



2010 Annual Conference Reaching New Heights!

MAY 5-8, 2010

DENVER, COLORADO



WELCOME

We look forward to seeing you in Denver! Our 2010 Annual Conference lineup of speakers, presenters and sessions is outstanding—and you won't want to miss a minute of it! Join us as, together, we are "Reaching New Heights!"

SPEAKER SPOTLIGHT



TERIE DREUSSI-SMITH, M.A. Ed.

Bridges Out Of Poverty—Implications for SV Providers

One of the co-authors of the inspirational book, "Bridges Out of Poverty: Strategies for Professionals and Communities," will discuss how Supervised Visitation (SV) providers can prepare for the challenges of working with families in poverty and be part of collaborative efforts to account for and reduce the impact of poverty on the families we serve.

Dreussi-Smith has been a Supervisor of Prevention Services at a community alcohol/other drug treatment and prevention organization, and a former public school teacher with years of experience. Terie served as adjunct faculty for several colleges focused on empowering adult students transitioning out of poverty.



CHRISTOPHER T. KILMARTIN, Ph.D.

Guy Fi: The Fictions that Rule Men's Lives is a stage show/lecture hybrid that addresses—in humorous and engaging ways—how boys and men are encouraged to behave and experience themselves. Some of these pressures are related to relationship difficulties, physical and mental health problems, and violence. It is very difficult to resist a pressure that one cannot name, but once these fictions are exposed and understood, men are in better position to resist cultural pressure when it conflicts with other life goals.

Dr. Kilmartin is a college professor, author, stand-up comedian, actor, playwright, consultant and professional psychologist. He is a Professor of Psychology at The University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, VA. He holds a Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from Virginia Commonwealth University and is a licensed clinical psychologist with a great deal of experience consulting with businesses, college students, human services workers, and counselors.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

AS OF JANUARY 1, 2010
OUR NEW ADDRESS IS:
3955 RIVERSIDE AVENUE
JACKSONVILLE, FL 32205

THE 2010 NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERS ARE NOW OPEN. FOUR POSITIONS ARE OPEN FOR THIS YEAR'S ELECTION, WHICH WILL BE HELD IN DENVER, AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON MAY 7, 2010.

Nominations can be made at:
svnetwork.wufoo.com/forms/svn-board-nomination-form-denver/



REACHING NEW HEIGHTS

AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Registration
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Pre Conference Institutes
9:00 am – 4:00 pm	SVN Board of Directors meeting
6:30 pm – 7:00 pm	Welcome and Opening Ceremony
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Opening Plenary Session
8:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Reception (hors d'oeuvres)

THURSDAY, MAY 6

7:00 am – 8:00 am	Yoga
7:30 am – 8:30 am	New Member/Provider Breakfast
7:30 am – 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:00 am	Registration
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Workshops A
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Morning Break
10:15 am – 11:45 am	Workshops B
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch and Keynote Address
1:45 pm – 3:15 pm	Workshops C
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Afternoon Break
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Plenary Session
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Base Camp Get together SVN Lobby
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Optional Site Visit Tours
	Attendees: Dinner on your own

FRIDAY, MAY 7

7:00 am – 8:00 am	Yoga
7:30 am – 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Silent Auction
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Workshops D
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Morning Break
10:15 am – 11:45 am	Workshops E
11:45 am – 1:30 pm	Annual Meeting and Luncheon
1:45 pm – 3:15 pm	Workshops F
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Afternoon Break
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Plenary Closing Session
	Conference Ends

SATURDAY, MAY 8

8:00 am – 9:00 am	Continental Breakfast
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Post Conference Institutes
12:00 pm – 4:00 pm	SVN Board Lunch and Meeting

HOTEL INFORMATION

SHERATON DENVER DOWNTOWN

1550 COURT PLACE | DENVER, COLORADO 80202

PHONE: (303) 893-3333

RESERVATIONS: TOLL-FREE (800) 325-3535

THE SHERATON DENVER DOWNTOWN is located at Court Place and the 16th Street Pedestrian Mall in the heart of Denver's financial district. Adjacent to the Denver Pavilions shopping, entertainment and restaurants provide an array of activities and events. Complimentary shuttle service is available. Just minutes from the hotel, you'll find some of the city's most famous attractions, including the Denver Center for the Performing Arts, the Denver Art Museum, the Colorado State Capitol and the U.S. Mint. For more information, visit denver.org.

MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS TODAY!

The Sheraton Denver Downtown is offering a special rate to SVN conference registrant: \$149 per night for single or double accommodations. Rooms are subject to availability, and early reservations are encouraged to take advantage of these special rates. Please request the SVN rate. Or, make your reservations online at svnetwork.net/conference_hotel.asp

AIR TRAVEL INFORMATION

The Denver International Airport (DEN) is located approximately 23 miles from the Sheraton Denver Downtown and Denver's financial district. For more information, visit flydenver.com.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Taxi fare is approximately \$55 from the airport to the Sheraton Denver Downtown (45 minutes). Fares will include \$1 per additional passenger.

#001 Above Airport Shuttle is providing shuttle service from Denver International Airport to downtown Denver at the discounted rate of \$12. per person, one way; \$24. round trip. To make a reservation: svnetwork.net/conference_transportation.asp

CLIMATE

In May, temperatures in Denver average from low 70°F in the afternoon to low 40°F in the evening (21.4°C/6.6°C). Meeting rooms can be cool, so bring a light jacket or sweater.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

PRE-CONFERENCE INSTITUTE: YOUNG CHILDREN AND TRAUMA: UNDERSTANDING THE BEHAVIOR OF TRAUMATIZED CHILDREN IN A SUPERVISED VISITATION CONTEXT

Cost: \$60 (this is an additional fee per attendee)

PRESENTER: Jennifer Rhodes, Psy.D. and Robert Geffner, Ph.D.

This workshop will help you identify symptoms in trauma in young children and learn ways to handle this in a supervised visitation session. Discussion of child development and attachment will help supervised visitors understand how best to intervene less intrusively in difficult parent-child dynamics.

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

PRE-CONFERENCE INSTITUTE: BRINGING BACK THE DADS; PARENTING TIME WITH NON-RESIDENT FATHERS

Cost: \$60 (this is an additional fee per attendee)

PRESENTER: Karen Jenkins and Myles Edwards

Because women are typically the primary caregivers of children, consistent efforts by the Child Welfare System to involve fathers in parenting time have not always been made. However, in the past decade there has been a movement nationwide toward more father involvement in the lives of their children, which includes involving fathers in parenting time, as well as placement considerations, case planning, decision making, and service provision in child welfare cases. Research demonstrates when fathers are safely and actively engaged with their children, better safety, permanence, and well-being outcomes are achieved.

6:30 pm – 7:00 pm

WELCOMING AND OPENING CEREMONY

Jody Bittrich, President, SVN

Joe Nullet, Executive Director, SVN

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

WORLD CAFÉ

The 2010 SVN Annual Conference will kick off with an interactive plenary session during which attendees will process the most challenging issues of our work directly with members of the SVN Board of Directors, presenters at this year's conference, and each other.

8:30 pm – 9:30 pm

RECEPTION AND LIGHT FINGER FOOD

THURSDAY, MAY 6

8:00 am – 5:00 pm Registration, Conference, Vendors

7:00 am – 8:00 am Yoga

7:30 am – 8:15 am Breakfast for New Members

7:30 am – 8:30 am Continental Breakfast

8:30 am – 10:00 am

WORKSHOP A

WHAT DOES BEING A "MANDATED CHILD ABUSE REPORTER" MEAN TO SV PROVIDER

PRESENTER:
Barbara Flory

JUDICIAL DECISION-MAKING OF SUPERVISED ACCESS ORDERS IN CHILD CUSTODY DISPUTES: PATTERNS OF COURT ORDERS

PRESENTERS:
Judy Newman and Michael Saini

THE CARING DADS INTERVENTION PROGRAM

PRESENTERS:
Rich Batten and John Holmberg

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE 101

PRESENTER:
Chelsea Baldwin

10:15 am – 11:45 am

WORKSHOP B

TUNING IN: PROMOTING THE PARENT/CHILD BOND

PRESENTERS:
Brenda Tully and
Katheryn Lotsos

PRIVACY, CONFIDENTIALITY AND SUPERVISED VISITATION: WHAT GIVES?

