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Local Youth Attend A Spokane Shocks Game

By Laura Hampton

On Saturday July 11th, Sharlene Johnson, organized a bus with 21 teens to go to the Shock Arena Football game in Spokane, Washington. The tickets for the game were paid for by the DFC grant, so the kids only needed to bring money for dinner and to pay the bus driver, Andy Jones. There was a positive response from the kids who went. They all really loved it and thought it was "super fun". There were noise makers available and at first they were a ton of fun, but after awhile they got a little old. Not to the kids, though, they like making noise as we all know teens do.

Sharlene has many activities that she coordinates for the youth of the town of Kamiah. Most small towns do not have these types of activities available. Sharlene Johnson, Victoria Bailey (our ADEO officer, who is always at our events and gives informative and helpful talks to the kids about drugs and alcohol), Loretta Reiner (who helped organized it), Yvonne Jones and I were the adults who went with the youth on the bus. It was a long ride, but well worth it. The teens really

enjoyed getting to go down to the arena and get autographs from the players and the cheerleaders. I'm a huge fan of dancing and the Shock cheerleaders are amazing and so entertaining to watch. I'm not a big football fan, but I would have gone just to see the cheerleaders, as well as how much fun the kids had. They made the comments, "Let's do this again!" and "This was great, thanks".



Before going to the game we stopped at the Golden Corral for dinner. Wow, what a feast we had. A couple kids from Kooskia went with us as well. I feel it is good to get Kamiah and Kooskia to intermingle sometimes. Our towns are so close and this was a perfect opportunity because it was a football game with different teams from different towns.

The two teams were, of course, the Spokane Shock and the Wilkes/Barre Scranton Pioneers. The Shocks won by four points giving them their eighth victory on the Spokane Tribe Field this season. The fans were great to watch. So many people showed up painted and dressed in orange and navy blue and were these fans excited! During the game the announcer played awesome music, which we all really enjoyed. I have never been to an arena football game, and thought it was great fun. Even though I'm not a huge fan of football, I'm definitely excited about going to another arena game in the future.

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TEEN VIEWING OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL-RELATED VIDEOS ONLINE



Recent data from a special study conducted by Nielsen Online, on behalf of ONDCP, which monitored the online viewing habits of teens in June 2008, reveal that today's tech-savvy teens are exposed to dangerous, drug-related content through the Internet.

The analysis also shows that viewer comments posted to drug-related videos overwhelmingly support or suggest acceptance of the video content.

- Teens who watched videos online in a one-month period were exposed to 1.2 million drug-related videos.
- Nearly one million teens, or 5 percent of teens online, viewed drug-related videos in June.
- More than a third (35%) of teens who viewed drug-related video are younger than 16.
- Significantly more girls than boys watch drug-related videos. Fifty-seven percent of viewers were girls; 43 percent boys.
- Almost 40 percent of drug-related videos contain explicit use of drugs and/or intoxication.
- Eighty-five percent of videos containing explicit drug use or

intoxication also have comments that promote substance abuse.

- Comments on drug-related videos with music or humor were overwhelmingly (87%) positive about the content of the video.

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What are the dangers that parents should be aware of?

- Music and the Internet make drug use seem accepted and cool. In an analysis of the most popular songs of 2005, according to Billboard magazine 42 percent had a substance use reference of any kind (explicit, figurative, or place).
- The Billboard results suggest that the average adolescent is exposed to approximately 84 references to explicit substance use per day, 591 references per week, or 30,732 references per year.
- In an analysis of online discussions about drugs and alcohol among teens of blogs, public chat rooms, message boards, and other online places, 28 percent of online messages about marijuana also often discussed other destructive behaviors such as drinking, smoking cigarettes, and cutting (self-mutilation).
- Even the youngest kids have access to risky material. The top

online video destination for 2-11-year-olds is YouTube

How can you monitor your teen's video and music downloads?

1. Talk to your kids about your own values and expectations about sex and drug use. Otherwise, the main input they'll get is from the media, Internet, and pop culture, which makes dressing sexy, experimenting with alcohol and drugs, and casual hook-ups seem like the norm.

2. Keep the lines of communication open. As your kids grow up and their tastes change, ask why they enjoy the music they regularly listen to and the videos they download.

