

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

(Proverbs 31:8)

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Speaking Out News

November 2010

SpeakingOut

against Child Sexual Abuse, Inc.

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

Child Sexual Abuse Awareness & Prevention

We also Touch on Healing!

MISSION STATEMENT

- ⇒ Raise Awareness one Child, one Parent, one Home, one Daycare, one School and one Community at a time in an effort to aid in the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse... a horrific crime committed against innocent children of all ages... all across America.
- ⇒ Speak with Church Leaders & encourage <u>Churches</u> to get involved & <u>play an active role</u> in raising awareness, assessing the need and starting ministries in and for their communities... to provide assistance & most importantly to share the Message of Hope.
- ⇒ Work vigorously to <u>Remove</u> two of the greatest <u>Obstacles</u> in protecting children from Sexual Abuse... Denial and Lack of Education.
- ⇒ Send a message to Sexual Predators by taking a Public Stand against the crime of Child Sexual Abuse...a perverse act committed against the most innocent & helpless of victims... Children.
- \Rightarrow Focus on What We Can Do.
- ⇒ Measure <u>Success</u> by... if SpeakingOut helps 1 Child, it has been worth our efforts. <u>What if that 1 Child were Your Child?</u>

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

VISION

Raise Awareness on Child Sexual Abuse all Across America!

Featured Partner of CCAHT

"On September 25, I attended the SpeakingOut Against Child Sexual Abuse Workshop and gained more insight on child sexual abuse. When we look at the whole picture of human trafficking, it is necessary to consider all the factors that contribute to this growing industry so that we can build more efforts to prevent its growth. Attending this workshop opened my eyes to more facts about how child sexual abuse affects the human trafficking industry.

Susan Suafoa-Dinino taught the workshop and shared a wealth of statistics and details about child sexual abuse. I knew sexual abuse is prevalent in our culture but the more she shared about these crimes, the more determined I became to understand how much it affects the human trafficking industry."

Christi Wigle
President of CCAHT
(Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking)
www.ccaht.org

SpeakingOut against Child Sexual Abuse, Inc. was listed as CCAHT's Featured Partner in their October Issue of CCAHT Connect Newsletter. To see the full write-up on SpeakingOut, go to...

www.speakingout-csa.com

Scroll Down on Home Page

Look for Blue Box called... Featured Partner of CCAHT (October 2010)

Click on Link that says
"Click Here"



On behalf of all of us at SpeakingOut...

Thank You Christi Wigle of CCAHT for attending our recent Workshop called "A Safe Place" on the Awareness & Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse.

We would also like to thank CCAHT for featuring SpeakingOut as a Partner in your October Newsletter!

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

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Speaking with East TN Nurses



On October 15th, Susan Suafoa-Dinino, President/Founder of SpeakingOut had the opportunity to speak to over 100 Health Department Nurses from 15 Counties surrounding Knoxville, TN.

The Training Event

East Regional Health Department Nursing In-Service Annual Training

It was truly a blessing to be invited as one of the day's Guest Speakers and the perfect opportunity to raise awareness on Child Sexual Abuse in America. As healthcare professionals who see children, parents & grandparents every single day, their knowledge on this crime is imperative.

I would like to personally thank Michele Weatherbie, RN, BSN & Nursing Supervisor of Hamblen County Health Department for inviting me to speak. For almost 2 hours, I was able to pour out my heart and as much knowledge that time allowed for on what all adults need to know about Child Sexual Abuse. I appreciate you and hope that each and every Nurse that walked out of the training that day left with a better knowledge on this issue in today's society. It is also my hopes that each person left there with the motivation to join us in the fight against this crime.

~~ Susan Suafoa-Dinino

The Primary Purpose of the Presentation

Because of a Nurse's interaction with the public every day, the goal was to bring the crime of Child Sexual Abuse & all that that entails to the forefront of their minds as they deal with children, parents & grandparents.

To help them know "What to Look For" (Signs/Symptoms, the Abuser, etc...)

Assist them with ideas on "How to Talk to Parents" about Child Sexual Abuse

To stress that Child Sexual Abuse is a Crime (not a Family Matter)...

Ultimate Betrayal/Violation of a Child

A Child Safety Issue

Health Issue for Children & Adults Survivors

TOGETHER, WE <u>CAN</u> MAKE A DIFFERCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN!



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Break the Cycle - Family Members

The October 2010 Issue of SpeakingOut News focused on the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse for Parents & Grandparents.

Be sure to visit our website @ www.speakingout-csa.com for access to that issue of SpeakingOut News (scroll down on Home Page), as well as access to all previous editions of our newsletter.

