

# DSAA Today

The Newsletter of the Down Syndrome Association of Atlanta • January 2005

## The Power of Advocacy

By Heidi J. Moore

WE need to get started with our advocacy efforts for the 2006 Budget NOW....As you are aware, one of the items in the Governor's proposed budget for 2006 includes the implementation of a **premium on Katie Beckett Waiver families that make over \$100,000/year.....**

After further review, we are recommending that advocates call, write and fax **your State Senator and Representative, House Appropriations Committee** and the **Governor** at this time. The budget goes to the House for consideration first, then moves on to the Senate. If you recall, last year the **Senate** removed the sliding scale premium from the final 05 budget and we feel that we have the same support this year.

Even if you feel that this does not impact your family now, it may very well in the future. **We need to protect ALL Katie Beckett Waiver families.** Please make sure to make your letters personal (handwritten cards are great!). Also—send pictures of your children if you are mailing your letters.

### Items to consider when writing may include the following:

1. Once the Dept. of Community Health (DCH) receives approval from the Federal CMS office in Baltimore for implementing the sliding scale, **AND** approval from the Governor and Legislators in GA, DCH will **NO** longer need such approval to expand their program to include **lower income** families. Therefore, EVERYONE is at risk in the future!
2. A family making \$100,000/year would pay approximately **3% of their gross income** for these premiums (since it will be based on pre-tax income). If they only pay 5% in state taxes today, they are asking those families with special needs children for a **tax increase of over 60%** from what they are paying today in order to receive Medicaid. Is this fair?
3. Medicaid is already **secondary insurance** to our families. Therefore, primary insurance is paying for the majority of medical costs associated with the child. Our families are already paying for primary healthcare insurance now.
4. Parents are already paying for many items **out of pocket** that are **not covered** by Medicaid or their primary healthcare insurance (that "typical" families do not have to worry about). Examples: music therapy, behavioral therapy, diapers and wipes, calorie enhancers, Pediasure, food supplements and many over-the-counter drugs due to on-going sickness.



5. The more costs placed on the parents, the greater the likelihood that some children will need to be **institutionalized** (which would be a greater cost to the State).

6. Medicaid continues to make "adjustments" to their program that is costing our families more every day. Over the last month, Medicaid has **reduced** (again) the **type of prescriptions** that they will pay for forcing many families to pay co-pays for their prescriptions!

*Continued on page 3*

**ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITY**

## Attend Disability Day

Thursday, February 24, 2005 at the Capitol

Strength in numbers is critical. Go to [www.gcdd.org](http://www.gcdd.org) for more information on the event. The only way we are able to impact change is for **all of our members to get involved with advocacy.**

## WHAT'S INSIDE DSAA TODAY:

Executive Director Letter.....	page 2
2004 Buddy Walk Sponsors & Buddy Walk 2005 ....	page 3
DSAA Recap.....	page 4
Upcoming Events .....	page 5
The Emory Connection .....	page 6
March Membership Madness.....	page 7
Announcements .....	page 7
Birthdays.....	page 8
New DSAA Mailing Address.....	page 8

