

2009 Texas Advocates Conference

• August 7th - 9th • The Westin Hotel in Irving, TX •

FEATURING WORKSHOPS ON:

- * Advocacy
- * Transportation
- * Employment
- * Healthy Relationships
- * Voting
- * Self-Determination
- * PLUS Fun Afternoon Workshops
- * Leadership
- * Independent Living

HOTEL INFORMATION:

THE WESTIN HOTEL
4545 W. JOHN CARPENTER FREEWAY
IRVING, TX 75063

ROOM RATE: \$85/NIGHT + TAX

FOR RESERVATIONS: CALL 1.972.929.4500.

MAKE YOUR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS! IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE TEXAS ADVOCATES CONFERENCE TO RECEIVE THE DISCOUNTED ROOM RATE.

THE DEADLINE FOR GUARANTEEING THESE RATES IS JULY 17, 2009.

WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATIONS, IDENTIFY ANY SPECIAL REQUESTS YOU MAY HAVE AND **SPECIFY ANY NEEDS FOR ACCESSIBLE ROOMS OR ROLL-IN SHOWERS.** ALL SPECIAL REQUESTS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY. THE HOTEL WILL PROVIDE A LIMITED NUMBER OF ROLLAWAY BEDS TO BE USED IN ADA ACCESSIBLE ROOMS.

THE HOTEL WILL REQUIRE CREDIT CARD INFORMATION OR A CHECK FOR THE FIRST NIGHT'S ROOM RATE AS A DEPOSIT. RESERVATIONS MUST BE CANCELLED **48 HOURS** IN ADVANCE TO AVOID PAYING FOR THE ROOM.

!! IMPORTANT STIPEND INFORMATION !!

*The stipend will cover \$10 of the registration fee and half the cost of your hotel room for two nights.

*The stipend DOES NOT include meals. Recipients must pay the stipend registration fee and Fun Night separately.

*Please make your own hotel reservations. We will have a check made payable to the hotel for each local chapter's or individual's portion of the stipend.

Texas Advocates Stars Are Big and Bright!

Tentative Conference Agenda

Friday, August 7th

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open
3:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Registration
3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting
3:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Lifeguard on Duty
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Dinner
8:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Fun Night with The Eggmen, a premier Beatle's cover band!

Saturday, August 8th

7:00 a.m. - Noon	Registration
7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast Served
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Opening Session
9:15 - 10:30 a.m.	Workshops
10:45 - 12:00 p.m.	Workshops
12:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Lifeguard on Duty
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Lunch
1:45 - 3:00	Workshops
3:15 - 4:30 p.m.	Workshops
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Awards Banquet
8:30 p.m. - Midnight	Dance

Sunday, August 9th

7:30 - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast Served
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Keynote Speaker Info

We have invited Senator Eddie Lucio to be our keynote speaker for this year. Senator Lucio is a true champion of self-advocacy and civil rights for all people with disabilities.

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2009 TEXAS ADVOCATES CONFERENCE REGISTRATION AND STIPEND FORM

***** Conference Registration Deadline: July 17 *** Stipend Deadline: July 10*****

8001 Centre Park Drive, Austin, TX 78754, Ste. 100 • Phone (512) 454-6694 • Toll Free 1-800-252-9729 • Fax (512) 454-4956

Name: _____
(First and last, as you wish them to appear on your badge.)

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Work Phone: (____) _____ Home Phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

Texas Advocates Chapter: _____ Advisor's Name: _____

Advisor's Phone: _____ Advisor's E-mail: _____

Registration type	Meals included with registration fee	Price	Qty.	Amount
General Registration <i>(includes one banquet ticket)</i>	Saturday breakfast, lunch, and banquet; Sunday breakfast	\$85		
Stipend Registration <i>(fill out form below)</i>	Saturday breakfast, lunch, and banquet; Sunday breakfast	\$75		
Friday Fun Night <i>(everyone, including stipend recipients, must pay for Fun Night separately)</i>	Friday night dinner	\$35		
Additional banquet tickets <i>(only for extra tickets)</i>	Saturday evening banquet	\$30		

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

___ Check Enclosed (made payable to Texas Advocates)
 ___ Credit Card: Visa MasterCard Exp. Date: _____
 Card Number: _____
 Cardholder's Name (printed): _____
 Cardholder's Signature: _____

SPECIAL TOTAL DUE: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Texas Advocates must be notified of all special requests on this registration form. Special accommodations are subject to availability. Please let us know what special needs you have:

Please specify: _____

CONFERENCE POLICIES:

CANCELLATION POLICY: No refunds will be made when a registrant fails to appear at the conference. A full refund will be made if written or faxed notice is received by July 17, 2009.

PHOTO RELEASE STATEMENT: By registering for this conference, each attendee—whether distributor or guest—grants the following to Texas Advocates: The right to photograph/videotape and use photos/videos of each attendee, along with names and titles, in connection with any broadcasts, exhibitions, displays, publications, advertisements, or any other activities in which Texas Advocates may desire. Each attendee also relinquishes and gives Texas Advocates any and all originals and copies of the finished pictures, negatives, films, and audio/videotapes.

STIPEND APPLICATION (FILL OUT ONLY IF REQUESTING A STIPEND):

This applicant's disability or disabilities meet ALL of the following conditions:

1. Is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or a combination of mental and physical impairments. Yes No
2. Is/was manifested before the age of twenty-two (22). Yes No
3. Is likely to continue indefinitely. Yes No
4. Results in substantial limitations in three (3) or more of the following major life activities:

A. SELF-CARE	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
B. RECEPTIVE/EXPRESSIVE LANGUAGE	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
C. MOBILITY	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
D. LEARNING	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
E. SELF-DIRECTION	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
F. CAPACITY FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
G. ECONOMIC SELF-SUFFICIENCY	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
5. Reflects the person's need for a combination and sequence of special, interdisciplinary, or generic care, treatment, or other specific services that are lifelong or of extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated. Yes No

Fax or mail your registration form to:
 Texas Advocates
 8001 Centre Park Drive, Suite 100
 Austin, TX 78754
 Fax: (512) 454-4956

I/we certify that no other source of financial support is available to allow my participation in the 2009 Texas Advocates Conference:

 Signature of consumer/family member

I/we certify that, to the best of my/our knowledge, the information above is true and correct.

 Signature of consumer/family member

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Including These Exciting Conference Activities:

- **INFORMATIVE WORKSHOPS** that help you learn to live more independently
- **FUN NIGHT** with The Eggmen
- **CONFERENCE T-SHIRTS** on sale
- **AWARDS BANQUET**
- **SEE OLD FRIENDS**, Make new friends
- **DANCE**



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