3. Establish clear rules about what your kids can watch online and what they can download. Emphasize that they cannot visit porn sites or watch online clips of raunchy behavior, and check the computer history to see where they've been going.

4. Take an interest in what your kids are listening to and are excited about. If you flat-out reject their love of popular culture, they will be tempted to shut you out completely. Embrace their world, but establish clear boundaries about what you find acceptable and appropriate.

Source for data on this page: "Teen Viewing of Drug and Alcohol-Related Videos Online: Custom Study Conducted on behalf of ONDCP," Nielsen Online, June 2008, and "theantidrug.com."

Meet Mr. and Mrs. Crystal Meth

This is a poem passed on by a relative of the 21 year old female who lost her life while addicted to crystal meth. This is a true happening. A 21 year old female was addicted to crystal meth, overdosed, and lost her life.

After her death, they were cleaning out her apartment and in her top dresser drawer, found a poem she had written.

I destroy homes – I tear families apart.
I take your children and that's just a start.
I'm more valued than diamonds, more precious than gold.
The sorrow I bring is a sight to behold.

If you need me, remember, I'm easily found.
I live all around you, in school and in town.
I live with the rich, I live with the poor.
I live just down the street and maybe next door.

I'm made in a lab, but not one like you think.
I can be made under the kitchen sink,
In your child's closet, and even out in the woods.
If this scares you to death, then it certainly should.

I have many names. But there's one you'll know best.
I'm sure you've heard of me, my name is Crystal Meth.
My power is awesome, try me, you'll see.
But if you do, you may never break free.

Just try me once and I might let you go.
But if you try me twice, then I'll own your soul.
When I possess you, you'll steal and you'll lie.
You'll do what you have to do, just to get high.

The crimes you commit for my narcotic charms,
Will be worth the pleasures you feel in my arms.
You'll lie to your mother; you'll steal from your dad.
When you see their tears, you must feel sad.

Just forget your morals and how you were raised.
I'll be your conscience, I'll teach you my ways.
I take kids from their parents;
I take parents from their kids.

I turn people from God, I separate friends.
I'll take everything from you, your looks and your pride.
I'll be with you always, right by your side.

You'll give up everything, your family, your home.
Your money, your true friend, then you'll be alone.
I'll take and take till you have no more to give.
When I finish with you, you'll be lucky to live.

If you try me, be warned, this is not a game.
If I'm given the chance, I'll drive you insane.
I'll ravage your body; I'll control your mind.
I'll own you completely; your soul will be mine.

The nightmares I'll give you when you're lying in bed,
And the voices you'll hear from inside your head.
The sweats, the shakes, and the visions from me.
I want you to know these things are gifts from me.

But then it's too late, and you'll know in your heart
That you are now mine and we shall not part.
You'll regret that you tried me (they always do).
But you came to me, not I to you.

You knew this would happen.
Many times you've been told.
But you challenged my power,
You chose to be bold.

You could have said no and then walked away.
If you could live that day over now, what would you say?
My power is awesome, as I told you before.
I can take your life and make it so dim and sore.

I'll be your master and you'll be my slave.
I'll even go with you when you go to your grave.
Now that you've met me, what will you do?
Will you try me or not? It's all up to you.

I can show you more
misery than words can
tell.

Come take my hand, let
me lead you to H---

**Written by
Alicia VanDavis**



Horses...The 'Anti-drug' Of Choice For Area Youth

By Marla Mortimer, EASAP Founder and KCPC Member

As an adult I realized the influence of a positive role model, and her horses, were my 'anti-drug' during my critical adolescent years. In 1997, I created "COLT", (*Changing Our Lives Together*), a substance abuse prevention program for youth. Over the next several years I further developed the program and went on to found "EASAP". (*Equine Assisted Substance Abuse Prevention, Inc.*), a 501 C 3 non-profit organization designed to apply- and teach others how to apply- equine assisted prevention.

WHY HORSES? Children involved in horse related activities learn to be persistent but patient in their efforts; to be assertive, without becoming



Ashley grooms 'Shilo'

aggressive; to compromise, without giving up; how to work as a

team with the horse, and yet remain in charge; the significance of body language and tone of their voice; the importance of trust; the benefit of commitment and hard work. In a world where 'instant gratification'

seems to dominate, interaction with horses requires one to engage in physical and mental work to achieve their goals.

