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With Grateful Hearts...

It is with grateful hearts that we ask you to join us at our Annual Awards Luncheon in celebration of a terrific year past and in anticipation of a terrific year to come. We are grateful that our volunteer base remains strong, contributors remain loyal and we remain able to continue providing the prevention programming and forensic interviewing services for which we have become well known. We are humbled by the generosity, support and loyalty of our entire community as we work toward making this world a safer place....

FOR KIDS' SAKE

Council Update

2010 Annual Awards Luncheon

Please mark your calendar and plan to join us as we celebrate the past year's accomplishments at our annual awards luncheon:

Date: March 18, 2010

Location: Alexander's - Marysville

Time: 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm

As always, we will be honoring special child advocates—and we need your help in nominating worthy candidates from throughout our county. We'll accept nominations for Child Advocate of the Year and Community Child Advocate of the Year until February 23, 2010 and we're counting on you to nominate your friend, colleague, or mentor—if not you—who?

Nomination and registration materials enclosed.

Award Nomination Deadline: February 23, 2010

Reservation Deadline: March 9, 2010

February 2010

Coming Events

- ☺ Annual Awards Luncheon Alexander's—Marysville March 18, 2010
- ☺ April is Child Abuse Prevention Month
- ☺ Dinner For Kids' Sake June 16, 2010 6:00—9:30 pm Fore Lakes Golf Club
- ☺ Roof-Sit 16—TBA September, 2010

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Blue Water Area Child Advocacy Center

Our Child Advocacy Center has now been in operation for two years and we now interview two days a week, 3-4 interviews weekly. Our excellent staff and volunteers work very hard to help the children and families who visit our center feel comfortable during their visit and provide follow-up services when needed. During the past year, our staff provided group sessions for non-offending parents and plan to repeat the sessions in the future. We also work hard with the professionals who spend time in our center, to help provide a quality multi-disciplinary experience which benefits the child and all others involved.

Perhaps you might wonder if you could help in the process and the answer is YES—here are some ways:

- We provide bottled water and treats for our kids, families and professionals - we would gladly accept donations.
- We could also use donations of appropriate current magazines for those who wait—is there nothing worse than year-old tattered reading materials?
- Donations of paper goods would be awesome—hand towels, toilet tissue, and dishwasher soap (we wash toys weekly) would be great.
- Donations of new toys and new books are welcome.
- Good wishes we can always use—we value your support!

Questions?

Call our office (810) 966-9911



2010 Executive Committee and Board Members

The Annual Board Breakfast meeting was held on January 7, 2010 and the following Board Members, Executive Committee Members and Officers were elected to guide our Council during the coming year. Revised Bylaws were also voted upon and the Annual Report, reviewed financial statements, and strategic plan update were received by the group. All year-end materials are available upon request.

Executive Committee

President:	Debra Johnson, CMH	Members at Large:	Kelly Shaw, Shaw Chiropractic
Vice President:	Cheryl Rogers, PHASD		Kathy Kish, Capac Schools
Secretary:	Mike Wendling, Chief Prosecuting Attorney		Tom Bower, AAA Marysville
Treasurer:	Jeff Thomson, SEMCO Energy		

Board of Directors

Hilary Bridge, SCC Assistant Prosecuting Attorney	Jeanne Shenkar, Memphis Schools
Don Cole, Kramer Realty	Kathy Smith, Port Huron Hospital
Lauren Hager, Community Child Advocate	Tricia Stover, Ameriprise Financial
Detective Malissa McBride, Port Huron Police Department	Honorable John Tomlinson, Probate Judge
Marcy Koftan, Community Child Advocate	Karen VanNess, St. Clair Co. Health Department
Pauline Repp, Community Child Advocate	Deborah Walbecq, Department of Human Services
Wade Richards, Cargill Salt	Nicole Winston, Rowling, Partipilo, Streeter & Winston



2010 DINNER FOR KIDS' SAKE - A BLACK AND WHITE BASH!

Planning is well underway for our Dinner for Kids' Sake which will be held June 16, 2010 at Fore Lakes Golf Club—6:00—9:30 pm. This event is simply awesome and we hope you'll plan to attend. We have kept the ticket price very low—while keeping the expectations high—you WILL have a good time!! A good time is also had by those who participate in the event planning, too—we all feel a real sense of accomplishment when we walk into Fore Lakes that evening and see the results of our hard work—simply FANTASTIC!!

