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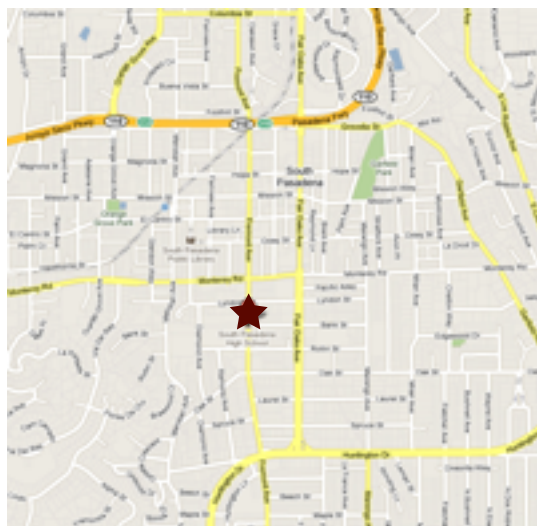Laura Kieffer and John Lesak

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Keynote Address by
Rick Clemens, M.A.

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 26, 2011
8 am - 12 noon

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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

SPEAKERS

Why Should I Attend?

Teachers, Administrators, Educators

- Network with other professionals from local school districts
- Increase collaboration in your community
- Learn about recent treatments, observations, and research
- Learn best practices for dealing with disruptive behavior in the classroom, including behavior of special needs students
- Learn how to better communicate with both students and parents
- Hear about what parents expect of teachers of special needs students
- Develop a general understanding of educational rights of your students

Parents and Family Members

- Connect with other parents and family members of special needs students in the community
- Have an opportunity to meet top professionals in the field and ask questions
- Gather information on early intervention and treatment options, adolescent issues, medication questions, adult issues and more
- Learn about your child educational rights
- Hear what teachers expect from parents of special needs kids

Topics and Themes

- Autism Speaks 100 Day Kit
- Behavior
- Communication
- Early Intervention
- Inclusion
- Legal Issues
- Medication
- Social Skills
- Transition to Adulthood

Rick Clemens, MA, has been involved in the integration and inclusion of children and adults with autism since 1985. Mr. Clemens has been a classroom teacher, educational consultant, inclusion and behavior specialist and social program coordinator. He is is the founder and director of IECP (Inclusive Education and Community Partnership), an NPA and Regional Center vendor that provides service to children with Autism in inclusive environments.

Frostig Center is dedicated to helping children with learning disabilities, and includes a day school for students with learning disabilities, a research department, and a training department.

Peter Gero, Ph.D., MFCC, is a teacher, former Tom Sawyer Camps director, and therapist with the Descanso Medical Center for Development and Learning.

Phillip Hain is the Executive Director of Autism Speaks' Los Angeles Chapter and the father of a teenager who has Asperger's Syndrome.

Brett Sevilla, MD, is a clinical instructor in the Department of Psychology and Biobehavioral Sciences at the UCLA School of Medicine. He is the medical director of Asian Pacific Counseling and Treatment Centers and is Board Certified in child, adolescent, and adult psychiatry.

Lupe Trevizo-Reinoso is the Regional Vice President at Easter Seals Southern California. Easter Seals offers a variety of services to help people with disabilities address life's challenges.

Mark Woodsmall is the founder of the Woodsmall Law Group in Pasadena and a parent of a child with autism. He also is an adjunct professor at USC Law, teaching Special Education and Disability Law. He is a frequent lecturer on parent's rights under the IDEA, Section 504 and the Lanterman Act.

Cassie Zupke is the mother of an ADD teen, a high functioning autistic teen, and a kid with one foot on the autism spectrum. She also founded and runs Open Doors Now and over the last six years has worked with hundreds of children, parents, and educators.

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