

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Special Offenders' Coalition (SOC) strives to work cooperatively with judges, attorneys, police officers and detention personnel to increase their understanding of the various levels of competency and ensure fair judgement and treatment of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in our community.



The *Special Offenders' Coalition* is comprised of agencies in the community that work with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, mental illness and other special needs. The focus of the Coalition is to ensure that offenders with special needs receive fair and appropriate treatment within the judicial system.

### The Speakers

**Mr. David Hingsburger** is a highly sought after speaker and consultant who has dedicated his entire career to people with developmental disabilities, many of whom are people who engage in inappropriate sexual behaviors. Committed to the Self-Advocate Movement, David is a regular contributor to many newspapers, magazines and journals.

**Mr. Stephen Greenspan** was recipient of the 2008 Dybwad Humanitarian Award, AIDD's highest honor, awarded him for his strong advocacy for a view of Intellectual Disability less dominated by one's IQ score. An expert witness in "Atkins" death penalty exemption cases around the country, Steve is also working with Robert Perske on a follow-up to Perske's 1995 book *Deadly Innocence*. Coming to us all the way from Jefferson County, we are pleased and excited to include him in our program this year.

**Mr. James Patton** has come all the way from the jungles of Peru to share with us his expertise in preparing young adults with intellectual disabilities to the realities of the criminal justice system. A leading expert witness in "Atkins" death penalty exemption cases, Jim is a highly respected special educator.

**Ms. Darla Stuart** and **Ms. Jean Solis** come to us from The Arc of Aurora where they have dedicated themselves to issues of the impact of violence and crime against persons with developmental disabilities. Strong advocates for individuals with disabilities they are also known for their systems change advocacy on local, state and national levels.

**Ms. Carrie Bartlett**, with Developmental Disabilities Consultants, was unavailable to provide a bio when we went to print but she's energetic and dynamic and we know you'll just love her.

# *Breaking Through the Break Downs*

*Creating New  
Understandings*

**A two-day conference  
presented by**

**Special Offenders'  
Coalition**

*a program of*

**The  
Arc**  
PIKES PEAK REGION

**Tuesday**  
**August 26, 2008**

**8:00 a.m.** Registration

**9:00 Plenary: Panel Discussion**

*Complications Defending an  
Offender With a Mild Intellectual  
Disability*

**10:00** Break

**10:15 David Hingsburger**

*Making Tomorrow: Keeping  
Passion Alive While Doing the  
Work We Do.*

**CAUTION: CONTAINS ADULT  
LANGUAGE**

**12:15 - 1:30** Lunch on your own

**1:30 CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

**Stephen Greenspan:**

*Gullibility: A Rediscovered Key to  
Understanding Intellectual  
Disability*

**James Patton:**

*The Transition Student: Preparing  
for Close Encounters of the  
Criminal Justice Kind*

**2:45** Break

**3:00 CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

A Second Chance to See the  
One You Missed

**4:15** End for the Day

**WEDNESDAY**  
**August 27, 2008**

**9:00 a.m. David Hingsburger**

*The Ethics of Touch*

**10:15** Break

**10:30 - Noon**

*The Ethics of Touch (cont'd.)*

**12:00 - 1:15** Lunch on your own

**1:15 CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

**Darla Stuart:**

*Recognizing & Responding to the  
Vulnerability Trail for People with  
Developmental Disabilities*

**Carrie Bartlett:**

*The Cycles of Victimization*

**2:45** Break

**3:00 CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

A Second Chance to See the  
One You Missed

**4:30** End of Conference



**SOC Conference 2008: Breaking Through the Breakdowns**  
**Crowne Plaza Colorado Springs, 2886 S. Circle Dr., August 26 & 27, 2008**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check the appropriate box: I have the following special needs:**

I am planning on attending both days (\$75.00)

I can only attend one day (\$50.00) (Sign Language Interpreter, wheelchair access, etc.)

Tuesday, Aug. 26th  Wednesday, Aug. 27th

**Please make check payable to *The Arc of the Pikes Peak Reigon* and mail to**  
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