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Teen Driving Safety

SAVE Chapter Highlights

Garner Magnet High School, Garner, NC

During May the Garner SAVE Chapter will sponsor a Safe and Sober Prom program and will ask students to pledge not to drink and drive for the event. "Remember Your Promise" pencils and "THINK" rubber bracelets will be handed out as reminders. They will be continuing the "THINK" theme for students to consider their choices and safety in their lives. Ms. Vickie Szarek advises the Chapter.



Port Gibson High School, Port Gibson, MS

The Port Gibson SAVE Chapter is promoting National Youth Traffic Safety Month with prom/graduation activities. Students in the driver's education course are creating a video designed to motivate, persuade and encourage teens not to text while driving and other distractions. Computer class students are designing a creative sign that focuses on encouraging everyone to wear a seat belt. And at the prom, brochures and flyers will be placed on cars reminding everyone to buckle up for safety. This SAVE Chapter is advised by Arzell McCoy.



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UPCOMING EVENTS



DATE	EVENT	MORE INFO
May 1-31, 2013	NATIONAL YOUTH TRAFFIC SAFETY MONTH	http://nationalsave.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/National-Youth-Traffic-Safety-Month-web1.pdf
June 14-16, 2013	LIFESAVERS CONFERENCE	http://www.lifesaversconference.org/
JUNE 19-21, 2013	NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VOLUNTEERING & SERVICE	http://www.volunteeringandservice.org/2013-conference.cfm
July 22-26, 2013	NATIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY CONFERENCE	http://www.schoolsafety911.org/event.html
August 13-26, 2013	GLOBAL YOUTH FORUM	http://youthforum.idebate.org/



**NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR SAVE 2012-2013
CHAPTER, STUDENT AND ADVISOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS!**



For **Advisor** of the Year visit: <http://nationalsave.org/nomination-form-for-save-advisor-of-the-year/>

For **Chapter** of the Year visit: <http://nationalsave.org/nomination-form-for-save-chapter-of-the-year/>

For **Student** of the Year visit: <http://nationalsave.org/nomination-form-for-save-student-of-the-year/>

Monthly Focus: Teen Driving Safety

SAVE has been working with teens to learn wise decision-making skills in regards to Teen Driver Safety. May is an important month to focus on driving safety with all the events surrounding the end of the school year such as graduation and prom.

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. Fortunately, students are willing to step up to the plate and actively participate in solving this complex problem.

[Teen Driving Safety Public Service Announcement](#) - Created by 2011-12 SAVE Youth Advisory Board

[Teen Driving Safety Public Service Announcement for Parents](#) - Created by 2011-12 SAVE Youth Advisory Board Advisors

[Teen Driving Safety](#) by Brian Gonya, Ripon College

SAVE Question of the Month:

Please share the SAVE Question of the Month with your SAVE members. The Media/Latest News section of the new website is a place for students to ask questions and get responses from SAVE members across the country.

May QoM: *"May is National Youth Traffic Safety Month. What can you do to improve the safe driving habits of your peers?"*

Please blog your responses to:

<https://nationalsave.org/?s=qom>

STOP, LOOK and READ!!

National SAVE is looking for a few good YABs!

The National Youth Advisory Board (YAB) consists of high school SAVE members from across the country. Applicants must be in high school, have belonged to and been an active member of a SAVE chapter for one year, committed to the ideals and principles of SAVE, and exemplify these ideals and principles in all aspects of life. Pre-applications are due May 20, 2013.

If you are interested and/or have questions, click <http://nationalsave.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/YABapplication-1314.pdf> to get more information.

Twenty Twinkling Stars

Introducing Ms. Lovebug Star! She knows that peace begins in the family. Ms. Lovebug Star is happy to make her appearance in the universe when Boston and the world need her most.



For more information: <http://twentytwinklingstars.org/>

Like Ms. Lovebug Star on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/TwentyTwinklingStars>

National Youth Traffic Safety Month is May 1 - 31

May, National Teen Driver Safety Month, is an important month to focus on driving safety with all the events surrounding the end of the school year such as graduation and prom. At which time, teens are at greater risk as they celebrate the changes in their lives and ignore the dangers of drinking and/or texting and driving.

