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National SAVE Summit – A Success!

The National SAVE Summit had elementary, middle and high school students attendees from 16 states! SAVE members and advisors had a wonderful time networking, gaining new ideas and seeing inspiring and motivating dramas. Thanks to everyone who sent in a banner, a coloring book for the contest, and provided items for the national service project! Special thanks to our premier sponsor for the summit, the [National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center](#). Also thank you to the Allstate Foundation, Crayola and Hecht's for supporting the summit!

Annual SAVE Awards Announced – Congratulations!

The Annual SAVE Awards were announced at the 10th Annual SAVE Summit. Thanks to everyone who submitted nominations from across the country. Congratulations to our National SAVE Award Winners:

- SAVE Chapters of the Year:
 - Eastern Greene Elementary
 - Thomas Jefferson Middle School
- SAVE Students of the Year:
 - Cassady Tetsworth, Kernodle Middle School
 - Adrian Correa, Adams Elementary School
- SAVE Advisor of the Year:
 - Denise McCoy, Konnoak Elementary

Resource Spotlight: National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center

Interpersonal violence is one of the most important issues facing our nation's youth. Although many institutional and community-based efforts have been directed towards alleviating this problem, information about these efforts is not always easy to find. To fill this need, the National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center web site, www.safeyouth.org, and call center, 1-866-SAFEYOUTH (723-3968), serve as a user-friendly, single point of access to Federal information on youth violence .

Developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other Federal partners, the Resource Center provides current information developed by Federal agencies or with Federal support pertaining to youth violence. A gateway for professionals, parents, youth and other interested individuals, the Resource Center offers the latest tools to facilitate discussion with children, to resolve conflicts nonviolently, to stop bullying, to prevent teen suicide, and to end violence committed by and against young people. Resources include fact sheets, best practices documents, funding and conference announcements, statistics, research bulletins, surveillance reports, and profiles of promising programs.

Upcoming Events:

PREVENT Web Conference: Involving Youth in Violence Prevention – May 4

PREVENT (Preventing Violence through Education, Networking and Technical Assistance) a component of the National Training Initiative for Injury and Violence will host a web conference on involving youth in violence prevention. The web conference is free and will include presentations on projects working to prevent violence at the community level and describe the benefits of working with youth. **Dr. Pamela Riley, Executive Director of SAVE and Channing Shor, SAVE National Youth Advisory Board Chair** will be guest speakers. The web conference will occur on **Thursday, May 4, 2006 from 2:00 to 3:30 PM EDT**. For more information about the conference and to register, please access <http://prevent.unc.edu/education/youthviolence/yvwebconference.htm> or contact Jenny Cook at jenny_cook@unc.edu

Satellite Broadcast Will Address "Kids, Drugs, & Violence" – April 20

On April 20, 2006, at 1:00 p.m. ET, the [Federal Law Enforcement Training Center](#) and the [Multijurisdictional Counterdrug Task Force Training Program](#) will air the satellite video broadcast "**Kids, Drugs, & Violence.**" Sgt. Harold Rochon, a veteran of the Detroit Police Department, will describe strategies for identifying the problem of juvenile drug dealing and combating it. The 1-hour program is intended for law enforcement officers, school resource officers, teachers, parents, and others concerned about the risks associated with drugs. To obtain further information, including registration procedures, for this satellite video broadcast, visit http://www.dlnets.com/fletc_20Apr06.htm.

Webcasts Will Discuss Gang Prevention – May 23 & June 6

On May 23, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. ET, the [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention](#) and the [Office of Community Oriented Policing Services](#) will air the first of two Webcasts and satellite broadcasts on [Preventing Gangs in Our Communities](#). (The second will be broadcast on June 6, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. ET.) Gang specialists from federal and local law enforcement agencies and community and faith-based organizations will join participants in discussing what law enforcement and communities are doing to share responsibility for gang prevention. To obtain further information about these broadcasts and to sign up to participate, visit <http://www.DOJConnect.com>

SAVE Question of the Month – April

The April Question of the Month is: "How did your SAVE Chapter Celebrate National Youth Violence Prevention Week?" Send your responses to: forum@nationalsave.org Check out: <http://www.nationalsave.org/forum/index.php> to see your response posted!

