

SAFE International

News that “makes a difference!”

Stop Abuse for Everyone

Our name IS our mission!



Who is the new Executive Director of the SAFE organization?

Special points of interest:

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Our Executive Director, dressed for success while sharing his thoughts.

In addition Lee is, the current Chair of a Domestic Violence Coordinating Council, Board member of NH TREE, Member of The Council for DV Justice & the VAWA Reform Coalition a founding member of the NH Transgendered Coalition and a regular professional contributor to meetings of the NH Commission on the Status of Men. He is also a founder of the newly formed non-profit in NH named Protecting Children and Families (PCF). His involvements obviously mirror the inclusiveness of his mission with SAFE.

I would like to introduce myself to everyone who is a part of SAFE and the recipients of this newsletter who are interested in our mission. You will soon discover that I am not very different from any of you who believe that a person has a right to feel SAFE in their homes and in the presence of those they love. I have lived in New England all of my life, have raised 2 (now adult) children, a son and daughter and I am the proud grandfather of an awesome grandson and a sprinkling of step-grandchildren as well.

I have been happily married to my wife for the last 8 years and she is not only my partner in life but my best friend as well! She is a very big part of my continued efforts with the SAFE organization and believes not only in me, but also in the work that I do here.

I truly could not do my best in this effort without the support of my wife and all of my extended family and friends! Thanks to all of them for keeping me strong and able to continue to “make a difference”!

I have been the Director of the SAFE Chapter of New Hampshire since October of 2002, shortly after completing 2 years with National Service, much of that time as a Domestic Violence Advocate, with the AmeriCorps Victim Assistance Program. Originally this NH Chapter of SAFE was known as The Violence Intervention Program. The idea for this stemmed from my experience and that of my 2 Co-Directors, who had both worked many years in the DV field and had experienced domestic abuse also. We were all

distressed at the bias that existed within the DV Coalition and the crisis centers that made up it's membership. We mutually decided that we wanted to do our best to insure that no one's abuse would be trivialized, regardless of the fact that they may not be considered among the majority of “victim statistics”.

Soon after we began VIP, we found that SAFE was very much in tune with our objectives and since our State DV Coalition had expressed that they would not only prevent us from becoming a part of their network, but would block our success wherever possible, we reached out to SAFE as a collaborator with a much larger presence than our small fledgling effort. We then became known as VIP/SAFE-NH, carrying a dual name but strongly identifying with SAFE's mission to Stop Abuse For Everyone!

We finally decided in April of 2005 to announce that going forward we would simply be identified as SAFE-NH considering that our 501(c)3 non-profit status was with SAFE and even though VIP was registered as a non-profit in NH, all of our financial business and donations had only been located within our SAFE structure. This was our move to simplify, as our workload had increased considerably with effective outreach that had always been our focus.

We now stand as an important resource and support system for ALL victims of domestic abuse in NH and for other professionals

who are seeking open minded and unbiased perspectives on this issue. In addition we are called upon to provide the same resources and information to victims and their families from many other States, as SAFE is unique and there are not enough compassionate people doing this work with this approach focusing on the under served victim populations and their families.

Due to this, SAFE will be looking actively for more to join us at every level during this New Year and we hope that you will become a part of our initiatives.

In my additional position as the Executive Director of this incredibly worthwhile organization, I'll be encouraging everyone to join me in this effort, to Stop Abuse For Everyone!

With support from our Board, to all of our volunteers, Speaker's Bureau members, registered members on our SAFE website and hopefully more people who will ask us to help them start a Chapter of SAFE in their area, I hope that 2007 will be a year of continued growth for a network that will insure that no voice goes unheard and no victim of abuse goes without assistance!
I hope that if you receive this newsletter you will join our effort.

YOU can make a difference in YOUR community and in YOUR life. No contribution of time, money, effort or compassion goes unnoticed within the SAFE network. WE are here for you, your family and your friends and we are committed to our mission to Stop Abuse For Everyone!
Never underestimate the difference one person, one voice can make that could forever change our World! Imagine the collective voices and efforts of the all of us, bound together to make our world a safer more compassionate one for all of us and those yet unborn in our families...

I plan to spend the rest of my life leaving my corner of this World better than I found it, and I choose to be remembered by my grandchildren as a man who “made a difference” rather than a man who had a fancy car, a big house but shared it with no one!

I wish you all the best and hope that you will contact me if you want to share this journey.
Lee Newman
(Domestic Violence Advocate, Executive Director of SAFE)

What have we done during this year?

