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Chapter Highlights:

Richmond Police Explorers/Richmond High School – Richmond, CA

The Richmond Police Explorers are implementing a new SAVE Chapter at Richmond High School this year as an Allstate Teen Safe Driving grant recipient. They are planning several teen safe driving events that include a mock crash, the use of Fatal Vision goggles, and are placing a strong emphasis on the negative impact of drug and alcohol use.

Sallisaw Youth Coalition – Sallisaw, OK

The Sallisaw High School SAVE Chapter wants to get the message out about distracted driving with the main target "Dn't txt nd drv". They will help raise awareness through a billboard and banner and they will have a proclamation in May for National Youth Traffic Safety Month. The chapter will invite the Mayor and the Police Chief to present the proclamation. The students will plan and conduct several teen safe driving and youth safety activities throughout the school year.

Upcoming Events:

DATE	EVENT	MORE INFO
October	National Bullying Prevention Month	http://uspolitics.einnews.com/article.php?nid=907354
October 18-22	America's Safe Schools Week	http://www.nationalsave.org/main/safe%20schools%20week.php
October 20	National SAVE Day	http://www.nationalsave.org/main/SAVEDay.php
October 22	National SAVE Rock-A-Thon	http://www.nationalsave.org/main/rockathon.php
October 25-31	Halloween Impaired Driving Prevention Campaign	http://www.stopimpaireddriving.org/planners/Halloween2010/
November 8-14	National Drug Facts Week	http://drugfactsweek.drugabuse.gov/index.php
November 9	Mix It Up at Lunch Day	http://www.tolerance.org/mix-it-up/how-to-participate?newsletter=TT091410
November 15-28	Thanksgiving Holiday Travel	http://www.nhtsa.gov/
February 14-16	1 st Annual National Conference on Bullying, Sponsored by the School Safety Advocacy Council in partnership with the Florida Assoc. of School Resource Officers & SAVE	http://www.nationalsave.org/main/nationalbullyingconference.php

Monthly Focus: School & Community Crime Prevention

Ghosts, goblins and witches too! Don't let crime and violence haunt you! Help keep your school and community safe during the Halloween holiday, football season, and throughout the fall! America's Safe Schools Week is the third week of October. Activities conducted during America's Safe Schools Week will draw attention to the continuing problem of school violence and educate everyone about how schools can be made safer and more secure. America's Safe Schools Week offers an opportunity to address this very important issue and to take steps to ensure that schools offer students and teachers an environment in which they can perform to the best of their abilities. For more information visit:

<http://www.nationalsave.org/main/safe%20schools%20week.php>

Be sure to plan activities for [National SAVE Day](#) which is on October 20th. For activities, sample proclamations, media advisories, public service announcements, visit the SAVE Day planning page at <http://nationalsave.org/main/SAVEDay.php>. Be sure to submit your favorite photo of your National SAVE Day activities for a chance to win a SAVE Store Gift Certificate!

The following Friday, October 22nd, is when SAVE Chapters across the country will participate in the [National SAVE Rock-A-Thon](#). Are you using rocking chairs for your rock-a-thon? Or are you "rocking" by dancing to your favorite songs all night? For sample forms and ideas, visit <http://nationalsave.org/main/rockathon.php>.

This week provides a unique opportunity for SAVE chapters to focus on educational issues that directly affect the safety and security of your community. Planning and preparation can be done before America's Safe Schools Week to make sure your school and community have a week filled with awareness and activities. Be sure to let National SAVE know about your activities during this important week!

For suggested activities and downloads, visit:

<http://nationalsave.org/main/octobertheme.php>.

For additional information on upcoming monthly topics, visit:

<http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar>.

SAVE Question of the Month:

Please share the SAVE Question of the Month with your SAVE members. The Youth Voices section of the forum is a place for students to ask questions and get responses from SAVE members across the country.

October QoM: *"What is your SAVE Chapter doing for America's Safe Schools Week, National SAVE Day, and the National SAVE Rock-A-Thon?"*

Please send your responses to: forum@nationalsave.org, and be entered into a drawing for a \$100 SAVE Store gift certificate! Check out:

<http://www.nationalsave.org/forum/index.php> to see your response posted!

Beth's Blog: 2010 SAVE Advisor of the Year - Beth Scheirer, Laney High School (NC)

On Monday September 20th, E. A. Laney High School hosted the Vehicle Injury Prevention for a Very Important Person (VIP for a VIP) program (check it out at: www.vipforavip.com). The program's mission is "to bring the sight, sounds and smell of a fatal vehicle accident to the doorstep of high school students in a dramatic way in hopes of embedding the consequences of these sometimes senseless events into the minds of teenage drivers." At the morning session, students listened to the experiences of emergency services and parents of teenage accident victims. They watched graphic and true video presentations regarding how sending quick text messages, partying, aggressive driving, and other distractions can instigate an irreversible chain of events and loss. During the afternoon session, students assembled outside and observed a reenactment of a fatal automobile accident, involving the 911 call and the tragedy's outcome.