This year our theme is BLACK & WHITE—so—get out your white capris or Johnny Cash black—can you just imagine how a room of 300 + party goers attired in black and white will look? Please join us!!

Yes, I'd like to help...

Donate an auction item

Join the planning committee

Volunteer behind the scenes

Attend and fill a table

Donate—please find _____ enclosed.

Questions? Call 810-966-9911, Mail to 1107 Military St., Port Huron, MI or email info@sccstopchildabuse.org

Prevention Program Update

Our new Prevention Educator, Lindsay Chopp, is very busy traveling St. Clair County from corner to corner facilitating in-school prevention programming from dawn to dusk. Lindsay joined our staff in November and her enthusiastic demeanor plus dedication to our cause has already earned her great evaluations from the field. Our prevention programs-Bubbylonian Encounter, Just the Facts and Personal Boundaries Workshops are underway as well as Never Shake a Baby Workshops and Personal Safety Trainings.

We will tailor prevention programming for almost any group—you have only to call our office—present your particular need, and we will work with you to develop a great presentation. We have developed programming for groups from pre-school to seniors—each providing a new and challenging opportunity to advance our mission in support of our belief that...

"It shouldn't hurt to be a child."



MEET OUR STAFF

We are very proud of our staff members—all dedicated professionals, who work very hard every day—
FOR KIDS' SAKE.

Director.....Sally Straffon, MA
CAC Coordinator/Program Director.....Nancy Szlezynsier, MSW
Forensic Interviewer.....Sarah Richard, MSW
Prevention Educator.....Lindsay Chopp, BS
Office Manager.....Jamie Alexander, ABA
MSW—Wayne State Intern.....Dave Hogston, BA

Our staff members are available at any time to answer questions about
our prevention programming or Child Advocacy Center.



2010 Membership Roster

In recognition of contributions to the St. Clair County Child Abuse/Neglect Council and its mission, we acknowledge the following supporters of the 2010 membership campaign.

Individual /Agency Members

Andrea Gossman
Sally E. Straffon
Suzi Straffon
Kristina Rutowski
Kim Mihelich
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Ray Straffon
Kathleen Kish
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Many Thanks....

Our office is staffed five days a week, 9:00 am—4:00 pm. If by chance you catch us out of the office—PLEASE- leave a message and we will call you back promptly!!

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- To the dedicated professionals who prepare and refer cases to our Child Advocacy Center.
- To staff members and volunteers who go way beyond the normal work day to work on our fundraisers and special events.
- To the thousands of Roof Sit supporters who made Roof Sit 2009 such a wonderful success. In spite of troubled times, nearly \$97,000 was raised for child advocacy and child abuse prevention services. Much appreciation goes out to Chuck Santoni, Radio First and Birchwood Mall for providing us with this great fundraising opportunity.
- To recent donors: The Tremp Family Olive Garden Michigan Works Birchwood Mall Thomas Edison School In Memory—Donna Peterson In Memory—Howard Gillett
- To those who donated \$50 and purchased a Hope for Kids' Sake necklace for themselves or as a Christmas gift—kudos for your thoughtfulness.
- To Bylaw committee members: Amy Smith, Tom Bower, Deb Walbecq, Hilary Bridge, and Pauline Repp—thanks for making a potentially tedious job - fun!
- To all our members, board members, staff and supporters— your loyalty is much appreciated!