



# Connecting the Pieces

serving families along the gulf coast

## A Glittering Gala to Help “Connect the Pieces”



Autism Pensacola is pleased to announce that Pensacola’s new strong mayor and his wife, Ashton and An Hayward, will be hosting our 8th annual “Connecting the Pieces” Gala dinner. This event is Autism Pensacola’s signature fundraiser, raising money for our summer learning lab, Kids for Camp.

An Hayward had the opportunity to visit Kids for Camp last summer to witness firsthand the impact that donations to this program have on our children. After her visit, she was moved to

tears by API’s “amazing, one-of-a-kind program.” She said, “They were tears of joy, the joy of knowing that so many lovely children were benefitting from this wonderful camp.” The Haywards, who have a young son, say they understand what it’s like to want the best for your child. Parents of children with autism are no different, and in Pensacola that means Kids for Camp!

This year’s event will be held on Wednesday, April 20, at the beautiful waterfront facility, Sanders Beach-Corrine Jones Community Center. The festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m. with cocktail hour, followed by a delicious meal and live auction. David Penniman, owner and head chef of Classic City Catering, is already hard at work organizing an amazing meal that will be prepared by some of the finest chefs in the Pensacola area. If last year’s dinner is any indication, Gala attendees are in for a real treat!

The Haywards have been working with the fundraising committee, chaired by Kevin and Jenny Doyle, to solicit live auction donations

and table sponsorships for the Gala. Table sponsorships bring many perks, including a Sponsors Preview Party. To view all sponsorship benefits, please visit our website at [www.autismpensacola.org](http://www.autismpensacola.org). Sponsorship levels are as follows: Platinum: \$10,000; Gold: \$5,000; Silver: \$2,500. Individual tickets, if available, are \$125.

With this year’s Gala on a weekday, dress for the event is business or cocktail attire. A variety of silent auction items will be out for bids during the cocktail hour. The live auction will begin at the start of dinner. Previous live auction items have included trips to Wine Country in California and weekends in New York City. Buzz around this year’s offerings is high!

If you are interested in sponsoring a table or helping to solicit donations for the auctions, please contact Susan Byram at 450-0656 or email [info@autismpensacola.org](mailto:info@autismpensacola.org). More information can be found on our website, [www.autismpensacola.org](http://www.autismpensacola.org).

Sanders Beach Community Center is located at 913 South I Street.

## New program at Kids for Camp!

In our continuing effort to meet the needs of those living with autism in the Greater Pensacola community, Autism Pensacola’s Kids for Camp is offering a new program dedicated to helping families with young children on the spectrum. This program is designed for both the parent and child, ages 2-3. A collaborative effort between Kids for Camp and Sacred Heart’s Autism Center, this course is designed to give parents the knowledge and skills that will help them become their child’s first and best teacher.

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## Let’s Get Cookin’!

Last spring our Grandparents of Autism Pensacola (GAP) presented an idea to our Council. Their plan was to collect recipes and create a cookbook to raise funds for API. Over the past year, recipes have been collected from friends and families not only in our local area, but from all across the country. Through the generosity of all these wonderful people, Autism Pensacola’s new cookbook, Let’s Get Cookin’!, is now available! Each book contains a collection of 200 recipes – ranging from appetizers to desserts and everything in between. These books will make wonderful gifts for any occasion – Mother’s Day, teacher appreciation, birthdays, or “just because.” What a fun way to spread awareness!

Volunteers are now needed to support our marketing plan. If you know of a business that would be willing to offer us space during the

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## From the director's desk



As 2011 begins, we welcome new officers to Autism Pensacola's Board of Directors. We would like to say a huge thank you to Ted Kirchharr who has agreed to serve as president and to Sandra Cesaretti-Ray who is our new secretary. We also appreciate the continued service of Kevin Doyle as Vice President and Mort O'Sullivan as treasurer. Quint Studer now becomes our past president.

I want to share with you some of the things Quint Studer has done for Autism Pensacola. Our relationship with Quint began in 2006 when he spoke at our 3rd Gala. I still remember the passion with which he spoke of the importance of making a difference. After our 2007 Gala, he and his wife, Rishy, committed to creating a position at Sacred Heart Hospital to train area teachers on best practices in autism. Throughout his time as president, he has given me many hours of his time coaching and guiding me as I learn to run the business of API.

