



Autism Network International

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# Autreat 2010

*“Living Life the Autly Way”*

June 28 – July 2, 2010  
(4 p.m. Monday to 2 p.m. Friday)

**Bradford, Pennsylvania**

## How Autreat is different from typical autism conferences

Typical autism conferences are *about* autistic people, but are primarily *for* the benefit of researchers, service providers, or families. Autreat is an opportunity for autistic people and those with related developmental differences, our friends, and supporters to come together, discover and explore autistic connections, and develop advocacy skills, all in an autistic-friendly environment. Family members and professionals are welcome to attend, but the structure and content of this event are determined by the interests and sensibilities of autistic people.

Things you will *not* find at Autreat:

- Crowded, noisy hotel or conference center
- Exhausting, intensive schedule
- Inescapable sensory bombardment
- Pressure to interact if you don't want to
- Focus on "celebrities"
- Focus on causes, cures, or ways to make us more normal

Things you *will* find at Autreat:

- Small college campus with plenty of outdoor space to get away and be alone or with friends.
- Smoke-free, perfume-free environment
- Opportunity to explore autistic social contacts, if desired
- Respect for the choice to be left alone, if preferred
- Focus on positive aspects of autism
- Child care for autistic and non-autistic children
- Four days of continuous immersion in an autistic-friendly environment

## For more information...

ANI can provide information about transportation to Bradford from the Buffalo airport, train and bus stations, and about pre-Autreat lodging for people who need to arrive before Monday to get lower airline fares. Check the web site or contact ANI for details.

For additional information on Autreat 2010:

Email [registration@autreat.com](mailto:registration@autreat.com)

Phone 315-476-2462 (leave message)


or for ongoing Autreat updates and discussion online, join:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/autreatinfo>

For general Autreat information via Internet, check out our web site:

<http://www.autreat.com>

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 **The SU Center on Human Policy, Law, and Disability Studies**  
for its sponsorship and support of Autreat



Autreat is a retreat-style conference run by autistic people, for autistic people and our friends.



Autreat focuses on positive living with autism, NOT on causes, cures, or ways to make us more normal.





## REGISTRATION FORM AND FEES

All sums are in U.S. dollars. Early registration discount: If you register before June 1, 2010, we offer a discount of \$10/person (or \$3 per day). Please subtract the amount on your registration form. **Full registration** includes lodging Monday through Thursday nights, and meals from Monday supper through Friday lunch. Fees for adults and youth include a refundable room key deposit of \$25. Fees for children do not include key deposits. If you want your child to have his/her own room key, add \$25 for the key deposit.

FEE CATEGORY—FULL REGISTRATION	ANI member	Non-member
<b>A Adults with full-time jobs<sup>(1)</sup></b>	\$471	\$491
<b>B Adults without full-time jobs</b>	416	436
<b>C Youth 12-17<sup>(2)</sup></b>	416	436
<b>D Children 6-11<sup>(2)</sup></b>	268	288
<b>E Children under 6, with bed<sup>(2,3)</sup></b>	205	225
<b>F Children under 6, without bed<sup>(2,3)</sup></b>	105	115
<b>G Adults living on disability or public assistance</b>	271	291
<b>H Full-time/on-call support people<sup>(4)</sup></b>	251	271

**Note 1:** We realize that not all full-time jobs are high paying. If you have a full-time job but can't afford this rate, add a note explaining this, and you may register at the rate for adults without full-time jobs.

**Note 2:** The rate for children and teens includes a daytime activity program for children under 18. Staff:child ratio is approximately 1:6. If your child needs more support than this, please make your own arrangements for an aide.

**Note 3:** For children under age 6, families may bring their own portable cribs or cots, so a young child can sleep in the same room with two other family members. In that case, the child would be charged the Category F rate. If the child is sharing the room with only one other family member, Category E applies.

**Note 4:** This rate is for people who are attending Autreat for the purpose of providing support for a disabled person who could not otherwise participate without assistance. Examples are personal care attendants for adults and 1:1 aides for children.

**Work Shift Rebate**—Adults and teens paying for the full 4 days, meals, and overnights may earn a \$20 work rebate. Pay the full cost when registering. The rebate will be given upon completion of a work shift during Autreat. Full-time support people are not eligible for work shift rebates; their rate is set \$20 lower than anyone else's because we don't expect them to have time to do a work shift while also providing full-time support for another person.

**ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND AUTREAT. REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 15, 2010**

Please fill in this form, and send it together with payment, in US dollars, to: **Autism Network International, P.O. Box 35448, Syracuse, NY 13235-5448, USA**  
Please list names of all family members who will attend, and ages of any children under 18.

Name	Age (If under 18)	Days attending (Specify which days, or write "All")	Fee category (A-H, see above)	Special requests (Days only, no meals, camping etc.)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State or Province/Zip or postal code \_\_\_\_\_

Country \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (evening) \_\_\_\_\_

ANI member household?  yes  no (If one person in the household is an ANI member, *everyone* in the household is eligible for the ANI member rate.)

If no, would you like to join?  Add \$15 (for residents of United States, Canada, or Mexico) or \$20 (for all other countries) to total. If you join when you register, you can register at the ANI member rate.

Optional additional donation \_\_\_\_\_ (This will be used for scholarships and Autreat program enhancement.)

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

If alternate materials format is needed, please indicate: Braille  Large Print  Tape  Disk

If wheelchair accessible lodging is needed, please indicate: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any other accessibility needs, please indicate them on an additional sheet.

Upon receipt of your registration, you will be sent a packet containing additional information including directions, a map to the campus, and menu information.

## Program

### PRESENTATIONS

We have an exciting lineup of presentations on a variety of subjects of interest to the Autistic community, including bullying, prejudice, local advocacy, and more. Check our web site for detailed presentation information.



### OPTIONAL CERTIFICATE TRACKS

You may earn a certificate by attending a group of seven presentations chosen to reflect a certain theme. Certificates that will be offered this year: Advocacy, Autistic Living and Professional Development.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

Autreat has been approved to offer Continuing Education Units through University College, Syracuse University.

### RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Indoor pool, game room, outdoor sports facilities



**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND:** African drumming and dancing with Larry Lott.

## A special note about social interactions

For some ANI members, meeting other autistic people and having a chance to socialize with others like ourselves is an exciting and wonderful experience. Others are not interested in social contacts and may come to this event just for the presentations. Some of us are interested in socializing some, but need to be able to take time out from interacting. Autreat is meant to provide opportunity, but not pressure, for social interactions.



## Facility

Autreat is held at the Bradford, Pennsylvania campus of University of Pittsburgh, approximately 80 miles from the nearest major airport in Buffalo, New York. The campus has plenty of open space for walking, recreation, and enjoying the outdoors. Lodging is in air-conditioned apartments with small kitchenettes. Private bedrooms are available at an extra cost and as space allows. Facilities are wheelchair-accessible.

### Room Options

Standard room: single bed in a 2-bed room, with one roommate (included with registration, no extra fee).

Option for couples: queen-size bed instead of two single beds (no extra fee, just indicate preference on registration form).



Private room: standard room with 2 single beds, but no roommate (add \$25 per night); private room with queen-size bed and private bathroom (add \$40 per night).

### Partial Registration Options

Check the Autreat web site or contact ANI for fee information for days-only registration, for registration without meals, or for on-site camping.



## If you need personal assistance

**ANI is not able to provide personal assistance for people who need help caring for themselves or participating in this program.** If you need help with self-care, communication, orientation, or behavior management, please make your own arrangements to have someone with you to assist you. **Contact ANI or check our web site for more information about this policy.**