



**New York State
Therapeutic Recreation Association
13th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
HOLIDAY INN
SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK
April 5th- April 8th, 2008**

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All members are encouraged to attend the GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING on Sunday, April 6th, directly following lunch to discuss issues that affect all of us in the TR profession.

Institute #1

Saturday, April 5th, 2008 11:00am-5:00pm

Inclusion U: Assessing Recreation Resources throughout New York State

Dr. Lynn Anderson, CTRS, CPRP, Professor and Chair, SUNY Cortland

Dr. Vicki Wilkins, Professor, SUNY Cortland

Laurie Penny-McGee, CTRS, Project Coordinator, SUNY Cortland

A core goal of the Inclusive Recreation Resource Center (IRRC) at SUNY Cortland is to enable recreation, tourism, and therapeutic recreation professionals to provide opportunities for people of all abilities to enjoy recreation programs, parks, and facilities wherever they live. Inclusivity training is key to the development of recreation resources that truly include people of all abilities. To reach this vision, ten modules have been created to assist practitioners acquire the knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed for the provision of inclusive recreation services. The training modules encompass a broad spectrum of learning outcomes in order for professionals at all levels to not only understand the concept of inclusion, but to implement strategies, policies, and procedures for its success. Upon completion of this training, participants will become certified to assess recreation programs, sites and facilities. Participants are asked to complete 2 assessments within 6 months.

******Session is limited to 25 participants******

Institute #2

Saturday, April 5th, 2008 11:00am-5:00pm

Using the T-Golf System to Increase an Individuals Functioning and Continued Leisure Participation.

Jennifer Battle, CTRS, Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital

Charles Veeder, Certified USGTF, Instructor, CV Golf

Are your clients/residents/patients/participants ever requesting to go golfing? Do you not have the resources/time/money/transportation to take them? This session will give the participant the knowledge and hands on training with the T-Golf® System to make this possible. The session will describe the T-Golf® Method of teaching, utilizing the T-Golf® System not only on the golf course but inside and in a variety of treatment settings information and use of other adaptive equipment to help make individuals successful, and techniques for teaching individuals with varying disabilities. This is a hands on and active session. Participants will be going through the drills themselves as well as teaching what you have just learned. Upon completion of this session the participants will not only have the hands on training, but will become certified as T-Golf® Instructors.

Information will be available for specialized equipment, and a special price will be offered for the T-Golf® System for anyone that attends the session.

******Session is Limited to 15-20 participants******

Saturday, April 5th, 2008

NYSTRA Board Meeting

Members Welcome

5:30pm– 7:30pm

**Sunday, April 6th, 2008 8:00am-9:30am
COFFEE AND ROLLS**

Welcome/Opening General Session

Session #1 Sunday, April 6th, 2008 9:30am-11:00am

The Time is Now!: Recreational Therapy Licensure in New York

Vincent Bonadies, CTRS, Rivington House

Linda Dianto, CTRS, Rivington House

This will be an overview of the New York RT licensing initiative. Participants will learn the steps in the licensure process. Additionally, this session will explore the rules & responsibilities of being a licensed professional with particular attention given to the disciplinary process related to licensure. A round-table discussion will follow the presentation.

Session #2 Sunday, April 6th, 2008 11:15am-12:45pm

Digital Storytelling as a Tool for Therapeutic Recreation - Part 1

Robin Kunstler, Re.D., CTRS, Professor, Lehman College

Holly Pope, MA, Digital Media Consultant

Digital storytelling is an innovative technique that combines writing, storytelling, music and visual images to create a personal narrative that is a powerful tool for personal expression, communication, creating meaning and therapeutic benefits. In this session participants will acquire knowledge of digital storytelling as a therapeutic technique, analyze the use of digital storytelling for different populations and understand the components of creating a digital story.