The December 2010 Issue of SpeakingOut News will include a Message to Adult Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse.

This month, the focus is on Family Members who are keeping a horrible family secret... the Sexual Abuse of Children!

Don't Turn a Blind Eye/Break the Cycle...

- → That is our responsibility as the Adults (Parents, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, etc...)
- → Denial helps no one; especially the Child
- → Family Secrets Hurt Children; the most innocent of family members
- \rightarrow To Protect a loved one with a secret such as this = the harming of an Innocent Child
- → Although you may not be the one doing the abusing, you become an accomplice if you are aware of the abuse and do not do anything about it. At that point, you are basically condoning the violations being endured by the child.
- → Child Sexual Abuse is not a personal or family matter... IT IS A CRIME!
- → Child Sexual Abuse can easily become a Generational Issue; A Crime that can Stop with you
- → Your embarrassment is not as important as your Child's Safety
- → It's Not About You; it's about the Child
- → You Must Step Up & Speak Out
- → Have the Courage to break the cycle in your family

In Order to Break the Cycle, you may experience...

- Lots of Fear
- Rejection from those you love & others
- Lack of Support
- Loss of someone you Love
- Persecution from family members & others

However, Please Remember...

What you may have to go through & feel is only a small taste of what your Child or Grandchild is going through & feeling.



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October 31st - Fun for the Whole Family

Sonic Drive-In

located at 608 Oak Ridge Turnpike in Oak Ridge, TN is having a Halloween Party!

Sunday, October 31st 5 - 10 pm

Fun for the Whole Family!





Costume Contest
Bobbing for Apples
Treat Bags
Chance to Win Free Food
Trick or Treat Candy
50 Cent Corn Dogs





If you're looking for a "Safe Place" to take the kids (and the whole family for that matter) on October 31st, and you're in or near Oak Ridge, TN, then you may want to stop by to see us.

SpeakingOut will be there helping Sonic hand out Treat Bags to the Kids.

We Hope to See You There!

10% of your purchase will be donated by Sonic to SpeakingOut

Sponsor of This Month's Newsletter



End Violence Against Women (EVAW) International

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Vision Statement:

We envision a world where gender-based violence is unacceptable; where perpetrators are held accountable, and victims receive the compassion, support, and justice they deserve.

Mission Statement:

We inspire and educate those who respond to gender-based violence, equipping them with the knowledge and tools they need to support victims and hold perpetrators accountable. We promote victim-centered, multi-disciplinary collaboration, which strengthens the response of the criminal justice system, other professionals, allies, and the general public -- making communities safer.

National Technical Assistance Provider:

EVAW International is providing technical assistance in the area of forensic compliance. We can offer information, resources, and guidance as needed in this complex and challenging area. You can contact us with inquiries via email, telephone, or fax.

International Conference on Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence and Stalking April 11-13, 2011, Intercontinental Chicago O'Hare, Rosemont, IL

Join fellow law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, victim advocates, judges, parole and probation officers, rape crisis workers, medical personnel, faith community members, educators and others in this three day conference high-lighting promising practices and emerging issues in sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking.

http://www.evawintl.org/conferencedetail.aspx?confid=9

On-Line Training Institute (OLTI):

EVAW International has developed the OLTI to bring state-of-the art training on the topic of criminal justice response to sexual assault. The OLTI provides the opportunity for interested professionals to expand their knowledge of cutting edge developments in the criminal justice / community response to sexual assault, with particular emphasis on those crimes committed by someone who is known to the victim (i.e., non-strangers).

http://www.evawintl.org/evaw_courseware/

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Open Volunteer Positions

If you or anyone you know are 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.

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SpeakingOut is Partnered with PhoneRaiser, and because of this partnership...

You can support our organization just by Donating Your Used Cell Phones, PDA's and Ink Cartridges, all while helping save the environment from toxic waste!

By doing this, you will be giving old technology new life and keep it from polluting our landfills. If improperly disposed of, one cell phone can pollute up to 132,000 liters of drinking water. Your unwanted Cell Phones, PDA's and Ink cartridges will be recycled by PhoneRaiser in accordance with EPA regulations, or refurbished and reused.

All Cell Phones & PDA's Accepted.

Please Note- We do need or accept the charger(s).

Most Ink Cartridges Accepted...

General Rule- Ink Cartridge should be no larger than the palm of your hand.

Call or email us today to make arrangements for your donation of used Cell Phones, PDA's and/or Ink Cartridges, regardless of where you reside in the United States...

At No Cost To You.

A Great Way to Help Save the Environment, and at the same time, support Child Sexual Abuse Awareness & Prevention through SpeakingOut against Child Sexual Abuse, Inc.