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UPCOMING



Webinar on the ADA and Hospitality Settings

On Wednesday, May 8, 2013 the [ADA National Network](#) will host a free webinar on recent court cases and litigation involving the Americans with Disabilities Act in hospitality settings (e.g., hotels, restaurants).

Barry Taylor and Rachel M. Weisberg, attorneys from the Illinois Protection and Advocacy program, will review the range of litigation brought against hospitality providers, including employment discrimination cases brought by hospitality workers with disabilities, as well as ADA litigation brought by customers with disabilities seeking access to hospitality venues.

The ADA in the Hospitality Setting
Free Webinar
Wednesday, May 8th
2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EASTERN

It's free, but [REGISTRATION](#) is required to participate in the webinar. Interested in Continuing Education Credits? The webinar provider is offering CCRC, University of Illinois at Chicago CEU and a Certificate of Attendance for this session. There is no cost for the CE credits. Do you have questions about your rights and responsibilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act? Call 800-949-4232 and talk with a Technical Assistance Specialist at the



Great Lakes ADA Center. It's a free service!

Workshop Speaker Promotes Civic Engagement for Older Adults

Americans are living longer and healthier lives, and that presents both a challenge and an opportunity, says Jan Hively, the organizer of several peer networks and learning programs dedicated to active aging.

The challenge is that communities often aren't organized in ways that make it easy for people to remain active and engaged as they age. But the opportunity is that older adults have skills and experiences that are essential to the workings of society. They can do work that needs to be done.

"We've had 20 years added, not to the end of life but the middle of life," Hively said.

At age 81, Hively is a prime example. When funding was cut for her previous work in youth services, she finished a Ph.D. at age 69 and set about creating a new career. She travels around the U.S. and to Europe advising organizations on how to engage older adults in productive work.

She will be in Bloomington on Wednesday, May 8, as keynote speaker for a "[Places with a Purpose](#)" workshop sponsored by the Center on Aging and Community, part of the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community at Indiana University Bloomington. The all-day workshop will take place at Ivy Tech Community College-Bloomington.

As a doctoral student, Hively carried out a survey on productive aging in rural communities in Minnesota. It opened her eyes to the idea that people can play essential roles in their communities long past the age when they're expected to quit being active.

"I was so encouraged and surprised by the extraordinary productivity of the people who were left in those communities where the youth had gone away to college and never come back," she said. "People in their 80s were county commissioners and running the grocery stores, and feeling good about it. They were in control of their lives, and a strong majority were healthy and active into their 80s."

Inspired by what she saw, Hively founded the [Vital Aging Network](#), an organization that promotes self-determination, civic engagement and personal growth for people as they age. She later helped establish [Artsage](#), which fosters creative expression for older adults, and [SHiFT](#), which supports meaningful work and engagement. Since 2010, she has worked on the [European Voices for Active Aging project](#).

The question raised by the "Places with a Purpose" workshop is: Can Indiana cities and towns become lifetime communities? Hively answers with a resounding yes. She says older adults are eager to remain productive, guided by values of self-determination, community participation and self-sufficiency.

"People, as they grow older, want meaningful work," she said. "They want to be doing something that is of benefit to themselves and to others. They want to have social interaction, and they like to get a pat on the back for doing something that's useful."

At the same time, Hively said, there's a lot of work that needs doing, as the number of working-age adults declines and funding shrinks for public and

nonprofit services. And productive, meaningful work includes not only employment but for volunteering and keeping civic organizations running.

A key to success, she said, is engaging older adults in leadership roles. "I'm 81 years old," she said. "I don't want to sit back and wait to be served. I can tell you, it's not going to happen."

The "Places with a Purpose" workshop is organized by [Communities for a Lifetime](#), part of a national initiative to promote age-friendly communities, funded by Pfizer International Foundation with grants to [Grantmakers in Aging](#) and the [Indiana Grantmakers Alliance](#). In addition to Hively, speakers will include Kim Irwin of the Alliance for Health Promotion/Health by Design, M. Scott Ball of Duany Plater-Zyberk Architects and Town Planners and Zachary Benedict of MKM Architecture + Design.