*****Session is limited to 20 participants*****

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A DOUBLE SESSION, AND YOU MUST ATTEND BOTH THIS SESSION AND SESSION #6 TO RECEIVE CEU'S

Session #3 Sunday, April 6th, 2008 11:15am-12:45pm

The Center for Life Skills: An Interdisciplinary Student Learning Lab for Individuals Who have Experienced Stroke

Janice Elich Monroe, Ph.D., CTRS, Associate Professor, Ithaca College

Jennie Pogorzala, Therapeutic Recreation Student, Ithaca College

Christine Partello, Therapeutic Recreation Student, Ithaca College

The Center for Life Skills (CLS) is a pre-service learning lab for Recreational, Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy students from Ithaca College. CLS provides interdisciplinary post rehabilitation intervention services for individuals who have experienced a stroke. A description of the organizational structure of the program and the results of a functional outcomes study will be presented utilizing both faculty and student perspective.

Session #4 Sunday, April, 6th, 2008 11:15am-12:45pm

Utilizing a Thematic Approach in Therapeutic Recreation as a New Treatment Strategy for the Alzheimer's Population

Linda Levine Madori, Ph.D., CTRS, Professor of Therapeutic Recreation and Clinical Supervisor

St. Thomas Aquinas College, Author, The TTAP Method, Therapeutic Thematic Arts Programming

Publisher: Health Professions Press

In this session participants will be able understand the concept of 'use it or lose it'; identify 3 therapeutic recreation activities clinically proven to stimulate right and left side brain functioning while enhancing cognitive, emotional, physical and social needs. Identify at least 3 therapeutic modalities that create multiple opportunities for integration of lifetime experiences into therapeutic recreation group experiences. Identify three examples that allow individuals to reintegrate into a supportive group, which enhances and increases feelings of safety and support, thus increasing social participation.

Session #5 Sunday, April, 6th, 2008 11:15am-12:45pm

NCTRC Certification: All You Need to Know

Dyann M. Serravillo, M.S., CTRS, Credentialing Specialist, NCTRC

This session provides an in depth coverage of the NCTRC Certification Standards. It will include the requirements for application, application process, exam information, and requirements to maintain your certification.

12:45pm-2:45pm

LUNCH/NYSTRA MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Session #6 Sunday, April, 6th, 2008 3:00pm-4:30pm

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Session #7 Sunday, April, 6th, 2008 3:00pm-4:30pm

The Ever-changing and Ever-challenging role of Therapeutic Recreation in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

Janet Connolly, MS, CTRS, The Hospital for Special Care

Kim Miles, CTRS, The Hospital for Special Care

Health Care today is ever-changing. The mix of patients seen in an acute care PM&R setting is more diverse than it has ever been. The role of the CTRS has evolved along with it. Come and learn what is happening and how you can be prepared to meet these challenges.

12:45pm-2:45pm

LUNCH/NYSTRA MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Session #8 Sunday, April, 6th, 2008 3:00pm-4:30pm

The Joys of Moving with the Elderly with Dementia

Donna Newman-Bluestein, Dance/Movement Therapist

In this workshop, we will explore group movement structures as a way to engage people with dementia in support of their continued need for social contact. Learn to use movement, our earliest and most basic form of communication, as a way of attuning to each individual's emotional capacities and as a way of supporting their ability to be present. In addition to the goal of increasing meaningful socialization, we will use movement to enhance liveliness and decrease agitation and anxiety.

Session #9 Sunday, April, 6th, 2008 3:00pm-4:30pm

Utilizing the ATRA Dementia Guidelines to Reduce Inappropriate Behaviors – A 2 Year Study

Ron Becker, CTRS, Director of Therapeutic Recreation

Mary Maire, Dementia Coordinator

Eilleen Gallen, Activity Therapist II

Coler-Goldwater Specialty Hospital & Nursing Facility

The presenters will take you through the process from being awarded a grant to its completion for a two year study using the ATRA Dementia Guidelines to Address Inappropriate Behaviors in Adults with Dementia. Topics covered will include: working with a state organization using grant funding; creating a collaborative team; training and implementing study performance by the team, setting up a baseline for data collection & analysis of outcomes; challenges one may face when performing a research study and possible options in addressing those challenges; the outcomes of this study and how you can implement the same type of program in your care setting.

Monday, April 7th, 2008 7:00am-9:00am

BREAKFAST ((Bookmakers)

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Session #10 Monday, April 7th, 2008 9:00am-10:30am

Permission to Speed; Knowing When To Listen, Ask and Soar

Rich DiGirolamo, Big Kid, Never Grow Up (www.richdigirolamo.com)

This is a funny, humorous story about five people and a flat tire on their way to the airport. In this interactive keynote presentation leadership, teamwork, creativity, conflict, limiting beliefs and adversity are all addressed. Changing people's attitudes about inclusion will be addresses/weaved throughout the comedy of errors and tragedies occurring during this 40 mile drive.

