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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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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 under the secure "members only" section. For additional information, please visit http://www.nationalsave.org/access_chapter/recognition.php#AA

SAVE Question of the Month –

The January Question of the Month is: *"On January 16, 2006 the nation recognizes the work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his dedication to end violence and discrimination in our society. Do you know of a student that is "Living the Legacy" of Dr. King through work with SAVE? If so, please briefly describe his/her work in violence prevention."*

Send your responses to: forum@nationalsave.org

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

Monthly Focus – FOCUS ON DIVERSITY

Recognizing diversity is important at every age level and in every part of the country. In every school there will be different groups and issues to consider. Look at your own chapter, school and community. Is the membership in your chapter a reflection of your student body? Are there recruitment activities that you could use to bring in new members from under represented groups? Many chapters face challenges recruiting male members. Talk to males in your student body to see what might encourage more of them to join and be active in **SAVE**. Emphasize that being against violence doesn't make you a wimp or less macho. Continue to make being in **SAVE** a "cool" thing to do. For additional ideas visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar.php> For downloadable Diversity lesson plans visit http://www.nationalsave.org/access_chapter/resources.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 spring 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 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 mini-grant opportunity, as funds are limited. Applications must be received at the National SAVE office by 5:00 p.m. EST on **January 18, 2006**.

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/

Grants Support Youth Service Day Activities

The following grant is being offered in conjunction with [Youth Service Day](#), which will be observed April 21-23, 2006. Youth for Justice will provide a grant of \$200 each to the first 100 middle and high school classes to register to participate in the National Teach-In celebration of Youth Service Day and Law Day. The money may be used to buy materials to conduct their teach-in, provide law-related education resources for their class or school library, host a teach-in conference with another school, or donate to a school club or charity. The application deadline is January 31, 2006. Additional information is available at http://www.crfc.org/yfj_teachin2006.html. You may download an application at http://www.crfc.org/pdf/ti06_req.pdf.

Suggested Activity: Do Something's Start With Art Competition

Are bullying, abusive relationships or violence a problem at your school? This winter, 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 to enter to win tons of cool prizes. 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 – Due February 15
- Coloring Book Contest – Due March 1
- Erase the colors of violence activity – Due March 1
- Present at Summit – Call for Presenters due January 31

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

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

National SAVE and [GuidanceChannel.com, a brand of Sunburst Visual Media](#) 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

Preventing Dating Violence WEBCAST – February 7, 2006; 2:00-4:00 PM EST

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Office of Women's Health is partnering with the DHHS Office of Public Health Service/Office on Women's Health and the DHHS Administration for Children and Families /Family Violence Prevention Services Division to host a Web cast addressing teen dating violence (February 2006). The proposed Web cast will address various aspects of dating violence including risk and protective factors, vulnerable populations, DHHS programs and recommended interventions. For more information please feel free to contact Ms. Larissa Estes at LEstes@hrsa.gov or (301) 443-1527