Everyone who attended - students, faculty, staff, and parents - was affected by the message in some way. The student body and our SAVE members were so moved by

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the experience that they signed a "Contract for Life," which states they will obey traffic laws, wear their seat belts, never ride in or drive a motor vehicle if substances have been used, and call for help if safety is ever a question.

Another positive benefit of the program was the partnerships established between our school and local agencies. The local fire department, EMS, city and county police, and State Highway Patrol as well as individuals from our school PTSA, a local wrecker service, two local restaurants, and a local hotel all collaborated in order to decrease vehicular crimes for our student body. Our SAVE Chapter and our school can now utilize these relationships in the future when continuing to work on school and community crime prevention. I encourage you to consider hosting an event such as the VIP for a VIP to encourage building alliances that can help you support your work as SAVE chapters. This month, many chapters are participating in the National SAVE Rock-a-Thon. This is another great event with the potential to bring together those who consider the safety of individuals in schools and their community a #1 concern. Working with partners gets us closer to achieving the SAVE Vision: *Schools and communities will be safer and more secure, free of fear, and conducive to learning as a result of students being actively engaged in meaningful violence prevention efforts.*

Feel free to contact me with questions, comments, and topics for future articles at: beth.scheirer@nhcs.net, 910-350-2089 ext. 439.

YABer Yak: National Youth Advisory Board Member – Candy Gonzalez, Montbello High School (CO)

The weather is changing, leaves are falling, and everyone is wondering what costume they're going to wear for Halloween. This can only mean one thing...we've reached October!! October is also the month of School and Community Crime Prevention - be sure to mark your calendars because a handful of exciting events will be occurring. October 22nd is the National SAVE Rock-A-Thon. By having your chapter participate you can raise funds to fund your chapter activities throughout the year. October 20th is National SAVE Day - take this special day to promote the meaning of SAVE. October 18th-22nd is America's Safe Schools Week. During this week be sure to engage your chapter in activities that remind students to be safe and also to show how *students* can make a difference. A couple activities you can try: remind teens to be safe drivers - give out 'Smarties' candy to teens who have their seatbelt on and 'dum dums' suckers to those who don't; have your chapter /school sign a Peace Pledge poster, or have a Dress-to-Impress Day to encourage appropriate behavior. Whatever activities you conduct, be creative and have fun!!

Prevention Resources:

National Bullying Prevention Month – October 2010

This year marks the fifth anniversary of PACER's National Bullying Prevention Month that unites communities nationwide to raise awareness of bullying prevention. Traditionally held the first week in October, the event has been expanded to include activities, education, and awareness building for the entire month.

Find out more at the National Center for Bullying Prevention's website:

<http://www.pacer.org/bullying/index.asp>

Cyberbullying: The Stakes Have Never Been Higher

Online harassment has become a life-and-death issue for students, teachers and administrators. The Fall 2010 issue of *Teaching Tolerance* magazine examines some of the best ways to address cyberbullying.

See details and download a PDF version of this issue at:

<http://www.tolerance.org/magazine/number-38-fall-2010>

Choose Respect

Choose Respect, assembled by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is a tool kit concerning prevention of adolescent dating violence and how to form healthy relationships. The tool kit contains links to websites containing resources to help teens learn at home, in school, and in the community.

To see the tool kit, visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/chooserespect/index.html>



Breaking Down the Impact of Cliques in Schools

Friendship circles are groups of people who share some common interests or values. They can be healthy, nurturing and supportive. Being bonded to others because of a shared love of sports, music or extracurricular activities seems natural. But what happens when friendship circles become inflexible? In a 'featured lesson' from Teaching Tolerance, students are asked to examine cliques and their impact on school climate. They can also explore ways to overcome social barriers and integrate a school's student body.

See the featured lesson here:

<http://www.tolerance.org/activity/cliques-schools?newsletter=TT092110>

Register Now for Mix It Up at Lunch Day

Mix It Up is a national campaign to improve intergroup relations, reduce prejudice and build inclusive learning communities. Students thrive—socially and academically—in schools that are inclusive. Mix It Up encourages students to identify, question and cross social boundaries that separate them from other students. This year, Mix It Up at Lunch Day is Tuesday, November 9. Students identify the cafeteria as the place where divisions are most clearly drawn. The Day is a simple call to action, asking students to move out of their comfort zones and connect with someone new over lunch.