Session #11 Monday, April 7th, 2008 11:00am-12:30pm

Developing Art Programs to Address Individual Client's Cognitive, Social and Self Esteem Goals

Connie Todt, CTRS, Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital

How would you like to provide your clients with a creative outlet that will increase their self-esteem, problem solving and cognition? This program is run with an art teacher and a CTRS to provide participants with the art instruction and the therapeutic interventions they need to be successful. This session will show therapists how to set up a studio arts program, provide suggestions for funding, staffing and materials.

Session #12 Monday, April 7th, 2008 11:00am-12:30pm

The Healing Mind Workshop

Karen Nash, CTRS, Director of Therapeutic Recreation, Gurwin Jewish Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

This session will be a lecture dramatization of the contents presented during "The Healing Mind" Workshop. In a circle format participants will be asked to role play their clients who present with negativity, hopelessness, helplessness, a desire to take control of their lives and a desire to continue to be educated in mind-body healing practices.

Session #13 Monday, April 7th, 2008 11:00am-12:30pm

Seven Approaches to Program Planning: Impacts on the TR Process

Robin Kunstler, Re.D., CTRS, Professor, Lehman College

Contemporary approaches to program planning in all sectors of health and human services have an impact on TR program delivery. Seven approaches: evidence-based practice, outcome-oriented programming, active treatment, benefits-based programming, strengths-based approach, continuity of lifestyle approach and person-centered planning will be discussed with implications for carrying out the TR process in any setting.

Session #14 Monday, April 7th, 2008 11:00am-12:30pm

Riding or Rapping The Blues Away

Ron Becker, CTRS, Director of Therapeutic Recreation

Shane Howze, Activity Therapist II

Coler-Goldwater Specialty Hospital & Nursing Facility

Two new programs were created to address depression, apathy and lack of positive, purposeful engagement in several populations at Coler-Goldwater Specialty Hospital & Nursing Facility. Populations and client mix is changing in today's health care settings. The Duet Bike Program and The Hip Hop Program were implemented to improve quality of life and engage populations that were uninterested or unable to participate fully in regularly scheduled, structured programming at a long-term care facility. The process to implement these programs including funding, training, assessment, promotion, implementation and evaluation of outcomes for participants will be shared.

12:30pm-2:00pm

LUNCH

Session #15 Monday, April 7th, 2008 2:00pm-3:30pm

Programming for Seniors, Adults and Adolescents with Mental Illness

Robin Gallagher, CTRS, Episcopal Senior Life

Christina Atti, CTRS, Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center

This session will increase the ability to assess the needs of each individual and implement programming that will be meaningful and worthwhile. We will look at barriers that practitioners experience everyday when programming for adults and adolescents with mental health issues, and explore different options to assisting individuals in living the most active lifestyle possible. Discussion of different forms of assessments and effectiveness, group planning and individuals autonomy, and evaluating effectiveness of programming will take place.

Session #16 Monday, April 7th, 2008 2:00pm-3:30pm

Practical Application and Hands on Training in Animal Assisted Therapy and Activities for the CTRS

Donna Sims, CTRS, Upstate University Hospital

Peg Southwell, Sunshine Friends Volunteer

Cezer, English Mastiff and Carly, Australian Shepherd

This will be a hands on goal writing and treatment session using 2 certified therapy dogs provided by Sunshine Friends Inc. Pet Visitation and Therapies program. Participants will write goals, role play specific diagnoses and have hands on opportunity to see if their goals are able to achieve their desired outcomes. Participants will also learn about the roles and responsibilities involved in a AAT/A session and how to pick an AAT/A group that meets specific organizational needs.

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Session #17 Monday, April 7th, 2008 2:00pm-3:30pm

The Healing Power of Humor

Patrick Diffley, CTRS, Director of Therapeutic Recreation, Project Samaritan Inc.

