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### **Nationwide Rock-A-Thon to Benefit SAVE – Friday, September 15, 2006**

On Friday, September 15, 2006 SAVE Chapters from across the country will be Rocking in a Safe School Year as they participate in the National Rock-A-Thon to Benefit SAVE. By participating in the 2006 National SAVE Rock-A-Thon, SAVE chapters will have a tremendous impact on improving safety while helping to achieve SAVE's vision of schools being safe and secure, free of fear and conducive to learning. Funds received from the National SAVE Rock-A-Thon will enable chapters to conduct violence prevention activities throughout the school year and enable National SAVE to continue its mission by engaging, educating, empowering and encouraging students to make a positive difference in the safety of their schools and communities. National SAVE is a public 501(c)3 nonprofit and is funded through public support. We are asking every SAVE chapter to participate in this nationwide effort on Friday, September 15, 2006. For more information visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/rockathon.php>.

### **Don't Miss Out!: SAVE's Back-to-School Mailing will only be sent to SAVE Chapter's in Good Standing!**

Has your SAVE Chapter sent in your Chapter affiliation fee for the 2006-2007 school year? If you are unsure whether your chapter is in good standing with SAVE, contact National SAVE at 1-866-343-SAVE or via email at [eduvall@nationalsave.org](mailto:eduvall@nationalsave.org). In mid August SAVE chapters will be receiving the Back-to-School Mailing. The mailing will include:

- **Calendar** – Brought back by popular request, the school year calendar includes a monthly topic with suggested crime prevention, conflict management, and service project ideas for each month. All important SAVE dates are listed on the calendar including the National Rock-A-thon, Safe Schools Week, National SAVE Day, the National SAVE Summit, and National Youth Violence Prevention Week. To view a sample of topics, visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar.php>.
- **National Rock-A-Thon Packet** – Chapters will receive the National Rock-A-Thon packet with reproducible handouts and samples. More info: <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/rockathon.php>
- **National SAVE Day Publication** – Chapters will receive a National SAVE Day booklet with sample press releases, activity guides, timetables, pledges, event agendas and much more. More info: <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/SAVEDay.php>
- **Mini Grant Application** – Thanks to the ESA Foundation, National SAVE will once again be offering Mini Grants of up to \$1,000 in the fall. Mini grant applications will be distributed in the Back to School mailing. More info: <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/ESA.php>
- **Much More!**

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## National Youth Advisory Board – Meet the 2006-2007 YABers!

The National Association of SAVE received many outstanding applications from youth across the country seeking a coveted spot on SAVE's prestigious National Youth Advisory Board (YAB). The YABer's will have a busy year ahead of them planning activities for National SAVE day, the National SAVE Summit, this year's national service project and conducting trainings/workshops across the country. To learn more about the National Youth Advisory Board, visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/YAB0607.php> . Your 2006-2007 YABer's are:

**Heather Hernandez, Chair (Poway, CA)**  
**Michael Register, Vice Chair (Farmville, NC)**  
**Darius Bush (Gastonia, NC)**

**Christian Gonzalez (Denver, CO)**  
**Rafael Grillo (Winston Salem, NC)**  
**Marissa Shapiro (Syosset, NY)**

## SAVE Partners with Periwinkle National Theatre – SAVE Chapters offered performances at greatly reduced rate!

SAVE is proud to be partnering with Periwinkle National Theatre to bring age appropriate and topic relevant productions at a significantly reduced rate to SAVE chapters (\$600 per show compared to the standard rate of \$2400). Contact Kathie at Periwinkle National Theatre at 1-800-888-8271 or [Kathie@periwinkle.org](mailto:Kathie@periwinkle.org) for pricing and scheduling. Be sure to mention that you are a SAVE Chapter to receive the special rate. More info: <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/periwinkle.php>

## Upcoming Events:

### Mark Your Calendar for these Fall Events!

- **National SAVE Rock-A-Thon – September 15, 2006**  
<http://www.nationalsave.org/main/rockathon.php>
- **National SAVE Day – October 18, 2006** <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/SAVEDay.php>
- **America's Safe Schools Week – October 16-20**  
<http://www.nationalsave.org/main/safe%20schools%20week.php>

## SAVE Question of the Month – AUGUST

The August Question of the Month is: *"How is your SAVE chapter assisting in Back to School Safety efforts?"* Send your responses to: [forum@nationalsave.org](mailto:forum@nationalsave.org) Check out: <http://www.nationalsave.org/forum/index.php> to see your response posted!

