

## SAVE eSOURCE May 2009



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### Congratulations to the 2008/2009 National SAVE Award Winners!

For more information, visit [www.nationalsave.org](http://www.nationalsave.org)

#### SAVE CHAPTER OF THE YEAR

##### HIGH SCHOOL

Winner - West Charlotte High School (NC)  
Honorable Mention - Park View High School (GA)

##### MIDDLE SCHOOL

Winner - Jackson Middle School (NC)  
Honorable Mention - Moore Intermediate SAVE Chapter (SC)

#### SAVE STUDENT OF THE YEAR

##### HIGH SCHOOL

Winner - Roger Lira, Shallowater High School (TX)  
Honorable Mention - Antonino Ciano, Largo High School (FL)

##### MIDDLE SCHOOL

Winner - Geneva McNeal, J.T. Williams Middle School (NC)  
Honorable Mention - Aleeha Wilson, J.T. Williams Middle School (NC)

#### SAVE ADVISOR OF THE YEAR

Winner - Mike Moser, Kernodle Middle School (NC)  
Honorable Mention - Keith Pemberton, Jackson Middle School (NC)

### Monthly Focus: Teen Safe Driving

Thanks to a generous grant from the Allstate Foundation, **SAVE** is encouraging teens to drive safer and smarter. May is National Youth Traffic Safety Month and is an important time to focus on teens driving safely, especially during the events surrounding the end of the school year, such as graduations and proms. The obstacles faced by today's students are daunting. More than previous generations, today's youth are faced with choices that have true life and death ramifications. Car crashes take a tremendous toll on the emotional and physical health and well-being of our nation's young people, parents, school officials, and law enforcement. One of the most valuable resources that schools and communities often overlook when addressing school and community youth safety is **student involvement**. By encouraging youth-led solutions, we can empower students to play a key role in fostering safe and smart decisions that will protect the health and lives of our nation's youth. The good news is, as the growing number of students involved in **SAVE** attests, students are willing to step up to the plate and actively participate in solving this complex problem. The National



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SAVE Youth Advisory Board has created brochures and posters that SAVE chapters can use to spread the message about Teen Driver Safety. For suggested activities and downloads, visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/teendrivingfocus.php>. For additional information on upcoming monthly topics visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar>.

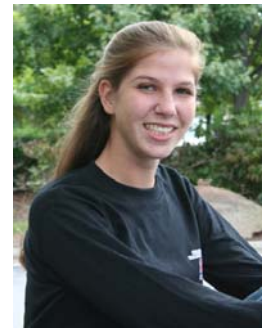
### SAVE Question of the Month – May

Please share the SAVE Question of the month with your SAVE members. The Youth Voices section of the forum is a place for students to ask questions and get responses from SAVE members across the country. **The May Question of the Month:** *“As we are approaching an end to another school year, will you be attending a new school in the fall? If so, does the school/college have a SAVE Chapter?”* 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!

### YABer Yak on Teen Safe Driving


#### – Submitted by Cassady Tetsworth, Vice Chair (Greensboro, NC)

The summer is almost here! For many, with the end drawing near, a change in pace is noticed. We want to get things done fast and be finished with our work. Unfortunately this also means that teens are picking up speed on the roads. Students are also attending parties and events, such as prom and graduation, where alcohol may be involved. This is a harmful decision on its own, especially when students decide to drink and drive. If this is an issue at your school, there are many things that you can do to help. Schools can have students sign pledges in order to attend the Prom, promising that they will not drink or be destructive on Prom night. Also, you could stage a mock car crash. This would simulate what could happen due to drunk or distracted driving. This type of activity tends to open the eyes of the student body to the real dangers of drinking and driving. May is National Youth Traffic Safety Month and teens should be especially careful while behind the wheel. Every day sixteen teens die due to car related deaths. It is important to enjoy yourself and have fun, but it is also important to stay safe. For more information on Teen Safe Driving, visit National SAVE’s website: <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/teendrivingfocus.php>



### SAVE is Seeking a Few Outstanding Teens! National Youth Advisory Board

Interested in serving as a member on the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE) Youth Advisory Board? To learn more about the Board and their activities throughout the year, visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/YAB0809.php>. If you would like to apply to serve on the 2009-2010 National Youth Advisory Board, please fax or mail a completed application to National SAVE before **May 15, 2009**. If you have questions contact **SAVE** at 866-343-**SAVE** or via email at [cwray@nationalsave.org](mailto:cwray@nationalsave.org).

UPCOMING EVENTS			
DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	MORE INFO
<b>MAY</b>			
May	 National Youth Traffic Safety Month®	Nationwide	<a href="http://noys.org/YouthTrafSafe/toolkit.html">http://noys.org/YouthTrafSafe/toolkit.html</a>
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
17	<b>2009 National SAVE Summit</b>	Charlotte, NC	<a href="http://www.nationalsave.org/main/summit.php">http://www.nationalsave.org/main/summit.php</a>
19-23	<b>America’s Safe Schools Week</b>	Global	<a href="http://www.nationalsave.org/main/safe%20schools%20week.php">http://www.nationalsave.org/main/safe%20schools%20week.php</a>
21	<b>National SAVE Day</b>	Global	<a href="http://www.nationalsave.org/main/SAVEDay.php">http://www.nationalsave.org/main/SAVEDay.php</a>
23	<b>SAVE Rock-A-Thon</b>	Global	<a href="http://www.nationalsave.org/main/rockathon.php">http://www.nationalsave.org/main/rockathon.php</a>