SAFE International & SAFE speaker Stanley Green mentioned in article on domestic violence

An article in the Antelope Valley Press features the Valley Oasis shelter, one of the few shelters in the country serving abused men: [Visit the SAFE site to read this article](#) SAFE speaker Stanley Green is quoted in the article.

SAFE Speaker Stanley Green in the Washington Square News

Former engineer Stanley Green said his wife dislocated his ribs and gave him chronic respiratory problems

after she bloodied him with a blunt object in a parking lot one day. Threatened with arrest after his wife claimed he was stealing the car, Green said he received no help from any domestic abuse groups after he called them. They claimed that they were only trained to help women. The judge laughed at the police and injury reports [during the trial],” Green said.

Green said he was infuriated that he did not receive any help because he did not fit the standard female demographic of most victims. After the trial, his ex-wife received sole custody of their children, he said.

Green said he is now a victim's advocate for SAFE, Stop Abuse for Everyone

What have we done this year ? (cont'd from Page 1)

SAFE speaker Dr. Turteltaub's letter published in Just Out!

Just Out, a GLBT magazine in Portland, Oregon, published a letter to the editor by SAFE international board member Dr. Jack Turteltaub. In this letter, Dr. Turteltaub criticizes the Attorney General of Oregon for not accepting some recommendations SAFE made about batterer intervention programs. The new rules for the state of Oregon treat GLBT and heterosexual men by a completely different set of rules than heterosexual women for batterer intervention program:

http://www.justout.com/archives/issues/03_03_06/5.pdf

SAFE speaker Linda Mills' research study mentioned in Nogales International and the Bulletin (Arizona)

Peacemaking circles help restore community justice

The initiative, "Restoring Justice Through Peacemaking Circles", was introduced to Nogales and Santa Cruz County by Judge Mary Helen Maley in May 2004.

The focus of Peacemaking Circles in our community is to address issues of domestic violence and intimate-partner abuse. This process is based on Native American and indigenous peoples' traditions of sitting around a campfire to discuss community issues.

Dr. Mills is a very influential researcher on domestic violence issues, and a member of the SAFE speaker's bureau.

Almost a million impressions on Google!

As you may know, a year or two ago, SAFE received a Google Grant, which gave us free advertising on Google.

Well, we're close to reaching a milestone: a million *impressions*. This is a million times that SAFE has come up on a webpage for people searching for help or information on domestic violence!

This is all a part of our effort to get the word out that domestic violence against everyone must stop!

The total value of this advertising is approximately US\$25,000!

Contributed by Jade Rubick

Daily Bruin prints article on SAFE

It features SAFE speaker Stanley Green:

Shedding light on sexual violence

<http://www.dailybruin.ucla.edu/news/articles.asp?id=37218>



Registrations on SAFE site double!

We're getting more and more interest in our website!

with double the number of visitors registering on the site each month as compared to last year.

This may be due partially to our Google Grant, which has given us 1.5 million impressions on Google web pages and almost 25 thousand visitors to our site!

We're very pleased in the level of interest in inclusive domestic violence services!

Contributed by Jade Rubick



SAFE Speaker Don Dutton's article in the National Post

SAFE Speaker Don Dutton's editorial was published in the National Post:

Domestic violence isn't one-sided

<http://www.canada.com/nationalpost/>

Dating violence study: More males are victims...Portsmouth Herald article and comments from SAFE-NH hits the AP newswire today!

SAFE-NH was contacted by a reporter from the Portsmouth Herald to ask about our opinions on this new research, which involved college students in 32 Countries.

<http://www.seacoastonline.com/news/06042006/news/106166.htm>

As can be expected there are many critics from the "battered women's movement", who were also interviewed for the same article.

They can be critical but this is not the only research that has come out with much the same information, over many years.

It's time for the critics to be held accountable for perpetrating myths, ignoring the facts and approaching solutions for domestic violence from a gender biased perspective.

This however, will only happen when not only the experts but mainstream America holds them accountable for the harm that is done to families and individuals when you excuse certain members of families behavior while blaming others purely on the basis of gender.

We hope that with more attention focused on this and related issues there will be a shift to dealing with domestic violence as a human issue rather than a gender one.

This article has been picked up by the Associated Press Newswire and has been printed in at least 7 regional newspapers, so far.

