

Drug Free DeSoto Task Force
Board Chambers 10-1-08
11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Attendees: Superintendent Cline, Pella, Story, Hrstka, Dubbert, Bremer, Harms, Hilaire, Smith, Barnwell, Tabor, Keene, Goodman, Mays, Fred and Charlotte Carter

Bike-A-Thon Chair Jason Story; Mr.& Mrs. Carter, Hrstka, Pella
Coordinate date with the Chamber of Commerce: This committee will meet and report in November.

Step-Up to a Drug Free DeSoto Chair: Allyson Harms, Dubbert, Mr. & Mrs. Hilaire, Director Hrstka-Facilities
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Mr. Cline reported that Desoto, through the Heartland Consortium, has a three year grant that target DeSoto County High School students. This is in an organizational phase at this moment with three people assigned to six counties.

Red Ribbon Week: October 17th – October 24th: Items are in and ready

Gang Activity Report: Lt. Mays
Recent legislative change; No new changes in DeSoto County at this time.
Southside gang sign seen at the football game. Please advise law enforcement if you see any sign

Pops Carter: provided copies of information regarding Bike-A-Thon

Task Force Members' Reports:

Allyson Harms:
Breast Cancer Awareness Month: Display in County Office, Court House and First State Bank of Arcadia
Drive thru flu shot held at the Turner Center on 9-26-08 was a success
Drive thru flu shots: Oct 11th 9am till 12 noon at the DeSoto County Health Department
Today is the first SWAT meeting to be held at DCHS at 3:30 p.m. Students that participate receive volunteer hours.

Do The Right Thing: No Nominees at this time

Pops Carter told the Task Force to remind children, students, and teenagers to love themselves. Do not lower yourself to take drug and use alcohol. Children are using over the counter drugs for all of the wrong reasons. Principal Goodman committed that she remembers when Mr. Carter taught school he was always in the community after school hours. Promote our teachers to support the children in sports and be seen in the community.

Mr. Carter reminded us that we as adults need to give up something to set a good example for the society today.

Next Meeting: November 5, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. Board Chambers