## DSAA Executive Board

Executive Director: Heidi J. Moore

### Co-Presidents:

Dale Greig and Jennifer Carroll

### Co-Vice Presidents:

Kathy Everett and Steve Harrison

Treasurer: Valerie Harrison

Secretary: Cindy Stephens

## Area Networking Groups

### Grandparents

Ann Huffman.....770.781.3727

### Hispanic/Latino

Susy Martorel .....404.931.6619

Zoila Martinez.....770.740.9204

### Young Adults

Evan Nodvin.....770.396.8056

Megan Sydney .....770.491.0155

### Alpharetta

Karen Wise .....770.664.8141

### Americus

Valerie Moates .....229.924.4022

### Atlanta Southside

Cathy Webb.....770.969.0238

### Atlanta/Decatur/Tucker

Valerie Harrison.....404.633.9591

### Augusta

Wanda Miller.....706.855.7440

### Carroll County

Jennifer Turner .....256.568.9742

### Cartersville

Betty Schaaf.....770.383.9085

### Cherokee County

Alyssa Allen.....770.517.9970

### N. Fulton County/S. Forsyth County

Gay Hall .....678.454.9483

### Gwinnett County

Shere Owens .....770.495.6396

### Henry County

Jennifer Andrews.....770.897.0025

### Macon

Leslie Hales.....478.471.9225

### Marietta/Cobb County

Laura Gray.....770.218.8844

### Rome

Toni Puckett.....770.748.5037

### Vidalia

Patricia Blackstone .....912.538.1229

DSAA Today Editor: Sharon Jones Baron

# From the Executive Director

I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday season and are rested as we start the New Year. DSAA needs your help and support to continue to **advocate for our children** this next legislative session that begins on January 10, 2005. Due to the proposed sliding scale premium for Katie Beckett Waivers and the reduction in Medicaid provider rates, I encourage everyone to call and/or write your legislators now, including our Governor to let him know how these cuts affect your family (also include pictures of your children-makes it personal!). Only through education and advocacy, can we effect change in policy in this state. I also wanted to encourage you to get involved with Unlock the Waiting List **as well (more information can be found at [www.unlockthewaitinglists.com](http://www.unlockthewaitinglists.com))**.

Please plan on attending **Disability Day at the Capitol on February 24, 2005**. Strength in numbers is critical. Last year, there were more than 800 families, friends and concerned citizens in attendance showing the policymakers what matters to Georgians with disabilities (more information: [www.gcdd.org](http://www.gcdd.org)). Let's send a clear message to the Governor and attend! **United - We Will Make a Difference!**

I want to welcome three new members to our Board of Directors: **Becky Samitt** (Membership/Fundraising Director), **Steve Harrison** (Co-Vice President) and **Morgan Allen** (Public Relations Director). I also want to welcome **Sharon Jones Baron** as our new editor for our newsletter; as you can see she has done an amazing job. We are very excited about the new volunteers at DSAA and are always looking for more to help on individual committees. Please contact us if you are interested.

I still can't believe what a successful **Buddy Walk** we had on October 16, 2004. Final numbers are in and we raised more than **\$63,000!** **Lauren and Diane** (co-Buddy Walk Chairs) are already getting ready for this year and need as much help as can be given by our members. I also personally want to thank all of our **Buddy Walk Sponsors in 2004** (see list in this newsletter). Only through their sponsorships and many buddy walk pledges was this a successful year!

Our **Golf Tournament** was held on November 22, 2004 at Country Club of the South. Unfortunately, we had to end early due to heavy rain. Everyone that attended had a wonderful time and are looking forward to this spring's tournament. We raised more than **\$14,000** to help support DSAA. This money, along with money raised from the Buddy Walk, helps our continued sponsorship of the Emory Children's Down Syndrome Clinic, as well as the new Adult Down Syndrome Clinic that opened in July, 2004.

**Becky Samitt** has taken on the role as **Membership and Fundraising Director**. She is looking at some creative ideas to help further our fundraising possibilities in 2005. A new committee needs to be formed to help this effort, if you are interested, please contact her directly. Also, we will be continuing our membership drive in March 2005. This year we have decided to cut our expenses by including our membership drive form in our next newsletter (instead of sending out a separate letter to you). This helps us reduce our costs and further help serve our members in other ways. Please consider renewing your membership, as well as possibly sponsoring another family.

On November 14, 2004, the **DSAA Board** had a **strategic vision meeting** to help further develop a long- and short-term strategy for our organization. This was very productive for everyone and helped clarify where we want to go as an organization in the years to come. A priority item from this meeting was to further support and promote our parent-area networking groups throughout Georgia. If you are interested in starting a group in your area, please let me know. We feel that this is a critical component that needs to be strengthened in the coming years.

Also, as many of you are aware, DSAA is actively updating our **website** to better serve you. Please check often for ongoing updates on events and advocacy efforts.

We plan on having our **first interactive training workshop for siblings** of children with special needs (elementary school age) with the help of MaySouth. Please look for further information in this newsletter.