Vincent Bonadies, CTRS, Rivington House Health Care Facility

In this session participants will learn of the holistic view of the benefits of humor and how to create and generate more humor in your life. You will also learn the physiological and psychological benefits of humor and laughter and how to develop and improve your sense of humor.

Session #18 Monday, April 7th, 2008 2:00pm-3:30pm

“Mah Jongg” The Next Generation - Part 1

Daryl Willenbrink, CTRS, CPRP, Senior RT, Hudson Valley DDSO

People that not only assist us with our program activities but become friends with those we serve. Mah Jongg, is a Nationally recognized and much loved game among seniors. Many of us have memories of hearing the “chirping” of tiles as children. This session will teach you the game, teach you the history and invite you to enjoy future leisure opportunities with and for everyone. This game has lasted thousands of years, let’s bring it to your agency, your home and let’s have fun!

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Session #19 Monday, April 7th, 2008 2:00pm-3:30pm

TR Without Barriers: Communicating With & Providing Recreation Services to Deaf & Hard of Hearing Residents

Tameka S. Battle, MS, CTRS, CDP, Four Seasons Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

This session will provide information to participants on the types of recreation programs suitable to deaf & hard of hearing residents and how to advocate for services during programs, trips, events, etc. How to effectively communicate with the deaf and hard of hearing residents. Also, to provide a list of available resources that can be used to establish and maintain a network with organizations and advocacy groups for the deaf and hearing of hearing residents.

Session #20 Monday, April 7th, 2008 3:45pm-5:15pm

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Follow The Leader is So Elementary School. Or is it?

Rich DiGirolamo, Big Kid, Never Grow Up (www.richdigirolamo.com)

It was a simple childhood game with so many messages about leadership. Most people missed the messages and just had the fun. Some didn’t even have the fun. In this session we explore the messages that were missed, the opportunities to uncover The Leader within everyone (INCLUDING our community members), and learn how to encourage all individuals to aspire to give back through a leadership opportunity.

Session #22 Monday, April 7th, 2008 3:45pm-5:15pm

Using Art Therapy & Community Resources To Nurture & Empower

Ron Becker, CTRS, Director of Therapeutic Recreation

Maria Alinea-Bravo, Art Therapist

Coler-Goldwater Specialty Hospital & Nursing Facility

The presenters will share the theory, process and outcomes achieved during two successful art programs led by Art Therapists and assisted by Activity Therapists in a long-term care setting. Another program traces the process in participating in an outdoor Art Installation called “The Encampment”, involving artists in residence at Coler-Goldwater Specialty Hospital & Nursing Facility and the New York City community. Each program process evolved over 4 to 8 week spans, culminating in completed works shown in a facility Art Exhibit, a NYC Gallery, an outdoor Art Installation and at a facility Holiday Special Event.

Session #23 Monday, April 7th, 2008 3:45pm-5:15pm

Stress Management: The Benefits of Movement and Breath

Deborah Silver, CTRS

Society is constantly pushing us to be healthier with just about everything under its sleeve. We have Yoga, Pilates, Tai Chi, organic food, and soy products. You name it, there’s something to intrigue us. But what about the basics? This session will explore how understanding the basics of alignment, posture, breath, and movement can be beneficial to both ourselves and our clients in everyday life. Learn how using such knowledge can be a great form of Stress Management by creating a stronger consciousness of our bad habits, and by incorporating it into the techniques we already use. The session will consist of a variety of exercises and techniques that you can use for yourself and take back to the field.

Tuesday, April 8th, 2008 8:00am-9:00am

BREAKFAST

Session #24 Tuesday, April 8th, 2008 9:00am-10:30am

The IRRC Recreation Referral Service: Training to Become Part of the Team of Talented TRs!

Lynn Anderson, CTRS, CPRP, Professor and Chair, SUNY Cortland

Dr. Vicki Wilkins, Professor, SUNY Cortland

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Session #25 Tuesday, April 8th, 2008 9:00am-10:30am

How to Improve your Relationships with your Co-Workers

Suzanne Hawes, Lead Recreation Therapist, Syracuse VA Medical Center

This session is to become more aware of people's social styles and how this influences the way people work and function. To gain knowledge of how to increase ones civility and respectfulness in the workplace.

