	

Child Care Reservations Call 972-286-8808 or email walvoordj@yahoo.com at least 48 hours before the meeting!

Self-Advocacy Meeting for Teens and Adults with Autism (Runs at same time as general meeting)

The Autism Society of Dallas is sponsoring a self-advocacy group for teens and adults with autism. Teens must be in 7th grade or above to participate. Adults with autism of any age are welcome. Participants will learn about their autism condition and its’ effect on their lives while developing a great appreciation for their individual gifts and talents. Self-knowledge and awareness is a key point in learning to advocate for one’s self.

The self-advocacy meetings will run at the same time as the chapter general meeting each month during the school year. The meetings will be held at the same location only in a different room. Self-advocates are invited to bring an object, book, picture or other item that represents their talents, gifts and interests. Pizza and soft drinks will be served. Please bring \$5 to cover the cost. Since the participants will engage in activities to develop a greater understanding of autism, it is important that they know they have this condition of autism prior to participating in the meetings. If you need help with this or have questions about it please call Kathy Kelchner at 972-286-8808.