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Chapter Highlights:

St. Martinsville SAVE Chapter, LA

The SAVE Chapter at St. Martinsville High School in Louisiana has had a busy fall. They recently toured the Louisiana State Penitentiary. The reason of the tour was to detour the young adults from making destructive decisions. They had a chance to listen to inmates as they spoke to the students about prison life. They toured the lethal injection table, the old electric chair, dormitories, and even had a chance to eat prison food!!! (HORRIBLE) The students came together on a Saturday to repaint the teachers' parking lot, sweep the campus, pick up trash, and hold up antiviolence signs as cars passed by. Special thanks to their SAVE Advisor, Sgt. Michael Barber for sending in this update.



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Texas Avenue SAVE Chapter, NJ

The SAVE Chapter at Texas Avenue School in Atlantic City, New Jersey celebrated America's Safe Schools Week in October, 2009, by building a wall of intolerance outside the school's guidance office. Each student posted a "brick" on the wall that listed one specific thing they could do to be more understanding, tolerant and empathetic of their fellow students. The Wall of Intolerance was torn down during a demolition ceremony on December 11.



Other activities made possible by the chapter's Allstate sponsorship included handing out pieces of purple "SAVE" cake and "Keep the Peace" stickers on National SAVE Day, the annual "Mix it Up Day" where students made a point of meeting, eating lunch and getting to know someone new, and a "Walk the Talk" contest where students promote expressions of tolerance. Special thanks to SAVE Advisor Richard Prince for sharing this information.

Highland School of Technology SAVE Chapter, North Carolina

Highland School of Technology in Gastonia, North Carolina hosted a SAVE Rally where they partnered with their school's advance theater art class to produce a video recreating the Alex Orange story, using the students at the school. The video is to be shown to all students at the school. The SAVE Chapter members attended the National SAVE Summit in Charlotte, NC, where they presented statistics about Teen Safe Driving, especially related to drinking and driving. In addition, the local police department created a texting and driving presentation in which approximately 150 juniors and seniors took part. The students drove a golf cart around a course and then drove the course again while texting. The students were shocked at the number of cones they displaced while texting and visibly emotional while watching a video of a texting accident scenario."



Monthly Focus: 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 underrepresented 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, but just the opposite. Continue to make being in SAVE a "cool" thing to do.

Question of the Month:

"On January 18, 2010 the nation recognizes the work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his dedication to end violence and discrimination in our society. How is your SAVE Chapter celebrating/continuing Dr. King's efforts?"

YABer YAK: Candy Gonzalez, Montbello High School, CO

Diversity is very important and can be seen everywhere. Every school has diversity, whether its race, religion, or gender. Look at your SAVE chapter, school and community, what kind of diversity do you have? Is your chapter diverse or does one race/gender/grade level have a majority in your chapter? There are many ways to recruit new members, the simplest way, is to just talk to a few friends, males and females. Many chapters face challenges recruiting male members. If you have a few males in your chapter make sure they talk to their friends to encourage more of them to join and be active in SAVE, to create even more diversity with gender. Remind yourself that being involved in school is a great thing and when you're being involved with a positive program it's even better.

Prevention Resources:

Report Provides Information on Crimes in Schools

The Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Statistics, in collaboration with the National Center for Education Statistics, has published "[Indicators of School Crime and Safety, 2009](#)." "Schools should be safe havens where young people can learn and prosper, and anything less than that is unacceptable," Attorney General Eric Holder and Secretary of Education Arne Duncan declared, announcing the release of the report. The report draws on federally funded studies to provide detailed statistical information on the nature of crime in schools and school environments and responses to violence and crime at school. "Indicators of School Crime and Safety, 2009" is available online at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/iscs09.htm.