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Session #27 Tuesday, April 8th, 2008 9:00am-10:30am

Civic Engage through Membership in Professional Organizations

Janice Elich Monroe, Ph.D., CTRS, Associate Professor, Ithaca College

Professional Associations have played a significant role in the advancement of American Society. This session will look at both the historical perspectives and future trends of the role of associations in Civic Society. The seven emerging trends as described in the report, *Exploring the Future* (ASAE 2001) will be presented and discussed in relationship to the growth and advancement of professional organizations representing recreational therapy.

Session #28 Tuesday, April 8th, 2008 10:45am-12:15pm

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Session #29 Tuesday, April 8th, 2008 10:45am-12:15pm

Return to Recreation: Adaptive Sports Techniques for Teaching Golf, Fishing, & Tennis

Jennifer Battle, CTRS, Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital

Connie Todt, CTRS, Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital

For 7 years, Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital has offered Adaptive Sports Clinics to disabled individuals in the community in Golf, Fishing, & Tennis. This presentation will provide participants with an overview of adaptive equipment and different teaching techniques in these adaptive sports for individuals of varying physical and cognitive abilities.

Session #30 Tuesday, April 8th, 2008 10:45am-12:15pm

Spirituality, Religion and Disability

Susan M. Wilson, CTRS, Associate Professor, SUNY Cortland

A recent University of Missouri study showed that religion can help individuals with disabilities adjust to their lives post injury. This session will examine this study and what contribution spirituality and religion can make to a therapeutic recreation program. We will discuss major religions of the world and their impact on programming as well as discuss some ways to integrate spirituality into a program with attaching it to a particular religion.

Session #31 Tuesday April 8th, 2008 10:45am-12:15pm

Translating Feelings into Function

Nancy VanderMolan, MPA, CTRS/ Lecturer, SUNY College at Brockport

Jenna Leibowitz, TR student, SUNY College at Brockport

Meghan Doan, TR student, SUNY College at Brockport

This session will demonstrate a variety of techniques that promote self-reflection and translation of feelings into functional projects. Participants will learn individual and group activities that enhance personal awareness and result in tangible items.

Endnote/Buffer Lunch—included in all Registration Plans

Session #32 Tuesday, April 8th, 2008 12:30pm-2:00pm

Orchestrating Change-the Time is Now!

Isabel Kellerman, MS, CTRS, Director of Therapeutic Recreation, Margaret Tietz Nursing and Rehab. Center, NYSTRA Past-President

This session will focus on change. We will examine changes that have occurred over the years in our profession, in the healthcare environment, in the world and in ourselves on a personal level. How have we adapted to these changes? Do we see change as a positive or a negative or can we ignore it altogether? This session will challenge participants to utilize knowledge gained at this conference to implement change in ourselves and in our profession. The future of the world and of our profession is dependent upon how we can effect change. It is time to orchestrate change and the time is now!

NYSTRA is putting together for all those who are interested a bus ride to go to the conference. This is a \$55.00 bus ride where there will be 2 pick up points on the Long Island Expressway. This will be early on Saturday April 5th and return on the 8th after the conference is over.

Please contact Vanessa via email at tess7@optonline.net if you are interested.

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**If paying with a Purchase Order (PO) please enclose a copy of the PO with a contact name & no.*

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Registration includes access to educational sessions only. All hospitality events and meals are included in overnight hotel registration package. If commuting, meals can be purchased at the registration table. Please see following page for further explanation.

FULL REGISTRATION

DAILY REGISTRATION

	<u>Before 3/20</u>	<u>After 3/20</u>		<u>Before 3/20</u>	<u>After 3/20</u>
____ Member	\$114	\$134	____ Member	\$84	\$109
____ Non-Member	\$174	\$194	____ Non-Member	\$109	\$129
____ Student Member	Free	Free	____ Student Member	Free	Free
____ Student Non-Member	\$104	\$114	____ Student Non-Member	\$59	\$69

Institutes: ____ #1 \$59 or ____ #2 \$59 (in addition to conference rate above)

If attending as daily, please note which day you are attending ____ Sun. ____ Mon. ____ Tues.

