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*National Stuttering Association's 26th Annual Conference
and Research Symposium*

For Adults and Children Who Stutter, their Families and Professionals

2009

Conference and Research Symposium

July 8 – 12, 2009

Westin Kierland Resort & Spa
6902 E. Greenway Parkway
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
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Experience the sunny side of stuttering!

Register online for the conference at www.WeStutter.org (Click on Annual Conference)
Register online to book your hotel at <http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/nsastutter>



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Scottsdale, Arizona — July 8-12, 2009

Arizona...here we come!

There will be numerous things to look forward to, such as inspiring interactive workshops, motivational speakers, and countless opportunities to network with fellow stutterers and speech language pathologists. Not to mention the annual awards luncheon, auction, and closing banquet where after dinner you get to show your moves on the dance floor!

You will be educated, motivated, and challenged. If this is your first conference, you will experience an event unlike anything you have ever imagined. In many ways you may find these few days will be the "first" days of the rest of your life.

The Westin Kierland Resort & Spa reflects the cultural wealth of its surroundings. This beautiful resort is just a short walk from the Kierland shopping center, 38 acres of shops, boutiques, and restaurants.



If it gets too hot at the conference take some time and float through the 900-foot lazy river, play on the 110-foot waterslide, or experience old Arizona with a healing treatment at the Westin's renowned spa, Agave.

A surefire way to know the conference is upon us is to reflect on those great late nights at the hotel bar... laughing, chatting, and enjoying good company.



Enjoy a Westin Evening Ritual from 5:30pm - 7:30pm daily. Start your evening with a traditional mojito or muddle cocktail at Deseo. Surrender your senses to the tantalizing tastes of Nuevo Latino cuisine.

Conference Check-in and Registration hours start Wednesday afternoon (3-6 pm) Pick up your conference packet, get settled into your room and **get some rest to be ready for early Thursday activities beginning at 9:00 a.m.** and continuing morning, noon and night throughout the entire weekend.

SLP INFORMATION

This year we will be offering up to 1.3 CEUs for attending the conference, so you will be able to earn more CEUs than ever before. In addition, we will also provide a CEU specific seminar that highlights successful treatment strategies presented by a nationally recognized expert in stuttering.

ADDITIONAL CEU INFORMATION

July 8th, 4:00pm—7:00pm
Stuttering: Common Factors and Principles of Therapeutic Change
Presenter: Walt Manning, Ph.D.

Going Once. Going Twice. Sold.

Those simple words can mean only one thing---it's time to talk about the NSA auction. The LIVE auction is one our largest fundraisers as well as a conference ritual. So when you pack, don't forget your credit cards. (Just a little NSA humor.)

Even better, we're pleased to tell you that our Silent Auction, for smaller items, will return to the conference. It's another chance to bid on exciting treasures and help the NSA at the same time. Talk about a win-win situation.

Want to help? We thought so. The NSA is now collecting items for both auctions. Items of interest include: sports memorabilia, electronics, art, jewelry, and more. If you have any questions about the auction, items, or anything else, feel free to e-mail us at info@WeStutter.org or call us at 800-WeStutter (800-937-8888).

FAMILY/YOUTH

We are excited to bring you three days of activities during the conference beginning at 8:30 am on Thursday. The **Family Orientation Workshop** will familiarize you with the conference schedule while giving you a chance to become acquainted with the Family Programs staff, the **Teen Advisory Council** and other families.

SUPPORT GROUP LEADER TRAINING

Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. This year's program is being designed as an open forum with discussion groups on leadership development, chapter growth and more. Plan now to attend.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Need help getting to the conference this year? Due to the generosity of corporate sponsors and many of our members, we are pleased to announce that scholarships are available once again to provide financial assistance for adults/families who would like to attend our annual conference. If you would like more information regarding scholarships please tell us why at tflores@WeStutter.org.

Speech therapists are also asked to email us to help identify families who would benefit from this assistance.

NSA is very grateful to the generosity of many individuals and companies, which allows us to offer this financial help. If you or your company would like to make a donation, please email us at tflores@WeStutter.org for more information.

