

Safe Harbor Family Crisis Center

April 2011 Newsletter



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Important Dates: (Please visit www.safeharbordv.org for updated information concerning specific dates listed below)

March 30, 2011: 6 PM; County Board proclamation of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Knox County.

April 1, 2011: 8:10 AM; Panel discussion on AM1400 WGIL, followed by panel discussion

on FM 95

April 4, 2011: 6:30 PM; Galesburg City Council proclamation of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Galesburg.

April 4, 2011 7:00 PM; Knoxville City Council proclamation of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Knoxville.

Date to be determined; Tying blue ribbons on Abingdon Grade School fence with Abingdon High School Student Council. The ribbons represent the 199 confirmed cases of child abuse in Knox County in 2010.

April 09, 2011: 9:30 AM—Noon- Fun Fair sponsored by the *Network for Young Children* for pre-school aged children (ages 6 and under) and their families at Hawthorne Gym.

April 13, 2011: 10 AM; *Network For Young Children* Parade begins at the corner of South Cherry and South Streets and ends in the gazebo at Standish Park.

Pending Approval; Placing pinwheels on main strip in Knoxville. The pinwheels represent confirmed cases of child abuse in Knox County in 2010. (The pinwheel has been chosen as the symbol for child abuse prevention.)

April 27, 2011: 5:00 PM; *Hands Around the Courthouse* at the Knox County Courthouse.

Many Knox County children are participating in a poster contest sponsored by the Blue Ribbon Task Force and the Exchange Club of Galesburg. Beginning April 1st, the posters will be on display at the Galesburg Public Library. The community is invited to view the posters throughout the month and to vote for their favorites. Winners will be announced May 1st on Safe Harbor's website (www.safeharbordv.org) and the Blue Ribbon Task Force of Knox County Facebook page. Posters will be used to create placemats that will be used in several restaurants throughout our county.

The Blue Ribbon Task Force consists of representatives from Knox County social service agencies, including: Bridgeway, CASA of Knox County, Family Planning Services/Initiative for Girls, Knox County Area Project, Knox County Teen Court, Safe Harbor Family Crisis Center, and University of Illinois Extension.

The Blue Ribbon task Force of Knox County is now on Facebook! Visit their page for information on upcoming events and discussions about current issues and headlines regarding child abuse.

Special thanks to the Exchange Club of Galesburg for their generous contributions to the efforts of the Blue Ribbon Task Force.

Anti-Bullying Program at Local Junior High School



Julie has been presenting the HERO program at Lombard Junior High School. HERO is an anti-bullying program that stands for Helping Everyone Respect Others. Julie created the curriculum to highlight the issue of bullying among young people, its impact on victims as well as practical strategies for dealing with bullying within the students' schools and home environments.

Some of the topics covered in class are: gossiping, cyber bullying, effects of verbal abuse and positive responses to bullying. Students also engage in action planning that focuses on strategies to end bullying in their school.

At the end of the six week course, each participant receives a "HERO" shirt.

Purple Hanger News



The Purple Hanger had its Grand Reopening on February 26, 2011. It was a great success due to the overwhelming support of the community. Shoppers were able to browse through five rooms displaying women's, men's, teen's and children's clothes, toys, knock knacks, stuffed animals, household items, small appliances, electronics, books and videos. The Grand Reopening also gave us the opportunity to reveal our new Daily Specials!

The specials are different from those at the other location, so take a gander at what each day brings to shoppers at the Purple Hanger!

Looking for the next great novel? Come by on Mondays; books are buy one get one free. Is your favorite pair of shoes wearing out? Then, Tuesdays are for you! You can buy one pair of shoes and get the other pair free. We put of twist on Kids Day with clothes included in special. Walk in on Wednesdays and children's clothing and toys are buy one get one fifty percent off. Want to complete your wardrobe with a unique accessory? Come by on Thursdays and purchase a purse, belt, scarf or pair of socks and get another one free. Need something for the house? Stop by on Fridays when household items are fifty percent off. Whether you are looking to update your style or expand your wardrobe, make it a point to shop on Saturdays, when adult clothing is buy one item and get fifty percent off another item.

If you are looking for something specific or just want to spend a pleasant time browsing, please stop by and take advantage of the Purple Hanger's version of bo/go and half-off days. The Purple Hanger is now located at 367 East Tompkins Street and still open Monday through Friday from 10:00am until 5:00pm and 10:00am to 2:00pm on Saturdays. We look forward to seeing you at the Purple Hanger!

