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Monthly Focus: School & Community Crime Prevention

Ghosts, goblins and witches too! Don't let violence haunt you! Here are some useful ideas to help keep your school and community safe during the Halloween holiday, football season, and throughout the fall! The third week of October is [America's Safe Schools Week](#). [National SAVE Day](#) is the Wednesday of that week. This week provides a unique opportunity for SAVE chapters to focus on educational issues that directly affect the safety and security of your community. Planning and preparation can be done before America's Safe Schools Week to make sure your school and community have a week filled with awareness and activities. For suggested activities, visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/octobertheme.php>. For information on upcoming monthly topics visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar.php>

SAVE Question of the Month – October

Please share the SAVE Question of the month with your SAVE members. The Youth Voices section of the website is a place for students to ask questions and get responses from SAVE members across the country!

The October Question of the Month: "America's Safe Schools Week is October 20-24, 2008, National SAVE Day is October 22, and the National SAVE Rock-A-Thon is October 24th! What activities is your chapter planning for these important days?" Send your responses to: forum@nationalsave.org. Check out: <http://www.nationalsave.org/forum/index.php> to see your response posted!

Upcoming Events:

October

- National Bullying Prevention Week ~ October 5-8, 2008
 - <http://www.pacer.org/bullying/bpaw/index.asp>
- Kentucky Safe Schools, Successful Students Conference ~ October 6-7, 2008
 - www.kysafeschools.org
- AASA Safe and Secure Schools: Superintendents Lead the Way Conference ~ October 8-10, 2008
 - www.aasa.org
- National Conference for Community and Justice of Greater Dayton, OH Teen Summit– October 8, 2008
 - <http://www.nccjgreaterdayton.org/prog5.html>

- **National SAVE Youth Leadership Institute, Raleigh, NC - October 9-13, 2008**
 - www.nationalsave.org
- Allstate Teen Driver Safety Institute, Raleigh, NC – October 14, 2008
 - www.keepthedrive.com
- The Sixth Teen Culture Conference: Contagion!, University of Virginia - October 13, 2008
 - <http://www.healthsystem.virginia.edu/internet/teen-health/TCC.cfm>
- **America's Safe Schools Week ~ October 20-24, 2008**
 - **Activities conducted during America's Safe Schools Week will draw attention to the continuing problem of school violence and educate everyone about how schools can be made safer and more secure. America's Safe Schools Week offers an opportunity to address this very important issue and to take steps to ensure that schools offer students and teachers an environment in which they can perform to the best of their abilities. For suggested activities visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/safe%20schools%20week.php>**
- **National SAVE Day – October 22, 2008**
 - **Join SAVE members as they *empower, encourage, educate and engage* others in preventing violence in their school and community. By focusing on crime prevention, conflict management and service to their school and community, these students will bring awareness to the issue of school and community violence as part of their activities on National SAVE Day. SAVE members across the country are showing how they are a part of the solution, as they live by SAVE's slogan of "Youth Voices... Grown-up Choices!" For a planning guide, activity ideas, sample press releases, proclamations, and much more visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/SAVEDay.php>**
- **National SAVE Teen Summit sponsored by the Allstate Foundation, Lubbock, TX - October 22, 2008**
 - <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/Allstate.php>
- **National SAVE Rock-A-Thon – October 24, 2008**
 - **On Friday, October 24, 2008 SAVE Chapters from across the country will help to Rock in a Safe School Year as they kick off a National Rock-A-Thon to Benefit SAVE. By participating in the 2008 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. For a planning guide including sample pledge sheets and exciting ideas and suggestions, visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/rockathon.php>**
- Youth Service Institute 2008: Across the Street, Around the World – October 26-28
 - <http://www.ysa.org/institute>
- Spirit of Safety (S.O.S.) Conference, November 10-12, 2008 Jackson, MS
 - <http://www.jsums.edu/cil/sos.08/registrationform.pdf>
- National Youth Violence Prevention Week – March 23-27, 2009
 - <http://www.nyvpw.org>

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER ITEMS FOR YOUR UPCOMING EVENTS!

Hot Item of the Month: Long Sleeve SAVE T-shirts!

Perfect for the colder weather ahead are our new long-sleeve SAVE T-shirts, available in black and white. These 100% cotton shirts have a small SAVE logo on the front and come in sizes S-XX. Only \$12.50 each. Product Number: 146. Check it out here: <http://nationalsave.org/order/longsleeve.php> Visit the SAVE Store online at <http://www.nationalsave.org/order.php>

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SAVE Across the Country

- SAVE is proud to be partnering with the Allstate Foundation in NC, SC, NJ, TX, OK, UT, NV, MN, WI, IL, PA, and IN.
- SAVE speakers can be seen at upcoming conferences in NC, SC, OH, VA, TX and MS.
- **Mukwanago High School SAVE president heads to national advisory board**, Mukwanago, WI - <http://www.livinglakecountry.com/MukwanagoChief/Story.aspx?storyId=803337>
- **Stopping the Violence**, Kenosha, WI - <http://www.nationalsave.org/PDF/kalynnews.pdf>
- **Making a Change**, North Chicago, IL
http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/newssun/news/1159098,5_1_WA12_NCSAVE_S1.article#
- **Violence Prevention Activism**, Raleigh, NC <http://www.wral.com/news/local/blogpost/3560176/>
SAVE Board, Raleigh, NC - <http://www.newsobserver.com/news/story/1229941.html>
- **Student Selected as SAVE Advisor**, Greensboro, NC
http://www.nwobserver.com/articles/2008/09/19/youth_news_and_sports/doc48d273d38a739852101253.txt
- **Schools Stand Up to Bullies**, Las Vegas, NV
<http://www.lasvegassun.com/news/2008/sep/18/schools-stand-bullies/>
- **New Rogich Middle School program aims to prevent violence** – Las Vegas, NV
<http://www.lasvegassun.com/news/2008/sep/18/new-rogich-middle-school-program-aims-prevent-viol/>