PRESENTER:
Julie Field

FATHER TIME: STORIES OF SUCCESSFULLY HELPING DADS BE THERE FOR THEIR KIDS

PRESENTERS:
Rich Batten and Jerome Perkins

MAKING SUPERVISED VISITATION WORK AS A PRIVATE PRACTICE

PRESENTERS:
Rob Straus and Joanne Karolzak

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

Keynote Address—Terie Dreussi-Smith "BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY-IMPLICATIONS FOR SV PROVIDERS"



1:45 pm – 3:15 pm

WORKSHOP C

BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY

PRESENTER: Terie Dreussi-Smith

UNDERSTANDING METHAMPHETAMINE AND OTHER DRUGS

PRESENTER: Lynn Riemer

WHEN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS ARE THE VISITING PARENTS

PRESENTER:
Sharon Rogers

GENERATING A PLAN TO DEAL WITH THE THREAT OF PARENTAL ABDUCTION

PRESENTER:
Kevin Albert

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Plenary Session "JUDGE JERRY, SVN COURT IS IN SESSION!"

In this special plenary workshop, Judge Jerry Bowles will preside over two mock trial sessions centered around visitation issues. Attendees will have the opportunity to question the actors while "in character" to understand how the outcomes, depicted in the trials, can vary with different levels of collaboration and community education.

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Site visit tours.
Family Tree in Lakewood
AND Arapahoe County
Social Services

5:15 pm – 7:00 pm

Base Camp Get Together

6:00 pm

On your own...
Discover Denver and
surrounding area for
fabulous dining,
sightseeing and more!

SESSION TRACKS — jump between tracks

Child Welfare

Court Related

Fatherhood

Domestic Violence

Professional Development

FRIDAY, MAY 7

7:00 am – 8:00 am Yoga
 7:30 am – 8:30 am Continental Breakfast
 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Silent Auction

11:45 am – 1:30 pm
ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON

8:30 am – 10:00 am

WORKSHOP D

MANAGING THE COMPLEXITIES OF SUPERVISED VISITATION FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE: UNDERSTANDING TRAUMA, STRENGTHENING CONNECTIONS, AND MOVING TOWARD PERMANENCE

PRESENTERS: Brenda Tully and Katheryn Lotsos

WORKING WITH THE COURTS DISCUSSION PANEL

PRESENTERS:

Panel scheduled to include:
 Judge Jerry Bowles, Referee Ann Lippanen

THE IMPACT OF BATTERER VIOLENCE ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

PRESENTER:

Tracey Schlafer

FUNDRAISING FOR SUPERVISED VISITATION PROGRAMS

PRESENTERS:

Jody Bittrich and
 Terie Walker McLaughlin

10:15 am – 11:45 am

WORKSHOP E

PARENT COACHING IN SUPERVISED VISITATION

PRESENTERS:

Shannon Rios and Jeffry Postuma

CHILD SUPPORT AND SUPERVISED VISITATION— IS THERE A CONNECTION?

PRESENTERS:

Katie Smith And Ray Washington

INTAKE PROCESSES THAT ACCOUNT FOR SAFETY

PRESENTER:

Ona Foster

“SUPERVISED VISITATION AND EXCHANGE COLLABORATIVES: STRATEGIES FOR DEVELOPING AND ENGAGING EFFECTIVE COLLABORATIONS”

PRESENTER:

Kathy Stutzman

2:15 pm – 3:45 pm

WORKSHOP F

FAMILYCONNECT: PROMISING PRACTICES TO PREPARE FOR FAMILY VISITS THAT BUILD AND SUSTAIN RELATIONSHIPS

WORKING WITH MILITARY FAMILIES

PRESENTERS:

Elaine Crnkovic
 and Shelia Loya

“OPENING THE DOOR TO DADS. GETTING DADS INVOLVED IN THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM”

PRESENTERS:

Ken Sanders

CREATING LOW-COST APPROPRIATE THERAPEUTIC GAMES/ACTIVITIES FOR USE DURING NON-CUSTODIAL PARENT VISITATION

PRESENTERS: Tracy Marschall



3:30 pm – 5:00 pm **CLOSING PLENARY SESSION: “GUY FI: THE FICTIONS THAT RULE MEN’S LIVES”**

Dr. Christopher Kilmartin

This humorous and engaging stage show/lecture hybrid addresses the ways that boys and men are encouraged to behave and experience themselves. The point of view is “you are being lied to, and it is in your best interest to take a critical look at the lies and their implications for the quality of life for you and others with whom you interact.”