As always, all proceeds directly benefit Safe Harbor. Moreover, if you are getting ready to do some spring cleaning or just want to clear out a closet, please keep the Purple Hanger in mind. We gratefully accept just about any item. You can drop off your donations during operating hours or place them in our new purple donations bin located on the west side of our shop. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



Also, the Purple Hanger is now on Facebook! Like so many other businesses, we are taking advantage of the social network to increase information about Safe Harbor's resale shop. We encourage everyone to log on to their account and "like" the Purple Hanger Resale Shoppe.

Calling All Cell Phones

Deactivated cell phones, utilized as 9-1-1 phones, are a vital service for Safe Harbor clients. They increase safety as well as peace of mind. Upon request, they are given free-of-charge to our clients. However, our inventory fluctuates on a daily basis. Therefore, we are putting an **"all-points bulletin"** out for used cell phones.

Safe Harbor accepts all types of used cell phones. We do ask that, if at all possible, the chargers be included. This way they can be kept fully charged and ready to go. Moreover, we even accept broken and analog cell phones!



We do request that donated cell phones be brought into the front office during office hours of Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. For all of those who donate cell phones to Safe Harbor, thank you. It is appreciated.



Visit Safe Harbor's Website and the Purple Hanger's Facebook Page!

Safe Harbor Family Crisis Center has undergone some major electronic changes in the last year.

First, our website has become a useful tool for our office as well as the community. The number of visitors to our website has remained steady since it went online. Visitors are able to learn more about our agency, services and contact information. Our Webmaster posts information on upcoming events, fundraisers, newsletters and pictures. He is also continuing to add more information, so we encourage people to visit often to see the changes! You might want to put it in your favorites column so it is just a click away. The address for our website is www.safeharbordv.org.

Safe Harbor's Annual Plant Sale



Is your green thumb ready for spring? If it is, Safe Harbor has just what you need! We are having our nineteenth annual spring flower sale. Orders are being taken now through April 8th. Plant pick up will be 10 am to 3 pm on April 30th. The order forms as well as the receipt page are attached below. To order, please print and complete the following two pages. Then fax, mail or drop off the pages at our main office at 1188 West Main Street, Galesburg, IL 61401. Our fax number is 309/343-3956. Your plant order is greatly appreciated as well as your continued support of Safe Harbor Family Crisis Center.

Safe Harbor Family Crisis Center Nineteenth Annual Spring Flower Sale

PLANT/FLOWER	SIZE	PRICE	QUANTITY	SUB-TOTAL
Accent Plants Spikes, Asparagus & Vinca Vine Please Specify	3.5" Pots	\$2.00		
New Guinea Impatiens Assorted Colors	4.25" Pots	\$4.00		
Non-Stop Begonias Bright-Red, Rosepink Salmon & Yellow	4.25" Pots	\$4.00		
Geraniums Red, White, Deep Salmon & Violet	4.25" Pots	\$4.00		
HANGING BASKETS				
Double Impatiens Purple, Apple Blossom, & Salmon	Basket	\$16.00		
Fuchsia Purple-Red & Snowfire (Red-White)	Basket	\$16.00		
Non-Stop Begonias Orange, Yellow, Bright- Red & Pastel Pink	Basket	\$16.00		
Geranium Salmon, Red & Violet	Basket	\$16.00		
New Guinea Impatiens Assorted Colors	Basket	\$16.00		
Combination Flowers	Basket	\$17.00		
Ferns	Basket	\$16.00		
Please Specify Colors			TOTAL:	

NAME _____

SAFE HARBOR FAMILY CRISIS CENTER, LTD.
19th ANNUAL SPRING FLOWER SALE
ORDER BLANK

Name of Purchaser: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

(We MUST have a phone number to reach you)

Amount Due: _____

Paid in Full: _____

Detach here – GIVE TO PURCHASER

PURCHASE RECEIPT

Name: _____

Amount Due: _____

Paid in Full: _____

Pickup will be on Saturday, April 30th, 2010, at the Safe Harbor Family Crisis Center office, 1188 W Main, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. All items must be paid in full at time of pickup.

Please Bring This Receipt With You

Thank you for your purchase.

All proceeds go to Safe Harbor Family Crisis Center, Ltd. – Galesburg.

~ Serving Knox County Survivors of Family Violence and their Children for Twenty Years ~