



# **ASTT AGM 2018**

**"Alone we can do so little;  
together we can do so  
much."**

**Helen Keller**

# THANK YOU ASTT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- President-Mrs. Teresina Sieunarine
- Vice President-Mrs. Gina Mohammed
- Treasurer-Mrs. Rose Anna Trestrail
- PRO-Ms. Sarah Soo Hon
- Secretary-Mrs. Halena Kong Ting
- Floor Members-Mrs. Catherine Simonet, Mr. Denanath Dalipram, Ms. Alicia Mohamid, Mrs. Amoy Boodhoo

# THANK YOU!

## Staff

- 2 Centre Managers
  - – Amoy Raymond-Boodoo, Gina Mohammed
- 5 Tutors –
  - Cillenia Smith, Chandroutie Goorcharan, Coleen Cunningham-Edwards, Damali Jordan-Brown
- Trainee Tutor/Receptionist Ameliah Ali
- 1 Janitor – Mrs. Lorriane Persaud-Coolman
- 1 Groundsman – Mr. Winston King

# MEMBERSHIP

- Over 800 families registered  
--our membership is growing rapidly.
- We serve, on average, 60 to 90 members per week at 2 Centres.

# Thank You!

- Kari Dunn Buron, Autism Education Specialist, Minnesota USA
- Marilyn Moore, Speech and Language Pathologist, Nova Scotia, Canada
- Sarah Soo Hon-Art Therapist
- Joy Valdez, Parent Counselling
- Helena Joseph, volunteer Social Worker
- Laura Lalla -counselling

# **THANK YOU to our DONORS**

- **Ministry of Health (3 year subvention)**
- **Republic Bank Limited**
- **Repsol (Funding OT services for 5 children)**
- **Kiwanis Clubs, Rotary & Lions Clubs**
- **Soroptimist International is our collaborative partner.**
- **United Way TT**
- **National Parent Teachers Association of Trinidad and Tobago**
- **Many Individuals, groups and well wishers**

# ADVOCACY

- Lobbying for resources, group homes and respite care.
- Workshops to increase awareness and public acceptance.
- Airport Authority, UWI Dental Association, Mt. Hope Hospital, Medical professionals, Educators, Community groups.
- TV & Radio Interviews, especially during month of awareness.

# Awareness Talks



For example---

Schools, health centres, business places,



# Sangre Grande Regional Corporation Autism Awareness Fun Day



# PROGRAMME IMPROVEMENTS

- Visits by overseas volunteers January-February 2018
- Autism Education Specialist – Kari Dunn Buron
- Speech and Language Pathologist – Marilyn Moore

both review the programmes and make recommendations together with staff. They also assist with parent training workshop

# PROGRAMMES at ASTT

- New Programme based on funding:  
Occupational Therapy
- Parent Counselling on Friday's and Saturday  
by appointment.
- 1:1 early intervention sessions with parent &  
child
- group sessions for children, teens and adults
- Music & Art therapy
- Volunteer and Parent Training Workshops
- Summer camps for adults and children
- Certificate programme
- Parent to parent counselling

# **Topics covered at Autism Place and San Fernando :**

- **Videomodelling**
- **Future planning**
- **How Sensory issues affect Learning**
- **Toileting**
- **Using Visual Supports in the community**
- **Communication and Challenging Behaviours**
- **Integrating Occupational Therapy at home**



# Parent workshops



# Parents learning how to engage with their child.





# Parent to Parent support group





# ADULT GROUP





# TLSC, Point Fortin in the community





# Buying vegetables in Point Fortin



# Art Therapy- Autism Place





# Music Session



# TRAINING STUDENTS & VOLUNTEERS

- Facilitate students from the various Tertiary level institutions:  
UWI, COSTAATT ,UTT, USC, Caribbean Nazarene College,
- Offering research & field experience to the students in areas of: social work, special education, behavioural sciences.

# Our Volunteers





# First Aid Training with Staff and Volunteers



# Summer Camp

## “Getting to Know your self”





# WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY

- WorldAutism Day Function- launch of the month of autism awareness.
- A new ASTT logo was launched
- The feature speaker was The Honourable Cherrie Ann Crichlow-Cockburn, Minister of Social Development and Family Services, MP  
Lopinot/Bon AirWest.

# WORLD AUTISM DAY FUNCTION



# NEW LOGO REVEALED on 4<sup>th</sup> April



# “Light it Up Blue” on the Harris Promenade with Soroptimist ISF





# AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH OF APRIL

## ASTT's Annual Autism awareness walk in Point Fortin



# Social Events

Power Gen's & Fun Day

Sensory Friendly Movie Morning

Outings to the Zoo,

Sensory Friendly Diwali Celebration

Spa Day and Massage Therapy for  
members

# PowerGen Sports Day





# DIVALI CELEBRATIONS





# SPA DAY AND MASSAGE THERAPY





# UPCOMING EVENTS

- Self Care Workshop - Ms. Harper, Medical Social Worker ,Mt Hope Hospital 24<sup>th</sup> November 2pm
- **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTIES-** 2 Dec at Autism Place & 6<sup>th</sup> Dec at Point Fortin
- **INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR PERSONS With DISABILITIES-** 3<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER Info booth at UWI 29<sup>th</sup> Nov

# THANKS to our Staff and FAMILIES



- CARING & COPING with LOVE