CEUs will be paid onsite

Special Services: ____ Special Diet ____ Accessible Accommodations

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Home Phone () _____
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Employer/School _____
Certification (s) CTRS ____ Other _____

Membership Fees:

Professional - \$55.00 __ Associate - \$50.00__ Student - \$30.00__
Organizational - \$125.00__ Retirement - \$25.00__

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Conference Registration Includes:

Registration Packet, access to all educational sessions, Sunday's Networking Cocktail Hour, NYSTRA Annual Membership Meeting, and Job Mart/Resource & Exhibit Area.

Student Rate: Proof of full time student status must accompany registration form.

Overnight Accommodations:

If reserving a room through the hotel (please see following page), all meals and hospitality functions will be inclusive within the hotel rate. Upon check-in, you will receive a packet of meal/function tickets.

Commuting Conference Attendees:

Please note, with the exception of the endnote, registration does not include any meals or hospitality functions. However, meal and function tickets will be sold at the NYSTRA registration desk. Meal tickets can be purchased for the following fixed meal prices:

Breakfast: \$10.00 Lunch: \$15.00 Dinner: \$22.00

<u>Registration/CEU Desk Open:</u>	Saturday	8:00am-5:00pm
	Sunday	8:00am-5:00pm
	Monday	8:00am-5:00pm
	Tuesday	8:00am-2:30pm

Continuing Education Units

Application has been made to the American Therapeutic Recreation Association (ATRA) for Continuing Education Units (CEUs). Continuing Education Unit (CEU) credit is determined by the length of the presentation. For example, attendance at an hour and a half session will earn .15 CEU. The total of all sessions attended will yield the total CEU awarded for attending the 13th Annual NYSTRA Conference. The total CEU awarded will vary by participant according to the number of sessions attended. Please note that there are some double sessions. A delegate must attend both parts of the double session to earn CEUs. NCTRC does not pre-approve any continuing education. NCTRC has not reviewed or approved of the content of these materials and does not endorse or sponsor any of the activities of NYSTRA.

There will be a \$10.00 registration fee for CEUs which will be paid onsite.

Delegates will receive detailed instructions regarding the documentation of CEUs at the conference. However, you must have your CEU sheet with you for each session you are attending for CEU credit. You will be required to sign in at each session. You must TURN IN your CEU sheet BEFORE you leave the conference. You cannot get credits for sessions attended unless you turn in your sheet at the CEU desk.

An official transcript will be processed and mailed to you within 6-8 weeks following the conference. Transcripts will be kept on file at the ATRA central office.

**Holiday Inn—Saratoga Springs Reservation Request Form
(Overnight accommodations and meals)**

RATES-Two Night Stay-Sun, April 6th -Tues, April 8, 2008 ONLY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Single Occupancy –
Per Person – Per Stay
\$368.00 <i>Rates are inclusive of service charges</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Double Occupancy
Per Person – Per Stay
\$262.00 <i>Rates are inclusive of service charges</i> |
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Two night stay rates include: Overnight accommodations for Sunday and Monday night, 2 breakfasts, 3 buffet lunches, 2 banquet dinners and hors d'oeuvres with cocktail hour before awards banquet.

(Rates are subject to prevailing New York State Tax)

*For those guests arriving on Friday or Saturday a room rate of \$105.00 a night applies
All rates guaranteed through March 20, 2008*

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Any and all cancellations made less than seven (7) days prior to arrival will be subject to the forfeiture of the individual's deposit. Individuals who are categorized as a "No Show" will be billed in full. Credit will not be given for missed meals or early departures. After the cut off date, the group rate quoted will no longer be available, and all charges will reflect current prevailing rates.

Check:	
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Name on Credit Card:	
Credit Card No.:	Expiration Date:
Signature:	

Resources and Agency Exhibits

The NYSTRA Resource Committee invites you to submit written materials for our Annual Multi-Day Conference. We once again plan on featuring a variety of information/topics related to our profession. Resource materials will be displayed at the conference at no cost. Throughout the conference, a table will be available for your

display. Audio/visual equipment will not be provided. However you may bring your own equipment. Please limit amount of resources to 3 boxes. Any facility, agency and/or organization interested in being a part of this networking venue should fill out the form below and send it by March 17, 2008 to:

Vanessa Von Seggern, CTRS
128 Church Road
Great River, NY 11739
(631) 834-3654
tess7@optonline.net