SAVE has partnered with the Allstate Foundation to address the Teen Safe Driving Issue. Teen Safe Driving Resources:

- Allstate: Teen Driver Program
- SAVE: Teen Safe Driving Brochure
- SAVE: National Youth Traffic Safety Month
- Parents Are The Key: A CDC Campaign
- Getting to School Safely
- Under YOUR Influence
- Drive It Right: Talking to Teens About Safe Driving
- Policy Impact: Safe Teen Driving
- Teen Drivers: More CDC Resources
- Join The Conversation On Facebook
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: Teen Drivers
- The Children's Hospital of Pennsylvania: Teen Driver Source
- Partners for Safe Teen Driving

For more information: [SAVE Chapter Access](#)

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Vickie Szarek, 2012 SAVE Advisor of the Year: Be Safe and Have a Great Day!



“Drive safely!” How many times do we say that when we say good-bye to friends and relatives? A common phrase – but today it is far more meaningful for our teens out on the road. Distracted driving is the number one cause for teen accidents in the nation today. “Distracted driving” is a catch phrase for texting, eating, talking on the cell phone, talking to passengers, or listening to music while driving.

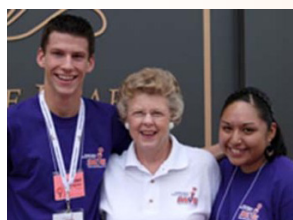
This month is dedicated to Teen Driving Safety. Get your chapter involved by providing distracted driving awareness to your school and community. Have your chapter educate their peers about safety belt usage – it only takes 1.5 seconds to latch the belt. Set up a seat belt checkpoint as teens leave the school parking lot and hand out Smarties candies (buckled) or Dumdums (unbuckled) depending on their findings. Gear up for prom night by promoting a safe, sober night with the theme of “don’t let prom be your last celebration.” See if you can borrow breathalyzers from local law enforcement for the evening to check as prom attendees come in and leave prom. Prepare now, for next May, to host a mock crash event to impress on the teens the consequences of drinking and driving. Partner with your local police force to host a “txting kills” event in which students attempt to drive a golf cart and text at the same time. Add in fatal vision goggles to get them to experience driving while under the influence. Put up posters around the school with the staggering statistics of teen accidents in their state – you may be able to get these from your local state department of transportation offices. Whatever your chapter does, the message is well worth the effort to save the teens in your school. Drive safely!

YABer Yak: National Youth Advisory Board Member: Lexi VanKoughnett, Cuthbertson High School, Waxhaw, NC



Almost every day we hear on the news about a teen getting in car accident. Whether the accident occurred while they were texting and driving or in some cases, drinking and driving, it is an issue that has a heavy presence in today’s society. As a society, we must do as much as we can to prevent these tragic events from happening. There are already laws in place about texting and driving and drinking and driving so what we really need is more awareness. There are many teen safe driving campaigns but they need more recognition and awareness. How can we do this? Spread the word. Get facts about teen safe driving and plaster them around your school. Create a teen safe driving activity or ask your school’s administration to hold a pre-prom assembly. Teenagers have so much of their life ahead of them and they should get to live it.

Help Tell the SAVE Story!



As part of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE)’s 25th Anniversary in 2014, we would like to share how SAVE has made a difference in the lives of our students, advisors, schools and communities. We will be collecting personal stories from our SAVE friends and compiling them into an e-book. Your submission should be between 500 – 1000 words and include your unique account of how SAVE made a difference in your life, your school and/or your community.

Please complete the web form at ‘Help Tell the SAVE Story!’ or email your story to cwray@nationalsave.org. Illustrations, drawings, photographs, poems or whatever you feel helps to bring your SAVE story to life will also be accepted and can be emailed or mailed to 322 Chapanoke Rd., Suite 110, Raleigh, NC 27603.

Thank you for sharing your SAVE story!



Prevention Resources:

Stricter School Lunch Standards Lead to Lighter Kids

Complying with federal guidelines for healthy meals in schools helps children to stay leaner.

