

TOURETTE SYNDROME 2008 PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Wednesday ~ April 2, 2008 8:00am to 4:00pm ~ Chapter Leadership Training

We offer both a one day and a two day Leadership Training Program, both of which are open to all chapter Chairmen, regional representatives and current or potential chapter and support group leaders. Wednesday's session will present an interactive format with programming related to important topics addressing leadership needs and exciting educational, awareness, and fundraising programs which may be implemented by chapters of all sizes.

Wednesday ~ April 2, 2008 5:00 to 6:30pm ~ Trip to the Hill Training

This session is required for all Delegates who will be attending the Trip to the Hill. Elridge Proctor will be presenting important information regarding your appointments, logistics, and the issues which will be addressed during your meetings with elected officials.

Thursday ~ April 3, 2008

8:00am to 11:00am ~Leadership Training
Chapter Chairs, Leaders, Delegates

Thursday will include special presentations on public relations, national ~ chapter partnership programs and events; and local fundraising programs and events.

Thursday ~ Sunday April 3 ~ 6, 2008 Daily Exhibit Hall Set-Up

Exhibitors may set up their exhibits on Thursday. The Exhibit Hall will be open Friday and Saturday from 8:00am to 5:00pm and Sunday 8:00am to 11:00am

Thursday ~ April 3, 2008 8:00am to 5:00pm Newly Diagnosed Seminar

We encourage anyone who is recently diagnosed or attending a TSA Conference for the first time to attend this exceptional pre-conference program with Dr. John Walkup. This seminar will prepare you for processing, retaining, and applying the immense amount of information which will be accessible during the General Sessions. Dr. Walkup has a special way of sharing insightful suggestions for helping you to understand Tourette Syndrome and Co-Morbid disorders. He will also provide everyday coping strategies and behavioral management tools while putting living and coping with TS on a daily basis into perspective.

Thursday ~ April 3, 2008 Trip to the Hill

Our annual Trip to the Hill program is open to all TSA members. This is an exciting program in which to participate. Our TSA public policy office provides information on how to contact Senators and Representatives and set up appointments. Additionally they coordinate with the Chapter Services staff to assist you with 'how to' information for setting appointments and writing letters. Delegates are provided with comprehensive packets of information on several issues which define the current needs of people with TS. A Delegate Training Session is presented on Wednesday, April 3rd. TSA provides bus service to and from the Hill and lunch and afternoon refreshments will be served in the Capitol. After the appointments, all Delegates share experiences with one another and will be reimbursed for their Thursday night dinner. We encourage you to involve your children as they provide a positive lasting impression on your elected officials. Participation in the Trip to the Hill is an experience you and your children will cherish. It is also a great Civics lesson for Teens.

General Sessions Kickoff

CHRIS MELBYE INTERNATIONAL MEET & GREET MIXER

Thursday, April 3, 2008 ~ 8:30pm to 10:30pm ~ TERRACE (LOWER FOYER)

**The Reception will include Karaoke & a Disc Jockey
Refreshments Served**

10:00 to Midnight ~ Hospitality Room ~ BEECH

2008 TSA National Conference Registration Form

Please complete and submit this response form to TSA by March 13th, 2008. All Registration Forms received after March 13th will be charged at the standard rate plus an additional \$50 late registration fee per person.

**** Please note: TSA Members may deduct the \$40 Early-Bird Discount for on-line registration received before January 1, 2008. This discount applies only to TSA website registrations. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)**

Please print or type your name clearly as you wish it to appear on your conference badge:

First Name: _____ Initial _____ Last _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____ (for confirmation)

Please check here if you have special dietary requirements: *vegetarian*,
 fruit desserts for diabetics, *fish (Kosher meals are not available)*,
 other please specify: _____

Teen Issues Track Registration Information:

This will be an actual Conference General Session Track with appropriate meeting topics for young people ages 13 through 17. Please read the TEEN TRACK information included in this form before enrolling your teen.