Thanks again to **Shere' Owens** and **Karen Bridges** for all your hard work coordinating the Fall Festival and Holiday Party. Everyone had a wonderful time getting together and look forward to other social events in 2005!

If you should have any ideas or suggestions, feel free to email me at [Executive\\_Director@down-syndrome-atlanta.org](mailto:Executive_Director@down-syndrome-atlanta.org). Thank you for your continued support of DSAA! Please visit us on the web at [www.down-syndrome-atlanta.org](http://www.down-syndrome-atlanta.org) to stay up to date on the most recent DSAA events, activities and advocacy efforts.

Sincerely,

*Heidi J. Moore*



# DSAA BUDDY WALK THANKS OUR 2004 SPONSORS:

SOUTHEASTERN HOSE, INC.  
99X



DYNASIS INTEGRATED SYSTEMS ~ BABY TALK THERAPIES  
TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEMS ~ KOOL KIDZ, INC.  
BRASFIELD AND GORRIE ~ NANA & PAPA W BIGGS  
R WALLS INC ~ SERVICWARE TECHNOLOGIES INC.  
NORTHSIDE FORSYTH ~ DICK & LYNN ROHOVIT  
CHILDREN'S THERAPY SERVICES, INC. ~ TLC REHAB

SOFTWARE LINK ~ OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE-CUMMING  
AN EARLY START P.C. ~ ATLANTASBESTDJ.COM  
MAGICMANENTERTAINMENT.COM  
MAY SOUTH ~ GEORGIA PACIFIC ~ PIONEER GROUP, INC.  
ALLGOOD PEST SOLUTIONS ~ MERCED TILE  
ALLEGROW ~ KIDS CREEK PEDIATRIC THERAPY  
WILES THERAPY SERVICES ~ OFFICE DEPOT  
GULFSTREAM AEROSPACE CORP. ~ THE SUGARS  
FORSYTH COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS  
THE ROOF DEPOT ~ SOUTHEASTERN LANDSCAPE CORP.  
CHILDREN'S THERAPY WORKS ~ CUSTOM ATTIRE  
AIR TRAN AIRWAYS

## Advocacy

*Continued from bottom of page*

Phone numbers and actual address are unavailable at this time due to a lot of legislators moving their offices in the next week. You can always contact the following to get specific's on each legislator:

Questions for House Members:  
404.656.5082, Senate: 404.656.0028

### General Mailing Address Information:

Representative or Senator (Last Name)

**Georgia House of Representatives  
or Georgia Senate  
State Capitol**

**Atlanta, Georgia 30334**

4. If you are interested in getting on-going advocacy updates, please e-mail me directly at [heidijmoore@comcast.net](mailto:heidijmoore@comcast.net) or go to our website [www.down-syndrome-atlanta.org](http://www.down-syndrome-atlanta.org)

5. **Attend Disability Day at the Capitol on February 24, 2005.** Strength in numbers is critical. Go to [www.gcdd.org](http://www.gcdd.org) for more information on the event. Let's send a clear message to the Governor and attend!

The only way we are able to impact change is for **all of our members to get involved with advocacy for our children!**

**United . . . We will make a difference!**

## Buddy Walk 2005

*By Lauren Biggs and Diane Bromelow*

Save the date for this year's Buddy Walk, set for Saturday, October 15. It will take place at the same site, Duluth Festival Center from 9 A.M. until 12 noon.

As we get to work on this project (already, can you believe it?) we are seeking corporate sponsors. Most of our past sponsors had a personal connection of some type with Down syndrome. If you have a present of previous employer or a friend who is a business owner and you want to contact them regarding sponsorship, we can send you a letter to give to them or we can contact them directly.

Individuals who sponsored the walk had their names listed on the shirt. All gifts are tax deductible. The sponsorship levels are \$250, \$500, and \$1000, with specific opportunities at each level. Contact us at the DSAA website on the Buddy Walk sponsorship link.

## Advocacy

*Continued from page 1*



We need to start contacting them ASAP so they have time to understand and act on these issues prior to voting on them sometime later in the session.

