

COMING SOON to your LCNFC...

- YES Comedy Showcase (6-9)
- Studio B Project Daymaker Bus (6-22)
- Harry Potter Party (7-20)
- Bill Stearman Shootout (7-28)

SAFETY Fair

FREE!!!

Sunday, May 6

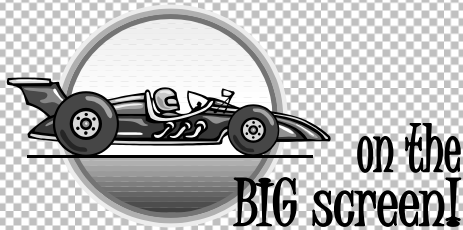
1 to 4 p.m.

First Methodist Parking Lot
(corner of 8th and Pearl Streets)

- Kid's activities & childcare
- Drug awareness
- Bike safety tips
- Fire safety games
- Stranger safety tips
- FREE ID kits!

LOADS OF FUN!

Call LCNFC for more info... 379.1630



on the
BIG screen!

INDY 500 LIVE!

Sunday, May 27, Noon

**YES
CINEMA**

**FREE admission
Concessions for sale!**

Rudy's Soap Box...

The Life & Work of Hans Asperger
Asperger's Syndrome

The below is part 2 of 2 on a little history on AS and Hans Asperger. Part 1 appeared in the April issue of The Downtowner...

Near the end of World War II, Asperger opened a school for children with autistic psychopathy, with Sister Victorine. Sadly, the school was bombed towards the end of the war. Sister Victorine was killed, and much of Asperger's early work was lost in the destruction of the school. Consequently, this event delayed the understanding of autism spectrum conditions in the west.

Ironically, in his childhood, Asperger appeared to have exhibited features of the very condition named after him. Often described as a remote and lonely child, he had difficulty making friends. He was talented in language; in particular he was interested in the poet Franz Grillparzer, whose poetry he would often quote to his uninterested classmates.

Sadly, Asperger passed on (in 1980) before his identification of this pattern of behavior became widely recognized because his work was mostly written in German and little-interpreted. The first person to use the term "Asperger's Syndrome" in a paper was British researcher Lorna Wing. Her paper, "Asperger's Syndrome: A Clinical Account", was published in 1981. Wing's publication challenged the previously accepted model presented by Kanner nearly 40 years earlier.

Last year was International Asperger's Year, marking both the 100th birth anniversary of Dr. Hans Asperger and the 25th anniversary of Dr. Wing's landmark paper. International Asperger's Year was conceived by the Asperger Adults of Greater Washington. ~ Rudy Minton

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