



Safe Kids of St. Joseph County General Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2008 1400 at Sister Maura Health Center

Balance: \$350.77 Expenses from last meeting: Halloween, Noodles, Railroad signs

Attendance: Ron Melser, Clay FD; Paige Smith, MH; Rita Wiginton, SJRMC, Carla Bice, SJRMC; Alice Blakesley, MH; Florence Jennings, Babies R Us; and new member Chereilyn William, Food Bank.

Minutes of Previous meetings: Distributed and read. Approved as received

Safe Kids Child Passenger Safety Tech CEU's event to be held February 1 from 1130-1530 and again February 7 from 1100-1500. If CEU's needed plan on attending. Our Chapter will furnish refreshments up to \$50. Paige will let Alice know how many are signed up.

Next CPST class is April 17, 18, 25, 26. Contact Paige Smith for info.

Safe Kids Mini grant application needs to be in by March 15 with plans on how to use the money. Plans to purchase bike helmets and work with Clay FD to distribute them. Ron and Alice will make arrangements. Also could purchase some car seats to be distributed at the Car Seat events in conjunction with Babies R Us. Alice will submit the application as soon as Ron has made arrangements with Clay FD. Autumn from the state has email Alice info about reasonable bike helmets.

Email information for daycares and places where children are cared for. Ideas that Alice came up with are as follows: Jan-Winter, Feb-Burn, Mar-Poison, April-Tweens, May-Bike, Jun-Pool, July-Fireworks, Aug-Window/Screen, Sept - , Oct-Peds Safety, Nov-Toy, Dec- Carbon monoxide. Ron given a news release about Winter safety and will distribute it when he sees fit.

Babies R Us Events: Florence Jennings is here representing Babies R Us and has dates of events for Safe Kids members to assist with. The following dates will need on member to be on hand for "Ask the Expert" March 2, 2008 – 10-12, June 8, 2008 - 7p.m. for about ½ hour, August 26 – 6 pm, November 8, 2008 - 10-12. On May 17 at Babies R Us we would like to offer Safety IN and Around Cars in conjunction with the local Chevy dealer. Alice will contact Shelly at Gates and see if this is feasible. We will need at least 4 members to participate in this event. Time 10-12. Alice will put together a flyer as get it to Florence to distribute.

Final report for 2007 was submitted to Autumn Houser at Safe Kids State. See Alice for Copy.

Safety In and Around Cars – CubScout program has had interest through Ron's and Alice's pack. Ron and Alice will try to work together with Chevy and set a date and time to do a combined event. Will keep you posted. Will need helpers for this event.

RailRoad Safety Event was a big success even though scheduled on very short notice. Our chapter participated in three schools and presented 30 minute programs that brought safety information to 600 students. I selected Battell, Beiger and Studebaker. Carla Bice, Florence Jennings, Autumn Houser and myself presented. For our work, Canadian Rail gave us a grant for \$1000 for our chapter.

Donation: Chereilyn Williams from the Food Bank is setting up a Superball of Giving on February 3 at the Babies R Us. We donated one convertible car seat for their cause. Alice will package this nicely with our name and some handouts for the lucky winner. Cost \$43.00.

Next Meeting: February 26, 2008 1130 Location to be determined.

Alice Blakesley, R.N.

Injury Prevention Coordinator, Memorial Trauma Services



Safe Kids of St. Joseph County General Meeting Minutes February 26, 2008

Attendance Alice Blakesley, Carla Bice, Dave Cherrone, Florence Jennings, Betty Kella, Justin Stopczynski, Ron Melser, Lynn Figg and Rita Wiginton

Location: Clay Fire Department

Minutes of the Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Financial Report: \$1,395.75 with outstanding bill for purchasing refreshments for the CPS refresher course.

Old Business:

CPST refresher courses were held by Paige Smith with excellent attendance.

CPST class April 17, 18, 25 and 26. Check the internet for information.

Safe Kids Mini grant applied for. Asked for \$1000.00 for the purchase of bike helmets to be used in conjunction with Clay Fire Departments event this summer. Also for the purchase of some car seats for Babies R Us Events.

Cub Scout program to be held March 13, 2008 6:30 p.m. at Gates Chevy World downtown. Volunteers: Florence, Alice, Rita and Ron. Arrive around 6:00.

