

**Meeting discussion points outside of Action Committee activity:**

- **Chris Herren Committee:** A committee has been formed to focus on bringing Chris Herren to the Guilford community, with its first official meeting to be held on Thursday, 9/11. It was agreed that DAY will move forward with securing Chris Herren regardless of whether potential donors are ultimately able to make monetary contributions. In addition, it was agreed that DAY should aim to partner with another local community and work with the schools and other community groups to publicize the event. Ultimately, DAY members agreed that Chris Herren has a powerful message that would greatly benefit the Guilford community.
- **Madd Walk-A-Thon:** MADD Program Specialist Amber Monck invited DAY to be a part of the MADD Walk-A-Thon on Oct 11<sup>th</sup>, a chance to help MADD raise funds to support their mission to stop drunk driving, support the victims of this violent crime and prevent underage drinking.
- **Search Institute Survey of Guilford Youth:** DAY will be re-surveying our youth in grades 7-12 this upcoming October or November using the Search Institute survey. The Prevention Coordinator is working with GHS Principal Rick Misenti and Adams Principal Catherine Walker to coordinate dates and times that the survey will be distributed. DAY members were excited to gather new data on our youths' asset development and risky behaviors.
- **NPN Conference:** Karol Regan, Lisa Ott, Peter Ott, and Danielle Ott will present information about DAY at the 27th Annual Prevention Research Conference: "CONNECTing Healthy Communities through Prevention Research and Practice." The presentation will include information on the history of DAY, how DAY utilizes assets and environmental strategies, and our many interventions. DAY Youth members Peter and Danielle will present on DAY's use of social media.

**Action Committees:**

**Community Values Youth/AC1 -**

The Community Values Youth Committee has scheduled its Annual Halloween Window Painting Contest for October 18<sup>th</sup> and the Spooktacular/Trunk-or-Treat for October 26<sup>th</sup>. It was announced that any youth interested in helping with either event, or joining the Community Values Youth Committee, can contact Karol Regan.

**Peer & Adult Role Models/AC2 –**

The Triple Impact Competitor workshop delivered to the captains of GHS at the GHS library was held on August 18<sup>th</sup>. Students had extremely positive feedback about the workshop and

seemed very well received. Kim Beckett has scheduled two additional PCA workshops for the year ahead: October 7th will be the Double-Goal Coach II: Culture, Practices and Games to be delivered to youth and high school coaches at Guilford Free Library from 7-9 pm, and January 29th is to be determined but will probably also be the Double-Goal Coach II.

### **Family Boundaries/AC3 –**

- ***Back-to-School Nights PLUS SAFE HOMES:*** DAY will have a table at Back-to-School nights for all Guilford schools, including Elementary. In addition, DAY's Co-Chairs and Family Boundaries members will speak at Back-to-School at Adams and GHS regarding the launch of our Safe Homes pledge. At Adams, speakers will hand out the pledge to parents while in the classrooms. At GHS, pledges will be handed to parents as they go into the auditorium. Clipboards and pens will also be available at the DAY table for parents that want to sign up there. Family Boundaries Committee members Shelly Brodsky, John Kinney and Dave Melillo, as well as Co-Chairs Lisa Ott and Peter Palumbo will be the pledge speakers. Members discussed the importance of connecting with partners to join in on the pledge (ex, scouts, religious organizations, etc).

### **Communications –**

The Communications Committee is currently focused on the publicizing the upcoming Safe Homes pledge, including article in the Courier and the GPS newsletter. In addition, Lisa Ott and Kelley Edwards have a Letter to the Editor in response to the Guilford mother who hosted an underage drinking party for minors and received minimal consequences. The letter will include an introduction of the Safe Homes pledge. DAY youth members are working hard to post content on DAY's twitter and instagram accounts. Lastly, the Communications Committee decided that they will meet to discuss potential DAY Courier articles for submission. It was noted that the Sam Wilkinson article was submitted twice but never published for reasons unknown.