The opportunity to work with and ride horses is repeatedly the catalyst for many children to make the "substance free commitment". Horses, farms, fresh air- things we often take for granted- speak volumes to children who sit for hours in a classroom or at home all day. The anguish of trying to sit still for an active child or the repeated disappointment of a "hands on" learner in a "hands off" environment is difficult. In an equine assisted program, following directions, working in a group, listening to the instructor, completing tasks, focusing, finishing a project, building trust and confidence, are all accomplished and enable a child to learn and grow in multiple capacities.

While youth are enjoying their 'equine experience', they are ultimately learning important life-skills and work ethic. Best of all, the child can feel within that he did it "right" because the horse responded.

In July I was fortunate enough to attend a training by 'MN LINC', a Minnesota based *Animal Assisted Facility*.

Their "Kids and Horses Protocol" training was presented in Salmon, Idaho at the *Whitewater Therapeutic and Riding Center*. The MN LINC protocol utilizes "best practices" for youth development, education and mental health support. The training taught various professionals, (there were mental health professionals, educators and equine specialists in attendance), how to apply their 'Kids and Horses Protocol' to their new or current programs.

This training was made possible by *Kamiah Community Partners Coalition* and the *Kamiah Community Care Team*. I thank these groups for their diligence and support of substance abuse prevention efforts.



powerful effort. **Kids and horses, what a great 'anti-drug' crusade to be a part of!**

This two-day training was not only educational, but inspiring as I came to realize how lucky I was to be a part of such a promising and

KCPC Teen Events Are A Big Hit!

The Kamiah Community Partners Coalition's (KCPC) teen events have been a hit! The summer heat has area teens hitting the pool for free food and dollar swim. They have also had talks about what drugs do to them and how to stay drug free. These talks are provided by Lewis County Alcohol and Drug Enforcement Officer Victoria Bailey. The Youth know now that KCPC holds events almost every weekend, some of these events include High School Open Gym, Middle School Open Gym, Colorama, and Teen Dances. All events have refreshments and door prizes provided as well as a DJ.

At the Open Gym events we started out playing basketball, then Sheriff Brokop

wanted to start a game of dodge ball and that made everyone's night because they learned that they can still have fun and remain drug free. Open Gyms are either held at the school or in the Wa ya as Community Building.

On Colorama Nights, the kids are able to come hang out and bowl for free. Tamarack Lanes is gracious enough to let us use their bowling alley for this. They care enough about our area youth to do this.

The American Legion and Valley View Recovery hosts our Teen dances. There is always have a DJ on hand to play a variety of music to please everyone. The youth

appreciate having another place to go hang out other than the school for these dances.

Why does KCPC put on these events? We want our area teens to have something to do Friday and Saturday nights. We also want to encourage our area teens to make the right decision to remain drug free and show them they can have fun while remaining drug free.

The KCPC mission is "Promoting Positive Change for a Healthy Community". They meet the third Wednesday of every month. Youth are encouraged to attend and become a part of the decision making process, because after all, Youth are the future of our community.

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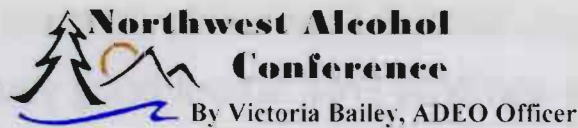
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KCPC Attends



Sharlene Johnson, Christine McNall and myself went to the Northwest Alcohol Conference in Boise. We began the experience on July 15, 2009 at an invitation only VIP Sub Grantee meeting. This was a networking session for enforcing underage drinking laws. We met with other grantees and conference speakers dealing with alcohol issues in communities. After the meeting we all gathered for a catered meal and got to know everyone a little better.

On Thursday and Friday we listened to several Keynote Speakers. The first was Jim Mosher, an Alcohol Policy Expert from Felton, California. Jim addressed the debate on possibly changing the drinking age and discussions of creating a program that gives people a license to drink. He introduced everyone to the concept of environmental problems and environmental factors that affect underage drinking.