Quint has taught me that outcomes matter. Autism Pensacola can show you the results we produce at camp every year. Through our coaching sessions, Quint has shared with me his system of leadership evaluation. This system features objective goals that are measurable and aligned with the goals of Autism Pensacola.

Quint has taught me the importance of 'top box' quality. When asked to rate satisfaction, it is fairly common to get a 'good' rating, but it is a huge step to get the top box or 'great' rating. We are in the process

of doing what it takes at API to move from good to great.

Quint has taught me that you can never say 'Thank you' too much. And with that in mind, I try to remember to say thank you to our donors, our many volunteers, and our community for all their support. And, thank you, Quint, for your years of service and support to API and the entire autism community. All we have to do to see your impact is look at the Autism Resource Center at Sacred Heart Hospital, the high quality of Kids for Camp, and the outstanding reputation of our organization. From founding the Autism Resource Center at Sacred Heart Hospital to coaching me and sharing the resources of the amazing folks at Studer Group, Quint's impact has played a major role in making API what we are today! Thank you for your caring - and thank you that you continue to be a part of API as our past president!

*Susan Byram*

## Great Resource! Check out Autism Spectrum Disorder Foundation

<http://www.autismspectrumdisorderfoundation.org>

This great website features resources on screening tools for detecting autism, FAQs, general information on all aspects of the spectrum and first responder training. The ASDF supports special programs, camps, swimming, and other therapy.

We are pleased to announce that Kids for Camp has received a grant from The Autism Spectrum Disorder Foundation.

Our heartfelt thanks to these new friends!

### API Council

Susan Byram, Executive Director  
 Jessica Lapen, Council Chairperson  
 Beth Plant, Recording Secretary  
 Tammy Mendiola, Newsletter Editor  
 Jenny Doyle, Grants & Dinner  
 Joan Harbuck, GAP  
 Anita McGirt, Chats  
 Jacqui O'Connell, Webmaster  
 Rebecca Sterzing, Programs

Everyone is welcome to attend council meetings and find their own place to serve. We have a variety of committees where you can make a difference.

Email [info@autismpensacola.org](mailto:info@autismpensacola.org) for information on council needs.

### 2010 API Board of Directors

Judy Burns	Rebecca Sterzing
Shirley Cronley	Joe Story
Gerald Hoewing	Sue Straughn
Cate Merrill	Dr. Dave Suhrbier
Cecilia Nanni	Bentina Terry
Mark Proctor	Joe Webb
Debbie Ritchie	Dr. Kevin Welch
Jim Shirley	

Susan Byram - Executive Director

### 2010 API Executive Committee

Ted Kirchharr, President	Logan Fink
Kevin Doyle, Vice President	Fred Donovan
Sandra Cesaretti Ray, Secretary	Peg Nickelsen
Mort O'Sullivan, Treasurer	Bonnie Sferes
Quint Studer, Past President	

# Meet Our Board of Directors

In an effort to acquaint API members with the leadership of our organization, we will be featuring short introductions to our board members over the course of several newsletters. This month, we are featuring our Class of 2011.

**Cecilia Nanni** is a Private Banker Vice President for Regions Bank. She is a Pensacola native with three adult children and two grandchildren. Ms. Nanni has served on our Board of Directors since April 2010, when she was asked to complete the term of a resigning board member. While she has no personal connection to autism, she has had family members with special needs, and she hopes to learn and contribute as much as possible through her service to this organization. She is enjoying her time on the board and is very impressed with the mission of Autism Pensacola and the impact it has had on families living with autism.



Cecilia Nanni

**Rebecca Sterzing** is a critical care nurse at West Florida Hospital.



Rebecca Sterzing  
& Matthew

In 2001, she and her husband, Duane, were blessed with a son they named Matthew. In 2003, after a period of regression and lost language, Matthew was diagnosed with autism. After receiving the diagnosis, the Sterzings attended their first Autism Pensacola meeting where they met some wonderful parents who offered support and helped them navigate through this challenging and mysterious world. When asked to be on our Board of Directors, Mrs. Sterzing was honored to serve. Her hope

is to bring the voice of parents to the board meetings, and she welcomes parental input regarding any issues and concerns.

**Sue Straughn** is a News Anchor, Public Affairs Director, and Producer for WEAR-TV. She is a Pensacola native who has served on our Board of Directors since 2006. While she has no personal connection to autism, she has several friends who have children living with autism. Ms. Straughn believes that there is much to be done to further our understanding of this disorder. While working toward that end, she feels that it is important to help families acquire the best services for their children.