[Registration](#) is \$10 and is available online (enter course #31482-123), by calling or emailing Katrina Jones at 812-330-6042 or katjones@ivytech.edu, or on-site on the day of the workshop at 8:30 a.m.

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COMINGS AND GOINGS



Pratt to Present at 34th Annual TEACCH® Conference

Cathy Pratt, Director of the Institute's [Indiana Resource Center for Autism](#), will be a featured speaker at the 34th Annual University of North Carolina TEACCH® Autism Program Conference. The conference will on May 16-17, 2013 in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. [Pratt's](#) presentation will focus on "What to Do When Behavior Happens."

The [34th Annual TEACCH® Autism Program Conference](#) is specifically designed to educate professionals about the latest treatment approaches for Autism Spectrum Disorder from infancy to adulthood. This conference will be beneficial to both professionals engaged in direct service provision and professionals engaged in research with individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

KUDOS



Beyond Compliance Conference a Success!

The [Indiana Teacher Appraisal and Support System \(IN-TASS\)](#), which is a part of [Center on Education and Lifelong Learning](#) at Indiana University, partnered with the [Joyce Foundation](#), to sponsor the first of its kind statewide conference on teacher evaluation on April 25 and 26 at the Hilton Indianapolis North hotel.

This conference, titled "Beyond Compliance: Embracing Teacher Appraisal," focused on the "how-tos" of establishing teacher appraisal systems that are fair to teachers; ensure the opportunity for all students to benefit; optimize instructional excellence and academic achievement; provide teachers with high-quality feedback and reflection; increase the chances of consistent and comprehensive implementation; and are practical and manageable.

A 2011 state law requires Indiana schools to conduct annual evaluations of all teachers, incorporating test scores, observations of teaching and other measures of effectiveness. Teachers must be rated each year as highly effective, effective, improvement necessary or ineffective.

Sessions were designed to assist Indiana school administrators, teachers, policy makers, and professional learning consultants to identify key decision points in the creation of a system that assesses and supports effective teaching.

Over 450 attendees heard featured Indiana speakers that included Glenda Ritz, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and nationally known speakers, including James Popham, Professor Emeritus, UCLA Graduate School of Education and Information Studies. Breakout session included presentations representing many Indiana school districts. "We were able to share multiple perspectives on the topic, highlight Indiana educators, share 'lessons learned' from national presenters, and provide an opportunity for networking," said [Sandi Cole](#), Director of the Center on Education and Lifelong Learning.

The Center on Education and Lifelong Learning is part of the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community at Indiana University Bloomington. Both receive support from the [Office of the Vice Provost for Research](#), which is dedicated to supporting ongoing faculty research and creative activity, developing new multidisciplinary initiatives and maximizing the potential of faculty to accomplish path-breaking work.

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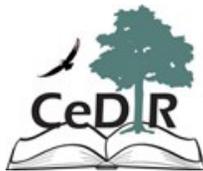
Indiana DOE Special Education Parent Survey Deadline Extended

Parents, want to help improve the special education services at your child's school? Now is your chance! Complete this [survey](#) from the [Indiana Department of Education](#) before **May 31**.

Parents with internet access are encouraged to fill out the online version of the survey, but if you would rather fill out a paper copy of the survey, Indiana parents of kids receiving special education services should get one in the mail or in person sometime in mid-April.

If you did not receive a paper copy of the survey by April 17, contact the person at your school responsible for overseeing Special Education services.

LIBRARY CORNER



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Kats, J., & Kinra, R. (2012). *The princess and the ruby: An autism fairy tale*. Ann Arbor, MI: Loving Healing Press.

Robison, J. E. (2013). *Raising Cubby: A father and son's adventures with Asperger's, trains, tractors, and high explosives*. New York: Crown Publishers.

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These new materials may be borrowed from the [Center for Disability Information and Referral \(CeDIR\)](#) at the Institute. To check out materials, please call the library at 800-437-7924, send an email at cedir@indiana.edu, or come by and visit us at 2853 East Tenth Street in Bloomington.

- See more at: <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pagelD=40&newsId=432&newsType=2#sthash.Lwhr4rtW.dpuf>