What have we done this year ? (cont'd from Page 2)

SAFE Advocate Stanley Green and SAFE-NH's Executive Director Lee Newman make comments to the National Advisory Committee on VAWA Meeting.

Stanley Green attended the meeting in Washington DC and Lee Newman submitted written testimony to the VAWA Committee, thus, insuring that the Committee understands that there are voices of the underserved victims of domestic abuse who MUST be recognized, heard and considered!

Mr. Newman and Mr. Green have testified to this Committee on several occasions and in September 2004 were both in attendance at the "by invitation only" National VAWA Symposium in DC. SAFE International has a strong and vocal presence in DC because of the dedication of those who have made a commitment to the mission of this organization.



HopeDigits and SAFE "Make a Difference" together with unique partnership!

SAFE and HopeDigits Form Business Partnership for No-Cost Phone Services to Victims of Domestic Abuse

Nov. 20, 2006, West Des Moines, IA Press Release

Victims of domestic abuse need a secure and convenient way to stay in touch with family, friends and support organizations while getting their lives on track. HopeDigits (<http://www.hopedigits.com>), an online Website that lets individuals obtain free and private phone numbers on demand, allows abuse victims and others to receive phone calls, retrieve voicemails and forward calls to a cell phone or land line.

"We are very excited about our business partnership with HopeDigits," said Lee Newman, Executive Director of SAFE (Stop Abuse for Everyone) (<http://www.safe4all.org>). "This service will be a valuable tool that we can extend to our clients. Our clients need to stay in touch with their support networks during a crisis. HopeDigits phone services also give them a contact point for potential employers at a time when they might be in transitional living arrangements."

The HopeDigits free calling service is simple to use, with an Internet sign-up process that takes less than three minutes. Users of the service can either answer their calls directly, or have the calls forwarded to voicemail.

HopeDigits is provided at no cost to not-for-profit organizations and is sponsored by FreeDigits. "This free phone number provides victims additional safety because Caller ID doesn't reveal the location," says Kha Phan, FreeDigits.com founder and CEO. "People can call and leave messages, which are stored in private voicemail boxes. Users can go to any phone, anywhere, punch in the digits and access their messages. They can also forward calls to a cell or landline phone, so they never have to give out those numbers....We are very enthusiastic about our partnership with SAFE, and look forward to providing these vital communications services for SAFE clients."

SAFE will begin by assisting clients with Internet sign-up services over the telephone, since some do not have direct Internet access. SAFE also plans to use HopeDigits as a tool for clients who are applying for employment and need a personal number where they can be reached for employment interviews.

"HopeDigits fits nicely with our strategies and services," said Lee Newman. "It empowers domestic abuse victims with their own private communications, and will help them move forward with their lives."

Submitted by:
Mary Shacklett
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Registrations on SAFE site highest ever!

The last three months has seen more people registering for the SAFE website than ever before.

We're now up to 3084 website members (as of December 8, 2006), and growing rapidly.

We're happy to see this site become a place for people to seek help and information on domestic violence.

Contributed by [Jade Rubick](#)

SAFE Appoints New Executive Director 08/18/06 06:40 PM

Phil Cook, the author of *Abused Men: the Hidden Side of Domestic Violence*, and a co-founder of Stop Abuse For Everyone, decided to resign his position as executive director for personal reasons.

Phil maintained a lot of the early energy and drive behind the formation of SAFE, and was responsible for many of our groundbreaking victories. We offer our heartfelt thanks to him for the years of work he has put into the organization, and to making a difference in how domestic violence is treated internationally. Phil will continue to be a part of the SAFE speaker's bureau, but is retiring all of his other responsibilities.

The board of Stop Abuse For Everyone met and has offered the Executive Director's position for a year term to Lee Newman, the current Executive Director of SAFE New Hampshire.

Lee has done outstanding work these last four years, building up a crisis center from scratch, networking extensively throughout the state, and eventually building up to a point where the SAFE-NH chapter is fielding more than 12% of the state's domestic violence calls. It is the only organization in the state that is truly inclusive in offering domestic violence services to all, under the same criteria, regardless of what type of person they are.

Lee has shown himself to be a smart, capable leader for the organization, and the board has great hopes for him in the coming year.

Please join us in thanking Phil for his service to SAFE, and in welcoming Lee Newman as the new Executive Director.

Jade Rubick

President, Stop Abuse For Everyone

September has most registrations on SAFE site ever!