Sue Straughn

**Bentina Terry** is the Vice President of External Affairs and Corporate Services for Gulf Power. She and her husband, Antonio, have lived in Pensacola for 4 years with their two dogs, Bubba and Rock. Ms. Terry has served on our Board of Directors for 2 years. She has many friends that have children and grandchildren living with autism, and the passion of these friends influenced her decision to join our organization. Through her service, she hopes to improve awareness and conditions for children with autism. She is pleased to be involved with an organization that is really doing something to improve the lives of families living with autism.



Bentina Terry



Joe Webb

**Joe Webb** is the Owner and Vice President of Marketing and Sales for Formsystems, Inc., a marketing, printing, and promotional products company in Pensacola. He and his wife, Karen are Pensacola natives. They have two adult sons, Jodie and Kevin, and two grandchildren, Joseph and Ella. Mr. Webb has served on our Board of Directors for 3 years. He contributes to our mission by speaking to civic organizations and church groups about the challenges faced by families living with autism. He is pleased to be a part of this organization dedicated to improving lives and providing hope.

**Dr. Kevin Welch** is a dermatologist at the Medical Center Clinic. He and his wife, Capri, have lived in the Pensacola area for 15 years. They have two children, William and Vanessa. While autism has not touched their family personally, a good friend of their family has a son with autism. Dr. Welch has served on our Board of Directors for 3 years. He sees his service on our board as a good chance to address a growing need in our society and to make Pensacola a better city.



Dr. Kevin Welch

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The class will run during Kids for Camp, from June 27 through July 21. There are two options available for families: Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The parents will work together with Kids for Camp's highly trained staff, learning effective skills for interacting with their child in a variety of settings. There will be both classroom instruction and community outings planned each week. This will give both parent and child an opportunity to practice the skills they learn.

To maintain a high level of quality instruction, there are a limited number of slots available for this class. To apply for this opportunity, go to API's website at [www.autismpensacola.org](http://www.autismpensacola.org), click on the camp tab and scroll down to the Early Childhood Application.

If you have questions, please contact Jessica Lapen at [camp@autismpensacola.org](mailto:camp@autismpensacola.org).

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month of April, let us know! If you would like to take some books to sell at church, school, the office, or anywhere else, let us know!

Cookbooks are currently being sold at a special "early bird" price of \$8.00 each. This price will increase to the regular price of \$10.00 on March 1. You may purchase your cookbooks at any API event. You may also contact Susan Byram at 450-0656 to schedule a time to pick up cookbooks at the API office. Everyone can support this project and make this fundraiser a great success!

## API Council Needs You!

Volunteers are the heart of Autism Pensacola. Without volunteers, none of the events our families enjoy would be possible. Monthly chats, evening meetings, the resource fair, Christmas party, spring picnic, and fall festival are just some of the events that would disappear if it weren't for the dedication and hard work of our volunteers. There are so many things that come about because volunteers step up and make them happen. These parents, community partners, and friends come together at API's Council meetings. Council is dedicated to educating, advocating, networking, and providing hope for families affected by autism.

Want to get involved? Find your place at Council! Here are some of the teams that could use your help:

- **Social events team:** Organize and help publicize social events for families; work in close contact with our Executive Director.
- **Programs team:** API holds monthly evening meetings throughout the year to keep parents informed on what's happening in the community, in relation to autism. Volunteers are needed to host these meetings by bringing refreshments, greeting guests, and assisting the night's speaker. All meetings are held at the ARC Gateway.
- **Special events team:** Support the Executive Director in recruiting and organizing volunteers to help with awareness fairs, conferences, and other events. Support API members who sponsor special events and support fundraisers.
- **Technology support team:** Set blogs and other forums and recruit leadership to monitor/motivate interest. Support website and explore cyber-meeting options as parent information tools.
- **Director support team:** Volunteers are needed to assist the Executive Director with day-to-day tasks pertaining to API, e.g. running errands, cleaning office, sorting mail. Volunteers who have computer skills would be helpful in assisting the director with ongoing projects.
- **Newsletter team:** The API newsletter is one of the best ways we reach our membership. The quarterly newsletter is always filled with event highlights and API member accomplishments, as well as helpful articles pertaining to autism. Volunteers would assist the newsletter editor with writing, editing, and taking photos for API's newsletter.
- **Grant research team:** Work with Executive Director and board members to seek, develop, and apply for various grants or other sources of community funds.

