

FRAXSOCAL Updates

Hello everyone!

Welcome to 2014! We are excited to bring you our FRAXSOCAL updates for the start of the new year but first we would like to thank everyone for your wonderful donations to the association and everything you have done to help us continue our mission.

On behalf of FRAXSOCAL, I would like to thank everyone for your generosity.

The new year has started and we have so much information to share with you. We hope you find our updates informative and hope to see you at some of our activities this new year and especially at the 14th International Fragile X Conference.

Thank you for taking the time to read our updates and supporting the association.

*Janet Rivera,
FRAXSOCAL President*

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to give us a call at 818-754-4227 or send us an email at fragilexassociation@gmail.com.

Website:

www.fraxsocal.org

Facebook:

[facebook.com/fraxsocal.org](https://www.facebook.com/fraxsocal.org)

CONSERVATORSHIP WORKSHOP

Join us for an informative lecture with Christopher A. Poulos and families sharing their personal experience with conservatorship.

Saturday, February 8th, 2014

1pm to 3pm

Whittier Senior Center, Room 6 & 7
13225 Walnut Street, Whittier, CA 90602

Suggested Donation:

\$10 per couple or family

To properly prepare, please let us know if you are coming by

Wednesday, February 5th at:

fragilexassociation@gmail.com or (818) 754-4227

(On-site registrations are also welcome.)

For more information please visit:

- FRAXSOCAL website: www.fraxsocal.org or at facebook/[fraxsocal](https://www.facebook.com/fraxsocal)
 - Law Office of Christopher A. Poulos website: www.specialneedsfirm.com

Free parking * Light refreshments provided * No childcare

Spanish translations and Spanish materials will be available.

Traducción en español y materiales estarán disponibles.

FRAXSOCAL will be hosting an opportunity drawing at this event.

Prize items:

- Ipod Shuffle
- Madagascar DVD
- Giftbasket

Tickets Prices:

- 1 Ticket \$5.00
- 3 Tickets \$10.00
- 8 Tickets \$20.00

SPONSORSHIP/AD OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE 14TH INTERNATIONAL FRAGILE X CONFERENCE

- Seeking local or corporate sponsorship and exhibitors prospectus.
 - Advertising Opportunities.

Take advantage of these opportunities to best reach our anticipated audience of more than 1,000 members from the Fragile X community.

For informational packets or for information by email with a PDF file please contact Janet Rivera at tenajka10@gmail.com or Paula Paez at paulalacpaez@gmail.com.



Brandon Wetzler is a Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) registered intern with over 7 years experience in counseling individuals, couples, families and children. He has seen the effects that Fragile X syndrome can have first hand as he grew up with close family members struggling with the disease.

FRAXSOCAL SUPPORT GROUPS

MFT Registered Intern, Brandon Wetzler welcomes parents and other caregivers of children with Fragile X Syndrome to meet, share experiences, ask questions, and receive emotional and practical support to each other.

Location:

17111 Beach Blvd., Ste. 205, Huntington Beach, CA 92647

Dates:

(All group meetings are on Sunday from 3:30pm to 5pm)

March 2nd *RSVP by February 26th.

April 6th *RSVP by April 2nd

May 4th *RSVP by May 30th

Suggested Donation:

\$10.00

To RSVP or if you have any questions please call us at 818-754-4227 or send us an email at fragilexassociation@gmail.com.

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*This group meeting will not offer assistance in any areas, such as conservatorship, legal advice, special education advice, and etc.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!!



If you have an interest in volunteering to making the 14th International Fragile X Conference a truly memorable experience we are seeking help in the following areas:

- Getting the word out to the public and local media. Contact Paula Paez at pualacpaez@gmail.com or Janet Rivera at tenajka10@gmail.com.
- Setting up registration area and activities. Contact Sali Farber at salij401@cox.net or Jennifer Newsome at newsomefam@yahoo.com
- Organize Welcome area and coverage. Contact Charlotte Spahr at lovespurple92804@yahoo.com or Monique Johnson @ johnskas@hotmail.com.
- Providing entertainment and decorations at the gala dinner. Contact Naomi Star at naomifstar@yahoo.com or Brandon Wetzler at bwetzler@gmail.com.
- Volunteers in other areas. Contact Cindy Ross at cindykross@cox.net or Anna Miranda at amiranpt@aol.com.

Free parking for volunteers who are not attending the conference is available. Helping FRAXSOCAL organize the conference will not waive the registration fee. See NFXF website at www.fragilex.org for scholarship opportunities to attend the conference.

UPCOMING EVENT:



Help us celebrate April 18th California Fragile X Awareness Day with a Bowling Family Fun Day event!

More information coming soon!

Follows us at facebook.com/fxsocl.org for more information or upcoming events!

FX CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP

Through the generosity of our members, FRAXSOCAL is pleased to offer a free conference registration/hotel scholarship to attend the

NFXF 14th International Fragile X Conference, Orange County, CA, July 16-20, 2014.

If you have an interest in applying for this scholarship, please complete application below by March 5, 2014 and mail to: **FRAXSOCAL, P.O. Box 6924, Burbank, CA 91510-6924.**

Scholarship decisions will be announced by FRAXSOCAL on March 10, 2014.

Type of registration you are applying for: Individual____ Family (Two family members)____

Name_____

Address_____

Email_____

Phone (home or cell)_____

Best time (day and time) to reach you and how (phone or email):

Have you attended a prior International FX Conference? If yes what year(s):

Are you planning to stay at the Hyatt Regency Orange County Hotel? Yes____ No____

What do you hope to learn by attending the FX Conference?_____

If you have any questions about the scholarship please send us a email at fragilexassociation@gmail.com.



Mission Statement

Our organization was formed to promote public awareness of Fragile X Syndrome with special emphasis on educators and health professionals; provide a forum for families of children with Fragile X to meet and share their ideas, concerns and problems; and support scientific research on Fragile X Syndrome.

The Fragile X Association of Southern California is run entirely by volunteer parents of children with Fragile X Syndrome. We are a nonprofit 501 (c) (3) tax exempt corporation. Your tax deductible donations help support our mission and are gratefully accepted.

This year we are updating our mailing list and we would like to email everyone FRAXSOCAL updates instead of mailing the information. This method will help us with shipping cost and save the trees.

If you currently receive mail information from FRAXSOCAL and would like to receive information by via-email please send us your information at fragilexassociation@gmail.com.

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