Don't Miss!

Research Symposium
Thursday, July 9, 2009
10:00—12:30 (see next page for information)

Reservation and Travel Information

Westin Kierland Resort & Spa

6902 E Greenway Parkway, Scottsdale, AZ 85254

SPECIAL NSA room rates: \$139 Single/Double/Triple/Quad Occupancy + tax

Make your hotel reservations on line with Westin NOW! Be sure to mention NSA for our great rate.

Call, write, fax or email the hotel at: 480-624-1000 or 800-354-5892

Online Reservations available at:

<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/nsastutter> ~ **Cut off for this great rate is June 18th.**

Rooms are very limited in the summer. *If sharing a room, request a double room and please give the name of all parties staying in the room. This will help decrease the likelihood of double booking.* Need a roommate? Please complete Roommate Profile on reverse side [Don't hesitate. Reserve your room now!](#)

Traveling to Scottsdale, Arizona: Internet travel sites such as Travelocity, Orbitz and Expedia are out there so pick your favorite and make your reservations early! The nearest airport is Phoenix Sky Harbor (PHX). The hotel is located 20 minutes away by taxi or shuttle. Be sure to try and fly in before 4:00pm or after 7:00 pm—that way you won't get caught in traffic.

Driving to Scottsdale, Arizona - Easy access is available via Interstates 10/60/101/202 (**Parking is FREE**). If you are a member of AAA, you can get a **free** Triptik (a personalized driving guide).

Super Shuttle: We have made it as easy as possible for you this year and have secured a great deal with Super Shuttle. Once you have landed proceed down to baggage claim, proceed to the outer island marked "Van Service" and you are on your way. Be sure to book online to receive the \$4 discount—Roundtrip shuttle to/from Phoenix Sky Harbor airport—\$36 per person <http://www.supershuttle.com/Coupons/PHX/NSA2009.pdf>

NOTE If there are more than 5 people in the group you can get an exclusive fare, so it could be extremely cheap. Call your friends, check with your chapter members, look online at the NSA conference list serve.**

NSA Charity Golf Tournament

Friday, July 10, 2009



Imagine: Emerald green fairways are etched into golden-colored desert grasses, sweeping over constantly changing elevations to flawless tif-eagle grass greens. And as you tee up, you realize you are about to experience 18 holes of exceptional challenge and flawless beauty. And what's even better, you are supporting the NSA! Regardless of how you play, you're among friends. Golf Rate includes green fee, air conditioned golf carts, range balls, divot tool, and yardage book.

~**Where:** Westin Kierland Resort & Spa ~6:45 **Registration** (Continental Breakfast)

~ 7:30 **Shotgun Start** Scramble Format ~11:30 **Lunch** after golf ~ along with awards ceremony

Cost: Early bird special before 5/1/09 \$125 ~ Regular fee \$160

For more information about the tournament and how you can be a sponsor, contact Tammy Flores at tflores@westutter.org or 800-937-8888.

NSA Research Symposium - Thursday, July 9, 2009 (10:00AM- 12:30PM)

The NSA is excited to announce that in response to our members' request for more information regarding research about stuttering, we have expanded our annual conference to include an annual NSA Research Symposium, at no additional cost to our members. The focus of this session will be to get scientific information on the treatment of stuttering directly to our membership, not from the internet or other less reputable sources.

This year's NSA Research Symposium will focus on pharmaceuticals, genetics, fluency devices, behavioral therapy, and concomitance. You will now have the chance to hear from some of the nations' leading experts and become informed about the latest developments in stuttering research.

Family/Youth Program

Parents who have experienced the NSA conference have said they wish they had known about us years before. This is a rare chance to meet face to face with other parents of children who stutter, adults who stutter and some of the most outstanding stuttering specialists in the world. Come, listen, learn, ask questions and share stories with others! Parents are encouraged to bring children who stutter (ages 7 and older).