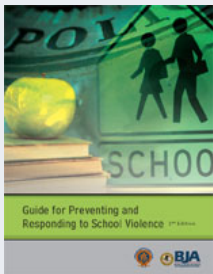
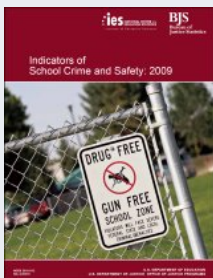
Guide Offers Communities Ways To Prevent and Respond to School Violence

The Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), in coordination with the International Association of Chiefs of Police, has published a new edition of its "[Guide for Preventing and Responding to School Violence](#)." Designed to assist local communities, the guide describes the roles of the school, community, families, law enforcement, and justice system in working together to take effective action to address school violence. BJA's "Guide for Preventing and Responding to School Violence" is available online at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/pdf/IACP_School_Violence.pdf

YOUR Teen Driver – YOUR Influence

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and NOYS have created a Web site entirely focused on helping parents teach their teens to drive safely: Under YOUR Influence (www.underyourinfluence.org)!

Every day, parents of new young drivers find themselves in the role that is vitally important to protecting their child on the road. They have very excited young drivers who are looking to them for instruction, guidance, and protective guidelines – but mostly – keys to the car. Now what do parents do? Where's the instruction manual for this new phase of parenting? It's time for many conversations and house rules to be developed to proactively protect our new drivers. Where should a parent start? At Under YOUR Influence!



Addressing the three priority areas of preventing underage drinking and driving, the vital importance of seat belt use, and support and enforcement of graduated driver licensing laws, this site is the resource parents need in their role in both teaching their child how to drive safely and establishing rules that will protect them as a driver and a passenger. Also included are many free printable resources, tips on starting a driving conversation, and links to great Web sites. With automobile crashes as the leading cause of death for teens, a parent's influence as both a teacher and role model is more important now than ever.



Inhalant Awareness Week March 15 - 21

One on five students in America has used an inhalant to get high by the time he or she reaches the eighth grade. Parents don't know that inhalants, cheap, legal and accessible products, are as popular among middle school students as marijuana. Even fewer know the deadly effects the poisons in these products have on the brain and body when they are inhaled or "huffed." It's like playing Russian Roulette. The user can die the 1st, 10th or 100th time a product is misused as an inhalant. Prevention through education has proven to work against this popular form of substance abuse. This is why the National Inhalant Prevention Coalition has developed **National Inhalants & Poisons Awareness Week (NIPAW)**, an annual media-based, community-level program that takes place the third week in March. NIPAW is designed to increase understanding about the use and risks of inhalant involvement. It is an inclusive program that involves youth, schools, media, police departments, health organization, civics groups and more. It has proven to be an effective means of mobilizing communities to reduce inhalant use. Almost 2,000 organizations and individuals from 46 states participated in the last NIPAW campaign. <http://www.inhalants.org/index.htm>

Funding Opportunities:

Allstate Foundation Grants

Thanks to a partnership with The Allstate Foundation, SAVE is conducting special activities and events in the following areas of the country: Southeast Region, North Central Region, Midwest Region, Southwest Region, West Central Region, New Jersey, Texas and California (San Diego). Special opportunities for high schools in Grand Junction, CO; Wichita, KS; St. Louis, MO; Springfield, MO; Kansas City, MO; Omaha, NE; and Lincoln, NE are also available. If you are aware of schools interested in receiving grant funds in these areas, please contact the SAVE office.