<http://healthland.time.com/2013/04/11/strict-school-meal-standards-lead-to-lighter-kids/?iid=hl-main-lead>

Bicycle Safety: 11 Death-Defying Rules

Each year, cycling-related injuries send more than 500,000 people to the hospital - and more than 700 to the grave.

http://www.cbsnews.com/2300-204_162-10006979.html?utm_source=Copy+of+April+9%2C+2013&utm_campaign=Teen+traffic+safety%2C+NOYS%2C+teen+video+awards%2C+distracted+driving%2C+teen+distracted+driving+summit%2C+Because+i+Care...%2C+Act+Out+Loud%2C+Global+Youth+Traffic+Safety+Month%2C+Long+Short+Walk&utm_medium=email

10 States with the Most Gun Violence

The Center for American Progress has a new report out analyzing gun violence in the United States.

http://www.philly.com/philly/blogs/phillylists/10-states-with-the-most-gun-violence.html?utm_source=Copy+of+April+9%2C+2013&utm_campaign=Teen+traffic+safety%2C+NOYS%2C+teen+video+awards%2C+distracted+driving%2C+teen+distracted+driving+summit%2C+Because+i+Care...%2C+Act+Out+Loud%2C+Global+Youth+Traffic+Safety+Month%2C+Long+Short+Walk&utm_medium=email

Texting and Driving Prevention

A texting driver is 23 times more likely to get into a crash than a non-texting driver.

Ad Council - Texting and Driving Prevention

On My Way - Glee

Why?

5 Seconds

Buzzed Driving Prevention

Sleep Study Reveals how the Adolescent Brain Makes the Transition to Mature Thinking

A new study has found that remarkable changes occur in the brain as it makes the major transition to adulthood.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/03/130319102757.htm?utm_source=April+2%2C+2013&utm_campaign=Teen+traffic+safety%2C+NOYS%2C+teen+video+awards%2C+distracted+driving%2C+teen+distracted+driving+summit%2C+Because+i+Care...%2C+Act+Out+Loud%2C+Global+Youth+Traffic+Safety+Month%2C+Long+Short+Walk&utm_medium=email

Parent-Child Violence Leads to Teen Dating Violence

It could be a reflection of the relationships teens have with their parents or their parent's partner.

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Funding/Contest Opportunities:

Allstate Foundation Mini Grants for Teen Safe Driving Activities!

Many schools and community agencies are planning activities to encourage Teen Safe Driving during the holidays, National Youth Violence Prevention Week, National Youth Traffic Safety Month, Prom and Graduation. The National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE)

would like to thank the Allstate Foundation for partnering with SAVE in North Carolina and Mississippi schools to support the youth safety and teen safe driving efforts of students through their SAVE Chapters.



The Be Big Contest

Deadline: June 23, 2013

If you have a BIG Idea that demonstrates Clifford's BIG Ideas, let us know!

<http://www.scholastic.com/cliffordbebig/contest/>

Amway's Who Cares Challenge: Youth Leadership Contest

Deadline: June 5, 2013

Amway will honor 10 youth changemakers in the United States and Canada.

<http://www.multivu.com/mnr/55824-amway-announces-who-cares-challenge-youth-leadership-contest>

Sol Hirsch Education Fund Grants

Deadline: June 1, 2013

Grants are awarded annually to teachers and educators of grades K-12 to help improve the education of their students, school and/or community in the science of meteorology.

<http://www.nwas.org/grants/solhirsch.php>

Responsible Sports Community Grant

Deadline: May 31, 2013

Non-profit, tax-exempt youth sports teams or organizations that field an athletic team for competition and have a roster are considered eligible for this grant.

<http://www.responsiblesports.com/programs/grants/overview>

The LLCF Library Grant Program

Deadline: June 15, 2013

Provides grants to libraries for the purchase of books for children preschool through grade 8.

<http://www.loislenskicovey.org/6.html>

The Gale/Library Media Connection TEAMS Award

Deadline: June 30, 2013

Encourage the critical collaboration between the teacher and media specialist to promote learning, increase student achievement and develop 21st century skills.

<http://www.galeschools.com/pdf/TEAMS-form.pdf>