For more information and to register your school, visit:

<http://www.tolerance.org/mix-it-up/how-to-participate?newsletter=TT091410>

National Drug Facts Week

National Drug Facts Week (NDFW) is a health observance week for teens that aims to shatter the myths about drugs and drug abuse. Through community-based events and activities on the Web, on TV, and through contests, NIDA is working to encourage teens to get factual answers from scientific experts about drugs and drug abuse.

For more information, visit: <http://drugfactsweek.drugabuse.gov/index.php>

Funding/Contest Opportunities:

Allstate Foundation Grants

Thanks to a partnership with The Allstate Foundation, SAVE is conducting special activities and events focusing on Teen Safe Driving in the 2010-2011 school year for selected high schools in most areas of the country. If you are aware of schools interested in receiving grant funds, please contact the SAVE office.



National SAVE Day Photo Contest

Capture your SAVE Chapter in action on National SAVE Day. We are looking for pictures that emulate the spirit of National SAVE Day. Photos will be shared on the National SAVE website and Facebook page. Prizes for SAVE Store gift certificates will be awarded: 1st place: \$100; 2nd place: \$50; and 3rd place: \$25. Winners will be announced November 5th.

Please submit your photos by October 31st electronically to:

pobrien@nationalsave.org.

WaysToHelp.org Grants (Deadline: Ongoing)

WaysToHelp.org invites teens in the United States to apply for grants to fund their community service ideas across any one of 16 issue areas. You can apply for a grant by visiting www.waystohelp.org and for any issue area, selecting "See Ways To Help" followed by "Apply for a Grant." Applications are short - just 5,000 words or less - and should summarize: how the project will involve others, who it will help, what effect it's expected to have, when it will start, and how the funds will be used. Grant requests are reviewed and responded to on a monthly basis.

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UnitedHealth HEROES (Deadline: October 22)

UnitedHealth HEROES is a service-learning, health literacy initiative designed to encourage young people, partnering with schools and nonprofits, to create and implement local hands-on programs to fight childhood obesity. Educators, nonprofit leaders, and students are encouraged to apply for grants of up to \$1,000 to engage youth in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Youth participants raise awareness around their work by culminating their service projects on Global Youth Service Day (GYSD), April 15-17, 2011, an international day of service that occurs in all 50 states and in more than 100 countries. Applications must be submitted online before midnight October 22, 2010. Grant recipients will be notified in December and January.

To obtain an application, visit: www.YSA.org/HEROES.

National Safe Schools Week – National Student Design Project (Deadline: October 22)

According to the Centers for Disease Control, nearly one million students across America take a weapon to school each month, and over 1.3 million students are injured or threatened with a weapon each year. National Safe Schools Week provides an opportunity to empower students to keep their schools safe by encouraging them to speak up against school violence. The National Student Design Project is intended to get middle and high school students thinking about the safety of their schools and communities. Mail or email submissions due by Friday, October 22, and the top entries will be announced on Friday, October 29.

For more information about the project and how to enter, visit:
http://www.safeschoolsweek.org/PDFs/NSSW2010_ContestTeachers.pdf

Bring SPEAK UP to your school (Deadline: October 23)

This school year, PAX wants to make sure that every school has the opportunity to bring SPEAK UP's life saving hotline and message to its students. To help schools and school districts that may have tighter budgets, they are offering special discounts, including a matching program. These discounts will be available until National Safe Schools Week in October 2010.

For more information, email PAX at: speakup@paxusa.org, by October 23, 2010.

Prudential Financial Inc. - Prudential Spirit of Community Awards (Deadline: 11/1/10)

The United States Tennis Association Foundation invites proposals for their Youth Tennis and Education Program Grants to support efforts in tennis and education among disadvantaged, at-risk youth and people with disabilities. Special consideration will be given to National Junior Tennis and Learning Programs and programs that follow the "Aces for Kids" Program model. The "Aces for Kids" program model promotes healthy lifestyles and combats obesity by providing disadvantaged, at risk youth the opportunity to play tennis and improve academically through a structured environment. All programs must offer both a tennis and education component.

For more information and to apply for this award, visit:
<http://spirit.prudential.com/view/page/soc>

Nickelodeon - The Big Help (Deadline: 12/31/10)

The purpose of the Nickelodeon Big Help awards is to award grants to schools and community organizations that support projects that inspire kids to take care of the environment, lead active and healthy lives, engage in community service, or improve their educational experience.

For more information and to apply for this funding, visit:
<http://prosocial.nick.com/grant-application/>