Please print or type teen names clearly as you wish them to appear on the badges:

First Name _____ Last _____ Age _____

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Total Amount from right hand column \$ _____

On-line only registration before January 1, 2008

**deduct \$40 from total* \$ _____

All registration after March 13, 2008

add \$50 late fee to the total \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Check or Money Order Enclosed ~ make payable to TSA Conference 2008

VISA MASTER CARD AMEX

Card # _____ Expiration date _____

Print name _____ Signature _____

You will receive a confirmation via E-mail

GENERAL SESSIONS

\$350 TSA Member

\$425 Non-Member rate *

Registration includes all materials as well as:
 Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Breakfast
 Friday and Saturday lunch
 Saturday Award Banquet

** I wish to join TSA now and receive the reduced member registration rate.*

\$ 45 TSA Membership dues

NEWLY DIAGNOSED SEMINAR (THURSDAY)

\$ 90

Registration includes materials and Thursday Breakfast and Lunch

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

\$125

Registration includes materials :
 Thursday Breakfast and Lunch
 Wednesday Trip to the Hill Training
 Thursday Trip to the Hill including reimbursement for Thursday evening Dinner up to \$35

TEEN ISSUES TRACK

\$350 ~ regular banquet meal

\$330 ~ youth banquet meal

**This is a regular general session conference track; see information sheet for details.*

Registration includes all materials as well as:
 Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Breakfast
 Friday and Saturday lunch
 Saturday night Banquet

YOUTH MEALS

Friday, Saturday & Sunday breakfast and Saturday banquet for those registered for off-premise youth program

\$138~ with regular banquet meal *

\$118 ~ with youth banquet meal *

\$ 72 ~ Fri/Sat/Sun breakfasts only*

The above fees apply from January 1, 2008 to March 13, 2008. **After March 13, 2008 please add**

\$50 per person for late fee

**** Note on-line registration discount for TSA Members**

** See information sheet for off-site youth program information (not associated with TSA)*



Please e-mail this form along with your credit card information by March 13, 2008 to: sandra.holland@tsa-usa.org

Or send via US mail along with your payment to: Tourette Syndrome Association Inc. 2008 Conference
 42-40 Bell Blvd. Suite 205, Bayside, NY 11361-2820

Thursday Preliminary Schedule
Newly Diagnosed Seminar and Leadership Training

TSA Conference Registration located in the Exhibit Hall~ Lower Lobby
Registration is open: 7:00am to Noon ~ 2:00pm to 4:00pm ~ 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Combined breakfast where the Newly Diagnosed attendees will meet chapter members from their area.

~~~~~**TSA Newly Diagnosed Seminar 8:00am to 5:00pm ~ Juniper**~~~~~

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~~~~~**TSA Leadership Training ~ 8:00 to 11:00am ~ Plaza I & II**~~~~~

The morning program will include special presentations on public relations, national ~ chapter partnerships programs and events; local fundraising programs and events.

~~~~~**TSA Trip to the Hill ~ 11:15am to 5:30pm**~~~~~

Delegates with appointments who attended the Wednesday Trip to the Hill Training session will travel by bus to the Capitol where lunch will be served before delegates visit their elected officials.

~~~~~**TSA Exhibit Hall ~ 1:00pm to 4:00pm**~~~~~

TSA Publications and Information & Referral Services Center

Exhibit Booths include information, products, and services

Tourette Syndrome Artists' Table

Christian Melbye TSA International Meet & Greet Club Night

DJ ~ Karaoke ~ Refreshments

8:00pm ~ Midnight ~ Terrace Room ~ Lower Level

Hospitality Room ~ 9:00pm to Midnight

Friday Schedule at a Glance
Friday General Session Tracks ~ 9:00am to 5:00pm

TSA Conference Registration located in the Exhibit Hall~ Lower Lobby
Registration is open: 7:00am to Noon ~ 2:00pm to 5:30pm ~ 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Exhibit Hall is open from 9:00am ~ 5:00pm

8:00 ~ 9:00am ~ **WELCOME BREAKFAST WITH PRESENTATION OF COLORS ~ TERRACE**

~~~~~**MEDICAL~ BEHAVIORAL TRACK ~ BALLROOM C**~~~~~

Morning Session ~ Latest Treatments & Related Issues for Tourette Syndrome & Co-Morbid Disorders  
Afternoon Session ~ 1:30 to 3:00pm repeated from 3:30 to 5:00pm  
Impulse Control & Rage Issues for Parents

~~~~~**EDUCATION - ADVOCACY TRACK~ BALLROOM B**~~~~~

Morning Session ~ 9:00am to Noon ~ Stocking the Tool Box for School Success and Beyond ~ includes Occupational Therapy & TS; Sensory Integration; Central Auditory Processing; Assistive Technology
Afternoon Sessions ~ 1:30 to 5:00pm ~ Different Minds Learn Differently

