

Drug Abuse Resistance Education

D.A.R.E.

TO DIALOGUE



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"A positive way to change today's attitude toward drugs"

From the President's desk.....

Another school year is winding down but planning for the Retrainer is winding up and I have every confidence that this Retrainer is going to be educational and fun! I strongly encourage Officers and families to register for this year's Retrainer, which will be held at the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky, Ohio on July 14-18. You can register on the D.A.R.E. Ohio's website.

Now, I want to put everyone's mind at ease with the issues that has evolved this year and know that your Executive Board has been working very hard to improve and use these obstacles to our benefit. I want to thank the Executive Board for their support during this year. You are only as good as the people who support you. I can only envision good things to come in the future.

I want to thank the D.A.R.E. Ohio membership for their support, encouragement, and friendship during my Presidential year. It has been challenging, but I wouldn't trade it for the world.

I would like to wish a safe and exciting summer for all of you and hope to see you at the Retrainer in July.

In His Hands,
Deputy Angie Hamilton
D.A.O. President



**2008 D.A.O.
ANNUAL RETRAINER**

JULY 14 -18, 2008

Sandusky, Ohio

Registration Deadline: June 23, 2008

www.dare-ohio.org

D.A.R.E. OTC/RX DRUG AND COMMUNITY PROGRAM TRAINING

-Offered at the Retrainer-

Session 1: Monday, July 14, 2008, 1:00-5:30pm or

Session 2: Thursday, July 17, 2008, 1:00-5:30pm

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

www.dare-oh.org

DARE OFFICER PLAYS KEY ROLE IN \$2 MILLION COCAINE ARREST

May 6- STOW, OH- Police Chief Louis A. Dirker, Jr. said at the recent press conference that his department had received a call from the Kent State University PD saying that they had been contacted by Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials in Los Angeles about a shipment of cocaine being flown to Stow from California. DARE Officer Jim Barker stopped a suspect, from Cleveland, who said he was waiting to pick up 2 people coming in on the plane. Because Ptl. Barker was detaining the suspect, he was unable to alert the in coming flight not to land. Search of the Cessna 182, netted 30 – 1kilo packages at a street value of \$2.25 million. The pilot, passenger, (both from California) and waiting suspect were arrested and are being classified as "major drug offenders". Chief Dirker described the arrest as a "once-in-a-lifetime experience".

Tipp City Schools adopt "Cheat Sheet" to their Crisis Plan

On February 25, the Board of Education for the Tipp City Schools adopted the newly developed "Cheat Sheet" or quick reference paper for their crisis plan. Tipp City PD and Miami Co. S.O. worked in conjunction with the school board to update the crisis plan. The "Cheat Sheet" format allows the posting of emergency procedures on a bulletin board or desk corner so it doesn't get lost in paper work. The sheet outlines the responsibility of administration and office, and also lists emergency phone numbers. For more information contact: Tipp City Officers Chris Graham and Dan Rittenhouse.

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DARE Pre/Posts Tests

The importance of local Pre/Post surveys cannot be over stated. The outcomes found in these surveys easily out-weigh anything completed on a national basis since most people want to see what the DARE program achieves in their own hometown. Review the "model" Pre/Posts Tests listed in the "Officers Only" section of the www.dare.com web site and feel free to use these or develop your own. Upon completion and analysis, please direct those results to Lloyd Bratz, DARE America.

GENERAL NEWS

- Officer **Charlie Glisson**, Tallmadge PD has recently been elected President of the Ohio Crime Prevention Association.
- Till further notice, the DAO office will be **CLOSED** on Mondays.
- As summer approaches and you are headed out to those county fairs, fundraisers and special events **eventidsolutions** are "out to make your event a success every time". Eventidsolutions has a DARE pop-up display and table covers for you. For more information call toll free: 866.748.1117 or email: www.eventidsolutions.com

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

- Deputy **Slug Custar**, Williams Co. S.O. underwent surgery on May 8th to remove his Bladder due to cancer. He will be at home recovering for 6-8 weeks.

CONGRESS APPLAUDED EFFORT TO RAISE AWARENESS OF COUGH MEDICINE ABUSE

US Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs and the Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control recently held a joint hearing entitled "Generation Rx: The Abuse of Prescription and Over-the-Counter Drugs." The Consumer Healthcare Products Association (CHPA) lent their support to Congress' most recent effort to explore ways to effectively address medicine abuse. On behalf of the leading makers of cough syrup, 100 million people across the country has been reached through educational programming and are continuing these efforts through their partners such as the Partnership for a Drug-Free America, the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America, and D.A.R.E. America.

CHPA supports federal legislation that would ensure that raw dextromethorphan, the active ingredient in cough syrup, does not fall into the hands of minors under the age of 18. Though minors not being able to purchase cough medicine would be a major step to reducing abuse, education remains paramount. The goal is to raise awareness among parents and encourage them to talk to their kids so we can stop the abuse.

CONGRATULATIONS

- Dylan Alexander Wallace was born on March 24, 2008 to Chad and Deputy **Nicole Wallace**, Licking Co. SO. Dylan arrived at 11:48 pm, and is 9 ½ lbs, 20 ½ inches long.
- Recently Athens's City Schools chose Officer **Rick Crossen** as one of the "TEN BELOVED" people. *Way to go, Rick!*
- Clinton Co. SO presented \$1,000 DARE scholarships to three deserving high school seniors from their local high schools. The winners of the 2008 scholarships were: Josh Wallace, Blanchester High School, Alexandria Woodward, Clinton-Massie High School, and Grant Warren, East Clinton High School. All three plan education in the medical field.