

Puzzle Peace United

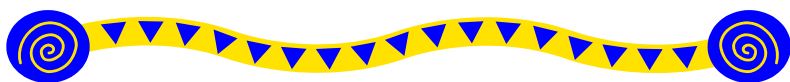
Mommy and Me Bowling Event

Puzzle Peace United is proud to presents a FREE bowling event for all children with an Autism Spectrum Disorder.

**May 12, 2012
2-4pm
Legacy Lanes, Bridgeton, NJ**

**Please RSVP to this event by May 9, 2012 to:
jculican@puzzlepeaceunited.org**

**** ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT 18 YEARS OR OLDER****



Spaghetti/Improv Dinner Show Fundraiser

Thank you to all who came out and supported Puzzle Peace United with our first annual Spaghetti/Improv Dinner. The dinner was a huge success!! We raised \$1,488.87.

Thank you to all our members and volunteers who worked the event and made it successful! Lastly, a huge thank you to CUBED who provided us with our entertainment for the night!!

Shirts from this event are still available! Contact jculican@puzzlepeaceunited.org if interested. Shirts cost \$10.



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A huge THANK YOU to our community for all your support!

Acme
Advanced Eye Group
Amoroso Bakery
Art Anderson Inc
Bagel University
Best Buy
Best Nails
Big Apple Café
Bj's Wholesale
Black Olive Restaurant
Blizz All Star Cheerleading
Bob Evans
Bringing Meats
Carmen D. D'Augustine and Sons
Carmie's Pottery Paint Works
Conte's Pasta
Crust and Krumbs
CUBED
Dandrea's Produce
Deeks Deli
Demarco-Luisi Funeral Home
Denny's
Douglas Arthur Salon
Fat Jack's
5 Points Restaurant
Foschi Auto Tunes
Fro Me A Party
Gardella's
Giovanni's
Gullo's
Hair with Flair
Hard Rock Cafe
Harrah's Hotel & Casino
Jim Mains
Joe's Poultry
JV Palmonari Inc.
Kawa's
Larry's 2
Lois's Lunch
Lotus Express
Maplewood
Maria's Salon
Martino's
Mary's Little Lambs Academy
Mary's Hallmark
Men's Wearhouse
Merighi Savoy Inn
Milmay Tavern
Nails 4 U
Neptune
Pancoast Funeral Home
Phoenix Business Forms
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Rich's Products
Salon Fabrojae'
Serra Sausage
Shoprite
Simpson Refrigeration
Signs by Kevin
Starbucks
State Farm
Strawberry Fields
Sweet Life Bakery
Tri City Paper
Trump Casino
Vince's Tire Service
Vineland Fire Hall #2
Wawa
Wheat Road Cold Cuts

CDC Releases New Autism Prevalence Information:

1 in 49 NJ children, 1 in 88 nationally

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) releases the report *Prevalence of Autism Spectrum Disorders - Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring Network, 14 States, United States, 2008*. The findings are outlined below:

New Jersey:

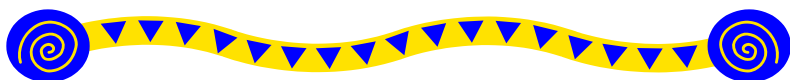
- 1 in 49
- Boys: 1 in 29
- Girls: 1 in 172
- Average age of autism diagnosis is 3 years, 2 months old (earlier than in previous studies)

National:

- 1 in 88
- Boys: 1 in 54
- Girls: 1 in 252
- Average age of autism diagnosis is 4 years old (earlier than in previous studies)
- 78% increase in prevalence comparing the 2012 study that looked at the data from children who were 8 years old in 2008 to the 2007 study that looked at the data from children who were 8 years old in 2002 data

Main findings:

- NJ has the 2nd highest prevalence (Utah and Arizona are 1st and 3rd.)
(While NJ had the highest prevalence rate according to a study published in 2007, NJ was ranked 3rd behind Arizona and Missouri in a 2009 study.)

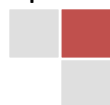


Member Spotlight

Louisa Carll, Fundraiser Coordinator

Louisa is a mother of two and has been married for 17 years. She resigned from nursing in 2007 and began substituting in a special education program. After doing this for a little over a year she realized she wanted to do this on a permanent basis. Louisa has been working with elementary aged children who are autistic ever since.

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Future Meetings:

April 14th: Member Meeting

April 27th: Board Meeting

May 5th: Member Meeting

May 18th: Board Meeting

June 1st: General Member Meeting

Board Members:

Jamie Culican, President

Jen Curran, Vice-President

Lauren Dallago, Secretary

Louisa Carll, Fundraiser
Coordinator

Shanuel Miller, Advertising
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