## Monthly Focus – Back to School

It is "that" time of year again. Students are heading back to school and it's hard to determine who is more excited, the students or the parents! Students have their pens and paper, and their outfits for the first day of school, but have you thought about safety and what you need to do to prepare for a safe school year? A small amount of planning now, can help everyone have a more pleasant and safer experience for the entire school year and beyond. SAVE Chapters nationwide are encouraged to lead their school sites in safety activities. This month's focus includes activities in the areas of Safety Awareness, Crime Prevention, and Conflict Management in the classroom. Listed are some suggestions to begin the school year on a positive note while working towards a safer school and community. Let the beginning of the school year be a time to concentrate on new SAVE activities, fewer cases of violence in and around the school and community, and the safety of those around you. For suggested activities, visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/augusttheme.php>. For information on upcoming monthly topics visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar.php>

## Funding Opportunities:

### SAVE & ESA Foundation Mini-Grants

SAVE chapters in good standing with National Association of SAVE are eligible to apply for a *SAVE Star Grant* sponsored by the ESA Foundation for implementation in the fall of 2006. These funds (up to \$1,000) can be used for violence prevention activities, resource material, SAVE curriculum, and projects for your chapter. Sign onto the chapter access section of the website for a downloadable version [http://www.nationalsave.org/access\\_chapter/index.php](http://www.nationalsave.org/access_chapter/index.php) of the application. This brief two-page application should be completed and faxed, emailed or mailed as soon as possible to ensure that you will be considered for this minigrant opportunity, as funds are limited. Applications must be received at the National SAVE office by 5:00 p.m. EST on **September 22, 2006**.

## Angel Soft Angels in Action National Awards Program

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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**

### **Red, White, and Green Climate Change Grant**

This opportunity, presented by Youth Service America and the Civil Society Institute, offers \$500 to youth between the ages of 15-25 or to organizations that serve youth ages 15-25. Successful applicants will implement a service-learning project about climate change to engage community members and candidates for the 2006 election. **Deadline is Thursday, September 1, 2006.** To download an application, flyer, and guidelines, please visit [www.ysa.org](http://www.ysa.org).

### **YouthRising Grant Program to Support High Risk Youth in Volunteer Service**

Youth Service America ( <http://www.ysa.org/> ) and the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention ( <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.org/> ) have announced the launch of the YouthRising grant program. This opportunity offers grants of \$2,000 for organizations in the United States to engage high risk and/or gang-involved youth (ages 12-25) in volunteer service to their communities. Community-based groups/organizations, local government agencies, schools, and faith-based groups that have prior experience and documented success working directly with high-risk and/or gang-involved youth are eligible to apply. The program seeks projects that are co-led by youth and adult allies such as parents, counselors, coaches, teachers, youth leaders, etc. A significant portion of the project must take place on National and Global Youth Service Day, April 20-22, 2007. Application materials are available at the YSA Web site: <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10003576/YSA>  
**Deadline: October 12, 2006**

### **Recently Released: KIDS COUNT Data Book Sheds Light on Child Welfare Trends**

The [Annie E. Casey Foundation](http://www.aecf.org/) has released [2006 KIDS COUNT Data Book](http://www.aecf.org/kidscount/sld/databook.jsp). The broad array of data it provides is intended to shed light on the status of America's children and to aid in assessing trends in their well-being. The Data Book ranks states on 10 key indicators and provides information on child health, education, and family economic conditions. Related information is also available through an [online state-level database](http://www.aecf.org/publications/browse.php?filter=15) that covers more than 75 measures of child welfare, including those used in the Data Book. To access the 2006 KIDS COUNT Data Book, visit <http://www.aecf.org/kidscount/sld/databook.jsp>. A free hardcopy may be ordered at <http://www.aecf.org/publications/browse.php?filter=15>. The state-level database may be accessed at <http://www.aecf.org/kidscount/sld/index.jsp>.

### **Resource Spotlight: National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center**

The National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center web site, [www.safeyouth.org](http://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.

### **SAVE Chapter Benefit: Chapter Access**

Have you visited the chapter access section ([http://www.nationalsave.org/access\\_chapter/index.php](http://www.nationalsave.org/access_chapter/index.php)) of the website recently? If not, you are missing a lot of great information and resources for your chapter! Be sure to check out the Funding page for fundraising ideas and grant opportunities, or visit the Resource Material page for new lesson plans, skits and activity sheets that the National Youth Advisory Board has created. Also, be sure to check out the Free Downloads page for a Powerpoint presentation on SAVE; a great tool for use with PTA meetings, introducing SAVE to the student body, or other groups.

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