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National SAVE Website & Email – Chapter Access

Due to an unfortunate hacking incident on the server of the company that hosts our website, the National SAVE website has been experiencing technical difficulties including problems with our email. If you have emailed the National SAVE staff and not received a reply, please resend the email and we will be glad to get back with you. We are working diligently to restore the website and hope to have it back in order within the next few weeks, including the chapter access section. In the meantime, do not hesitate to call or contact us if you need something. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Annual SAVE Awards – Student, Advisor & Chapter of the Year Awards

National SAVE Award Nominations are now being accepted. The National Association of SAVE announces the availability of recognition awards to SAVE chapters in good standing. Awards will be given out in the following categories: **National SAVE Chapter of the Year**, **National SAVE Advisor of the Year** and **National SAVE Student of the Year**. Awards will be presented at the elementary, middle and high school levels. Applications are available online on the National SAVE website at <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/spotlight.php>. Nominations must be received by March 3.

SAVE Question of the Month – February

The February Question of the Month is: **"What can your SAVE Chapter do to improve relationships between students and teachers/school administration?"**

Send your responses to: forum@nationalsave.org Check out: <http://www.nationalsave.org/forum/index.php> to see your response posted!

Monthly Focus – Good Character Traits

All is fair in LOVE and SAVE! February, the month for love, is the perfect time to show your good character! What are some positive character traits that you admire in others? In this month especially, try to demonstrate good character traits. Be a positive role model for those around you so they can learn good traits as well. Pick out a person in your life that demonstrates good traits and shadow that person for a day. For additional ideas visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar.php>

Funding Opportunities:

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/

Suggested Activity -- Do Something's Start With Art Competition

Are bullying, abusive relationships or violence a problem at your school? This winter SAVE is partnering with Do Something and asks you to take part in Do Something's Start With Art competition and make change in your school by creating art inspired by the theme "Safe at School." Paint a mural, create a sculpture or even design an ad for a poster. Get your message across, then submit digital photos of your artwork to DoSomething.org by February 28th to enter to win tons of cool prizes. Be sure to let National SAVE know that you are entering the contest and good luck! Email afinger@dosomething.org for more info or check out: <http://www.dosomething.org/challenges/safeatschool/>

Upcoming Events:

2006 National SAVE Summit – April 1, 2006

Mark your calendars! The 2006 National SAVE Summit is scheduled for April 1, 2006. This year's theme is *SAVE: Erasing the Colors of Violence*. The Summit is an opportunity for students, advisors, and community members to celebrate the success of their SAVE chapters for the year. Chapter members lead workshop sessions. Every participant in the Summit receives valuable educational information from exhibits, hears from outstanding speakers, and has the opportunity to network with other students across the country who are making a difference. Be sure to see how your chapter can participate in the following activities, even if you aren't able to make it to the summit:

- **National Service Project** – Bring to Summit or donate to local agencies
- **Call for Photos** – *Deadline extended to March 1!!*
- **Coloring Book Contest** – *Due March 1*
- **Erase the colors of violence activity** – *Due March 1*

For additional information and to download the registration flyer for the 2006 National Summit visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/summit.php>

Call for Presenters!

There are still a few spots available for chapters to lead a breakout session at the SAVE Summit! The breakout sessions are 40 minutes in length. Come and share how your chapter is preventing violence or lead an activity that your chapter enjoys. Chapters who are chosen to present receive **3 free Summit Registrations!** Email Carleen Wray at cwray@nationalsave.org if your chapter would like to lead a session.

National Youth Violence Prevention Week – April 3-7, 2006

National SAVE and [GuidanceChannel.com, a brand of Sunburst Visual Media](http://www.GuidanceChannel.com) are proud to be founding partners of the National Youth Violence Prevention Campaign. The goal of this campaign is to raise awareness and to educate students, teachers, school administrators, counselors, school resource officers, school staff, parents, and the public on effective ways to prevent or reduce youth violence. During this week-long national education initiative, various activities will demonstrate the positive role young people can have in making their schools and communities safer. With the support of several national premier youth-serving organizations, each day of the week will focus on a specific violence prevention strategy. These include promoting respect and tolerance, anger management, resolving conflicts peacefully, supporting safety, and uniting in action. Campaign "Strategy Sponsors", including the [Teaching Tolerance](#), [American School Counselor Association](#), [Association For Conflict Resolution](#), [National Youth Court Center](#), and [Youth Service America](#), will offer activities, information, and spokespersons to support each day's focus through this website, www.ViolencePreventionWeek.org

BJS Report Examines Indicators of School Crime and Safety

The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) has released "[Indicators of School Crime and Safety, 2005](#)." A joint effort by BJS and the [National Center for Education Statistics](#), this annual report examines crime occurring in school as well as on the way to and from school. It also provides current detailed statistical information on the nature of crime in schools, school environments, and responses to violence and crime at school. "Indicators of School Crime and Safety, 2005" is only available online at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/iscs05.htm>.
