

"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves..."

(Proverbs 31:8)

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# America... A Safe Place for Children!



SpeakingOut against Child Sexual Abuse

## Speaking Out News

Aug/Sept 2010

## SpeakingOut

#### against Child Sexual Abuse, Inc.

(A 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization)

## Child Sexual Abuse Awareness & Prevention

We also Touch on Healing!

#### **Our Primary Purpose**

To Raise Awareness on Child Sexual Abuse in an effort to Aid in Prevention. We are not a Reporting Agency, nor do we offer Legal Advice.

#### **Our Intent**

It is NOT our intent to raise panic; rather to Raise Awareness.

#### **Our Primary Focus**

On the Home (Parents & Grandparents)

#### **Other Focal Points**

Churches, Daycares/Caregivers, Schools & Anyone who works with or around children

#### **Our Approach**

To be proactive; Prevent & Stop Child Sexual Abuse before it happens.

Presented from a Parent's Perspective & in some areas, a Survivor's Perspective.

#### **Our Vision**

To Raise Awareness All Across America

#### **New To SpeakingOut's Team**

Tom Shope of Oak Ridge, TN

**Director/Board of Directors** 

#### Lisa Bowling of Oak Ridge, TN

Officer/Secretary

"What can Parents, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Childcare Providers and the community do to prevent sexual abuse? Childhood should not hurt! Childhood sexual abuse is far more common than many would like to think. It is frightening to realize how widespread sexual abuse is in our society and yet how strong the denial of it is. The pain that sexual abuse causes lasts much longer than childhood itself. The trauma of abuse is never fully gone from a person's consciousness. Its filthy stain leaves its residue on the soul forever. However, like all bad experiences, it is possible to turn this experience into good by developing compassion and empathy for others who have been through this experience. Many people feel that bringing meaning to a traumatic experience is a path to healing. When you turn a negative experience into a tool that brings meaning, then you can take that tool and bring about awareness to family violence and sexual abuse as Susan Suafoa-Dinino is doing with SpeakingOut against Child Sexual Abuse, Inc." — Lisa Bowling

## Coming Together as Leaders... You're Invited

## "A Safe Place" Workshop

## [Child Sexual Abuse Awareness & Prevention]

Saturday, September 25, 2010 1 - 5 pm

Oak Ridge Civic Center

1403 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN

Doors Open/Sign In @ 12:30 pm

#### WHO IS INVITED

Open To The Public - for Any Adult Concerned about the Safety of Children (i.e. Parents, Grandparents, Church Leaders/Ministry Leaders, Daycare Providers/Caregivers, Teachers & Anyone who works with or around children.)

#### **WORKSHOP INCLUDES**

Refreshments, Breaks & Door Prizes Certificate of Completion for Training

#### **WORKSHOP FEE**

\$20 (due by registration deadline payable via check, money order or online at www.speakingout-csa.com)

#### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

Friday, September 17th

#### TO REGISTER

**Phone:** 865-230-8600

Mail: SpeakingOut, P.O. Box 5826, Oak Ridge, TN 37831

**Email**: susansd@speakingout-csa.com (please put "Workshop Registration" in subject line)

Online: www.speakingout-csa.com (click on "Events & Workshops")

Name:		
Agency:	Title:	
Email:	Contact #:	
City:	State:	

\* Don't Delay - Register Today - Space is Limited \*

[Be Sure to ask about our Group Rate/Discount for groups of 5 or more]

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## 9/25 Workshop Agenda

12:30 – 1 pm Doors Open - Sign in – Refreshments Available

1 – 1:20 pm Opening Remarks & Introductions

1:20 – 2:30 pm Workshop Presentation

2:30 – 2:40 pm Break

2:40 – 3:50 pm Workshop Presentation

3:50 – 4:00 pm Break

4:00 – 4:40 pm Workshop Presentation

4:40 – 5:00 pm Wrap Up, Door Prizes & Closing Comments

\* Certificate of Completion to reflect 3 Hours of Training on the Awareness & Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse \*

#### **Major Topics of Discussion**

Child Sexual Abuse is a very REAL problem in today's society. Our Workshops raise this issue & at a minimum, include information on...

The Truth & Reality of Child Sexual Abuse
What Child Sexual Abuse Is/Is Not
The Signs/Symptoms of the Sexually Abused Child
The Statistics
Information on the Abuser
Information on "the System"
A Message to Parents about Prevention
A Message to Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse

America... A Safe Place for Children!

Coming Together as Leaders in our Homes, our Churches & the Community to Address the Issue of Child Sexual Abuse in America!

SpeakingOut on behalf of all children who have ever been (child & adult survivors), are being or will be sexually abused.

WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US FOR THIS INFORMATIVE & INTERACTIVE SESSION

## AKA SpeakingOut

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## Open Volunteer Positions

If you or anyone you know may be interested in serving as a Director on our Board of Directors, contact us today. We currently have 2 open positions that we would like to fill to add to the three

## Directors Currently on Board...

Susan Suafoa-Dinino Gayle D'Ambrosio-Crabtree Tom Shope

### Other Board Members

Lisa Bowling (Officer/Secretary)

## Non-Board Member Volunteers

Susan Otto (Administration) Kathy Ely (Accountant)

To learn more about the possibility of serving as a Director on SpeakingOut's Board of Directors, please contact Susan at 865-230-8600 or by email at susansd@speakingout-csa.com. To serve as a Director, you must be located in/around the Knoxville, TN area or surrounding areas as the majority of our Board Meetings are held in person, generally in Knoxville or Oak Ridge, TN.

## Fundraising Opportunity for Your Group

#### During the months of September & October...

A Fundraising Idea... a way for your small group to partner with us to raise funds for both our cause and for your own small group, team, organization, etc... We're not talking millions of dollars here. However, during these hard economic times, you may agree that every dollar matters.

This program has the potential of raising a total of \$2000 over the next month or so. And we are willing to donate \$800 of that to the group or groups that participate... those who help us raise the funds.

By participating, you will also be joining us in Raising Awareness on the crime of Child Sexual Abuse in America, as Awareness leads to Prevention!

This fundraising opportunity & everything that SpeakingOut does on a daily basis is for Children.

You do not necessarily need to be in the Oak Ridge, TN area, or even in Tennessee to participate. However, some restrictions do apply.

## Contact Us Today to Discuss the Details!

Call 865-230-8600 or Email susansd@speakingout-csa.com