The Cost of Silence

"I remember the sad time in Lifeskills, waiting for someone and really seeing that they would never come and find me, realizing I was *trapped in a body that was a tomb*, totally reaffirming and poisoning all *sadness into despair*. Relationships where people just stared or looked away reinforced the hopeless trap each day became. Questions about when became fairy tales of shame and prisons of thought."

"The autism showed up when I was little. It *stopped me from communicating and being in relationship*…. I wanted to talk to all I had in my life but the words would not come. Autistic actions masked my behavior and I am afraid. It is hopeless to get rid of the autism. The way free is dark."

- John Smyth, 2011, 2012

Discovered Typing to communicate:

	Age Discovered
Seth	*11*
Matthew	*11*
Lindsey	*14+*
Jake	*7*
John	*16+*
Jeremy	*13*
Amanda	*15*

Share this invitation … Transform a life.

Once in a while, we can transform another's life without sacrifice, just by paying attention, caring, and being aware of possibilities. We invite you to share the possibility of a window of communication for some people with autism who do not now have a way to adequately express themselves. The self-worth of each person who can open this window changes dramatically as they enter the world of communication. We know. We spent many years in isolation ourselves.

When you are nonverbal, the excellence associated with a way to communicate transcends words. Waiting, wanting and despairing, some of us nonverbals need only your kindness to awesomely discover a way into the world.

While typing easily does not apply to everyone, for those it helps it is an answer to prayers. Please help someone find their way into the world of communication. We are waiting to hear their words. Send them to our monthly parties and let them discover for themselves if what we do might help.

Without your kindness, they may stay trapped and despairing their entire lives. Your sharing may free them from the bondage of isolation. You can make a difference. Thank you.

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Discovery Celebrations
Indianapolis



Some people type to talk

For us, no typing = no communication

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Indy's Supported Typers

We are persons who had no way to communicate until someone introduced us to typing.

This is our monthly reunion to share our lives with each other and those who are interested.

Typing isn't for everyone, but for us it OPENS THE WINDOW TO THE WORLD and awesomely introduces relationship at a profoundly meaningful level.

When you give someone an opportunity to communicate, you change their lives forever.

People you'll meet:



Connecting as friends on a whole new level

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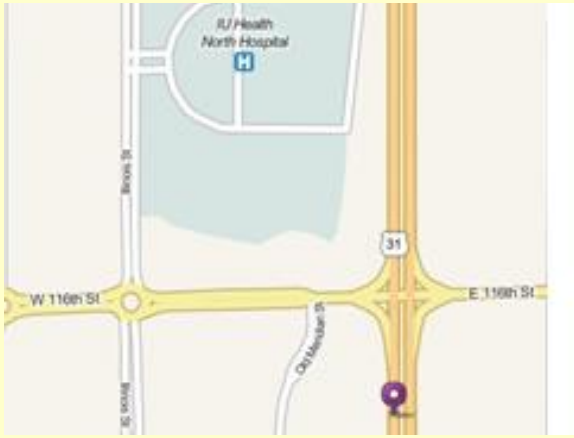
Discovery Celebrations

Every month we get together to share with each other what's happening in our lives, to celebrate our friendship, and to enjoy the company of whoever wants to join us. We especially hope that others who are trapped in their bodies and unable to communicate will come and see if the typing that has made a difference for us can indeed end their desperate isolation. We welcome professionals who work with people who are nonverbal to come and learn how real and meaningful this can be for the right persons. We invite questions.

As we sometimes like to share with others, autism doesn't make you stupid, and sometimes intelligence tests may measure a tester's inability to communicate. In the near future, we would like to bring in speakers who have experienced great challenges in their own lives, including other people with autism whose freedom from isolation began with typing to communicate.

Join us on the 3rd Saturday of every month:

January 16, 2016	**4 - 6 PM**
February 20, 2016	**4 - 6 PM**
March 19, 2016	**4 - 6 PM**
April 16, 2016	**4 - 6 PM**
May 21, 2016	**4 - 6 PM**
June 18, 2016	**4 - 6 PM**
July 16, 2016	**4 - 6 PM**



465 Northside to Meridian Street (US31), North to 116th Street (hospital on NW corner), West on 116th around circle and back (East) on 116th St. to 2nd right (South) into service drive (before Meridian). Regions Bank/SePro/Keller-Williams building. Come into South entrance and down hall on 1st floor.



We meet at the address below.
We provide snacks and refreshments.
Please call ahead to register.

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