The Stop Abuse For Everyone website has been growing quickly, with more and more people registering on the site. We're close to 3000 registered members of the website, and the SAFE forums have been buzzing with activity recently.

The most active forum is the Support and Discussion forum:

<http://www.safe4all.org/forums/forum-view?forum%5fid=6756>

The News and Views forum is also very popular:

<http://www.safe4all.org/forums/forum-view?forum%5fid=13398>

And the SAFE blog has been seeing a lot of activity recently:

<http://www.safe4all.org/blog>

The other thing people have been doing more of is posting their local resources:

<http://www.safe4all.org/resource-list>

We're up to 663 resources and counting. People have been leaving more comments on these resources as well, helping other people by correcting information that is inaccurate.

Contributed by [Jade Rubick](#)



SAFE website upgraded

The SAFE website was upgraded on the evening of September 28th. The upgrade includes some improvements to privacy on the [SAFE forums](#), and fixes to other small issues. Emails originating from the SAFE forums now do not identify the sender's email address, which is important for privacy reasons.

Contributed by [Jade Rubick](#)

Seattle Department of Human Services Informed of Errors on their Website

Stop Abuse For Everyone has been conducting an email campaign where we inform websites all over the internet when they have incorrect or misleading information about domestic violence on their site.

We received this reply from the Seattle Department of Human Services:

We have received your communication and will take it into consideration as we update web content.

The page in question is here: http://www.seattle.gov/humanservices/dv/dvinfo.htm#dv5_1





SAFE brochures are ready for publication in Romanian!

Stop Abuse For Everyone would like to thank Ana Maria Bayne for editing the abused gay men's brochure and abused heterosexual men's brochure in Romanian. SAFE would also like to thank

Canceu Roxana for the original work on the translation.

"We are so appreciative of the work of volunteers like Ana Maria Bayne and Canceu Roxana. Volunteers make a tremendous difference to an organization like Stop Abuse For Everyone, and to the people we serve. Thousands of people will be affected by these people taking a few minutes from their busy life to help out others. We really appreciate their work", said Jade Rubick, president of Stop Abuse For Everyone.

SAFE brochures go through a quality control process before they are printed and made available. After they are translated, they are then edited once or twice, and then they are available for order. If you're interested in helping with translation and editing efforts, please

volunteer as a translator

http://www.volunteermatch.org/results/opp_detail.jsp?oppid=128250

or volunteer as a foreign-language editor

http://www.volunteermatch.org/results/opp_detail.jsp?oppid=129073

You can also see the status of the translation effort (<http://www.safe4all.org/translate/brochures>).

The following brochures are currently being produced:

- * abused men's brochure
- * abused gay men's brochure
- * abused lesbian's brochure

Contributed by [Jade Rubick](#)

Volunteer Opportunities:

Court Advocates can accompany victims/survivors to Court in order to provide emotional support as well as availability to explain general Court procedures so that individuals can deal with issues in an informed manner. Advocates can also assist with obtaining and understanding restraining orders.

Social Service Advocates can assist victims/survivors to help ensure fair & non-judgmental treatment. Guidance to obtain appropriate services is available and advocates can interface with other social service providers to ease difficult times.

Help-line Advocates offer compassionate support to victims, their families and friends. They listen; offer feedback, suggestions and referrals to resources available to assist them.

Peer Support Advocates help victims/survivors with one on one personal support. This advocate may also be the person to assist with other advocacy support as well, such as court and social services, housing etc.

'Life skills Buddies' provide positive feedback to families trying to deal with life issues while getting their lives back on track. Mentors in this program are much like an extended family member who offers guidance to families in crisis as they re-build their lives. Many individuals and families have no family close by to be a comfort-ing and common sense influence during times of stress. This program attempts to create that kind of atmosphere between the mentor and their 'adopted' family. We hope that this program will help facilitate families moving forward in the process of creating an emotionally stable environment.

Support Group Facilitators:

Support groups available for men, women, elderly, teens and children. These groups are for those who have been, or are currently being affected by violence, abuse or bullying in their lives. Support groups are also available for gay, lesbian and transgender individuals who have suffered violence, abuse and bullying. These individuals are welcome to participate in any of our support groups but we also offer groups specifically dealing with issues unique to their situations and relationships.

All Volunteer Advocates, Mentors, Facilitators or anyone else working directly with vulnerable individuals are required to attend training. There is no charge for this training if you are going to Volunteer with us.