Violence Prevention Resources & Information:

Electronic Aggression Seen as Emerging Public Health Issue

Electronic aggression is an emerging public health issue. Research shows an increase of 50% between 2000 and 2005 in the number of young people who have reported being victims of electronic aggression. CDC's Division of Adolescent and School Health and Division of Violence Prevention, along with the Adolescent Health Goal Team, have developed "Electronic Media and Youth Violence: A CDC Issue Brief for Educators and Caregivers." The brief summarizes knowledge about this issue and provides suggestions for educators and caregivers on how to safeguard children from becoming victims of electronic aggression. http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/YVP/electronic_aggression.htm

Funding Opportunities:

Changemakers Invites Entries for Staples Youth Social Entrepreneur Competition

Staples, Inc. and Ashoka's Youth Venture and Changemakers initiatives are accepting entries for "Staples Youth Social Entrepreneur Competition" -- a global search for the most creative and inspiring ways in which young people are changing the world for the better and making life easier for others. Entries are accepted from young people between the ages of 12 and 24 in all countries. The competition will consider entries for ideas or projects. For more information: <http://www.changemakers.net/en-us/competition/staplesyv> **Deadline: October 15, 2008**

Youth Service America Invites Applications for Global Youth Service Day Minnie Grants

The Walt Disney Company and Youth Service America are accepting applications for grants of up to \$500 to support child-led service projects. Disney Minnie Grants support children (between the ages of 5 and 14) in planning and implementing service projects in their community. Teachers, older youth (15-25), and youth-serving organizations are also eligible to apply if they engage younger children in planning and implementing the project. A significant part of the service must take place on Global Youth Service Day 2009, April 24-26. Applicants are particularly encouraged to address environmental issues and seek to empower children as young citizens through their projects. More info: <http://ysa.org/AwardsGrants/tabid/58/Default.aspx> **Deadline: October 30, 2008**

Verizon Foundation Funds for Literacy and Safety Initiatives

The mission of the Verizon Foundation is to improve lives through literacy, knowledge, and a readiness for the 21st Century. The Foundation's funding priorities include: supporting literacy and K-12 education

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for children and adults, preventing domestic violence and helping victims gain independence, improving healthcare through technology, and educating parents and children about Internet safety. Grants generally range from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Online applications may be submitted from January 1 through November 1, annually. Visit <http://foundation.verizon.com> to learn more about the Foundation's grant guidelines and application process. **Deadline: November 1**

Goody's Family Clothing Offers Funding for School Needs

Good Deeds for Schools is a grant program designed to help local schools pay for the things they need but cannot afford through regular education funding. Through the program, Goody's will award \$10,000 each to fifty schools in communities where Goody's stores are located. Grants may be used to fund projects and programs such as a new computer lab, updated textbooks, an arts enrichment program, or any other project that will improve the recipient school's educational environment. Grants will be awarded based on criteria, including a compelling need, an executable plan, and a wise use of resources. Any elementary or secondary school -- public or private -- is invited to submit an application. Anyone with a vested interest in a school -- students, parents, and teachers -- is allowed to participate in the grant application process. Students are also encouraged to help make the case as to why their school deserves the funding. All completed applications must be signed by a school administrator and hand-delivered to an associate at a Goody's store by the deadline. Each Goody's store will select one nominee from among the applications received. That nominee will be forwarded to the Good Deeds Board for the final competition, in which fifty schools will be selected to receive a \$10,000 grant. For more information: <http://www.goodysgooddeeds.com/> **Deadline: November 1, 2008**

Contests/Recognition Opportunities:

Safe Schools Week Contest! All contestants will receive a prize for participating!

The chosen contestants will receive an iPod touch. Their school will also receive a School Safety Package worth \$2,500. The national Creative Expression Contest is designed for middle and high school students to convey their thoughts about the issue of school violence in America, and to also offer solutions. Students can respond to one or more of the questions below in the form of an essay, song, rap, poem, drawing, painting or a computer-based design. Submissions can be any length or size.

- *Are you worried about violence and weapons in our nation's schools? If so, express your concerns, or describe an incident that bothered you.*
- *What can you and other students do to help prevent violence in schools?*
- *What can leaders do to get rid of weapons and to stop violence in our country's schools?*

More Info: <http://www.safeschoolsweek.org/> **Deadline: October 27, 2008**

Holiday Holla Contest - brought to you by The Allstate Foundation and Keep the Drive

Want a chance to win \$10,000, meet and perform in front of a celebrity judge at the Mall of America and maybe even help save some lives this holiday season? Just go to www.keepthedrive.com and submit a video of yourself (and up to two friends) performing a holiday carol using your own funny or compelling lyrics about smart driving. Car crashes are the No. 1 killer of teens, and the holidays are a deadly time for teen drivers. So hurry --grab your video camera - the deadline is 5:00 p.m. CT, Nov. 2, 2008. The top five semi-finalists will win a trip to the Mall of America to perform before a live audience and a celebrity judge on December 6. The winner takes home \$10,000; second and third place winners each receive \$5,000 and \$3,000 respectively. Encourage your friends to enter too, because the more we "holla" about smart driving, the more lives we'll hopefully save. **Deadline November 2, 2008.**