API Council meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Autism Pensacola office at ARC Gateway in Pensacola.

For more information, please contact Jessica Lapen at [programs@autismpensacola.org](mailto:programs@autismpensacola.org) or find Autism Pensacola on Facebook.

## Wrestling Event to Benefit API

Rose and David Rodgers have organized the following event to benefit Autism Pensacola. We would like to say a huge thank you to the Rodgers for their dedication to the autism community and their leadership in

this effort. Come out and support this fun event for wrestling fans of all ages! This is a fan-friendly event with wrestlers trained in disability awareness. Donations of any amount welcome!



### ASSAULT on AUTISM

Featuring:

Former WWE and TNA star "Road Dogg" Jesse James  
Former TNA Manager Eddie G and Wrestling Legend "The Bullet"

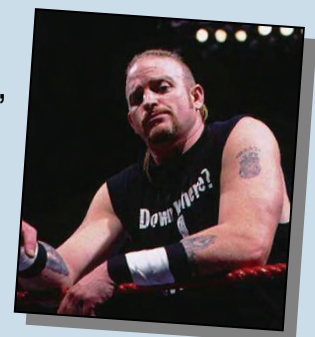
## April 2, 2011

Doors open at 6:00 p.m., Bell at 7:00 p.m.

Milton Community Center • 5629 Byrom Street, Milton

Admission \$5 per person, age 6 and under free

For reservations call Rose at 736-1026



Milton High School ROTC will present the Colors • Photo opportunities with the wrestlers (bring your camera!)  
Concessions available • 50/50 Give Away • Autism Awareness merchandise, t-shirts, etc. available

## Autism Workshop Offered by Pensacola State College

The incidence of children diagnosed with autism now exceeds one in every 110 (1:110) and as the incidence rate increases, so does the need for practical training for parents and others who work with children on the spectrum. After the shock of diagnosis wears off, parents often find themselves in the “what now?” phase. You have struggled through the tests, the doubts, and the disbelief and finally have an answer to the question – “What is going on here?” Now you know--- which leads to the next question: “What now?”

Autism Pensacola, Inc. and Pensacola State College have joined forces to help parents and others answer that very question. Pensacola State College will be offering two workshops in March and April to help parents and professionals who work with children with autism find answers, locate resources, access information, and develop a network that makes the road a little easier to travel.

Dr. Sandra Hastings will be the facilitator for both workshops. She has been a Board Certified Behavior Analyst for 17 years. She is also a professional educator, certified in 4 areas in both Florida and Colorado. She has worked in schools, group homes, community and work settings, and local agencies as both a trainer and a provider of

Applied Behavior Analysis. Her experience includes clients with autism and other developmental disabilities from ages 18 months to 62 years old. Dr. Hastings is an energetic presenter, well known within the local autism community. She is in the process of completing a book on strategies and interventions for people with developmental disabilities entitled: Hey Lady! When you were born, what were you? Workshop participants will be given an explanation for that title. Everyone else will have to wait.

The workshops will focus primarily on issues that parents and caregivers deal with on an immediate and day-to-day basis: behavioral and communication issues, and to a lesser degree, school-related concerns. This is the first time the workshop has been offered so the actual content will evolve and change as the needs of the community dictate.

The workshop consists of 2 days, 3 hours each day. There will be two sessions. The format of the second session will vary somewhat from the first. There will be time allotted in each session for parents to ask questions, pose concerns, etc. Specific information about workshop content will be provided in the near future.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Session I (course# 8258):</b> March 5 and March 19
	<b>Session II (course# 8259):</b> April 9 and April 23
<b>Times:</b>	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. each day
<b>Location:</b>	Pensacola State College, main campus
<b>Cost:</b>	\$45 per workshop
<b>Registration:</b>	<a href="http://www.pensacolastate.edu/continuingeducation">www.pensacolastate.edu/continuingeducation</a> (850) 484-1797 Email: <a href="mailto:ce@pensacolastate.edu">ce@pensacolastate.edu</a>

## Carl Dodson makes a difference!



Racing is a hobby for Carl Dodson and when his son was diagnosed with autism, he decided to use his hobby to make a difference. This year, every time #29 hits the track, heads will turn. Carl's car is decorated with puzzle pieces and the Autism Pensacola logo. Carl plans to donate a portion of his winnings to API to support the work we do for children like his son. What a great way to make a difference! Thank you, Carl!