****There are many other volunteer opportunities that do not require special training:**

We're currently looking for grant writers for our organization. Helping to acquire funds to continue our abilities to help the underserved victims of Domestic Violence and their families

Here's some other ways you could help our mission:

SAFE's Media Corps -Media watcher

Volunteers to help organize Fundraisers and Events

Host a fundraising party or Bar-b-que! Have fun with your friends and support a worthy cause.

(Theme parties, costume parties are great)

Start a SAFE Giving Circle with family, friends, co-workers or with your club or other organization.

Contact us and offer to help in ways we haven't thought of yet...

You can help us “Stop Abuse For Everyone”! Please consider a tax deductible donation today!



Ask Before You Give!

Wendy McElroy

A great article for everyone to read BEFORE they donate to a cause like ours.

<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0.2933.105184.00.html>

Learn more about Wendy and read more of her articles at her site ifeminists.com

<http://www.ifeminists.net/introduction/>

Make a Donation

Donate to SAFE. You can help *Stop Abuse For Everyone*

It's really easy to make a contribution, and it will make a huge difference for families impacted by domestic abuse. You can make your contribution online, using your credit card, <http://www.safe4all.org/difference> or you can send a check to: Stop Abuse For Everyone PO Box 951 Tualatin, OR 97062

Your donation to SAFE International helps sustain our efforts to reach out to ALL who are impacted by domestic abuse and helps to continue our education and resource initiatives.

You may also choose to donate to a chapter of SAFE in your State or region of the Country. If there is no Chapter of SAFE in your area, you may want to find out how you can help get one started with our assistance.

Visit the SAFE website or contact SAFE International for more information.

Thank you!

Dear Friend:

It's that time of year when you get inundated with mail from charitable organizations looking for your tax-deductible contribution. We know there are many worthwhile groups competing for your contribution.

So why give to Stop Abuse For Everyone?

Stop Abuse For Everyone provides services to domestic violence victims that few organizations will help: we serve men and women, straight and gay, young and old, and focus on those that are left out the most. No other organization has such an inclusive vision and national reach, and a proven track record of making a difference for abused men, for GLBT victims, for teen violence victims and elderly abuse victims.

The National Crime Prevention Council (the McGruff 'take a bite out of crime' non-profit arm of the US Justice Dept.) has selected SAFE as one of the nation's top programs for prevention of violent domestic crime. Dear Abby has personally contributed to our organization for several years, and featured us in her column. CNN, FOX News (several times), The John Walsh Show, The US and Canadian nationally distributed Associated Press, are just a few of the national news media that have featured SAFE, the scores of local newspapers, regional magazines and broadcast news outlets are too many to mention here, but are listed on the website. You're giving to a responsible, transparent organization. Our yearly reports, including financial reports, are available on our website: <http://www.safe4all.org/download> and we are listed on Guidestar.

Here are some of the ways your donation will help:

\$50 lets us register a chapter in a new state, which allows volunteers in that area to mobilize to provide direct services.

\$100 will allow us to print up domestic violence brochures in a new language. Our brochures are unique, often the first publication to serve these populations in that language, so it can have a huge impact. \$200 will allow us to pay for basic operations for one of our state court-advocacy and other direct services programs for one month. This program helps victims of domestic violence avoid being further victimized by their abusers in the legal system, and helps protect them and their families, while providing emotional support and options for them to move forward in a life without abuse. \$300 will help us produce new brochures to address for example, teen dating violence (a huge un-addressed problem), elderly partner/adult child abuse, and severe sibling abuse brochures. \$1,000 will help pay for a trip to a conference or training, where we help to train and teach service providers how to offer inclusive services. This is often the most effective way to make changes possible, as we can often reach hundreds of people in one visit, and have each of these service providers offer better services. Donations of your volunteer time and skills are also considered very important for us to remain readily available to anyone in need of our support and services.

Stop Abuse For Everyone has services and programs that no other organization provides, and that is why your contribution makes such a difference. A small amount of money in the right place can make a larger difference when applied to an un-addressed need. Besides direct services that no one else provides, we continue to make great strides in our central effort to encourage a holistic approach to domestic violence interventions based on sound research and measured outcomes. We address real needs and gaps in family violence intervention. We provide a 'consumer rated' victim resource list, and publish the only nationally available brochures for heterosexual male, gay, lesbian bisexual and transgender victims of domestic abuse.