Car Seat donated to Food Bank of St. Joseph County for their Superball event. Alice added information for all the car seat fitting stations to the seat with information on buckling up.

Safe Kids Buckle Up grant applied for. I applied for \$2620.00 for purchase of the following supplies: Car Seats (45) for clinic at Babies R Us, replacements for use of Chevy van, Car safety events x4 (including purchasing patches for attendees).

Walk this way Grant info: Conference call later this week. Information from conference call offered an opportunity for our chapter to participate in a photojournalism project for students age 10-14. This project involves a school that has participated or is willing to participate in the walk this way program in the fall. It includes 6 sessions approx 2 hours long each. Included in the sessions are a presentation on pedestrian safety, two on photo shooting, two fieldtrips for the students to take photos and a final one to select the photos and have the students write a paragraph or more on what they saw in the photo and why they chose this picture. The pictures will be submitted to Safe Kids USA to be put together into a display around the world with 7 other nations. What an opportunity for your chapter. We will be given supplies to do this project along with \$1000.00 to cover the costs, which are detailed in the booklet I received.

Halloween Walk this way information: Talked about what to do and I will check with HealthWorks and see what they have planned. Further information to follow.

State Farm Event: May 17, 2008 to be held at Clay Fire Department. Looking for all interested CPST to help. This qualifies for your event needed for recertification. Call Ron Melser at Clay Fire Department for more information.

Safe Kids Week Event to be held April 30, 2008 at Battell with the Boys and Girls Club after school. Fun group of kids. Start at 4 p.m. with a pre questionnaire and have five stations. Need five people to help with this event. Fun games after a few information facts given at each station.

Safe Kids conference is May 29 and 30. Great information on ways to keep our kids safe. Can earn 6 CEU's for CPST recert. Cost\$95.

TV station Channel 16 at this meeting and interviewed Ron about Safe Kids. (Thanks Ron for setting this up)

Promo Ideas?? Ordered patches that have our Safe Kids logo on them, with a saying "It's SMART being a Safe Kid". Look good. Will use to give away at our Car safety events.

Upcoming events: Mark your calendars!

March 2, 2008 Grandparents day at Babies R Us. (Car seat use) 10-12 Alice

April 30, 2008 Safe Kids week at Battell Boys and Girls Club Need 5 people.

May 17, 2008 State Farm Car Seat Clinic (2 sites) Need CPST's

May 27, 2008 First United Methodist Church 1 – 4 (See Carla) Need 2 people

June 8, 2008 Ask the expert Car Seat info Babies R Us 7 p.m. Need 1

August 26, 2008 Ask the expert Car Seat Info Babies R Us 6p.m. Need 1

September 20, 2008 Car Seat Fitting Clinic time TBA Babies R Us. CPST's needed

October 8, 2008 Walk this Way program Need 4

November 8, 2008 Ask the Expert Babies R Us 10-12 Need 1

Next Meeting: April 2, 2008, 1300 (1p.m.) at Sister Maura Health Center, corner of Chapin and Western.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alice Blakesley



Safe Kids of St. Joseph County General Meeting Minutes April 2, 2008

Attendance Alice Blakesley, Carla Bice, Florence Jennings, Ron Melser, Rita Wiginton, Margaret O'Hearn, Paige Smith, and Cherylyn Williams.

Location: Sister Maura Brannick Health Center

Minutes of the Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Financial Report: \$2,561.22

Old Business:

Patches were ordered – 300. Safe Kids logo with saying "It's SMART to be a Safe Kid". Gave some to kids not cub scouts who participated in the : Safety In and Around Cars" event.

Walk this Way conference call after last meeting. Opportunity to do Pedestrian Safety and photojournalism project in our community. Discussed idea for what school. Alice will contact Madison School 4th grade and see if interested. Need photographer to educate students on use of camera and what to look for. Will need photographer to do teaching and go on 2 fieldtrips to take pictures. Florence will ask Howard Dukes from SBT if he is interested. Need Fed Ex volunteer from our community. Alice talked with the manager from the Fed Ex Kinkos on Miami and he is interested. Ron knows the manager of the Mishawaka branch. Florence will check with Jason? (regional manager) about being our contact with Fed Ex.