Watch for Carl (and API director, Susan Byram) on Mediacom's local channel soon. Come out and cheer for Carl! For race details, check out [www.southernraceway.com](http://www.southernraceway.com).

Imagine what we could all do together if we each use something in our everyday life to raise awareness of API and those with autism! Let us know at API if you, your office, church or civic organization wants to plan something to spread awareness this spring.

## Inaugural Pensacola Beerfest will benefit API

Faulk Brothers, LLC, is presenting the First Annual Pensacola Beerfest at the Pensacola Interstate Fairgrounds, May 13 through May 15, 2011. Thirty five micro-breweries from across the United States will be represented, offering over 120 different microbrews. In addition, a variety of local businesses will be showcased.

Entertainment will include live bands and a bikini pageant. A portion of the proceeds from the Pensacola Beerfest will be donated to Autism Pensacola.

For more information on this event, including times and ticket prices, please visit [www.pensacolabeerfest.com](http://www.pensacolabeerfest.com).



# Announcements

## Parents' Morning Out

API presents our first ever series of "Parents' Morning Out" respite opportunities. On two Saturdays in March and two Saturdays in April, we will offer a chance for parents to take a break – to relax, to run errands, to take a class - the possibilities are endless! The cost for this opportunity is \$10 per child for API members and \$20 per child for non-members. You must provide snacks and lunch for your child. Childcare will be supervised by certified teachers and volunteer assistants at Pearl Nelson Center, 916 E. Fairfield Drive in Pensacola.

We are so grateful for our partnership with ARC Gateway and Pearl Nelson Center as well as all of our volunteers who will make this opportunity possible.

### Dates and times:

**March 5, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**March 19, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**April 9, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**April 23, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

This program is limited to 20 participants, ages 2-22. Reservations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis no later than 5 days before the date you choose. You may sign up for more than one date if space is available. To reserve your space, please email [reservations@autismpensacola.org](mailto:reservations@autismpensacola.org) with the subject line: "Respite Morning."

## API Welcomes New Office Assistant!

Autism Pensacola would like to welcome our new office assistant, Amy Lorton. We had several highly qualified applicants for this position, but Amy stood out during our peer interview process. She brings a wealth of knowledge and skill from past work experiences in a variety of settings, including work for a nonprofit and as an art teacher. Amy lives in Gulf Breeze with her husband, Scott, and two sons, Tyler and Bryce.

We are very excited to have Amy on board, working with us to better serve all of our members.

## Breaking News!

API has been named 'non-profit of the month' for March by [www.mynonprofitmatch.com](http://www.mynonprofitmatch.com).

What an honor! Check out this website that recognizes and connects nonprofits and potential donors. Thanks to [www.mynonprofitmatch.com](http://www.mynonprofitmatch.com) for recognizing our hard work at Autism Pensacola!

## 50 for 50

Susan Byram, API's Executive Director, recently celebrated a milestone birthday. To commemorate the occasion, she made a wish for "50 for 50" as a fundraiser for API. Susan's birthday wish raised over \$3,000! We would like to express our thanks to all of the donors who contributed. Thank you for making a difference!

### Autism Spectrum Disorder Foundation

Mary Jane Bass

Byron & Linda Bauer

Samantha Bell

Jessie Bruce

Shirley Cronley

John & Marina Delaney

Kevin & Jenny Doyle

Henry & Dorothy Enos

Jennifer Benz Findley

Logan & Sharon Fink

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Jean Badger

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Marjorie & Alan Moore

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Roseanna Phillips

Perry Playford

Gwynn Powell

Jane Radoszewski

Bruce Raymon

Sallie Roberts

Paula Ruble

Evelyn Savage

Joanne Sowell

Valerie Van Winkle

Chad & Melissa White

Holly & Wray Hoskamer

Jean & Sandy Meredith

Lewis & Belle Bear, Jr.

## Information and Resource Fair

Autism Pensacola, in conjunction with the Autism Resource Center at Sacred Heart Hospital, is proud to announce our annual Information and Resource Fair to be held on Thursday, April 7, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Hospital's Greenhut Auditorium. Last year over 40 vendors shared information on a wide variety of services for those living with autism. This event is a great opportunity for families affected by autism and other developmental disabilities to access information on services in our area.

Professionals find this event to be a valuable networking tool as they not only present information to families, but meet and share information with other professionals in our area that work with individuals with autism. Mark your calendar now and plan to be a part of this wonderful event during Autism Awareness Month!