We were then honored to hear award winning Officer Jermaine Galloway of Boise, ID discussing Alcohol Current Trends and Practices. Jermaine spoke to attendees about a new disorderly home policy that Boise has adopted. He also explained what shoulder taps, party patrols and compliance checks were as well as, how the Boise Police Dept. handles and carries them out the . Jermaine also went over

how, "to identify teen drinkers and substance abuse users along with today's youth consuming and concealing alcohol in today's current climate."

Jared Olson is the Idaho Traffic Safety Prosecutor, Attorneys Association, in Boise, ID. Jared spoke to attendees about alcohol and cyber-crime. Jared's main purpose was to inform law enforcement, Community Coalitions, Prosecutors and other professionals on the proliferation of internet-based cyber-crimes. He discussed the use of social networking sites by today's youth as well as, predators who hunt out their victims on these sites.

Joe Kiel, is an officer, trainer, and the author of "When Just Say No Doesn't Work". Joe's session focused on current drug trends including; what is being abused, clothing being worn, paraphernalia associated with different drug categories and physical signs and symptoms of drug abuse and individuals under the influence.

Each of us also attended various individual breakout sessions. They included; Party Patrols: Proactive & Multifaceted Enforcement Strategies, Pharmaceutical Drug Abuse (Adult & Teen), Alcohol & Party Drugs: The Gateways to Abuse, High School and College - Prevention to En-

forcement Programs for the Reduction of Underage Drinking, Social Networking Websites and Alcohol Among Our Youth, Mobilizing Coalitions in Your Community, Prevention & Enforcement of Underage Drinking in Rural Areas, Rural Alcohol Enforcement Strategies Through Alcohol Enforcement Teams & Coalitions, Youth Alcohol Prevention Programs, Successful Use of Media Campaigns & Partnerships to Reducing Underage Drinking, Youth Leadership! Time to Mobilize, and Fake ID's and Server Training Programs. After these sessions we would come together as a collaborative group and discuss what we learned and what we wanted to take back to our community.

In addition to the Keynote Speakers and breakout sessions, there were many vendors. These vendors included; The Idaho Peace Officer Memorial, Ignition Interlock, Crime Stoppers USA, Idaho State Police, Idaho RADAR Network, Lifeloc Technologies, and many more. By visiting each vendor we entered our names for various prizes given away throughout the conference. Christine won a video on underage drinking and the book "When Just Say No Doesn't Work". These are available to the public in the Kamiah Community Partners Coalition Drug and Awareness library. Also, Sharlene won a \$100 gas gift card!

In conclusion, this conference was very enlightening and informative in so many ways. We all learned very important information and gained resources that can be used by and for our community.

Governments Spend \$468 Billion on Drug and Alcohol Abuse...

A new study says that government spending related to smoking, drug and alcohol abuse reached a total of \$468 billion in 2005 – an amount that is more than one-tenth of all combined federal, state and local expenditures. The study was conducted by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, and is the first to calculate abuse-related spending by all three levels of government.

Follow the money: According to the researchers, the majority of spending went to pay for medical treatment of lung disease, cirrhosis and overdoses. Law enforcement and incarceration expenses also accounted for considerable portions of the overall spending. What researchers found both surprising and discouraging in the data was that the amount spent on prevention, treatment and addiction research accounted for only two percent of the total spending.

In an interview with the New York Times, chairman of the Columbia center Joseph Califano Jr., said, "This is such a stunning misallocation of resources. It's a commentary on the stigma attached to addictions and the failure of governments to make investments in the short run that would pay enormous dividends to taxpayers over time."

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Governments Spend \$468 Billion on Drug and Alcohol Abuse...cont.

The study has been questioned by some groups, saying that it is misleading to lump together spending on smoking along with alcohol and drug abuse. But even critics of the report admit that the research shows the need for more investment in prevention and treatment.

Learning from antismoking campaigns: The researchers also suggested that antismoking campaigns may provide a model for a more productive fight against alcohol and drug abuse: education, intervention, higher taxes and increased restrictions. These measures have reduced smoking by nearly 50% over recent decades, changing cultural attitudes about smoking and ultimately saving billions in costs.

As all levels of government struggle with difficult economic conditions, increased spending on prevention, education and intervention for drug and alcohol abuse should be seen as making more sense than ever.