### What you can do NOW :

1. Write/E-Mail Governor Perdue ([Georgia.Governor@gov.state.ga.us](mailto:Georgia.Governor@gov.state.ga.us) or Office of the Governor, State Capitol, Atlanta, GA 30334) and let him know how these proposals effect you and the future of your children and the providers that service them! Phone: 404-656-1776 or FAX 404-657-7332.
2. Call and write **your** legislators in **both the house and senate**. Let them know who you are and how these cuts impact your family personally. Go to [www.vote-smart.org](http://www.vote-smart.org) to find out who your legislators are. You will need your 5 digit zip code (plus four digits).
3. Contact the following House Committee for Appropriations Members and ask them to REMOVE the premium proposal of \$200/month for families making over \$100,000 that have the Katie Beckett Waiver (*Page 154 and 158 of the Governor's Budget*):

Chair, Ben Harbin..... [bharbin@legis.state.ga.us](mailto:bharbin@legis.state.ga.us)  
Vice Chair Economic Development, Carol Rogers..... [crogers@legis.state.ga.us](mailto:crogers@legis.state.ga.us)  
Vice Chair Education, Jan Jones..... [janjones38@bellsouth.net](mailto:janjones38@bellsouth.net)  
Vice Chair General Don Parsons..... [don@donparsons.net](mailto:don@donparsons.net)  
Vice Chair Health & Ecology, Jeff Brown..... [jbrown@legis.state.ga.us](mailto:jbrown@legis.state.ga.us)  
Vice Chair Higher Education, Bob Smith..... [smith98@bellsouth.net](mailto:smith98@bellsouth.net)  
Vice Chair Public Safety, Mack Crawford..... (can't find at this time)

# DSAA Recap



## 2004 DSAA Golf Tourney Was Soggy



The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual DSAA tourney in 2004 finally met Mother Nature after five years of perfect weather, as we had rain-outs on two separate dates. The first one scheduled on September 27, was canceled ahead of time due the approaching Hurricane Ivan. We then rescheduled for November 22 and the "isolated showers in late afternoon" turned into permanent showers at 12:30, right when golfers began play.

Due to this, we were not able to complete play or have our Silent Auction. This reduced our Net Profit to \$14,000 from the \$25,000 area realized in previous years.

Major Sponsors included Emory/ Department of Genetics, United Distributing, and Chestnut Creek Subdivision. We greatly thank them for their sponsorship and support!

*DSAA's Fall Festival and Carnival was held on Sunday, November 7, 2004 at the Wildfire Paintball Field in Madison. Special thanks to Karen Bridges and Shere' Owens for putting it together! (See photos to the right).*

*The Annual Holiday Party was held on Sunday, December 5th at Holy Innocents Episcopal Church. Santa was there to greet all the children. We had more than 250 members attend. Special thanks again to Shere' Owens and Karen Bridges for all their hard work putting together the Holiday Party. (See photos below).*

## A snapshot of the great fun from Fall Festival 2004 at Wildfire Paintball Field



## Holiday moments from the December party



# What's Coming Up!



## SIBLING WORKSHOP

**D**uring two Saturdays, January 22 & 29 DSAA and May South are presenting a unique sibling workshop for children ages 6 to 12 who have brothers and sisters with Down syndrome. On the first Saturday children will learn and discuss helpful strategies for interacting with their siblings, and then the second Saturday will be a follow-up session for the children and parents. For more information contact Stephanie Meredith, Education Director, at 770.704.9543 or go to the DSAA website.

## DSAA MEETING

**D**SAA Next **General Membership Meeting** will be held on Saturday, **February 12, 2004** at Scottish Rite Hospital in the Cantina and Auditorium from 10 A.M. to noon. **Mr. Bill McEderry** (teacher from Etowah High School) will be discussing vocational programs in the high school setting and how their school was able to raise over \$1,800 for DSAA last year!

Childcare will be provided, but you must RSVP by February 5 at 404-320-3233.