For vendor information, please email [programs@autismpensacola.org](mailto:programs@autismpensacola.org) with the subject line: "Resource Fair Vendor."

## Calendar of Events

**Thursday, Feb. 24** – 10:00 a.m. – API Council Meeting in the API office at ARC Gateway



**Tuesday, Mar. 8** – 9:30 a.m. – Pace Chat at Village Inn on Hwy 90 in Pace



**Saturday, Mar. 12** – 9:00 a.m. – GAP hosts an outing to Leaning Post Ranch



**Friday, Mar. 18** – 10:00 a.m. – GAP Meeting in the API office at ARC Gateway



**Tuesday, Mar. 22** – 6:30 p.m. – API Evening Meeting at ARC Pollak Training Center



**Thursday, Mar. 24** – 10:00 a.m. – API Council Meeting in the API office at ARC Gateway



**Saturday, Apr. 2** – 6:00 p.m. – Assault on Autism at the Milton Community Center



**Thursday, Apr. 7** – 6:00 p.m. – API Information and Resource Fair in the Greenhut Auditorium at Sacred Heart Hospital



**Tuesday, Apr. 12** – 9:30 a.m. – Pace Chat at Village Inn on Hwy 90 in Pace



**Friday, Apr. 15** – 10:00 a.m. – GAP Meeting in the API office at ARC Gateway



**Wednesday, Apr. 20** – 5:30 p.m. – Connecting the Pieces Gala at Sanders Beach Community Center



**Thursday, Apr. 28** – 10:00 a.m. – API Council Meeting in the API office at ARC Gateway



**Saturday, Apr. 30** – 9:00 a.m. – Emerald Coast Autism Society Walk for Autism Awareness in Crestview



Don't forget! You can support Autism Pensacola while shopping online by simply going to [www.autismpensacola.org](http://www.autismpensacola.org), first and then clicking on the Amazon.com logo on our homepage. Once you have entered their site via this link, Autism Pensacola will receive a percentage of any purchases you make – up to 15%! There is no additional cost to you except the few seconds it takes to visit our website first.

***What a simple way to show your support!***

## Membership Updates

Michael & Jennifer Amerson  
April Arnold  
Tabatha Baker  
Melissa Bolling  
Debra Brown  
Lisa Butler  
Michael & Susan Byram  
Shirley Cronley  
Kevin & Jenny Doyle  
James & Oriana Fahn  
Jennifer Benz Findley  
Lisa Gates  
Natalie Grantham  
Kevin Gulley  
Regina Harris  
Dolores Hoham  
Andrew & Emily Hillman  
Julian & Marilyn Irby  
Jill & Richard Johnson  
Michelle Johnson

Todd Keefer  
Bruce Knecht  
Candace Kobacker  
Andrea Levitt Kvech  
Steven & Vanessa LeBlanc  
Rachel Locklear  
Amy Lorton  
Anita McGirt  
Charles Markin  
Kristen Marks  
Bridget McGinn-Toothman  
Rudy & Tammy Mendiola  
Daphne & Thomas Mitchell  
Cecilia Nanni  
Angelica Orman  
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Mort O'Sullivan  
Brett & Lauren Parra  
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Melissa Shoemoe  
Cynthia Skoros  
Deborah Stanwood  
Ronald & Sharon Stebbins  
Sue Straughn  
Candice Sullivan  
Antonio & Bentina Terry  
Nick & Melissa Todd  
Kamala Tribus  
William & Kim West  
Jonathan White  
Juanita Woolsey

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## Horseback Riding!

### **Leaning Post Ranch**

4150 Cedar Springs Rd. • Molino, FL 32577  
**Saturday, March 12**  
**9:00 a.m.**

Join us as we enjoy a fun day of horseback riding at Leaning Post Ranch! Bring a bag lunch and enjoy a picnic with your friends! Cost is \$35 per child, payable at the event.

For reservations please email  
[reservations@autismpensacola.org](mailto:reservations@autismpensacola.org)  
with the subject line

**Leaning Post Ranch**  
Reservations are required for this event.

## Information and Resource Fair

**Greenhut Auditorium  
at Sacred Heart**

**Thursday, April 7**  
**6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

This annual event hosted by Autism Pensacola, in conjunction with the Autism Resource Center at Sacred Heart Hospital, is a wonderful way to learn about all of the services and programs available in our area for individuals with autism and other developmental disabilities.

**Mark your calendar today and join us  
for this fun and informative event!**