These are but a few examples of the work done recently by SAFE Speaker Bureau and the SAFE International Board members. Linda Mills, Ph.D. Vice Provost of New York University, has written a book: *Insult to Injury-*

Rethinking Our Responses to Intimate Abuse, she has appeared before the National Press Club, and was interviewed by the New York Times Magazine and has been instrumental in planning for our first national conference at NYU. **Board Member Jack Turteltaub, Ph.D.** was selected by the National Organization for Women to participate in the Gay & Lesbian Task Force on changes to the Violence Against Women Act. **Victim Advocate Stanley Green** has testified several times before the National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women in Washington DC. A set of recommendations for Violence Against Women Act changes and funding was requested by and submitted to Senator Orrin Hatch and the US Justice Department. **Executive Director, Lee Newman has run the NH Chapter for 4 years and he has appeared in the media regularly in his region.** He has also testified at the National Advisory Committee on VAWA and has presented at a luncheon in DC sponsored by the Independent Women's Forum, while attending the invitation only VAWA Symposium. He also currently serves as Chair of a Domestic Violence Coordinating Council in NH and is a Board member of NH TREE (NH Transgender Resources for Education and Empowerment). He is also a member of the Council for Domestic Violence Justice (National), The VAWA Reform Coalition (National), is a Charter member of The Kid's First Coalition and a regular contributor to the NH Commission on the Status of Men.

More information about the organization and its activities is available at our website www.safe4all.org. We do need your help and although we apply for grants, individual contributions are essential. As you can tell, we don't waste money on fancy paper or slick fundraising brochures! Your funds will be wisely used.

Thank you,
Jade Rubick President: SAFE International

You may contact our Executive Director Lee Newman if you desire more information before you make a donation to SAFE. Phone: 319-522-4817 (not a crisis line) & his e-mail is: lee@safe4all.org

SAFE PO Box 951, Tualatin, OR 97062 Phone: 319-441-1010 (not a crisis line)

A non-profit tax-exempt 501c3 charitable organization dedicated to providing services and education focusing on under-served victims of domestic violence. "Our Name Is Our Mission"

SAFE Chapter News !

The Illinois Chapter of Stop Abuse For Everyone can be reached at:

44 N. Virginia St., Suite 1A2

Crystal Lake, IL 60014

(815)455-7233 available 24/7 as crisis line.

Victim Advocacy, support groups and Batterer Intervention Programs.

Their services are available to everyone! (men/women/straight/gay/lesbian)



SAFE-Illinois



SAFE- New Hampshire

SAFE-NH would like to thank Mr. Rico Arico for joining us as a volunteer and taking on the task of helping to create and edit this premier edition of SAFE's Newsletter.

Mr. Arico will be assisting with the upcoming monthly newsletters for SAFE International as well as some other important tasks specifically for SAFE-NH.

Welcome to our SAFE-NH team, Rico, we are glad you have joined us!

Lee Newman

Executive Director-SAFE International

Director-SAFE-New Hampshire

Are you a self-employed professional, are you an artist or other creative crafter?

Do you own or manage a business?

Would you like to make a difference and take a stand against violence with us?

Contact Lee at [SAFE-NH](#) to find out how.

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What was SAFE-NH doing this year?

SAFE-NH on TV July 12, 2006

Executive Director of SAFE-NH appeared on WZMY-TV during a segment of the talk show called My TV Prime, on June 26th. Lee Newman was involved in the discussion with Professor Murray Straus from the Family Violence Research Lab at the University of NH and Scott Hampton who runs batterers intervention programs., all 3 representing their perspectives on a new study based on information from 32 Countries relating to intimate partner violence.

The NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence stands by the theory that if a woman is violent it's most often because she is defending herself and that men are violent because they seek power and control over women...etc. SAFE-NH's mission to Stop Abuse For Everyone does not agree with the NH Coalition's perspective on Intimate Partner Violence and therefore we approach the issues surrounding relationship violence from a human perspective rather than a gender one.

Rather than explaining Professor Murray Straus's theories and perspectives here, we have included a copy of his research that has sparked the interest in this TV Show as well as several news articles that have appeared Nationally on our SAFE, SAFE-NH and SAFE-NH Yahoo Group sites.. Please look in the files section of our SAFE-NH Yahoo Group for information about Professor Straus's research.