New Web site for our Chapter – look over and offer your input. www.firesafetyzone.org/Safekids

Safe Kids Week – April 27 – May 3

Event at Battell April 30 at 4 p.m. Need 4-5- volunteers to run the games. Arrive 15 minutes early to set up and get up to speed on the games. Alice will bring all the supplies. Florence will get the two life jackets to fit age 10 – 14 year olds. Florence will also bring a talking smoke detector that we need to think about how to use. The Gear Up games booklet has a buckle/seat belt demo item to make. Unknown cost, can use indoors to demonstrate correct seat belt use. We will be making one to use for our chapter and this event. Ron will be checking into getting a used seat belt that functions to attach to the frame. Alice will get the parts and meet with Ron to make.

Brochure- Will continue to look over and update with what we have covered in 2007.

Media – Ron submitted a letter to local media for Poison Control. Sent to all media in our local area. No responses. Ron is getting another one written up to send out soon on summer safety.

Walk this Way – Halloween event can be at HealthWorks Kids Museum. Thinking Saturday after noon.

Grants received –

Buckle Up monies received \$500 for the July 07- June 08 year. Will submit evaluation after next program completed at Babies R Us.

Mini Traffic Grant – Requested \$1000 for bike helmets and seats. Received all monies requested. Will work with Clay Fire with an event to distribute the helmets.

Buckle Up monies for July 08- June 09. Requested about \$2600. No response yet as to what we will receive.

Walk this way photojournalism money. \$1000 to be used for project.

Other Business:

CPST course April 17, 18, 25, and 26. Contact Paige Smith if interested. April 26 Car Seat Clinic.11 – 2 at UP Mall. Paige Smith requested 50-75 dollars to cover food expenses for event. Cherylyn from the food bank offered to donate food.

May 8th Food Bank event. Further information at next meeting.

April 26 And 27 Babies R Us Expo in Indy. Looking for Techs. Contact Florence Jennings at Babies R Us.

Peach Lutheran Church requested Safe Kids on April 19 from 9-11. Unable to participate Ron will let them know we need more time to schedule people.

Grant Opportunities for our Chapter:

May	Safe Kids Week	Johnson and Johnson
May-June	School Safety Commities	Fed Ex
September	Child Passenger Safety	GM/Chevy
October	Walk this Way	Fed Ex
October	Halloween	Fed Ex
November	Railroad	Canadian Railway
December	Environmental Task Force	Fed Ex
Annual	Buckle Up	Chevy/GM
As Needed	Fire Grant	Safe Kids

State Farm Event: May 17, 2008 to be held at Clay Fire Department. Looking for all interested CPST to help. This qualifies for your event needed for recertification. Call Ron Melser at Clay Fire Department for more information.

Safe Kids conference is May 29 and 30. Great information on ways to keep our kids safe. Can earn 6 CEU's for CPST recert. Cost\$95.

Upcoming events: Mark your calendars!

April 12, 2008 Babies R Us 11-3 Safety Belt Use Alice

April 26, 2008 Car Seat Clinic UP Mall 11-2 CPST needed

April 27, 2008 Gear Up Games Carla

April 30, 2008 Safe Kids week at Battell Boys and Girls Club Need 5 people (Paige,Florence, Margaret)

May 3, 2008 Retreat in Goshen Car Seat Clinic 8-12 Contact Hollie for info

May 17, 2008 State Farm Car Seat Clinic (2 sites) Need CPST's

May 27, 2008 First United Methodist Church 1 – 4 (See Carla) Need 2 people

May 29, 30 IP conference in Indy

June 8, 2008 Ask the expert Car Seat infor Babies R Us 7 p.m. Need 1

August 26, 2008 Ask the expert Car Seat Info Babies R Us 6p.m. Need 1

September 20, 2008 Car Seat Fitting Clinic time TBA Babies R Us. CPST's needed

October 8, 2008 Walk this Way program Need 4

November 8, 2008 Ask the Expert Babies R Us 10-12 Need 1

Next Meeting: May 1, 2008, 0830 at Sister Maura Health Center, corner of Chapin and Western.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alice Blakesley



Safe Kids of St. Joseph County General Meeting Minutes May 1, 2008

Attendance Alice Blakesley, Carla Bice, Florence Jennings, Ron Melser, Rita Wiginton, Margaret O'Hearn.

