

# FAMILY★LINKS

## UTAH'S STATEWIDE CONFERENCE

**FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS  
PLUS FEATURED SESSIONS ON SATURDAY SPECIFICALLY FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES**

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28 AND SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2014**

**MURRAY HIGH SCHOOL, 5440 SOUTH STATE STREET, MURRAY, UTAH**



**FRIDAY'S KEYNOTE SPEAKER – MATT TOWNSEND**

PRESENTS:

**THRIVING AS PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES:  
KEEPING MARRIAGE AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS STRONG**

READ MORE ABOUT MATT TOWNSEND'S KEYNOTE PRESENTATION ON PAGE 4.

**SATURDAY'S KEYNOTE SPEAKER – JUDITH SNOW**

PRESENTS:

**INCLUSION:  
RECOGNIZING GIFTEDNESS AND VALUING DIVERSITY**

READ MORE ABOUT JUDITH SNOW'S KEYNOTE PRESENTATION ON PAGE 5.

THIS CONFERENCE WILL ALSO FEATURE: SATURDAY KEYNOTE, BREAKOUT SESSIONS, AWARDS,  
PRIZE DRAWINGS, AN EXHIBITOR FAIR AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

**FRIDAY DINNER  
AND KEYNOTE  
\$20.00**

**FRIDAY KEYNOTE  
ONLY  
\$10.00**

**SATURDAY  
ONLY  
\$20.00**

**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY  
DISCOUNT PRICE  
\$35.00**

**PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2014**

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# 2014 FAMILY LINKS CONFERENCE-AT-A-GLANCE

Times and topics are subject to change. We reserve the right to cancel sessions for which individuals don't pre-register.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2014

<b>5:00 – 6:00 p.m.</b>	Registration	
<b>5:30 – 7:00 p.m.</b>	Dinner and Networking	
<b>7:00 – 9:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Keynote Presentation:</b>	
	Matt Townsend	Thriving as Parents of Children with Disabilities: Keeping Marriage and Family Relationships Strong

## SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2014

<b>8:00 – 8:30 a.m.</b>	Registration <i>*Note: Breakfast will NOT be served.</i>	
<b>8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.</b>	Exhibitor Fair	
<b>8:30 – 9:30 a.m.</b>	Keynote Presentation	
	Judith Snow	Inclusion: Recognizing Giftedness and Valuing Diversity
<b>9:30 – 10:00 a.m.</b>	Awards Presentation	
<b>10:15 – 11:30 a.m.</b>	Breakout Session A	
<b>A1: Adult Siblings Get Together with</b> <i>Judith Snow</i> <i>This session will begin at 10:30.</i>	<b>A2: Survival Without Services</b> <i>Panel Presentation</i>	<b>A3: Using Sensory Strategies for Participation in Daily Activities</b> <i>Madelyn Mauer</i>
<b>A4: How to Make Reading Enjoyable and Beneficial for Children with Down Syndrome</b> <i>Weber State University</i>	<b>A5: Plan for the Future: Employment and Postsecondary Education</b> <i>Robyn Chidester</i>	<b>A6: Dual Diagnosis : When Your Child Has a Disability PLUS a Mental Health or Behavioral Challenge</b> <i>Wendy Macey</i>
<b>A7: Getting Help for Students with Learning Disabilities: How the Schools Can Help</b> <i>Kim Fratto</i>	<b>A8: Meeting the Needs of Your Other Children: How to Help Siblings</b> <i>Karen Greenwell</i>	<b>A9: Finding Success in Higher Education; Accommodations at the College Level</b> <i>Steven Lewis</i>
<b>11:30 – 12:00 p.m.</b>	Exhibitor Fair	
<b>12:00 – 1:00 p.m.</b>	Lunch and Exhibitor Fair - Food by Café Rio	
<b>1:15 – 2:30 p.m.</b>	Break Out Session B	
<b>B1: How Circles of Support Can Improve the Lives of People with Disabilities Throughout the Lifespan</b> <i>Judith Snow</i>	<b>B2: Employment First</b> <i>Tricia Jones-Parkin</i>	<b>B3: The Many Ways You Can Use Brain Plasticity to Improve Function</b> <i>Dr. Judy Gooch</i>
<b>B4: Special Needs Legal Planning: Creating a Special Needs Trust – Hands on Help for Families</b> <i>Lisa Thornton</i>	<b>B5: Autism 101</b> <i>Cathy Longstroth</i>	<b>B6: Whose Decision Is It Anyway? Self-Determination and Helping Your Son or Daughter Make Good Decisions</b> <i>Linda Smith</i>
<b>B7: The iPad as Assistive Technology – The Many Ways to Empower Children with Disabilities</b> <i>Utah Center for Assistive</i>	<b>B8: Housing Options for Adults with Disabilities: What Are They and Where Do You Find Them?</b> <i>Debbie Stark</i>	<b>B9: ABC's of Special Needs</b> <i>Utah Family Voices</i>
<b>B10: What Families Need to Know about Law Enforcement</b> <i>Panel Presentation</i>		
<b>2:45 – 4:00 p.m.</b>	Breakout Session C	
<b>C1: Dad's Pie Social</b> <i>Mark Hansen</i>	<b>C2: Journey To Adulthood: What to Do About Maturation and Sexuality Issues</b> <i>Michelle Murphey</i>	<b>C3: Teaching Executive Functioning Skills for Successful Employment</b> <i>Jennifer Cardinal</i>
<b>C4: Pathways to Careers – Two Programs to Help Students with High Functioning Autism or Asperger Syndrome</b>	<b>C5: IEP Questions? Ask the Experts</b> <i>Panel Presentation</i>	<b>C6: Meet the Down Syndrome Experts – Starring YOU the Parents!</b> <i>Utah Down Syndrome Foundation</i>
<b>C7: Survival Tips for Parents of Children with ADHD: How to Love Your Child at Any Age</b> <i>Melanie Hatch</i>	<b>C8: Funding Special Needs</b> <i>Utah Family Voices</i>	<b>C9: Caregivers: Finding and Retaining</b> <i>Deb Bowman</i>
<b>C10: Introducing Literacy to Learners with Significant Disabilities</b> <i>Mary Alice Dredge and Nicole Holmstead</i>		