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Parents... You are finally here at the NSA conference! You planned, scrambled and travelled all the way here and that was hard work enough. You deserve to take some time to relax, mingle, and meet other adults who stutter or parents while the NSA staff entertains your kids. For the first time, we are offering to babysit on Wednesday night from 6:00 -9:00pm. We will have a secure room for your kids to stay with experienced, background checked NSA staff babysitting. We will have games including Wii and cartoons with juice and popcorn. ~\$10 per child

Email us at info@westutter.org and let us know if you will be taking advantage of this amenity so that we can staff accordingly.

Thursday Night Welcome Reception and Karaoke

An evening full of fun and enlightenment. Come meet your fellow conference attendees as we kick off the 26th Annual NSA Conference! Light hors d'oeuvres, cash bar. This **IS NOT** dinner—this is appetizers and finger foods. And don't forget about Karaoke ~

Friday—13th Annual Awards Luncheon (Pre-paid event! ticket required)

Forget Charlize, Denzel, Halle, and Meryl... the REAL winners will be announced at the 13th Annual NSA Awards Luncheon! Be the first to find out which of your NSA friends will be the new Member of the Year, Chapter Leader of the Year, Chapter of the Year, Parent of the Year, Special Youth Recognition, Regional Coordinator of the Year, and Speech Language Pathologist of the Year. Join your friends to have lunch and cheer the winners!

Choice of sandwiches are Turkey on whole wheat, Ham on sour dough or roll Grilled Vegetable Wrap. All lunches come with a couscous salad, fruit, cookie and soft drink. Please be certain to specify your meal selection on the registration form. **Tickets are \$22**

Masters of Ceremonies are Beth Bienvenu, a member of the Rockville, MD, chapter and Madison Garcia.

Saturday Night Banquet & Dance (Pre-paid event! Ticket required)

Come together to close NSA 2009 with dinner, a live auction and dancing. Dress up for a wonderful dinner with friends and then kick off your shoes and dance the night away. Please choose your dinner selection from the list below. Then check it off on the registration form enclosed.

All dinners include: Hearts of Romaine salad, Main Entrée, dinner rolls, Fresh Berry Cheesecake and Starbucks coffee.

Adult Banquet Selections: Select one per person (\$38.00 each)

1. Pomegranate-Glazed Chicken Breast with Wild Rice Pilaf
2. Herb-Roasted Seabass with *white beans, various vegetables and herbs, slowly simmered*
3. Roasted Vegetable strudel

Youth Meal:

1. Chicken fingers with fries, fruit kabob and cheesecake \$22

Registration Information

Choose to attend special event such as: Awards luncheon, Saturday night banquet, and tours described in this brochure. Mark your selections on the registration form, total the cost along with your registration fee and send it in. Your conference fee will be based on the date you register. Save money by registering early! **You can also register online at www.WeStutter.org click on Annual Conference on the left hand side.**

Adult Registration Fee: *This is for all adults who stutter, their family, friends, and professionals. Fee includes: Conference materials, workshops, general sessions and Thursday Night Opening Celebration (hors d'oeuvres). **Tours, awards luncheon, and banquet are not included in this fee.***

Family Registration Fee: (Special 3-day family package \$165 for entire family before 3/31/2009)

*This is for children who stutter and their families. Fee includes: Conference materials, family orientation, workshops, general sessions, and Thursday Night Opening Celebration (hors d'oeuvres). **Tours, awards luncheon, and banquet are not included in this fee.***

Tours—Space is limited register EARLY!

We have a great selection of tours this year for you to select from. Many of them are available on a first come basis. There will be **NO** onsite tour sales so book yours now! Use this worksheet to select the tours you want, then check them off on the registration sheet included. Pre-payment is required for all tours. All sales are final. Questions? Call the National office, email us at info@WeStutter.org or visit our web site at www.WeStutter.org.

Wednesday—Everybody is heading to the pool for an NSA pool party. If you aren't in the mood to head to the pool grab a group of friends and take a stroll over to Kierland Commons for a little shopping or dinner.

