

Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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1. [Next Sexual Violence Prevention Network Meeting: *Culture of Confusion: Helping Teens Navigate the Power of the Media*, May 12, 2006](#)

Please come to the next Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN) meeting. At each SVPN meeting there is time for both informal and group networking, followed by a presentation on a special prevention topic.

SVPN meeting

Friday, May 12, 2006

10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Sexual Assault Program of Northern St. Louis County

505 Twelfth Ave. West,

Virginia, MN 55792 ([get directions from MapQuest](#)).

Anyone interested in or working in the field of sexual violence prevention is welcome to attend.

Lunch will be provided.

RSVP required by Monday, May 8, 2006

Requests for special accommodations must be made by Tuesday, May 2, 2006

Contact [Amy Kenzie](#), (651) 281-9810.

Special topic

Culture of Confusion: Helping Teens Navigate the Power of the Media.

Presenter: Michael Mann, from David Walsh's [National Institute on Media and the Family](#).

This presentation will focus on interaction between adolescent brain development and the role that media plays in shaping teens' attitudes and behaviors around sex, disrespect and sexual violence - with practical

tools to help guide and communicate with teens.

Agenda

10:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. – Registration, Networking/ Resource Set-up (Be sure to bring resources to announce/share)

10:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. – Welcome, introductions, and information and resource sharing

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – Lunch and small group discussions

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. – Presentation: *Culture of Confusion: Helping Teens Navigate the Power of the Media*

The SVPN is a quarterly gathering to support information sharing, networking and collaboration related to sexual violence prevention. The SVPN is co-hosted by the Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault; the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Justice Programs; and the Minnesota Department of Health, Sexual Violence Prevention Program.

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2. Web Forum: *Protecting Missing and Exploited Children, May 3, 2006*

The Office of Victims of Crime is hosting a Web forum, [Protecting Missing and Exploited Children](#), with Marc Klaas, founder of KlaasKids and co-founder of [BeyondMissing, Inc.](#)

After the death of his daughter in 1993, Mr. Klaas became dedicated to promoting programs that have a positive impact on crime, abuse, and neglect.

Each month the Nation's experts answer your questions about best practices in victim services. An archive from an April 2006 discussion with Dr. Patricia Speck and Sally Laskey, [Assisting Victims of Sexual Assault Through a Multidisciplinary Response](#), is available from the Office of Victim Services.

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3. New DVD from the MN Center for Victims of Torture, *Healing and the Pursuit of Justice: Challenging Sexual Assault as a Weapon of War*

[Healing and the Pursuit of Justice: Challenging Sexual Assault as a Weapon of War](#) is a 34-minute DVD that provides information on the situation of women in war and its aftermath. It is a useful tool for primary care providers, therapists and staff in refugee camps who work with survivors of sexual torture and human rights advocates. The DVD includes an introduction to the issue, effects on women and efforts to prevent sexual assault and to hold perpetrators responsible. Each DVD costs \$10.00. An [order form](#) is available from the Center for Victims of Torture.

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4. New book from Jackson Katz: *The Macho Paradox*

Jackson Katz is founder and director of Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) Strategies, which is an organization that provides gender violence prevention training and materials to colleges, high schools, law enforcement agencies, the U.S. military services, community organizations and corporations. Katz has a new book out, *The Macho Paradox*.

The Macho Paradox is a wake-up call for all men, who Katz feels must take full responsibility to change the very culture that fosters and encourages abuse against women. The author seeks to reframe the national debate concerning abuse against women, and call for general awareness and action: for America to finally and rightfully make violence against women a "men's issue" as well. The book incorporates the voices and experiences of women and men who have confronted the problem of gender violence from all angles, specifically highlighting what works and what does not work in dealing with this issue. By working together as allies, Katz shows both men and women how they can end the abuse and mistreatment of women.