SATURDAY, MAY 8

9:00 am – 12:00 pm
**POST CONFERENCE INSTITUTE:
 “GUY FI DEFIANCE”**

Cost: \$60

(this is an additional fee per attendee)

PRESENTER: *Dr. Chris Kilmartin*

A workshop on teaching masculinity and helping young men to negotiate cultural pressures. It is very difficult to resist a pressure that one cannot name, and yet masculine gender pressure is largely unexamined by most of mainstream U.S. Culture. This workshop is aimed at helping participants to understand masculine gendering at a deeper level and then use it in their work. The format will be mostly discussion.

9:00 am – 12:00 pm
**POST CONFERENCE INSTITUTE:
 TESTIFYING IN COURT**

Cost: \$60

(this is an additional fee per attendee)

PRESENTER: *Marilee McWilliams*

Using discussion, audience participation and role-play, the presenter will:

- Provide information and examples of effective court room presentation, preparation and how to deal with cross examination.
- Discuss trial tactics and how to withstand an aggressive attorney.
- Demonstrate the process of preparing for testifying in Court.
- Give examples of effective testimony as well as ineffective testimony.
- Allow for role playing with various types of questions and answers regarding fact patterns.
- Explain the court process and the necessity of witnesses for full information to be provided in dependency and neglect cases.


SUPERVISED VISITATION NETWORK

 3955 RIVERSIDE AVE.
 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32205

 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION
 U.S. POSTAGE PAID
 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32204
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 Registration Fee and
 2 nights lodging!

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REGISTRATION

SVN MEMBERS: THE EASIEST WAY TO REGISTER IS TO LOG ON TO THE WEBSITE.

Early Bird Registration discount is available to all attendees until 3/31/10.

REGISTER ONLINE: svnetwork.net/conference_register.asp
CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY:

All requests for refunds must be made in writing. Written notification of cancellation received by fax or postmarked by 4/9/10 will be issued a full refund minus \$75 processing fee. No refunds or credits will be issued for cancellations after 4/9/10. Attendees who register, but do not pay or attend, will be invoiced for the full registration fee. Please register by 3/26/10 to ensure that your name appears on the list of conference attendees and other conference materials.

REGISTRATION

Please complete a separate registration form for each spouse or guest.

FIRST NAME _____

LAST NAME _____

PHONE _____ FAX _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE/PROVINCE _____

COUNTRY _____ MAILING CODE _____

 Please send the completed registration form and your check, made out to SVN (include registration amount per each person, plus the amount for all the additional options you selected), in an envelope to:
SUPERVISED VISITATION NETWORK
ATTN: 2010 SVN Conference Registration, 3955
Riverside Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32205
REGISTRATION OPTIONS:
Check all that apply:

- Entire conference, Early Bird discount (Member \$325 USD; Non-member \$350 USD)
- One-day attendance, Thursday (\$200 USD)
- One-day attendance, Friday (\$160 USD)

SPOUSE OR GUESTS OF ATTENDEE:
Spouse/guests options (prices are per each attendee):

- Lunch on Thursday and Friday (\$75 USD)
- No lunches

Optional offerings for attendees

(prices are per each attendee):

- Printed certificate of attendance (\$10 USD) (free email copies)
- Pre Conference Bringing Back the Dads (\$60)
- Pre Conference Child Trauma (\$60)
- Post Conference Testifying in Court (\$60)
- Post Conference Guy Fi Defiance (\$60)
- Site Visit Tour (\$40)

 Are you an OVW grantee? Yes | No

 Do you receive Access and Visitation Funds? Yes | No

How many SVN Conferences have you attended? _____

Do you have special needs?

- Vegetarian meals
- Access
- Hearing impaired
- Member choices