Location: Sister Maura Brannick Health Center

Minutes of the Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Financial Report: \$2450.29

Old Business:

Walk this Way Pedestrian Safety will take place with Battell Elementary 6th grade class. I presented to the students yesterday and they were excited. I sent consent forms home with all and the dates that I have are May 12 9-11 or May 14 1-3, depending on when the photographer can come, and May 16 or May 19 9-11 for the walk, then I will meet with the students one more time to finish the project up. Please check your calendars as to what you can help with. Further info will follow via email. Checking into the \$1000 grant money that I have not received yet. Would like to purchase an additional camera for the project then give it to the teacher as a thank you gift.

New Web site for our Chapter – Looks goods, everyone take a look. www.firesafetyzone.org/Safekids_sjc

Safe Kids Week – April 27 – May 3

Event at Battell April 30 at 4 p.m. This was our best event ever. We had five stations with a Marion High School student at each. The kids were very excited and sat and listened, then participated in the activities. I still need to get a seat belt as I would like to make the seat belt station better. We have over 100 participants. Way to Go. Thank you Florence for all you assistance in making this event very successful. Will get \$5 subway gift cards for the students as a Thank You.

Brochure- Will continue to look over and update with what we have covered in 2007.

Media – Ron submitted a letter to local media for Playground Safety Week and got a response from Fox 28. He met with them at Kids Kingdom and was on the news representing us. Thanks Ron for all you do to help promote Safe Kids.

Walk this Way – Halloween event can be at HealthWorks Kids Museum. Thinking Saturday after noon.

Grants received –

Buckle Up monies received \$500 for the July 07- June 08 year. Will submit evaluation after next program completed at Babies R Us. Done.

Mini Traffic Grant – Requested \$1000 for bike helmets and seats. Received all monies requested. Will work with Clay Fire with an event to distribute the helmets. Ron will purchase the items that I requested including bike helmets and car seats.

Buckle Up monies for July 08- June 09. Requested about \$2600. No response yet as to what we will receive.

Walk this way photojournalism money. Have not received am checking into before we start spending monies.

Other Business:

CPST course April 17, 18, 25, and 26. I attended the fitting station and offered to purchase lunch for the participants. Cost \$15.90

Grant Opportunities for our Chapter:

May	Safe Kids Week	Johnson and Johnson
May-June	School Safety Committees	Fed Ex
September	Child Passenger Safety	GM/Chevy
October	Walk this Way	Fed Ex
October	Halloween	Fed Ex
November	Railroad	Canadian Railway
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As Needed	Fire Grant	Safe Kids

State Farm Event: May 17, 2008 to be held at Clay Fire Department. Looking for all interested CPST to help. This qualifies for your event needed for recertification. Call Ron Melser at Clay Fire Department for more information.

Safe Kids conference is May 29 and 30. Great information on ways to keep our kids safe. Can earn 6 CEU's for CPST recert. Cost \$95.

Upcoming events: Mark your calendars!

May 17, 2008 State Farm Car Seat Clinic (2 sites) Need CPST's

May 27, 2008 First United Methodist Church 1 – 4 (See Carla) Need 2 people

May 29, 30 IP conference in Indy

June 8, 2008 Ask the expert Car Seat info Babies R Us 7 p.m. Need 1

August 26, 2008 Ask the expert Car Seat Info Babies R Us 6p.m. Need 1

September 20, 2008 Car Seat Fitting Clinic time TBA Babies R Us. CPST's needed

October 8, 2008 Walk this Way program Need 4

November 8, 2008 Ask the Expert Babies R Us 10-12 Need 1

T-shirts with Safe Kids Logo. Ron will check into finding out the cost of screen printing.

Next Meeting: June 6, 2008, 1130 at Clay Fire Department on Auten Road

Alice Blakesley

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June 6, 2008 Clay Fire Department



Balance:

Attendance: Alice Blakesley, Ron Melser, Natalie Massey, Florence Jennings, Rita Wiginton, Cherylyn Williams

Minutes of Previous meeting: Approved as received.

Awards: Safe Kids Indiana and the Automotive Safety Program honored the efforts of those persons and organizations in Indiana who exhibit a true dedication to the prevention of injuries and deaths to Hoosier children by presenting them with a Child Safety Advocate Award. Ron Melser our Co-coordinator received this award. Nice job Ron.