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5. New publications on sex trafficking

Donna M. Hughes, a leading international researcher on trafficking of women and children, has completed research on the trafficking of women and girls for sexual exploitation in the United States, Russia, Ukraine, and Korea. Some new additions include:

- ▶ *The Demand for Victims of Sex Trafficking*, June 2005
- ▶ *Sex Trafficking: Supply and Demand*, April 2006
- ▶ *Approaches to Prostitution and Their Impact on Sex Trafficking*, April 2006

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6. Calendar

April

- ▶ April 2006, Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)! More information is available from the National Sexual Violence Resource Center. For information on upcoming Minnesota activities and events link to the MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault and the MN Coalition for Battered Women.
- ▶ April 17, 2006, Programs for Batterers: Are they Effective? St. Paul, MN. For more information e-mail MINCAVA or call (612) 624-6674.
- ▶ April 18, 2006, *The Devastating Effects of Minnesota Human Trafficking*. E-mail, (218) 281-3552.
- ▶ April 20, 2006, *The Drunk or Drugged Victim of Sexual Assault - Trial Skills for Prosecutors*. For more information is available from MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault or contact Kaarin Long, Staff Attorney, (651) 209-9993 x 214,
- ▶ April 21, 2006, *United Front for Children Conference: Global Efforts to Combat Sexual Trafficking of*

Children in Travel and Tourism, Minneapolis, MN. E-mail or call, (612) 624-8384, for more information.

- ▶ April 22-23, 2006, Third Annual Art of Recovery show opening. Contact the Minnesota State Arts Board for more information.
- ▶ April 25, 2006, The Devastating Effects of Sex-Related Crime, Mahanomen, MN. For more information contact: Loretta, (218) 935-5554 ext. 3232 or Michael, (218) 847-8572.
- ▶ April 26, 2006, MNALL Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - Mankato, MN. For more information e-mail MNALL.
- ▶ April 27, 2006, Annual Child Abuse Prevention Conference. The Power of Prevention: Joining Forces to Promote Healthy Families - St. Paul, MN.

May

- ▶ May 3, 2006, Web forum: Protecting Missing and Exploited Children.
- ▶ May 4, 2006, Involving Youth in Violence Prevention: A National Web Conference. For more information contact Jenny Cook.
- ▶ May 4-5, 2006, Minnesota Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Prevention and Parenting (MOAPPP) Conference, Brooklyn Center, MN. Contact MOAPPP for more information (e-mail).
- ▶ May 5, 2006, Civility and Families: Pathways to Violence Prevention. For more information contact Linda Vukelich, (651) 407-0950.
- ▶ May 9, 2006, MNALL Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - Crookston, MN. For more information e-mail MNALL.
- ▶ May 11, 2006, MNALL Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - Grand Rapids, MN. For more information e-mail MNALL.
- ▶ May 12, 2006, Prevent Connect Web Conference. Get more information from Prevention Connect.
- ▶ May 12, 2006 (changed from May 5), Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.
- ▶ May 31-June 2, 2006, 19th Annual Conference on Crime Victims: Protecting our Future, Brainerd, MN.

June

- ▶ June 10-14, 2006, The Institute of Evidence-Based and Best Practices presents: Offender Treatment, Victim Services and Best Practices.
- ▶ June 14, 2006, MNALL Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - Winona, MN. For more information e-mail MNALL.
- ▶ July 12, 2006, MNALL Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - location TBN. For more information e-mail MNALL.

August

- ▶ August 4, 2006, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.
- ▶ August 9, 2006, MNALL Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - location TBN. For more information e-mail MNALL.

September

- ▶ September 13, 2006, MNALL Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - Marshall, MN. For more information e-mail MNALL.

October

- ▶ October, 2006, MNALL Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in

Later Life - Metro area location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

November

- ▶ *November 3, 2006, [Sexual Violence Prevention Network \(SVPN\)](#) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.*
- ▶ *November 8, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - St. Cloud, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).*

December

- ▶ *December 13, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life - location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).*

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