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DAD provides unique therapy

On the third Sunday in June, we gathered at restaurants, barbecues, pools, and patios to celebrate our dads on Father's Day. I thought it only fitting to describe a program that seems to be establishing itself in many parts of the world.

But first, take a moment to find and feel your pulse. It is an unrelenting rhythm, slowly beating, steady, and constant. It is a beat we are unconsciously drawn to.

In 2004 studio drummer Pat Gesualdo launched segments of his DAD (Drums and Disabilities) Program as a special education pilot program in some New York City schools. This program uses "drum therapy" to help children and adults with autism, dyslexia, ADD, Tourette's, Asperger's, ADHD and other disabilities.

It attempts to help with retention skills, social skills, cognitive and physical development, fine motor skills as well as improving sensory awareness.

Since 2004 and with the help of the likes of New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, this program has grown and developed to see growth around the world including South Africa, United Kingdom, Bosnia, New Zealand, Italy and other countries.

It is being embraced by many professionals including psychologists, special education teachers, physical and occupational therapists, as well as behavioral therapists. As with any therapy, it is not a panacea, but it seems to work

I watched a video of a young child who, with the assistance of a drum teacher, came totally out of their shell. The teacher would start simply drumming a beat and with no instruction, the child started to "ad lib" his own drumming. The look on his face was priceless and the ad lib was remarkably in rhythm. The joy that was expressed through the simple pounding of a drum was incredible. It certainly makes for a happy Father's Day.

For more information see www.dadprogram.org

Andrew Tutty is a member of the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee (HHAAC)

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