Walk this Way grant: I submitted our application for this grant, so we will be participating in the walk this way program again this year with Battel Elementary.

Bike Helmets: Our chapter received monies for the purchase of bike helmets and car seats. I will need to submit receipts and evaluation by August 30, 2008. Making plans to go on the streets with the HealthWorks Hummer to distribute helmets at the parks in our community to kids who re riding without helmets. Will look for dates the Hummer is available and bring to next meeting. Safe Kids will purchase magnetic logos to place on the Hummer to also get our name out when we go on these outings. Hope to do two or three by end of August.

June 8, 2008 Daddy Boot Camp at Babies R Us. Car Seat Safety. 7 p.m. Ron will do.

Grants: Cherylyn will email Alice with Grant info and opportunities.
Photojournalism grant money received. Project submitted.

T-shirts for regular attendees and participants in Safe Kids events. Would like us to wear these when participating in events.

Safe Kids list serve. Can no longer use. Ron has up and running our local chapter safe kids web site. Check it out and offer input as you see needed. Keep it in your favorites as this is our communication for meetings and minutes.

August 2, 2008 Women and Childrens health Fair at Elkhart Memorial High School. Since Elkhart Safe Kids cannot participate it is asked that we possibly have a table with information on Car Seat info. Anyone interested in doing this event please let Flo know. Literature and car seats are available. Alice is not available to do this event.

Brochure and letter to increase interest in other community agencies. Ron made a brochure and letter to send to prospective agencies that we might like to be involved in Safe Kids. We need to come up with a list of agencies that we can send this to. Any ideas let me know. Need new picture of car seat fitting.

Upcoming events:

August 2, 2008 Womens and Childrens Health Fair Elkhart 8-1 Need 2

August 26, 2008 Ask the expert Car Seat Info Babies R Us 6 p.m. Need 1

September 20, 2008 Car Seat Fitting Clinic time TBA Babies R Us CPST's Needed

October 8, 2008 Walk this way program Need 4

November 8, 2008 Ask the Expert Babies R Us 10-12 Need 1

November Railroad Safety (Three Schools) Need 6

Next Meeting: July 7, 2008 Food Bank 702 Chapin Street.

Car Seats for Natalie for July 17 in Fulton County, also literature.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alice Blakesley, R.N.

Injury Prevention Coordinator, Memorial Trauma Services

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July 7, 2008 at 4C's



Balance: 3512.96

Attendance: Alice Blakesley, Ron Melser, Natalie Massey, Carla Bice and Betty Kella
Minutes of Previous meeting: Approved as received.

Bike Helmet distribution. Idea is to get the HealthWorks Hummer to go out to parks where lunches are offered and talk to kids about bike safety and distribute helmets to those who need one. Also Clay Fire Territory participates in many parades and will help distribute helmets to those kids participating without helmets. Any other ideas please let Alice know.

Magnetic signs for vehicles ordered. Will cost \$75. This is so our chapter will get some recognition in the area when we are at events.

Walk this Way grant: I submitted our application for this grant, so we will be participating in the walk this way program again this year with Battel Elementary. International Walk to school day is October 8, 2008. Mark your calendars for availability.

June 8, 2008 Daddy Boot Camp at Babies R Us. Car Seat Safety. 24 dads participated.

June 19 Foster Family night. Car Seat Info. 96 participants.

T-shirts for regular attendees and participants in Safe Kids events. Would like us to wear these when participating in events. Ron will bring information to the next meeting.

Safe Kids web site: www.firesafetyzone.org/safekids_sjc Check it out.

Brochure and letter to increase interest in other community agencies. Ron made a brochure and letter to send to prospective agencies that we might like to be involved in Safe Kids. We need to come up with a list of agencies that we can send this to. Any ideas let me know.

Upcoming events:

August 26, 2008 Ask the expert Car Seat Info Babies R Us 6 p.m. Need 1

September 20, 2008 Car Seat Fitting Clinic time TBA Babies R Us CPST's Needed Carla will check into a request for funding from the St. Joe foundation if needed. Grant available thru Safe Kids.

October 8, 2008 Walk this way program Need 4 (Grant applied for)

November 8, 2008 Ask the Expert Babies R Us 10-12 Need 1

November Railroad Safety (One School of at least 250 students) Need 4 (Grant applied for)

Next Meeting: August 12, 2008 0830 at HealthWorks Kids Museum.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alice Blakesley, R.N.