"In 2005, spending for prevention, treatment and addiction research accounted for only two percent of the \$468 billion spent by all levels of government on smoking, drug and alcohol abuse." – National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse

Source: Eckholm, Erik. "Governments' drug-abuse costs hit \$468 billion, study says." NYTimes.com, 28 May 2009.

Common Myths On Parenting Teens

Article taken from www.parentteen.com

Parenting teens is often a tough and thankless job. The stakes are higher than at any other stage in their development. Many factors affect outcomes in teenagers, including the child's characteristics, stress within the family and from outside sources, and how much support the teen gets at home, at school, and within the community.

There are many myths regarding parenting teenagers that need to be dispelled. Teens don't suddenly "go bad". The following myths will hopefully help bring parents and teens together, and take a closer look at the misconceptions that get in the way of understanding each other.

1. Once a bad kid, always a bad kid. One of the worst things a parent can do is stick the "bad kid" label on their teen. The parent is reinforcing the idea that the teen is bad, therefore eventually the teen will believe they are bad and act out in destructive ways.

2. You can fix your teenager. If your relationship with your child is not working, you can only work on yourself and your behaviors. In doing so, you can search for the best ways to deal with your teen. You may not be able to control your teens

emotional and volatile nature at all times, but you are in control of how you respond to it.

3. A good relationship is a peaceful one. Many parents fail to give their teen guidelines and boundaries because they are afraid of a confrontation. A parent cannot afford to shirk their responsibilities as a parent just for the sake of keeping the peace.

4. Share everything with your teen. Being honest with the teen does not mean being totally open. A parent is the primary role model in the teen's life and often times teens feel that it's OK to do something their parent did.

5. Teens prefer their friends to their parents. As children begin school, they spend less time with their family, and their friends take on a greater importance in their lives. Adolescents begin to create their own identity through where they go, what they do, and who they spend their time with. Unfortunately, teens with high anxiety or low self-esteem will seek the approval from a peer group. However, if they have been given strategies and tools early in life to deal with tough decisions, they will be able to face these challenges with good results.

6. My teenager won't talk to me. I can't get him to open up. Teenagers like to talk. But they must have a willing listener.

There should be a balance between routine chatter and meaningful talks. Time and effort needs to be taken to find a quiet place to really talk to the teen about what is going on in their daily lives, and the challenges they are facing. Try to keep an open mind and really listen to what the teen is trying to communicate.

Another common myth is that peer pressure is at its worst during adolescent and teen years. Peer pressure is a positive force but it is also overrated. Generally, adolescents choose friends with similar tastes and values to theirs. However, parents still retain the major influence over the teen's life.

Research has shown that parents who monitor their teens can help curb or prevent many risky behaviors. Monitoring also serves to give teens the message that with increased privileges comes increased responsibility and above all that the parent cares enough to set and enforce boundaries.

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Washington Post Editorial Calls *Amethyst Initiative* a Bad Idea

An editorial in the Washington Post published earlier this month said the Amethyst letter, which called for lowering the drinking age, is not the solution to the nation's drinking problem on college campuses. Instead, college administrators should work on enforcing the law.

"Some things only seem like a good idea at 3 a.m. Increasingly, the Amethyst Letter, which more than 100 college presidents and chancellors signed last year to advocate rethinking the drinking age, looks like one of them," the editorial reads. The article notes

that a recent study published in the *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry* found that binge drinking has decreased nationwide with the increased drinking age — everywhere but on college campuses.

The editorial put the blame on college campuses for not enforcing the minimum drinking age law more strictly. "Outside college campuses, where underage drinking is clearly prohibited, young people more often have made the decision not to drink. This, in turn, has helped drive down drunk driving, assault and other unsafe be-

haviors. For further proof, college administrators should consider their drug policies; the perception that drug use will not be tolerated can and does influence students' choices."

The study in the *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry* found that when young people know that the law will be upheld, they adjust their behavior. "Instead of complaining about the drinking age, they [college administrators] should try enforcing it," the editorial noted.

The Washington Post

A Lower Drinking Age?

That would be a bad way to deal with binge drinking on campuses.