Monthly Focus – Preventing Relationship Violence

SAVE members can strive to prevent relationship violence by educating the public about warning signs, consequences and proactive steps to safeguard possible victims. By focusing on this important topic for the month and approaching the program from three angles: crime prevention, conflict management, and service projects, SAVE members can help thwart this growing area of violence. Relationship violence can cover many areas including dating violence, child abuse, sibling abuse, domestic violence, and interpersonal violence (e.g. between friends). With April being National Child Abuse Prevention Month, relationship violence prevention is a perfect topic to address in your school community. For ideas and a "Dating Violence.. are You a Victim?" Lesson Plan and Activity Guide visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar.php>

Additional Resource: According to recent research from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), one out of four 8th and 9th graders reports being a victim of dating violence. Even more startling, many adolescents do not grasp the seriousness of dating abuse. CDC research shows that a majority of young people think that emotional and verbal abuse are "normal" parts of relationships. To increase positive relationship behaviors and healthy relationships among young people ages 11-14, CDC's Division of Violence Prevention is launching a nationwide campaign entitled, "Choose Respect." For more information about the campaign and how you can help launch it in your community at no cost, visit www.chooserespect.org. The materials on the website include a Teacher's Guide, a Community Action Kit including a section for schools, a downloadable 13 minute video, sample radio and TV PSAs, and febungo thrps.

The Presidential Freedom Scholarships promote student service and civic engagement and honor outstanding service to the community. All high school juniors and seniors with 100 hours of public service are eligible for the maximum award of \$1000. **Application deadline is May 12, 2006.** For more information, visit: <http://www.learnandserve.gov/about/programs/pfs.asp>.

2006 GAMESTOP YOUTH GRANTS

Do Something Invites Young People to Apply for Community Project Grants. Each fall and each spring, Do Something gives grants of \$500 each to ten young people who submit creative proposals for solving local problems addressing community building, health, or the environment. An applicant must be 25 years old or younger on May 1, 2006 to receive a 2006 Do Something grant. Applicants may apply for grant either individually, or on behalf of a group or team. **Application deadline is May 15.** For more information, visit: www.dosomething.org.

Horace Mann Offers Continued Education Funding for Educators

For the fourth consecutive year, Horace Mann Educators Corporation will offer scholarships totaling \$30,000 to help educators continue their education. This year's scholarship program for educators will offer thirty-six awards, including one \$5,000 award payable over four years, fifteen \$1,000 awards payable over two years, and twenty one-time \$500 awards. **Deadline is May 16, 2006.** For more information, visit: www.horacemann.com.

Nickelodeon Announces Giveaway Program to Encourage Healthy Play

Children's television network Nickelodeon will distribute more than \$1 million from September 2005 to June 2006. The "Let's Just Play" Giveaway offers kids around the United States the opportunity to take action and enter for a chance to improve their school or community program's fitness resources. Maximum Award: \$5000. Eligibility: Kids (6-15 years of age), partnering with teachers and other community-based leaders. **Deadline: rolling, until May 31, 2006.** Additional information is available at http://www.nick.com/all_nick/everything_nick/

Angel Soft Angels in Action National Awards Program

The Angel Soft Angels in Action Awards Program, now in its seventh year, aims to recognize children and youth who are performing exemplary acts of community service. Georgia-Pacific, the makers of Angel Soft toilet paper, invites teachers, parents, guardians, and friends to submit nominations to honor "ordinary kids who are doing extraordinary things" to help improve their communities. For the first time since the program's inception, one outstanding child or teen will be awarded \$15,000 for "Program of the Year." Two grand-prize winners (one from each age category) will receive \$10,000 and ten finalists (five from each age category) will receive \$1,000.

Visit the Angel Soft Web site for complete program guidelines and to submit a nomination <http://www.angelsoft.com/angelsinaction/>. **Deadline: October 1, 2006**

Suggested Activity – Connect for Kids: Youth Essay Contest

"Do you feel U.S. high schools support the academic and social needs and interests of today's students well? Why or why not?" Answer this essay question and you could receive a cash prize of \$100 in Connect for Kids' teen (14 to 18) essay contest. **Deadline for entries is May 5.** Contest rules and additional information is available at <http://www.connectforkids.org/node/3142>