Injury Prevention Coordinator, Memorial Trauma Services



Safe Kids of St. Joseph County General Meeting Minutes August 12, 2008

Attendance: Alice Blakesley, Natalie Massey, and Ron Melser.

Location: HealthWorks Kids Museum

Minutes of the Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Financial Report: \$3309.96

Old Business:

Bike Helmets are available if anyone needs to distribute one to someone in need.

Magnetic Signs are done. Will use on Van and HealthWorks Hummer for our events.

Walk to School Program – October 9, 2008 at Battell. Presentations at 9 – 9:30 and 9:45 – 10:15. Cecil Lybargar from Fed Ex will come and meet us at the next meeting. What can we do for the teachers? Will receive grant money from Safe Kids/Fed Ex for this presentation.

Halloween Program – Will check with HealthWorks about when to have Halloween event. Idea is October 24, 2008 from 5-7. Check and see when ZOO BOO is. Natalie can send out information to child care places to get the info out.

T-shirts are being redone.

New Web site for our Chapter – Looks goods, everyone take a look.

http://www.firesafetyzone.org/SafeKids_sjc

Brochure- Will continue to look over and update with what we have covered in 2007 and 2008. Available on our web site.

Railroad program to be scheduled in November. No school selected yet. Application for grant monies submitted. Natalie will send her copy of the presentation to Alice for us to update/improve ours.

Grants received –

Car Seat Clinic \$500

Pedestrian Safety \$1000

Pedestrian Safety Halloween \$1000

Upcoming events: Mark your calendars!

September 20, 2008 Car Seat Fitting Clinic time 4-6pm Babies R Us. CPST's needed

October 8, 2008 Walk this Way program Need 4

October 27,28,29,31 Halloween event

November 8, 2008 Ask the Expert Babies R Us 10-12 Need 1

Next Meeting: October 23, 2008 1300 (Can we change time) Location to be determined

Respectfully submitted,
Alice Blakesley

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September 17, 2008 1130 at HealthWorks Kids
Museum



Balance: \$2741.34
Attendance: Natalie Massey, Alice Blakesley, Ron
Melser, Rita Wiginton, and Cecil Lybarger (Fed Ex)
Minutes of Previous meeting: Read and approved as
received.

Magnetic Signs are in and will be used to be placed on the Elkhart Safe Kids Van when
used at events and also on the HealthWorks Hummer for Halloween.

Car Seat event: September 20, 2008 at Babies R Us. Time 4 -6 p.m. If available or
interested and helping contact Ron Melser at Clay Fire Dept. All help would be greatly
appreciated. Set Up at Babies R Us at 3:30. Safe Kids St. Joseph County received a
grant for \$500 for the purchase of car seats for this event. Let's help our community and
participate.

Walk this way program: This program will be held on October 9, 2008. Battell
Elementary School in Mishawaka will allow us to come do two ½ hour presentations
about walking to school. This is the school that we did last year and would like to make
this event even better than last year. All the teachers will receive a backpack with school
supplies to be used in the classroom and all the students will get reflector zipper pulls and
pedestrian safety information. Come all and lets make Battell in Mishawaka safer.
Arrive at Battell around 8:45. First class at 9:00 – 9:30 followed by the older kids at 9:45
to 10:15. We will be presenting a plaque/poster presentation to the school and Mrs.
Lashbrooke, the class that we did the photojournalism project with. South Bend Tribune
will be there.

Halloween: We received a grant for \$1000 for the Halloween Walk this way event. We
will visit two or three schools or groups during recess and offer safety information related
to Halloween safety. We will be taking the HealthWorks Hummer out and do a game
show type event during recess.

Cub scouts on October 21, 2008 7-8 p.m. at St. Judes

Twin Branch on October 31, 2008 11:00 – 1:00 on playground

Railroad Event: School not selected as of yet. Received \$1000 to provide an
educational event to 250 students. Thinking about Beiger, one of the schools that we did
last year. Will contact the school after the walk this way event.