~~~~~**SPECIAL TOPICS TRACK ~ MAGNOLIA**~~~~~

Afternoon Sessions ~ 1:30 to 3:00pm repeated 3:30pm to 5:00pm  
Understanding How to Keep Siblings from Feeling Left Out and Less Important

~~~~~**ADULT - YOUNG ADULT ISSUES TRACK ~ PLAZA III**~~~~~

Morning Session ~ 9:00am to noon ~ Cognitive Behavioral Management
Afternoon Session ~ 1:30 to 3:00pm ~ Legal Rights and Moral Responsibilities
3:30 to 4:30pm ~ Q & A Panel Session

~~~~~**TEEN ISSUES TRACK~ LAKESIDE I IN THE RETREAT**~~~~~

Morning Session I - 9:00am to noon ~ Transitioning through the Teen Years and Looking Ahead to Adulthood  
Afternoon Session ~ 1:30 to 5:00pm ~ Special Art & Music Program

**FRIDAY EVENING OPTIONAL PROGRAMMING**

6:30pm ~ Site-Seeing Tour ~ organized by TSA Greater Washington D.C. Chapter

7:00 to 8:30pm ~ Drum Circle for all <sup>email</sup>ages ~ BEECH ROOM ~ LOWER LEVEL

8:30pm to 10:30pm Movie & Chat with Michael Wolff & Family

8:30pm to Midnight ~ Hospitality Room

**Saturday Schedule at a Glance**  
**Saturday General Session Tracks ~ 8:30am to 4:30pm**

TSA Conference Registration Lower Lobby—Open: 8:30am to Noon ~ 2:30 to 4:30 pm  
Exhibit Hall is open from 9:00am - 4:30pm featuring:  
Exhibitors ~ TSA Publications ~ Information & Referral Services ~ TS Artists Table

Continental Breakfast ~ **from 7:45am to 8:15am ~ EXHIBIT HALL**

~~~~~**MEDICAL ~ BEHAVIORAL TRACK ~ BALLROOM C**~~~~~

Morning Session ~ 10:00am to NOON ~ Anger Management & Social Skills Development for Your Children
(will be repeated in afternoon session)

Afternoon Session ~ 1:00 to 3:00pm ~ Anger Management & Social Skills Development for Your Children ~
(repeated from morning session)

~~~~~**EDUCATION - ADVOCACY LEARNING DEVELOPMENT TRACK ~ BALLROOM B**~~~~~

Morning Session ~ 8:30am to 10:00 ~ Home Schooling & the Social Ramifications

10:30am to Noon ~ Perspectives and Insights about Bullying, Harassment, and Conflict

Afternoon Session ~ 1:00 to 4:30pm ~ IDEA Review, the Importance of an FBA, and a Positive Behavioral  
Approach

~~~~~**SPECIAL TOPICS TRACK ~ MAGNOLIA**~~~~~

Morning Session ~ 8:30am to 10:00am

Dealing with Sibling Issues

Afternoon Sessions ~ 3:00pm to 4:30 pm

Panel Q & A ~ Sibling Perspective

~~~~~**ADULT & YOUNG ADULT TRACK ~**~~~~~

Morning Session ~ 8:30am to Noon ~ Living, Coping and Succeeding in Life with Tourette Syndrome ~ includes  
Panel from 11:00 to Noon ~ PLAZA III

Afternoon Sessions ~ 1:00 to 2:30pm ~ (each repeated from 3:00pm to 4:30pm)