## SPEAKER

**H**ow to Navigate the **Special Education Maze** is the title of the workshop lead by guest speaker, Sharon Gudger. Topics discussed include the IEP (Individual Education Plans) and an overview of the Medicaid and SSI. The Saturday session on February 19 is from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. at McDonough Christian Church, 2000 Jonesboro Road. Child-care is provided along with coffee and donuts. Coordinated by Kim Dixon, 678.409.2527 and Jossette Tenney, 770.981.3948.

## DISABILITY DAY

**J**oin The Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities and Co-Sponsors for Disability Day at the Capitol, Thursday, February 24, 2005 at the Georgia State Capitol, Atlanta. Let's show our support and let the Governor and the Legislators know we care about issues that effect our families! For more information go to: [www.gcdd.org](http://www.gcdd.org). (Also noted on page 1).

## MAY SOUTH AND MARCUS INSTITUTE

**H**ealth Care in Community Settings Theory to Practice - *Reducing Health Care Disparities for People with Developmental Disabilities* conference is on Thursday and Friday, February 24 & 25 at the Crown Plaza Ravinia, Atlanta. For more information go to [www.maysouth.org](http://www.maysouth.org) or contact Janice Nodvin at 770-956-8511 ext. 207.

## 2005 GOLF TOURNEY

**T**he 7<sup>th</sup> Annual DSAA Golf Tourney will be held on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Country Club of the South. Please look for details to follow on the DSAA website, in the next edition of *DSAA Today* or contact Dale Greig at 770-509-7322.

See the recap from the 2004 Tourney on the facing page.



There is just so much going on it would not all fit on one page! Please see **Buddy Walk 2005** on page 3 and **Bregman Educational Conference** on page 6.

## Announcing the 12th Annual Larry Bregman Educational Conference

An Educational Conference  
for adults with developmental  
disabilities, their parents,  
caregivers and direct service  
professionals.

**Saturday evening, March 5  
and Sunday, March 6**

**At Perimeter College**

**Featuring Keynote  
Speaker**

**Fred Kalil of  
11 Alive Sports**

For more information, contact  
**Lisa Morgan** at 770.677.9344  
or [lmorgan@jfcs-atlanta.org](mailto:lmorgan@jfcs-atlanta.org)

Sponsored by:  
Jewish Family &  
Career Services  
[www.bregman.org](http://www.bregman.org)

## Bregman Educational Series Dance

**Saturday, March 5, 2005**

At Perimeter College

DSAA is looking for more  
volunteers to be chaperones  
for this event, if you are  
interested, please contact us.

Every year in March, DSAA  
sponsors a dance in conjunc-  
tion with the Bregman Educa-  
tional Series. This symposium  
provides opportunities for par-  
ticipants to socialize with oth-  
ers who share their interests  
and needs in a unique confer-  
ence atmosphere.

For more information about  
this event, please go to the  
email address noted above.

# THE EMORY CONNECTION

By Sallie Freeman, PhD; Aimee Anido, MS; and Jeannie Visootsak, MD

It's hard to believe that January 2005 will mark the two-year anniversary of the Emory Down Syndrome Center and Clinic. The Department of Human Genetics at Emory University established the center and its clinical arm in January 2003 to bring together three components, clinical services, education, and research, that are critical to advancing the knowledge of Down syndrome and serving individuals with Down syndrome and their families.

**Mission:** The mission of the Emory Down Syndrome Center is to be a true resource to the Down syndrome community by providing crucial and updated clinical and educational services while offering the opportunity to participate in research of significant personal interest to families.

### Center Update:

1. Education. Members of the DSAA's family panel including Jennifer Carroll and her daughter Lainey, Katherine Hunter, Cynthia Outman and her father Jim, and Sue Joe gave a wonderful presentation to the genetic counselors and clinic staff in the Department of Human Genetics on December 17. Their efforts resulted in a lot of good publicity for the DSAA and its work.

2. Research. In June 2004 we submitted a new grant proposal to the National Institutes of Health to continue and expand our current Down syndrome research program. We recently learned that our proposal got a very high "score" from NIH and will likely be funded for a start date of June 2005.

