



Mission Statement: The Mission of Crisis Connection Inc. is to work in partnership with communities to empower victims, survivors & persons affected by domestic & sexual violence through confidential crisis intervention, education and advocacy in Crawford, Dubois, Orange, Perry and Spencer Counties.

www.crisisconnectioninc.org had 128,424 hits in June !

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SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED!

Thank you to all who have already donated new backpacks and school supplies for children (through no fault of their own) have been affected by domestic and sexual violence.

We will again be distributing the donations before the start of this school year!

Items still needed include: gift cards, blank journals, reams of copy paper (colored or plain white), white out sticks, post-it notes, small collapsible umbrellas, cardstock paper, binder clips, large paper clips, rolls of paper towels, pencil top erasers, three-ring binders, any size zipper-seal baggies, small purse-size kleenex packs and chalkboard/dry erase board erasers.

CHOOSE RESPECT

Choose Respect is an initiative to help adolescents form healthy relationships to prevent dating abuse before it starts. This national effort is designed to motivate adolescents to challenge harmful beliefs about dating abuse and take steps to form respectful relationships.

Choose Respect messages are supported by online games and interactive learning tools, television and radio spots, activity ideas, streaming video clips and clickable quizzes that inspire adolescents to think about choosing respect. This innovative mix of interactive learning tools also includes Causing Pain, a 30 minute video with compelling stories of real teens who have experienced dating abuse.

Check out: www.chooserespect.org

Many Voices ~ One Vision !

Joan Knies will be one of the featured speakers at this year's "Many Voices ~ One Vision Conference: Achieving Our Vision Through Collaboration" on August 1-2 in Indianapolis. Persons involved with education, prevention, treatment, intervention, criminal justice or community planning will be in attendance. To learn more, check out: <http://www.drugs.indiana.edu/misc-calendar.aspx>.



RAPE DRUGS

Roofies • Ecstasy • GHB • Easy Lay
• The Forget Pill • Special K •
Roachies • La Rocha • Halcion
• Liquid X • Grievous Bodily Harm •

“It makes you **feel like** you **can't trust** your own **memory**, Everything kind of **blends together**, but you **know** you were **raped.**”

“I went from ... **having fun**, you **know** dancing, **talking**, ... to being **frightened** and **scared**. And just feeling like **I lost control.**”

Be aware for yourself
and your friends.

Anyone who seems drunk
after drinking little or
no alcohol may have
been drugged

I fight like a girl who refuses to be a victim.
I fight like a girl who's tired of being
IGNORED and **HUMORED** and **BEATEN** and **RAPED**.
I fight like a girl who's sick
of not being taken seriously.
I fight like a girl who's been pushed too far.
I fight like a girl who **OFFERS** and
DEMANDS RESPECT.
I fight like a girl who has a lifetime of
ANGER and **STRENGTH** and **PRIDE**
pent up in her girly body.
I fight like a girl who doesn't believe in
FEAR and **SUBMISSION**.
I fight like a girl who knows that
THIS BODY and **THIS MIND** are mine.
I fight like a girl who knows that
YOU ONLY HAVE AS MUCH POWER
AS I GRANT YOU.
I fight like a girl who will never allow you
to take more than I offer.
I fight like a girl who **FIGHTS BACK**.

So next time you think you can distract
yourself
from your insecurities by victimizing a girl,
THINK AGAIN.
She may be **ME** and

I FIGHT LIKE A GIRL.

Poem written by a girl in Australia. Poster ©1999 by Sticker Sisters™, PO Box 11460, Takoma Park, MD 20913. www.stickersisters.com



ZERO TOLERANCE



FACTS ABOUT TEEN GIRLS, CELEBRITY HYPE AND BODY IMAGE

- ⊗ Only two percent of women describe themselves as beautiful while 76% rate their beauty as average and 47% rate their body weight as too high.
- ⊗ 86% of the approximately 10 million American girls and women – and one million boys and men – who suffer from an eating disorder report the onset of their condition by age 20.
- ⊗ The world spends \$38 billion on hair care products, \$24 billion on skin care, \$18 billion on makeup, and \$15 billion on perfumes every year.
- ⊗ The price of a haircut with Sally Hershberger, the bi-coastal stylist who counts Renee Zellweger and Nicole Kidman among her clients and who is regularly talked up in young women's media, is \$600. The average allowance for teens 12-19 is only \$14.
- ⊗ Over 8,000 hopefuls auditioned for the second season of 'America's Next Top Model', which is now in its sixth cycle.
- ⊗ The average child sees 40,000 television commercials in one year.
- ⊗ The *Wall Street Journal* reports that poor, rural families in Brazil are selling their livestock and farms in order to send their daughters to a modeling program run by the agent who discovered supermodel Gisele Bundchen.

