

## Safe Kids Savannah

### Minutes

New Member Orientation, August 11, 2009

#### Attending:

Janice Bentley, Memorial Health Trauma Services  
Yolanda Fontaine, Housing Authority of Savannah  
Alison Gramza, Chatham Co. Health  
Mark Keller, Savannah Fire and Emergency  
Jenn Montesano, Youth Futures  
Mike Stubbs, SC Public Schools (PE)  
Jennifer White, Starfish Aquatics

Steve Davidson, GA Community Health  
Jane Garrison, Chatham Co. Health Dept  
Lisa Heusel, A.W.A.R.E. Services  
Karen Martin, United Community Bank  
Misty Selph, Chatham Co. Aquatic Center  
Candace Thigpen, YMCA  
Donna Williams, Amerigroup

#### New members

Tonya Allen, YMCA  
Deanna Morgan, Childcare Network, Inc.  
Carlatrena Walker, MADD

Awraial Binns, Amerigroup  
Chris Tucker, SCMPD Island Precinct

- Chairman Donna Williams welcomed new members and introductions were made.
- New Member Orientation included an Over view of Safe Kids Worldwide and a short history of Safe Kids Savannah. The structure of the Coalition was discussed. Volunteer opportunity information was provided in a folder that also included a copy of the By-laws and Safe Kids Savannah's Three Year Plan.
- Attendees were divided into small groups for a team building activity to spell the work Coalition. Displays and educational materials were distributed and members were asked to use these within their respective agencies.
- Committee chairs provided information on their committee and asked for volunteers to join them on their respective committees as follows:
  - Membership Karen Martin
  - Resource Development Lisa Heusel
  - Public Relations Sally Silberman
  - Water Safety Jennifer White
  - Sports Mike Stubbs
  - PACE Jane Love
  - Occupant Linda Denhardt
  - Fire Safety Mark Keller
  - Bike Safety Eve Seibert
  - Vacant needing chairs Advocacy, Home Safety, Poison Safety(See complete list with contact information attached and on the web site.)
- Announcements
  - *A Back to School* event will be held on August 15 at the Civic Center from 10am until 2PM. This event is sponsored by the International Ministerial Alliance. For information call 912 414-9236.

- Mike Stubbs will be hosting a table, *'Be Alert, Injuries Hurt'*, at the Sand Gnats game on Sunday, August 31. Volunteers are welcomed. Call Mike at 395-5531 for more information.
- Bike event Eve?
- Water Safety Committee meeting Thursday September 3 at 9:15 AM at the Chatham County Aquatic Center. Call Jennifer White at 657-2280 for more information.
- Amerigroup will be hosting a *Safety Palooza* on Saturday September 12 from 9am -12pm at Daffin Park. This will coincide with the opening game of youth football. Safe Kids will be conducting a car seat check event as part of the over all activities. Donna Williams invited members to participate at a table representing their agency with children's activities. For more information call her at 235-4470X74493.
- Carlatrena Walker has information regarding business seminars that might be helpful to non-profits. For more information call 912 234-2522 or [carlatrena.walker@madd.org](mailto:carlatrena.walker@madd.org).
- Child Passenger Safety Technician certification will be held November 17-20 in Statesboro. Contact Alison at 912 353-3148 or [amgramza@dhr.state.ga.us](mailto:amgramza@dhr.state.ga.us) for more information.

**NEXT MEETING**

**Tuesday, September 8, 2009**

*Brown Bag Lunch on your own, Drinks provided*  
**Community Room South Side Fire Department**  
**10703 White Bluff Road**  
**Savannah, GA 31406**

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