3. Clinical Services. In the past two years we have focused our attentions primarily on developing the clinical component of the Center. Although our long-term mission is to provide services for individuals of all ages with Down syndrome, we began the clinic with the immediate goal of providing for families of children from birth to three year of age and then growing with the children. Our growth during the first two years of the clinic has been dramatic. Because of the demand for our services, we doubled the capacity of the clinic in July 2004. As of December 2004, we had seen 100 new families in clinic. In addition, these families are now returning regularly for follow-up visits and developmental evaluations.

Statistics on the age range of individuals who have come to the clinic indicate that we are able to reach the majority of families before the child is six months old (see table below). Additionally, our data demonstrates that we are accessible to the whole population of metropolitan Atlanta; that is, families who come to clinic are ethnically and racially diverse and represent all metro Atlanta counties, as well as many outlying municipalities.

*Continued on page 7*

Race/ethnicity		Referral sources		County of residence		Age at first appointment	
White	52%	Pediatrician	37%	Gwinnett	19%	0-3months	27%
Black	21%	Self	19%	DeKalb	15%	3-6 months	42%
Hispanic	24%	Birth hospital	12%	Cobb	18%	6-9 months	9%
Other	3%	Another family	13%	Fulton	6%	9-12 months	6%
		Other	19%	Clayton	3%	1-2 years	12%
				Forsyth, Paulding, Douglas, Rockdale, Henry	18%	2-3 years	1%
				17 other counties	21%	>3 years	3%

# Coming Soon March Membership Madness Renewal Form in March 2005 Newsletter

By Becky Samitt

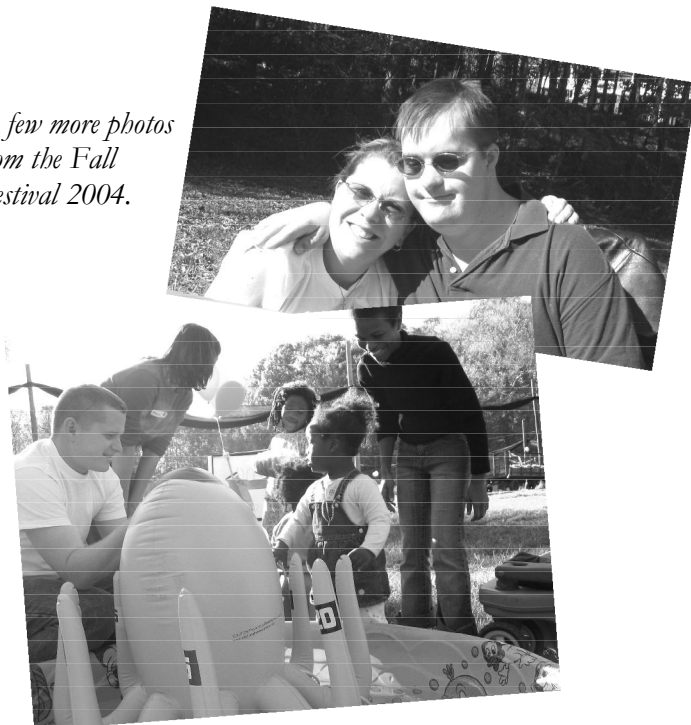
New DVD .....	\$ 20.00
1 week's worth of Starbucks.....	\$ 20.00
1 year membership to the DSAA .....	priceless

Okay, it is not priceless. It is \$20.00, but how often do you spend \$20.00? Is it so often that you can't remember what it was for? Well, here's something you will remember getting for \$20.00! By joining DSAA this is how your money will help:

- Provide resources for a bi-annual educational conference
- Financial support for parent groups, including new parents packets
- Publishing/postage fees for a bi-monthly newsletter
- Maintenance of our website
- Financial means for social events
- Support of the Emory Children's Down Syndrome Clinic and Adult Down Syndrome Clinic (that just opened in July 2004. The first in the southeast!)

Last, but not least, membership to DSAA provides you with a supportive family with which raising your own family becomes easier. Please help, as little as it seems your \$20.00 or more is priceless.