From: , Audrey D. Brashich (Walker & Company: May 2006), The New York Times, and The Real Truth About Beauty: A Global Report, September, 2004, Unilever/Dove www.AllMadeUp.net

All Made Up: A Girl's Guide To Seeing Through Celebrity Hype and Celebrating Real Beauty is a book for teen girls (age 11-15 and women who wish they'd had while growing up). It questions which women are most frequently celebrated by the media and why. More importantly, it investigates why most pop stars, models and Hollywood starlets have the same look –and teaches girls that it's not their bodies that need to be fixed (and waxed, tanned, plucked...) but rather today's commercially-driven beauty standards.

ICE – 'In Case Of Emergency' Campaign

Bob Brotchie, a paramedic based in Cambridge in England, started the ICE Campaign in April, 2005. He said he got tired of trying to figure out whom to contact when dealing with shocked or injured patients who can't give the information themselves.

The campaign encourages people to put an entry in their cell phones and other portable address devices under the name of "ICE" (in case of emergency). Emergency personnel can quickly check the cell phone for the ICE entry and reach whoever's name and contact information is there.

It also gives the cell phone owner the opportunity to choose who will be contacted during an emergency when that person may not want Mom, Dad, or some other same-named relative to be called.

In July, 2005, an email started circulating saying that an email about ICE should not be opened because it is a virus. To our knowledge, there has not been a virus discovered using "ICE" as a subject message. The virus warning was a hoax, perhaps circulated by someone who was afraid that the email could be a virus.

For more than one contact name, input 1ICE, 2ICE, 3ICE, etc. to put it at the top of the scroll window.

It's a great idea, store it in your phone then pass on the message to your family and friends.... It's so simple that everyone can do it. Please do.



www.seeitandstopit.org

SPECIAL SOMEONE

Each month we spotlight a member of the community who has demonstrated the willingness to go the extra mile in assisting victims of domestic & sexual violence. These outstanding individuals are not vying for public attention; they simply go quietly about their business of being compassionate and involved people who are making a difference in someone's life everyday.

This month we thank DC Broadcasting!
WJTS TV 27 just aired a segment for us on their '27 Talks' segment and WBDC regularly airs public service announcements for us. Thank you to Paul Knies and the entire staff of DC Broadcasting for their support.

Teen Dating Abuse Survey 2006 Unprecedented Levels of Teen Dating Violence and Abuse Uncovered

In March 2006, Liz Claiborne Inc. commissioned Teenage Research Unlimited (TRU) to conduct a survey to delve deeper into the issue of teen dating abuse, gauging the degree to which teens have been involved in abusive/controlling relationships and to understand youth perceptions regarding what is and is not acceptable behavior in a relationship.

Since Crisis Connection piloted the "Love Is Not Abuse" curriculum, students in our area participated in the survey. They accessed at www.loveisnotabuse.com/survey/survey.html, USERNAME: student, PASSWORD: Survey@4252006

The findings were astounding. The results show that alarming numbers of teens experience and accept abusive behavior in dating relationships and that the problem gets worse as teens get older and into more serious relationships. Many teens also feel physically and sexually threatened.

Key findings include:

FACT: 1 in 2 teens who have been in a serious relationships say they've gone against their beliefs in order to please their partner

FACT: 1 in 3 girls who have been in a serious relationship say they've been concerned about being physically hurt by their partner

FACT: 1 in 4 teens who have been in a serious relationship say their boyfriend or girlfriend has tried to prevent them from spending time with friends or family; the same number have been pressured to only spend time with their partner

FACT: 1 in 3 girls between the ages of 16 and 18 say sex is expected for people their age if they're in a relationship; half of teen girls who have experienced sexual pressure report they are afraid the relationship would break up if they did not give in

FACT: Nearly 1 in 4 girls who have been in a relationship (23%) reported going further sexually than they wanted as a result of pressure

FACT: 1 in 5 teens who have been in a serious relationship report being hit, slapped or pushed by a partner

The reports of abuse extend across suburbs and cities, all ethnic groups and regions; yet teens in the South and the Midwest report abuse in greater numbers than other regions. Alarming acceptance of physical violence among Hispanic teens.

You can access the full report at: http://www.loveisnotabuse.com/surveyresults_teens2006.htm