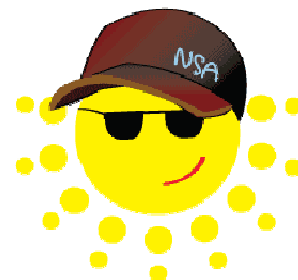
Friday — *Starry Night Safari at Phoenix Zoo—Get Out of the Heat and into the Wild!*

Cool Friday night fun for the whole family including water slides; Wild About Animals show; Zoo rides including the Safari Train, camel and the Endangered Species Carousel. Viewing opportunities outside of the Arizona Trail include: giraffe, Watusi, zebra, Monkey Village, orangutan exhibit, flamingo and the otters. \$15 per person/\$8 per child

Friday — *Night Lights on the Desert*—On this twilight tour you'll have the unusual opportunity to view Frank Lloyd Wright's desert masterpiece in a nighttime setting. In the evening the site assumes a luminous, jewel-like quality. The desert masonry structures lighted from within appear as sculptures, the fire-breathing dragon is lit, and the lights from the valley below create a dramatic, romantic setting. The tour includes everything on the Insights Tour plus light refreshments. As Taliesin West is set high above the valley, sunset provides an entirely new perspective as the stone structures take on an artistic quality and the shimmering lights from the city below dance dreamily across the pavilions and patios that surround the buildings. Bus leaves at 6:45 - \$52.00 per person (limited to 30 people)

Friday — *Diamondbacks vs. Florida Marlins* -Check out the Arizona Diamondbacks as they go up against the Florida Marlins. For those hot summer games, Chase Field is air conditioned and cools the ballpark in less time than most systems, which allows for the roof to remain open longer during the day time. In nearly a quarter mile of concession stand area, fans can order nearly any kind of food imaginable. In addition to standard ballpark fare offered at many stands, fans can order from Peter Piper Pizza, Blimpie's Subs, Garcia's Mexican food, Panda Express Chinese cuisine and more. One of the more unique stands is Big Dawgs, where fans can order grilled foot-long hot dogs topped with all sorts of items, such as French fries, chili and cole slaw Transportation included. 6:40 game—Section 108, Bullpen reserve ****Bus will leave hotel at 5:00 to give you plenty of time to walk around and return when game ends. \$30.00

Friday — *Grab a group of friends* (sign up sheet located at registration table) and take a short walk over to Kierland Commons, where you will find everything you can imagine. If you're hungry you have many options - Morton's Steakhouse, PF Changs, Tommy Bahamas, The Green House, Sushi, Cheesecake Factory, Bobby's (Italian) restaurant and jazz Lounge, then to satisfy your sweet tooth check out Cold Stone Creamery or Starbucks. If you are in the mood for the bar scene O Bar is the local hot spot. Or you could head back to the Westin and mingle with your NSA friends. This is the perfect choice for anyone who doesn't want a guided tour and it's a great way to enjoy the local sights and sounds. FREE



NSA 2009 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Mail your registration form to National Stuttering Association, 119 W 40th Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10018. Fax to 212-944-8244. This form is also available on our web site at www.WeStutter.org.

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____ Email: _____

Check all that apply:

- I am a person who stutters.
 We are a family attending together (please register below using the 3-day Family package)
 I am a Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP). Or I am a student Speech-Language Pathology
 I am under 18 years old.
 I am interested in volunteering at the conference. (Please complete Volunteer Profile on reverse side)
 I would like to join/renew with the NSA. (Please include \$40 membership/renewal fee)
 I am a chapter leader. (Indicate chapter: _____)
 I have **not** attended an NSA Conference before.
 I need a roommate (Please complete Roommate Profile on reverse side)

Additional Family Members Attending:

Name _____ Relationship _____ Age if child under 18 _____

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REGISTRATION

Early Registration: On or before March 31, 2009

NSA Member - \$125 Non-member - \$149

Regular Registration: After March 31, 2009

NSA Member - \$135 Non-member - \$159

Late Registration: After May 1, 2009

NSA member - \$145 Non-member - \$169

Speech Language Pathologist

(Session listed below included in registration ~ also, if coming w/a group of 7 or more take \$15 off the price)

NSA member - \$189 after 3/31—\$205

Special 3-Day Family Package (entire family)

Regular Registration \$165 After 3/31 \$180

Spouse/Guest Adult Registration/One Day pass

NSA member - \$50 Non-member - \$60

Student/Low Income Registration

NSA member - \$55 Non-member - \$70

Continuing Education Seminar (0.3 CEU's offered) If you are attending this session only price is below:

Wednesday 4:00pm – 7:00pm - Walt Manning, Ph.D.

