



The "YAB" of  
Safe Haven's  
Blue Ribbon  
Campaign



April '09



**REMINDER:**

Your project timeline must be submitted to the Youth As Resources office no later than Monday, March 16, 2009.

Please contact the YAR office if you have any questions.



Thank you!

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## SAFE Haven Youth Advisory Board Plans National Child Abuse Prevention Ceremony

By Racine News Team

Racine, WI - The SAFE Haven of Racine Youth Advisory Board will hold a ceremony on Monument Square in Racine from noon to 4:00pm on April 18 to raise awareness of child abuse, as part of National Child Abuse Prevention "Blue Ribbon" month.

The event will include a brief keynote address by Youth Advisory Board President O'pre'a Jackson, with additional comments from Youth Advisory Board Vice President Kiley Ketzler. Biodegradable blue balloons containing cards that spread the message of Child Abuse Prevention will be released, and, weather permitting, music will be provided by YAB-member Brandon Reed's band Shadow of Life and by pianist O'pre'a Jackson. In addition, 250 Child Abuse Prevention blue wristbands will be distributed to those in attendance.

The "Blue Ribbon" theme came about after the grandson of Bonnie Finney of Portsmouth, Virginia, was found dead in a canal, the victim of child abuse. Ms. Finney tied a blue ribbon to her van's antenna, and the Blue Ribbon campaign grew from there. Blue Ribbons are not in memory of any particular child, but rather a symbol to remind people that child abuse exists. The Youth Advisory Board members believe it everyone's responsibility to recognize symptoms of child abuse and to report child abuse to the appropriate authorities.

The Youth Advisory Board thanks the United Way of Racine County's Youth As Resources group for a supportive grant. Additional thanks go to Kangaroo Brands, which has generously donated 500 bags of pita chips to be distributed at the event, to the Milwaukee Women's Correctional Center, which donated a

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Thanks for the budget.  
It was a lot of fun doing the  
Event. Kiley Ketzler



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##### Child Abuse Prevention Awareness

The Youth Advisory Board of the SAFE Haven of Racine Youth Shelter will be holding a ceremony this Saturday at noon on Monument Square to commemorate National Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month. Come learn about symptoms of child abuse and what to do if you suspect child abuse. Weather permitting, young musicians will provide entertainment until 4:00pm, and 250 free Child Abuse Prevention wristbands will be given out. Special thanks to the Youth As Resources group from the United Way of Racine County for a grant to help the Youth Advisory Board on this event, and thanks to Kangaroo Brands, which has generously donated 500 bags of pita chips to be distributed during the event.

**Saturday, April 18th, 2009**  
12:00 PM - 04:00 PM

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It was a lot of fun doing the event. It made me feel good that I'm helping people become aware of Child Abuse

Kiley Ketzner





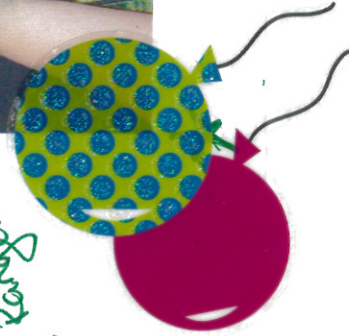


Don't me and Melissa look SCARY!



This event was fun. Putting the papers in the balloons wasn't as hard as I thought. I'm glad I could help, making a difference even if it all makes me feel good.!!

-Samantha  
Rangel!!





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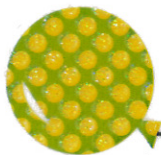
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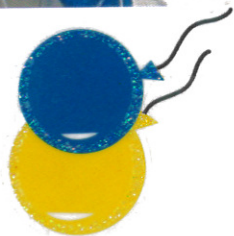
This event is just fun to do and this means a lot to me to be helping all these kids and I hope that Safe Haven has a great future and I will be here for a long time

Tyler Kehler  
P.S. I'm in the  
red Caledonia  
sweater



Happy  
K





I'm the  
tallest  
person!  
Kiley K.