Many people tuned into MY TV-PRIME Show and joined the discussion that became "very lively"! This was a live interactive show that took calls while on the air from viewers and also read e-mails from those who did not wish to be on the phone. SAFE-NH was originally thought that it's perspectives were likely to be the minority on the show, up against a very vocal Coalition representation, however the majority of viewers were supportive of Stop Abuse For Everyone and SAFE-NH for the sake of the men and women, boys and girls in all of their families!

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IGive.com

Painless way to give to [SAFE-NH](#)...the more you shop...the more you give!

Please use this link to join and support SAFE-NH <http://www.igive.com/html/brand.cfm?b=4293>

Amazon.com recognizes [SAFE-NH](#) as an affiliate:

Use the Amazon.com ads on the [SAFE-NH.org](#) site to order from Amazon and we get a donation every time you order after entering Amazon through our links at [SAFE-NH.org](#)

"SAFE-NH Shopping Mall"

You may also shop for [SAFE](#) and [SAFE-NH](#) merchandise at our **"SAFE-NH Shopping Mall"**

Use this link to buy clothing, mugs and other items with the [SAFE](#) Logo and mission on them.

<http://www.cafepress.com/safenh>

More about [SAFE-NH](#), what have we been up to this year?

Most importantly, SAFE-NH provides 24 hour crisis line, direct services and support to ALL who are in need of Domestic Violence Advocacy.

SAFE-NH joins the Orion Grassroots Network!

SAFE-NH creates and distributes new brochure for Stalking Victims

SAFE-NH is accepted into the "Call To Protect" Grant Program

SAFE-NH distributes information and participates in many Conferences during 2006.

SAFE-NH creates and distributes new brochure about Sibling Violence. Soon after it's release, requests come in from several organizations, hospitals and Universities, requesting copies, due to lack of mainstream information available on this issue.

SAFE-NH becomes involved in the Council for Domestic Violence Justice and the VAWA Reform Coalition out of DC and supports the distribution of the RADAR VAWA Reports Nationally as a way to focus attention on the bias against the underserved populations of domestic abuse victims. SAFE-NH assists ALL victims of domestic abuse, including heterosexual men, gay men, lesbians, bisexual and transgendered victims who traditionally do not get "equal" access to services and support. SAFE-NH assists ALL victims equally regardless of age, gender, lifestyle and therefore understands the importance of considering alternative perspectives regarding intimate partner violence and domestic abuse. SAFE-NH encourages the continued release of these types of reports and the other efforts of these collaborative organizations to continue planting the seeds of change so that we can better enhance our mission to "Stop Abuse For Everyone"!

SAFE-NH continues to share important information and dialogue with the NH Commission on the Status of Men regarding male victims of domestic abuse and the effects of this on men and their children, as well as how abusive relationships impacts their long term health and their welfare in general.

SAFE-NH tries to remain financially sustainable regardless of lack of funding available for programs that are not considered specifically for "battered women" by starting an online shopping site, becoming affiliated with Amazon.com and with Igive.com and then becoming involved with the GoodSearch.(see article below)

Most of our financial support continues to come from individual donors who believe in our mission as well as former clients who occasionally send a thank you note with a donation.

How can YOU help SAFE-NH and the people who depend on us?

There is new and easy way to raise money for [SAFE-NH](#) just by searching the Internet with [GoodSearch.com](#). It's simple. You use GoodSearch.com like any other search engine — the site is powered by Yahoo! — but each time you do, money is generated for [SAFE-NH](#).

Last year, search engines generated close to \$6 billion in revenue from advertisers. With [GoodSearch](#) part of this advertising revenue will now be directed to [SAFE-NH](#).

We hope that not only will you use [GoodSearch](#) as your main search engine from here on out, but will also pass this message on to your friends and family. The more people who use this, the more money will go to [SAFE-NH](#).

Please go to [GoodSearch.com](#), download the search bar and then choose: Stop Abuse For Everyone (SAFE)-New Hampshire (Rochester, NH) from the drop down list of designated causes and we will get 1 penny for every search you do. This may not seem like much but with enough of our friends using this, it will help us a great deal!

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10/31/06. We are currently working on speeding up the Amount Raised report and hope to have it available again tomorrow. All searches and revenue earned during earned this period continue to be counted. Thank you for your patience.

For [GoodSearch](#) to succeed for SAFE-NH, it will take a major grassroots effort. Please [spread the word](#) to your friends and family and ask them to use [GoodSearch](#) to help [SAFE-NH](#) and our efforts for victims of abuse..