Next Meeting October 16, 2008 at HealthWorks Kids Museum 1130.(Changed see
below)

October 15, 2008 at HealthWorks Kids Museum at 1130

Respectfully Submitted,
Alice Blakesley, R.N.
Injury Prevention Coordinator

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October 15, 2008 1130 at HealthWorks Kids Museum

Balance: \$4435.35

Attendance: Alice Blakesley, Ron Melser, and Rita Wiginton.

Minutes of Previous meeting: Read and approved as received.



Car Seat event was held on September 20, 2008 at Babies R Us from 4 -6 p.m. We checked 17 car seats, some without children. Thanks to Babies R Us for supplying Jimmie Johns for all who helped. Those that helped are Ron Melser and family, Natalie Massey, Alice Blakesley, Paige Smith, Jessica Atwood, and Rita Wittington. Safe Kids St. Joseph County received a grant for \$500 for the purchase of car seats for this event. Again, Thanks for helping make our community safer.

Walk this way program: This program was held at Battell Elementary on October 9, 2008. We presented in two groups. All the teachers received a backpack with school supplies to be used in the classroom and all the students received reflector zipper pulls and pedestrian safety information. We presented a plaque/poster presentation to the school and Mrs. Lashbrooke, the class that we did the photojournalism project with. South Bend Tribune was there. One of the students in Mrs. Lashbrooks class had their photo selected for the USA display. (I was mistaken about the Worldwide display). Ron Melser did an awesome job in putting all the photos submitted together in a large display to be presented to the school. Fox 28 had an article on their website about this program. We presented to 350 students and teachers

Halloween: We received a grant for \$1000 for the Halloween Walk this way event. We will visit two or three schools or groups during recess and offer safety information related to Halloween safety. We will be taking the HealthWorks Hummer out and do some sort of presentation, questions answer program.

Cub scouts on October 21, 2008 7-8 p.m. at St. Judes

Navarre Middle School on October 23, 2008 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in gym.

Twin Branch on October 31, 2008 11:00 – 1:00 on playground

Railroad Event: Will be at Lincoln School on November 3, 2008. Received \$1000 to provide an educational event to 250 students.

Car Seat Clinic November 8, 2008 10-12 at The Natural Way on University Drive.

Next Meeting December 2, 2008 at 0830 at Sister Maura Brannick Health Center

Respectfully Submitted,

Alice Blakesley, R.N.

Injury Prevention Coordinator Memorial Trauma Services

Safe Kids of St. Joseph County
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December 2, 2008 1130 at Sister Maura Brannick Health Center



Balance: \$4984.56

Attendance: Alice Blakesley, Carla Bice, and Betty Kella.

Minutes of Previous meeting: Read and approved as received.

Halloween: We received a grant for \$1000 for the Halloween Walk this Way event. We will visited two schools and one group and offered safety information related to Halloween. We took the HealthWorks Hummer out and did a short presentation outside.

Cub scouts on October 21, 2008 7-8 p.m. at St. Judes 75 kids and adults.

Navarre Middle School on October 23, 2008 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in gym. 200 adults/kids

Twin Branch on October 31, 2008 11:00 – 1:00 on playground 356 students

Railroad Event: We went to Lincoln School on November 3, 2008. Ron and Alice talked to two groups of students. It was interactive with a railroad train and crossing. Great fun for all. All the students received information about railroad safety in a packet.

Car Seat Clinic November 8, 2008 10-12 at The Natural Way . Canceled due to weather. I did go to the store to be available if anyone did show. No one showed.

Bring a goal for our chapter for 2009 to the next meeting.

Car Seat clinics for 2009 - We would like to do a car seat fitting stations in April or May at the Sister Maura Branninck Health Center. Date to come later.

Safe Kids would like to have bags to place information in to give out at health fairs and functions. Easy for all to carry.

Burn Program – I received a burn program from Safe Kids, including a video. Betty Kella took the video home and will give an update as if this is something we can do.

Events for 2009

May 6, 2009 Sister Maura Clinic Safe Kids Week??

September CPS Week

October Walk this way, Halloween

November Railroad Safety

Meetings for 2009

Feb 3, March 3, April 14, May 12, June 2, July 7, August 4, Sept 1, Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1.

All at 0830. February Meeting to be at HealthWorks.

Next Meeting Feruary 3, 2009 at 0830 at HealthWorks Kids Museum

Respectfully Submitted,

Alice Blakesley, R.N.

Injury Prevention Coordinator Memorial Trauma Services