1) Impulse Control & Rage Issues ~ LAUREL

2) Transitioning through the Stages of Life: Leaving home, Moving on, Separation Anxiety ~ BIRCH  
Maintaining Successful Dating, Friendship and Family Relationships ~ Poplar

~~~~~**TEEN ISSUES TRACK**~~~~~

Morning Session ~ 8:30am to NOON ~ Cognitive Behavioral Management ~ Lakeside I

Afternoon Session ~ 1:00 to 2:30pm ~ Mentor Panel of Young Adults ~ Lakeside I

Afternoon Session ~ 3:00 to 4:30pm Youth Q & A Roundtable Panel—an opportunity for parents to hear opinions
and viewpoints from young people living with TS ~ Lakeside I

SATURDAY EVENING PROGRAMMING

CHAIRMAN'S RECEPTION ~ 6:00 to 7:00pm ~ Invitation only event with TSA Chairman and TSA Board Members
for Chairman's Club, Corporate Sponsors, Corporate Council, Life Members, Chapter Chairmen

AWARD BANQUET & PROGRAM ~ 7:00 to 10:00pm ~ PLAZA BALLROOM

7:00pm to 8:30pm ~ Banquet and TSA Award Presentations

8:30pm to 10:00pm ~ Entertainment

Sunday General Session ~ 8:00am to 11:00am

8:00am to 11:00am ~ Join the Speakers for Breakfast and Face to Face Chats ~ BALLROOM C

TOURETTE SYNDROME 2008 CONFERENCE INFORMATION

CONFERENCE HOTEL INFORMATION

CONFERENCE DATES

Pre-conference Meetings ~ April 2 & 3, 2008
General Session ~ April 4, 5, 6, 2008

LOCATION

Hilton Alexandria Mark Center
5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22311

TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS CALL

703-845-1010 or 800-HILTONS

Ask for the TSA Conference Rate

*In order to be guaranteed a room from the TSA block,
you must make your hotel reservation prior to March 13, 2008*

GROUND TRANSPORTATION ~ COMPLIMENTARY

Hilton Shuttle service to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport
The Pentagon, Pentagon City Mall and the Metro Subway System

RECREATION

Heated indoor /outdoor pool with hydraulic lift
24-hour Executive Health Club featuring LifeCycles, LifeStep
Machines, Treadmills, and a Multi-Station Universal Gym
Two lighted outdoor tennis courts
Jogging Trails and Walking Paths through adjacent Botanical Gardens

DINING

Finn & Porter, offering Steak, Seafood, and Sushi

CHAPTER STORE

The Chapter Store is a booth area where chapters may sell TS related items. The participating chapters need to be willing to take turns manning the Chapter Store during Exhibit Hall hours. E-mail sandra.holland@tsa-usa.org

NON-TSA OFF-SITE CAMP

A Non-TSA off-site camp program for 7 through 14 year olds is being offered through the Illinois TS Camp, Inc. If you would like information and registration forms for this program, you may contact Scott Loeff at scott63@prodigy.net. TSA will be offering scholarships to families to cover all or part of the camp expenses (see box above right).

REGISTER ON-LINE
before January 1, 2008
and you will qualify for a
\$40 discount!

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Call 718-224-2999 or e-mail sandra.holland@tsa-usa.org in the TSA office for an application form and information on applying for one of the following scholarships

NON-TSA OFF-SITE CAMP PROGRAM
TEEN GENERAL SESSION TRACK
YOUNG ADULT SESSION TRACK

NEW! SIBLING TRACK SESSIONS

We have added a new Siblings General Session Track. There will be presentation style sessions as well as a Q & A Panel with young people with TS and their siblings responding to questions and giving their point of views.

TSA ARTIST BOOTH

If you are a talented person with TS and would like to display and/or sell your arts and crafts, contact TSA via sandra.holland@tsa-usa.org. Past items displayed and sold have included note cards, paintings, CDs, photos, books, and many other items. Let us enjoy your talent.

TSA TEEN PROGRAM

A regular General Session Track will be held this year for teens ages 15 to 17. Included in the session will be presentations relevant to the needs and interests of teens along with a sophisticated art and music hands on session. Teens will join the attendees from the other Tracks for meals. Scholarships will be available (see box above).

TRIP to the HILL

If you would like to join our National and Chapter Leaders as a delegate for the Trip to the Hill, e-mail sandra.holland@tsa-usa.org. You will attend a Training presented by our Public Policy staff at 5:00pm Wednesday, April 2nd. All delegates are provided with comprehensive how-to packets in advance for setting up appointments. TSA staff will also create packets containing important and current information on significant issues central to families dealing with TS which you will deliver to your Senators and Congressmen. The Trip to the Hill on Thursday afternoon includes lunch at the Capitol. This is an opportunity to speak with your elected officials and their staff members explaining the personal side of living and coping with TS. It is an opportunity to see how you actually can make a difference.

Young people are invited to accompany their parents as their being there in person makes a major difference. It will be an experience which not only educates those who can help us at the Federal level but it will be an experience you will never forget.