## **REGISTER NOW FOR THE 2009 SAVE SUMMIT! The SAVE Masquerade: Unmasking Violence for 20 Years!**

**October 17, 2009  
Charlotte, North Carolina**

The 2009 Summit will be held on the campus of West Charlotte High School in Charlotte, North Carolina on Saturday, October 17, 2009 to celebrate SAVE's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the birth place of SAVE. There will be motivating workshops, outstanding speakers, a multimedia slide show presentation, and a national service project dedication. Workshop sessions will be filled with both fun and educational information. The sessions will be presented by SAVE members from across the country. Visit the Summit Web Page for information on speakers, presenters, other summit highlights and to register for this historical summit! <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/summit.php>

### **2009 National SAVE Service Project & Alex Orange Memorial – Peace Gardens!**

The National Youth Advisory Board has announced the 2009 National SAVE Service Project Initiative – Peace Gardens! Each year, SAVE chapters across the country participate in a common service project. This is a chance for SAVE chapters to feel a part of the national effort, while making a difference in their own community. The YABers are encouraging every SAVE chapter to create a Peace Garden in their school or community. A place where students and adults can sit, reflect and enjoy the friendship of others. Please be sure to send us a photo of your SAVE members in your Peace Garden so that it can be displayed at the National SAVE Summit! In addition, in honor of SAVE's 20th Anniversary, the YAB would also like to purchase a memorial in honor of Alex Orange for the Peace Garden at West Charlotte High School. Since the 2009 SAVE Summit is going to be held at West Charlotte High School on October 17th it will be an opportune time to present the memorial to them! In order to accomplish this, we are asking each SAVE Chapter to conduct a small fundraiser and send the proceeds to National SAVE – be sure to mark the donation for Alex's Memorial. Thank you for remembering Alex Orange and the first SAVE chapter formed in 1989 through this effort! More info: <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/summit.php>

### **Violence Prevention Resources & Information:**

#### **Free Toolkit Available**

Request your free National Youth Traffic Safety Month toolkit that includes a Youth Traffic Safety Month 18 month wall calendar, poster with lesson plans and handouts, and the National Youth Traffic Safety Month toolkit on CD by e-mailing your mailing address and request to NOYS at [info@noys.org](mailto:info@noys.org). These materials are made possible through support from The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, Inc. and The Allstate Foundation.



### **Funding/Contest Opportunities:**

#### **Allstate Foundation Providing Cash Awards for Teen Safe Driving Projects!**

Tell us about your National Youth Traffic Safety Projects and win one of 50 \$1,000 awards sponsored by The Allstate Foundation. Applications for **50 Best Awards** now being accepted! Apply [HERE!](#)

<http://noys.org/tinc?key=yQtFSP0j&formname=registration>

Deadline for application: May 31

#### **Target – Family Violence Prevention Grant (Deadline: 5/31/09)**

Target's Family Violence Prevention Grant is intended to support programs that strengthen families and communities by keeping them safe. Target strives to prevent family violence by supporting programs that offer parenting classes and family counseling in addition to providing assistance to support groups and abuse shelters. <http://sites.target.com/site/en/company/page.jsp?contentId=WCMP04-031767>

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**BJ's Charitable Foundation – Community Program Grant (Deadline: 7/10/09)**

The BJ's Charitable Foundation strives to enhance and enrich community programs that primarily benefit children and families. The Foundation seeks organizations that promote safety and well-being of children and families, support education and health programs provide community service opportunities and aid in hunger and disaster relief. <http://www.bjs.com/about/community/charity.shtml>

**Pay It Forward Foundation – Pay It Forward Mini-Grants (Deadline: 09/15/09)**

Pay It Forward Mini-Grants are designed to fund one-time-only service-oriented projects identified by youth as activities they would like to perform to benefit their school, neighborhood, or community. These projects must be based on the “pay it forward” concept – where one person does a favor for others, who in turn do favors for others. <http://payitforwardfoundation.org/educators/mini-grant.html>

**Southern Poverty Law Center - Mix It Up Grants Program (Deadline: Rolling)**

The Southern Poverty Law Center's Mix It Up Grants Program funds small-scale, youth-directed activist projects that focus on identifying, crossing and challenging social boundaries in schools and communities. Projects must promote collaboration across social boundaries. <http://www.tolerance.org/teens/grants.jsp>

**mtvU Grants (Deadline: Weekly Throughout School Year)**

Every week throughout the school year, mtvU in partnership with Youth Venture will help fund a new student-run community service organization, or a new project being undertaken by an existing organization. If you've got an original idea about how to make the world--or your campus--a better place, mtvU Grants can help you make it happen. Are you interested in launching your own organization to address issues like global warming, literacy, health issues, civic participation, community and social problems - any problem you can identify mtvU grants can get you started to help find a solution. You could receive: Up to \$1,000 for your organization; An opportunity to be featured on mtvU News; and Exclusive access to helpful resources and tools in cooperation with Youth Venture, including the opportunity to join a global network of other young changemakers on genV.net.

<http://www.genv.net/mtvU>