

Comments from previous attendees:

"What a great conference!! I learned so much. Great speakers."

"This conference was so energizing for me! What a great group of parents!"

"I really enjoyed the conference. It was a great and memorable experience!"

"I am glad I attended, 'cause I met heartwarming people and learned a lot."



"Excellent! I learned soooo much. What an excellent conference!"



"I enjoyed the different classes to choose from."

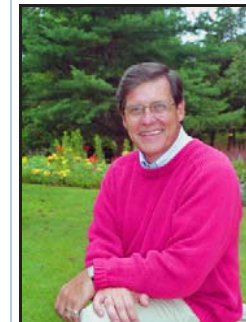
You Are The Expert Conference 2009

"Celebrating Families and Professionals:
The Heart of Success"

Statewide Conference for
Families of Children with Disabilities/Special Needs,
Youth, Advocates,
Educators, Professionals and Others

May 29 - 30, 2009
Howard Johnson Plaza - Yakima, WA

Rick Lavoie is probably best known for his videos "How Difficult Can This Be?: The F.A.T. City Workshop" and "Last One Picked, First one Picked On: The Social Implications of Learning Disabilities".



Rick Lavoie
Keynote Speaker

These award-winning films have brought Rick's sensitive and compelling message to over 500,000 parents and professionals throughout North America.

He has served as an administrator of residential programs for children with special needs since 1972.

He holds three degrees in Special Education and has served as an adjunct professor or visiting lecturer at numerous universities. Rick's numerous television appearances include CBS Morning Show, Good Morning America, ABC Evening News and Disney Channel Presents.

Rick serves as a consultant on Learning Disabilities to several agencies and organizations. He is a member of the Advisor Board of the Learning Disabilities Association.

Spencer Hatton works as a columnist and newsroom editor for the Yakima Herald-Republic in Yakima. He has written extensively about issues dealing with families who care for children with special needs. His stories have garnered state, regional and national awards.

He also has served as a longtime regional coordinator for the Washington State Fathers Network, which supports men who are vital in the lives of children with disabilities. Spencer served as chairman of a special education advisory council in Yakima for more than 15 years.

Spencer has raised two sons. His 28-year-old son Andy is studying to become a speech language pathologist. At regional and state conferences, Spencer has spoken about the lessons he learned from his late son Jed who dealt with autism by offering a warm smile and a friendly hug.



Spencer Hatton
Keynote Speaker



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Register Today!!!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE is May 10, 2009

Highlights

- Keynotes—Rick Lavoie (Friday) and Spencer Hatton (Saturday)
- Free *Youth Strand
- Strand for Spanish Speaking Families
- Friday night events: Reception, Silent Auction, Youth Dance, and You Make a Difference Awards

Who Should Attend

Families of Children with Disabilities/Special Needs, Youth, Advocates, Educators, Professionals and Others

Youth Strand

Intended for *youth 12 and above. This strand will promote self-determination, self-advocacy & youth leadership. Register early—space is limited.

Child Care

There will be **no** childcare available at YATE.

Clock Hours and CEU's

If interested in clock hours or CEU's, please contact Karen at PAVE at 1-800-572-7368.

STARS

Are you A STARS registrant? No Yes. STARS Provider ID Number: _____

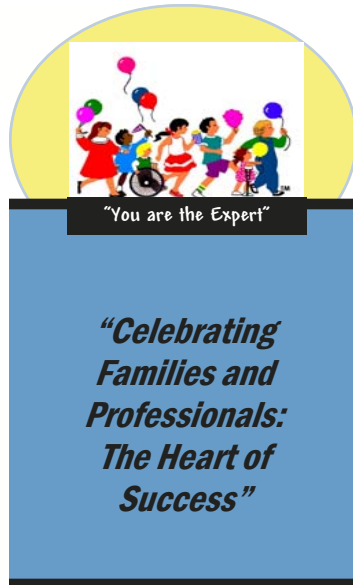
Conference site information

Howard Johnson Plaza located at 9 South 9th Street, Yakima. From I 90 Take exit 110 to merge onto I-82 E/US-97 S toward YAKIMA. Take exit 33B to merge onto E Yakima Ave. Turn right at N 9th St. **A block of room will be set aside for conference attendees. Call 800-446-4656 to make your reservation—mention you are attending the YATE conference.**

Information

For more information, please contact 1-800-572-7368 (v/tty) or 253-565-2266 (v/tty) or e-mail: wapave9@washingtonpave.com. More information will be posted on our website by February 1st, 2009—www.washingtonpave.com.

Thank you! See you in May!



Registration Form

Conference registration may be done either on-line at www.washingtonpave.com, by faxing to 253-566-8052 or by mailing this form to PAVE, 6316 South 12th Street, Tacoma, WA 98465

Please fill out one form for each person attending (please make copies if needed).

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

Every effort will be made to accommodate your requests for special needs. Please mark all those that apply, and specify the accommodation needed.

- Dietary Needs: _____ - Language Interpreter: _____

- Sign Language Interpreter _____ - ADA accommodation: _____

Will a youth age 12 and above be attending the *YOUTH Strand? yes no If yes, complete information below. Fill out one form for each youth attending. A separate registration form for their support person (if applicable). Family's are responsible for support person. Conference sponsors cannot provide personal assistants.

Youth Strand Registration Form

First name of youth: _____ Last name of youth: _____

Name of Support Person (if applicable) _____

Address of youth _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone number: _____ Age of youth _____

Please provide information regarding any needs this youth may have: (i.e. accommodations, learning styles, communication, behavioral, medical, allergies etc. Use an additional sheet of paper if more space is needed.)

During the conference, the best way to reach parent or other responsible adult is: _____

Cost for this conference is \$125.00 per person
(includes breakfast both days, lunch on Friday, Reception and Silent Auction)
***Youth 12 and above are free when attending the conference with a registered adult.**
Space is limited—register early!

I am interested in a stipend or scholarship - No - Yes If yes, we will contact you.

Complete payment is required at time of registration.

Check/money order - check # _____ Purchase Order

MasterCard Visa Credit Card Number _____ Expires _____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____

Do not send cash. Make check or money order payable to PAVE "You Are the Expert",
6316 S. 12th St., Tacoma, WA 98465

