

**Toward Responsible Use of Substance Today
(TRUST) Coalition Minutes**

April 18, 2008

Present: Dan Baddorf, Lin Brummels, Jeff Carstens, Curt Frye, Michelle Meyer, Kathy Mohlfeld

Education and Information Report:

Reminder: **Margaret J. Barr Biennial Research Award**, up to \$5,000.00, undergraduate and graduate students eligible, original prevention research in area(s) of alcohol and other drugs and/or violence; deadline- 11/1/2008

Nebraska Collegiate Consortium **Skill Building Workshop: Campus/Community Law Enforcement and Adjudication of Alcohol Related Offenses** was Wednesday, 3/26/2008 in Lincoln, NE. Lt. Phil Shear, Officer Jessica Bolles and Security Officer Brandon Ziska, and Jeff Carstens attended. Discussion was held regarding Party Patrols, GPS mapping, FERPA regulatory changes, myth busters. Detox centers, and football Saturdays.

April 9th, 10-5:00: **Sr. Mary Hlas** and **Gary Pitt** were the addiction speakers hosted by the Catholic Newman Council. Sr. Mary works with adolescents at Stephen Center in Omaha. She is a police chaplain. Sr. Mary talked to Dr. Willis's 10:00 a.m. class. See [The Wayne Stater](#) article.

Alcohol Education Class, Tuesday, April 22 at 2:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required at the Counseling Center by Friday.

U.S. Department of Education National Meeting on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse and Violence Prevention in Higher Education, Saturday-Tuesday, Nov. 15-18, 2008 in St. Paul, Minnesota, see <http://www.higheredcenter.org/news/information.html>

Kathy Mohlfeld, Dr. Carstens, Police Chief Webster and Campus Security Director Hochstein were interviewed by Casey Shroeder for [The Wayne Stater](#) article about WSC alcohol issues, see handout.

Service-learning project: The Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) has identified prescription drug abuse by teens as an "emerging threat". According to the University of Maryland's Center for Substance Abuse research, two-thirds of the students who abuse the stimulants Adderall or Ritalin, both prescribed for attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, get the drugs free from a family member or friend (2008). They also found that nationwide, about 3 percent of college students' abuse stimulant medications to help them study for or for "recreational purposes".

Partnering with Dr. Barb Hayford's Environmental Studies Seminar (BIO 104) class in Fall 2008. Kathy is applying for Professional Staff Grant funds and Dr. Hayford is applying for Service-learning funds to collect unused/out-dated medications and over-the-counter medications for appropriate disposal. Education will also be provided to

community about appropriate disposal for pharmaceuticals. This will safeguard against inappropriate use of these medications as well as protect the environment from improper disposal (ground water). Materials will be developed in the fall term and then distributed during spring semester at Elderfest, the Wellness Fair and Earth Day activities. May try to involve Criminal Justice Management classes and/or Monica Snowden's SOC 420 Environmental Sociology class in Spring 2009. See <http://www.smarxtdisposal.net/index.html> and http://www.theantidrug.com/pdfs/resources/teen-rx/CADCA_Strategizer52.pdf for more information.

Neighborhood Relations: No report

Policy and Enforcement:

Project Extra Mile (PEM):

Next PEM meeting is Friday, May 9, 2008 at Journey Christian Church

In process of hiring for Wayne County

Wildcat Wheels Safe Ride Program:

Statistics: average number of calls 49, average number of riders 125/night

Sara Ehlers, Lead Dispatcher will be student teaching in the fall. Tyler Weber was promoted to Lead Dispatcher. Anita Moorhead was hired as a dispatcher. Lance Sovde resigned and is transferring to another college. Applications are still being accepted for a Dispatcher position.

Wildcat Wheels did not run last week, as the cab company didn't want to send cabs over in the forecasted bad weather.

Laura Timperley and Mary MacClure of CNA 450 Computer Layout and Presentation (Mike Marek) will be developing an updated brochure for the Safe Ride program.

Discussion was held regarding the Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Act and trying to get it in more WSC publications.

Social Environment:

Lin Brummels continues to consolidate information about local social events for the bi-monthly "What's Going On?" announcement sheet. The "So What Is There To Do at Wayne State?" brochure is being revised. Send updates to the Counseling Center. Discussion was held about trying to get the revised brochure on the college website as a pop-up, as well as at the Student Organization Fair and the Student Center kiosks.

****Thank you** for all of your work this year in addressing alcohol and drug issues in our community.

- Check the TRUST Coalition website for minutes of the meetings at http://www.wsc.edu/counseling_center/related_services/trust_coalition
- Contact the Counseling Center at 402-375-7321 or wsctrust@hotmail.com if you have any suggestions or concerns for the TRUST Coalition.

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world.”
Margaret Mead