If you are not attending the conference, but would like to submit materials, call Vanessa to make arrangements and send materials to the hotel no earlier than March 21, 2008 (earlier shipments are subject to hotel handling fees) to:

Holiday Inn
(Attention: NYSTRA Conference 4/5-4/8)
232 Broadway
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

RESOURCE AND AGENCY EXHIBIT REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Facility/Organization/Agency: _____

Contact Person attending Conference: _____

Telephone# Day: _____ **Evening:** _____

Date of Arrival: _____

Type of Resource, Description and Materials to be Displayed:

Job/Internship Mart

To advertise a position or internship, information must be received by March 17, 2008. Please mail the form below to:

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EMPLOYMENT OR INTERNSHIP

Job/Internship Title: _____

Setting/Population: _____

Facility Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____ **Phone #:** _____

Position Description:

Position Requirements:

Deadline for Application: _____ **Starting Date:** _____

CTRS Supervisor: YES ___ NO ___

Stipend Available: YES ___ NO ___

Housing Assistance Available: YES ___ NO ___

Salary Range: _____

~HOTEL INFORMATION AND AMENITIES~

All of the guestrooms have been updated over the last two years. Standard features include rooms with a king size bed or two double beds, coffeemakers, phone with voice mail and data port, 50 channel cable service on a 25" color television, hairdryers, irons and ironing board, and am/fm clock radios. Fifty of these rooms also have refrigerators and microwaves. Complimentary high speed internet access.

Luxury class accommodations include all of the above plus upscale décor and linens, enlarged

baths, two phone lines, in room safes and VCRs. Choose from king or two queen size beds or king suites with kitchenettes.

FEATURES

Bookmakers Restaurant and Lounge

Open 7 days a week 6:30am-10:00pm
Serving Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner—Room Service Available

Pools

Indoor and outdoor heated swimming pools
Open daily 7:00am-10:00pm

Exercise Room

24 hour exercise room with treadmills, stairmaster, bike and free weights

Coin Laundry

Located on first floor

Services

24 hour guest fax
Monday through Friday same day dry cleaning
Free on site parking

Just a short stroll to Canfield Casino in Congress Park, the National Museums of Racing and Dance, downtown Saratoga Springs and the Thoroughbred Race Track.

~Directions~

Albany - Follow signs for I-87 North towards Montreal for 25 miles, Take Exit 13N via ramp to US-9 and Bear right on US-9 heading North for 3.5 miles. Holiday Inn is on the Right.

Buffalo/Rochester – I-90 East to Exit 28 (Fultonville/Fonda) and take Rt. 30A north for 6 miles. Turn right on Rt. 29 heading east for 31 miles. Turn right on US-9 and head south for 3 blocks. Holiday Inn is on the Left.

Massachusetts/Connecticut – I-90 East to Albany. Follow signs for I-87 North towards Montreal. Continue on I-87 North for 25 miles. Take Exit 13N via ramp to US-9 and Bear right on US-9 and go North for 3.5 miles. Holiday Inn is on the Right.

Montreal – I-87 South to Exit 15 and Rt. 50. Take Rt. 50 Southwest for 2.5 Miles. Holiday Inn is on the Left.

New York City - I-87 North for 136 miles, Exit I-87 via ramp at sign reading "Exit 24 I-87 N / I-90 E to Albany / Montreal". Follow signs for I-87 North towards Montreal for 25 miles. Take Exit 13N to US-9 heading North for 3.5 miles. Holiday Inn is on the Right.

Hospitality Events

Saturday, April 5th

Dinner on your own

Sunday, April 6th

8:00am

Coffee and Rolls

12:45pm

Lunch and NYSTRA Membership meeting
(Daily Double ballroom)

5:30pm

A Toast to NYSTRA (Cocktail Hour)

6:30pm

Awards Banquet & Dinner
(Daily Double Ballroom)

Monday, April 7th

7:00am

Breakfast (Bookmakers Restaurant)

12:30pm

Lunch and Networking (Daily Double Ballroom)

6:00pm

Dinner (Daily Double Ballroom)

8:00pm

Music, Dancing and Games

Tuesday, April 8th

8:00am

Breakfast (Daily Double Ballroom)