*A few more photos  
from the Fall  
Festival 2004.*



## EMORY

*Continued from page 6*

We are extremely grateful to the DSAA for continuing to grant us financial support crucial to our clinic. The interest and support of the members of the DSAA is the key to our success. We pledge to continue our efforts to make our Down Syndrome Center an important resource for all families. To that end, we always appreciate feedback from families and health care professionals. For information about the Emory Down Syndrome Clinic, please contact our Down Syndrome Clinic coordinator, Aimee Anido, MS at 404.712.8232; [aanido@genetics.emory.edu](mailto:aanido@genetics.emory.edu) or Sallie Freeman, PhD at 404.727.0495; [sfreeman@genetics.emory.edu](mailto:sfreeman@genetics.emory.edu).

## Announcements

### The NEW Special Recreation Association Needs Your Help

In an effort to develop and/or maintain recreational activities, a group through the North Fulton Optimist Club is looking into starting a **Special Recreation Association**. The concept is to establish a state office with two paid positions that would coordinate and expand programs from athletic to social events for people of all ages both inclusive and segregated programs. If you have never heard of or seen the fantastic works of a Special Recreation Association go to [www.nwsra.org](http://www.nwsra.org) or [www.nssra.org](http://www.nssra.org) and see just how wonderful they can be.

If you are interested in being involved, know someone who is a great grant writer, know someone who is a good public relations person that could solicit support from foundations and corporations, please contact either Kathy Everett, [kathyeverett@comcast.net](mailto:kathyeverett@comcast.net) or Glenn Rudh, [grudh@bellsouth.net](mailto:grudh@bellsouth.net).

### Gwinnett Playgroup

This playgroup is meeting on January 28 and February 25 at 12:30 p.m. at Allegrow Music, Inc. For more information, please contact Shere' Owens at 770.495.6396.

### Alpharetta Kids Therapy/ Parents Learn-n-Share Group

This group will meet February 5 at 10 A.M. at the house of Karen Wise. Please contact Karen at 770.664.8141 or email her at [krwise1@comcast.net](mailto:krwise1@comcast.net) to RSVP.



## BIRTHDAY Wishes to:

### January Birthdays

Alejandro Almanza  
Andy Beraki  
Kayleigh Bridges  
J.J. Briggs  
Benjamin Carlson  
Grace Carroll  
Joseph Carter  
Chandler Cash  
Gavin Cook  
Jacob Cooper  
Alexander Freeman  
Daniela Guzman  
Bethanie Henderson  
Steven Joe  
Benjamin Kaman  
Grace Key  
Shannon Laffey  
Jayde Long  
Andy Meredith  
Alicia McKenzie  
Jacob A. Moore  
Jenna Quigley

JC Quinby  
Hunter Roach  
Shirley Salazar  
Cory Schroeder  
Jayda Stokes  
Alexandra Thorman  
Davis Tillery  
Suzy Wellons  
Brett White

### February Birthdays

Colby Andrews  
Nx Bibbs  
John Chambliss  
Katherine Cohenour  
Tammy Dean  
Paloma Flores  
Philip Flores  
Amber Foskey  
Suzanne Goossens  
Dewayne Helms  
Seth Higgins  
Myles Howard

Mary Beth Hurst  
Ross Johnson  
Matthew Jones  
Joseph Just  
Kaitlyn Knauber  
Preston Leigh  
Connor Leitch  
Jake LeMay  
Payton Mabry  
Colin Perner  
Nolen Robison  
Felicia Roman  
Hugh Rowling  
Alexis Rutland  
Colin Stephens  
Corte Tripp  
Linda Valdez  
Neddy Vignos  
Lashawn Washington  
Precious Williams  
Halli Yarbrough  
Michele Zarate

**EFFECTIVE  
IMMEDIATELY**

**DSAA has a  
new address:**

4355 J Cobb Parkway  
#213  
Atlanta, Georgia  
30339

# DSAA Today

Down Syndrome Association of Atlanta  
4355 J Cobb Parkway #213  
Atlanta, Georgia 30339

Phone: 404.320.3233  
[www.down-syndrome-atlanta.org](http://www.down-syndrome-atlanta.org)