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Small	100	2	\$730
Medium	1,000	2	\$7,300
Large	10,000	2	\$73,000

[Here's an example of how much SAFE-NH can earn: PLEASE help us!](#)

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SAFE Joins RADAR's First Global Campaign to Stop Domestic Violence Bias

October 30, 2006

The United Nations recently released its biased Violence Against Women report. The report is filled with half-truths and distortions about violence

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against women, and absurdly claims that the root cause of domestic violence is male "patriarchy."

So last week, RADAR issued an Alert and press release that went to 17,000 media contacts. But that was just the warm-up pitch. In honor of the recently-concluded World Series, this week we're fielding our whole ball team.

RADAR and 90 other organizations from 9 countries around the world have formed a coalition to stop this dangerous report. These organizations are based in the United States, Canada, Ireland, United Kingdom, Netherlands, Germany,

Czech Republic, Australia, and New Zealand.

This is what two of these groups are saying about the UN report:

"The UN Report ignores the plight and pain of half of all victims of domestic violence. In effect this report 'sanctions' male victims and ignores the terrorism that fills their lives simply because they are men."

. — Lee Newman, Executive Director, SAFE International
While the UN report purports to be an 'in-depth study,' it ignores the failings of the current system. Many severely-abused victims discover to their surprise that trivial and false claims are consuming the resources that should be going to those most in need."
— Terri Lynn Tersak, president and CEO, True Equality Network. The members of this coalition have signed a Resolution Regarding the UN Study on Violence Against Women.

The Resolution notes that the UN report "uses misandrous and inflammatory language" to falsely stereotype men, and calls on the UN to "discourage implementation of the recommendations of the Study on Violence Against Women until It's effects on families and children are analyzed and understood."

The full Resolution and list of co-signers can be viewed at:

<http://www.mediadar.org/docs/UN-ViolenceReport-Resolution.pdf> .

SAFE-NH now stands with over 90 organizations from at least 9 Countries who have signed in support of this initiative! This is an incredible response! SAFE NH's perspective and mission to Stop Abuse For EVERYONE is obviously one that is shared with many people from many Countries. Voices of men and women from around the World are joined in this effort! Let's not let gender biased perspectives convince the World that recognizing male victims of violence in any way diminishes violence against women,

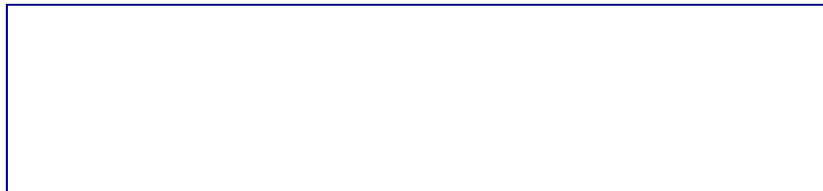
as they have in the past. It's time for organizations, such as SAFE, who focus on the underserved victims of domestic violence and associated issues to be heard, acknowledged and funded in order to sustain the efforts to Stop Abuse For Everyone! Our communities and our World will become safer and more peaceful when ALL victims are acknowledged and ALL perpetrators are held accountable regardless of the gender of either! Men and women feel pain when abused and the men and women who abuse them need to be held equally responsible. Abuse hurts and abusing someone is against the law. True equality between men and women does not occur when either gender is ignored on behalf of the other. Thank you to the many co-signers of this UN Resolution...may all of our combined voices finally be heard.

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Happy Holidays from the SAFE International Board

As we near the close of 2006, we look back on a year of growth and success.

SAFE credits its achievements to our loyal members, dedicated speakers and volunteers. Our vision to provide resources for the underserved victims and survivors of domestic violence cannot be realized without the generosity of all our benefactors, advocates and volunteers. We thank all of you for your investment in our mission!

In August, Phillip Cook, the Executive Director of SAFE resigned to pursue other related interests. He has been a valuable contributor since 2000 when Phil, Stanley Green and SAFE Founder, Jade Rubick started Stop Abuse For Everyone and then in January of 2001, incorporated the organization as a non-profit and established the SAFE International board. Phil continues to be a strong advocate for the rights of all victims and survivors and remains a member of the SAFE Speakers bureau.

Lee Newman Director of SAFE-New Hampshire assumed the duties of Executive Director and was officially appointed the position by the board in September. We are fortunate to have Lee's expertise and we anticipate a long and prosperous relationship for Lee with SAFE.

We look forward to many new and important initiatives in the upcoming year.

Please make your Holidays SAFE ones!

The Board of SAFE International