Sunday, July 12, 2009

SOME THINGS only seem like a good idea at 3 a.m. Increasingly, the Amethyst Letter, which more than 100 college presidents and chancellors signed last year to advocate rethinking the drinking age, looks like one of them. A study just published in the *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry* found that binge drinking has decreased nationwide with the increased drinking age -- everywhere but on college campuses.

A variety of factors may contribute to the decline in binge drinking among young non-students -- the presence of parents, the demands of jobs, more difficult access to drinking-age peers. But the lessons for school administrators are clear. Where the drinking age is enforced, harmful drinking behaviors have been in overall decline. But on campuses, binge drinking has remained stable -- or gotten worse. And in areas such as women's binge drinking that have increased in the population at large, the increase for college students has outpaced that for their non-student peers.

Those on college campuses who favor a lower drinking age point out that students will decide to drink regardless of the law, and forcing them to do so in secret and illegally will make behaviors such as binge drinking harder to monitor. But outside college campuses, where underage drinking is clearly prohibited, young people more often have made the decision not to drink. This, in turn, has helped drive down drunk driving, assault and other unsafe behaviors. For further proof, college administrators should consider their drug policies; the perception that drug use will not be tolerated can and does influence students' choices.

The journal's study drives home the fact that, when young people know that the law will be upheld, they adjust their behavior. It's time for college administrators to stop passing the buck to the drinking age and start taking their in loco parentis role more seriously. Instead of complaining about the drinking age, they should try enforcing it.

KCPC Sends Johnson and Bailey to Record Attended CADCA Mid-Year Conference

More than 1300 anti-drug coalition leaders took Louisville, Ky. by storm as they attended CADCA's Mid-Year Training Camp, where they networked with their peers, heard from experts in the substance abuse prevention field and learned new strategies to help them tackle their local drug abuse problems. Attendance at the 2009 Mid-Year was the largest of any Mid-Year to date. Kamiah Community Partners was excited to be part of that.

Through their Drug Free Communities Grant they were able to send two people. Sharlene Johnson, Coalition Coordinator, and Victoria Bailey, Lewis County Drug and Alcohol Enforcement Officer.

CADCA's Mid-Year is an intensive four-day training designed specifically for community coalition professionals. This year's Mid-Year, entitled "Major League Coalitions," featured in-depth courses on everything from coalition fundamentals and evaluation to underage drinking policies and social marketing strategies.

The 2009 Mid-Year was unique not only because of the record number of attendees, but also because of the diverse range of participants. Participants came from all



over the country and world, including nearly all 50 states, several U.S. territories, and 10 countries, providing a unique networking opportunity. Among the participants were large contingents from the U.S. Air Force and the National Guard, and more than 200 youth who took part in CADCA's National Youth Leadership Initiative.

Kicking off the Mid-Year was keynote speaker Fran Harding, Director of the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, who urged coalitions to try to include substance abuse in any health-care reform initiative.

"When we're working to reduce substance abuse, we are working with the same indicators of risk as those for heart disease, diabetes and obesity," Harding said. "Knock on the doors of the healthcare reform conversation and say 'I need to be a part of this conversation because I have a part in the solution.'"

Harding said most people don't understand how substance abuse and addiction is connected to chronic disease, or of the effectiveness of substance abuse prevention.

Coalitions, she said, can help educate the public. "In the work that you do, our biggest problem is that the success that you bring to the table everyday is not known or believed by the rest of the people in the country. Let SAMHSA help you to begin to share that success and show people how connected your work is to chronic disease," Harding noted.

In addition to hearing from experts in the substance abuse prevention and treatment fields, and participating in four days of workshops, Mid-Year participants also took part in a number of unique activities including a town hall event specifically for Drug-Free Communities program grantees and the World Café, a creative meeting method that engages people to participate through conversation in small groups and multiple rounds of discussion.

Kamiah Community Partners Coalition meets the third Wednesday of every month at 12:30 pm at the Kamiah Welcome Center. Their mission is "Promoting Positive Change for a Healthy Community". If you have any further questions please contact Sharlene Johnson at 935-2290.

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"Promoting Positive Change for a Healthy Community!"

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"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead

When the board meets:

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These are open meetings and we invite the community to join us. Lunch is provided.

PLEASE JOIN US!



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