Topic ~ Stuttering: Common Factors and Principles of Therapeutic Change

SLP Price \$40 Student/NSA Price \$20

EVENTS

Wednesday—head down to the pool and unwind with other NSA'ers or take a stroll over to Kierland Commons

Yes, I need a babysitter \$10 per child— Age of child _____

Friday— 13th Annual NSA Award Luncheon - \$22 Turkey Ham Yes, I need a vegetarian lunch

Friday—Baseball game (Diamondbacks vs. Florida Marlins) \$30 per person _____ how many people

Friday—Frank Lloyd Wright tour \$52 per person _____ how many people

Friday—Starry Night Safari @ Phoenix Zoo \$15 Adult \$8 children

Friday—Grab a group of friends and take a stroll over to Kierland Commons (sign up sheet at registration table)

Saturday Adult Banquet : \$38 Pomegranate Glazed Chicken Breast Herb Roasted Seabass Roasted Vegetable Strudel

Saturday Youth Banquet: \$22 Chicken fingers, Mac & Cheese, desert

METHOD OF PAYMENT

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Check Visa MasterCard
 Card Number _____/_____/_____/_____ Exp Date ____/____
 Cardholder Name (please print) _____
 Signature _____
 Subtotal \$ _____ Renew my membership \$ _____ I want to join \$ _____
 Other Donation \$ _____ Total \$ _____

Volunteer Profile

Get involved, have fun, meet people and be a part of the conference team!

Please provide information about the volunteer:

Name _____ Age if under 18 ____

Check all volunteer activities in which you are interested:

<input type="checkbox"/>	NSA Store	<input type="checkbox"/>	Live Auction
<input type="checkbox"/>	Open Microphone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Silent Auction
<input type="checkbox"/>	Info table	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Please specify: _____)

Check all time slots that you are available to volunteer. Please take into account your arrival and departure times, presentations you may be giving, tours and other activities you don't want to miss. Working shifts are two (2) hours long.

Roommate Profile

Please book your hotel room now and request two beds. We will be in touch soon.

If you need a roommate, please fill out the simple form below. The NSA office will contact you by June 9, 2009 with your roommate information. The NSA is not responsible for compatibility of roommate selected. We will do our best to make a suitable match for you. Filling out this form does not guarantee a roommate. If you find a roommate before we contact you, please let us know so we can remove you from the roommate request list.

Arrival Date: _____

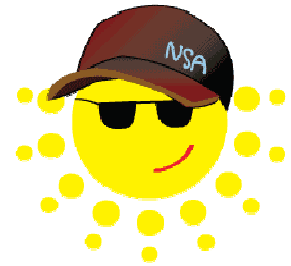
Departure Date: _____

Smoking Room: Yes No

How many roommates (not including yourself): 1 2 3



Some highlights you don't want to miss



Wednesday: Continuing Education Seminar

Dr. Walt Manning ~ CEU 4:00—7:00

Thursday: Research Symposium 10:00—12:30pm, Youth/Family program

begins 8:30am, Workshops begins, Chapter leader meeting, Opening Ceremonies, CEUs offered throughout the weekend, First timers workshop (a must for all first timers) and don't forget Karaoke directly following the opening reception

Friday: Diamondbacks vs. Marlins, Keynote speakers, Golf Tournament, Awards luncheon, Pool party, Friday night tours.

Saturday: Keynote speech, Closing Ceremonies, Silent Auction ends, Banquet and Live Auction—Dance the night away with all your new and old friends.

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