Sprint Character Education Grant Program Seeks to Support Positive Development of Young People (Deadline: February 5, 2010)

Grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded to school districts and individual schools working to facilitate and encourage character education among K-12 students. <http://www.sprint.com/responsibility/education/character/index.html?id8=vanity:educationgrants>

Get Ur Good On Grants (Deadline: February 22, 2010)

Miley Cyrus is partnering with Youth Service America (YSA) to create Get Ur Good On (www.GetUrGoodOn.org), a social network that brings together youth to support each other in their mission to do "good" in their communities. Available to children and youth around the world, YSA's Get Ur Good On Grants will award 100 \$500 grants to projects addressing important community needs such as poverty, education, and environmental sustainability. www.ysa.org

ACT OUT LOUD! Enter to win up to \$10,000 (Deadline: March 1, 2010)

It's time to raise your voice against distracted driving in your community! Join the 2010 Act Out Loud contest! Create an Act Out Loud team at your school and a great traffic safety project to give your team the opportunity to win a cool video camera and up to \$10,000 sponsored by The Allstate Foundation! www.actoutloud.org

- The first 200 teams to enter will receive \$200 to help get their project



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- The Top 20 teams will have the opportunity to nominate their principal as the "Most Supportive Principal" to win a \$5,000 award for their school's traffic safety efforts.
- The Top 20 teams will have an opportunity to nominate their team's adult adviser to win the "Adviser in the Most Supportive Role" award and win a \$5,000 cash prize.
- The national organization that has the most entries will win \$10,000 to support their national conference.

Second Annual Keep the Drive High School Journalism Awards (Deadline: March 20, 2010)

Use your journalism skills to make a difference and create awareness about the No. 1 killer of teens. The Allstate Foundation is sponsoring the second annual **Keep the Drive High School Journalism Awards** to encourage teens to educate their peers about the dangers of texting while driving. This year, the Keep the Drive Journalism Awards wants teens to **specifically address the dangers of texting while driving**. All stories and news segments must incorporate this topic and include the Web site www.KeeptheDrive.com. KeeptheDrive.com is a great resource for your peers to learn more about texting while driving, and how to be a great driver. Award entries will be accepted from November 5, 2009, through March 20, 2010. <http://www.keepthedrive.com/HSJ.aspx>

ING - Unsung Heroes Program Grant (Deadline: April 30, 2010)

The ING Unsung Heroes program annually provides grants to K-12 educators utilizing new teaching methods and techniques that improve learning. The program looks for techniques and methods that are innovative, creative, and that positively influence students. <http://www.ing-usa.com/us/aboutING/CorporateCitizenship/Education/INGUnsungHeroes/index.htm>

Teaching Tolerance Grants (Deadline: Ongoing)

The Teaching Tolerance Grants Program, administered by the Southern Poverty Law Center, offers grants to pre-K-12 educators for projects designed to reduce prejudice among youth, improve intergroup relations in schools and/or support educator professional development in these areas. Proposals from community organizations and houses of worship will be considered on the basis of direct student impact. Projects funded by Teaching Tolerance tend to be focused on character/moral education, conflict resolution, multiculturalism, community service, and other aspects of tolerance education. Requests may be submitted throughout the year. <http://www.tolerance.org/teach/grants/guide.jsp>

Kinder Morgan Foundation - Youth Program Grants (Deadline: 10th of Every Other Month)

The Kinder Morgan Foundation is aimed at providing youth the opportunity to learn and grow by supporting nonprofit youth programs that focus on education, the arts and the environment. Awards are typically between \$1,000 and \$5,000 and the program must serve a community where Kinder Morgan has operations. All organizations must have 501 (c) (3) status. Please contact the Kinder Morgan Foundation for more information and to apply for this funding: <http://www.kindermorgan.com/community/>

Disney Parks Hopes to Inspire 1 Million Volunteers Beginning January 1, 2010

Disney Parks has announced a new program that celebrates the spirit of volunteer service with a simple proposition: "Give a Day, Get a Disney Day." Disney hopes to inspire families to volunteer in their communities during 2010 through this first of its kind program. One million people who perform volunteer service for a participating organization will receive a free one-day admission ticket to a Walt Disney World Resort or Disneyland Resort theme park. While the "Give a Day, Get a Disney Day" program kicks off Jan. 1, right now guests can learn more about the program and how to get their free one-day admission to a Walt Disney World or Disneyland theme park by visiting www.DisneyParks.com