

# Special Family Weekend

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Greetings!

A group of Downeast Maine parents of children with special needs volunteer their time to plan Special Family Weekend (SFW), an event held annually since 1984. This gathering at the University of Maine at Machias usually brings together approximately 25 families from throughout Maine who are able to share information, learn new ideas, and gain support in raising our children.

One of the parents who attended Special Family Weekend writes, **“My children have been looking forward to this event since we went home last year. It is great to be with so many wonderful people who accept our children for who they are.”**

We are asking for your support to help make this event possible. SFW is funded entirely through support from state organizations and businesses, along with registration fees from families.

Your financial support will help with this educational, respite weekend for families of children with special needs. Please make checks payable to **Special Family Weekend and send to Lillian Leighton, 9 Eastbrook Rd., Franklin, ME 04634.** For your information the Tax I.D. number is 23-7193853. Thank you for your considering this request. If you are unable to make a donation, a gift certificate to your place of business or a donation of a product would be greatly appreciated! For more information, please feel free to contact Lillian Leighton, 565-1030 or Jen Wood, 255-3426, [jenw@wccp.net](mailto:jenw@wccp.net).

Sincerely,