

**Revolution:
Speaker's
Bureau**

August Newsletter

Volume 1, Issue 1

August 2009

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Abbie Road	1
Kelsey's Korner	1
The New Members of Revolution!	2
A Change In The Theatre Group	2
Passing the Torch	3
Lauren's Lane	3

Abbie Road

Hi everybody! I can't believe school has started, and summer is over! We brought in some awesome new people to Revolution this summer. Welcome A.J., Taylor, Cale, Miguel, Michelle, Levi, and Megan. We had new member training in June at my house. As usual, the food was plenty and the laughter

loud! We had an awesome game of capture the flag, and it was fun getting to know everyone. We had theatre training in July that included Tayler Bock, Miguel Gomez, Bryanna Hammons, Kelsey Jochum, Steph Jarecke, Levi McPhillips, Kelsey Newman, Katie Rodriguez, Cati Wiese, Lauren and Megan Wright. We

had a killer game of "Moods", right Levi?! Right now, the theatre troupe is working on a new script. I am so excited about this new group, and I think we are going to have a great presentation. I want to thank everyone for making training this summer so much fun and successful. Now let's get ready to go and start the Revolution!!!!

Kelsey's Korner

As many of you may be wondering, "where is the 'Lauren's Lane' article we are so used to seeing?" Well, I can shed some light on that subject. Let me introduce myself: My name is Kelsey Jochum, and I am the newly appointed Student Coordinator of Revolution/Speaker's Bureau. I am a Senior at Scotus Central Catholic, and this is my second year of being involved in Revolution. I was trained in the fall of 2008 and immediately felt a pull towards the group. I believed (and still do believe) that the group sent a strong, much needed mes-

sage, and I wanted to be one to help get that message out. In the spring of this year, I was asked to take the position of Student Coordinator, and, of course, accepted right away. I am currently sharing the position with Lauren Wright, who has been the Student Coordinator since June of 2008. We will share the duties of the job as she will be leaving for Lincoln this school year.

Besides Revolution, I am involved in many activities through school. I've been participating in the theatre productions since my sophomore year, and

have become more and more involved each year. In school, I am also in the Shamrock Singers group and involved with Campus Ministry. Since this is my senior year, I hope all my activities will go well, and I will be able to have great memories of them; Revolution is no different. I hope this year will be another successful one, and that we will be able to make the group better than it already is.

If anyone ever needs to reach me, my email is revolutionstudent@hotmail.com. Let's make this a great year, and everyone!



The New Members of Revolution!

The beginning of another school year brings many changes for students: new classes, new friends, and new starts to all the activities they are involved in, and Revolution is no exception.

This summer's training brought many new members to the group from the area schools. These students were very excited to join the group and become a part of what they've heard so much about, from both friends and family.



The new and returning members of Revolution at this year's training!

New Members for the 2009-2010 Year

Cale Albracht

A Junior at Scotus Central Catholic

Taylor Baumgart

A Senior at Scotus Central Catholic

A.J. Bose

A Junior at Scotus Central Catholic

Miguel Gomez

A Freshman at Central Community College

Michelle Kielian

A Senior at Lakeview High School

Levi McPhillips

A Junior at Scotus Central Catholic

Megan Wright

A Freshman at Scotus Central Catholic

A Change in the Theatre Group

"Lights! Camera! ...Wait something's different around here..."

Along with the new year, the theatre portion of Revolution is seeing changes. The new script that the group uses for public performances is being written! While last year's script focused on what led up to dating violence and sex-

ual assault, this year's script will focus on what happens afterward, and how both parties deal with it. The group has met three times already to try out acting in different roles and to continue writing the script. The group plans to be ready to perform in October as we already have performances scheduled.

A new theatre script is being written!

Besides the new script, there are new members in this year's theatre group. New to the group is Cale Albracht, Miguel Gomez, Kelsey Jochum, Steph Jarecke, Levi McPhillips, Kelsey Newman, Cati Wiese, and Megan Wright. Along with the returning members from last year's group, these actors look very promising in their roles in the new script and are all very excited to start putting everything together!

Passing the Torch

Training for the new Revolution members took a different route this year. Instead of having four Sunday sessions, each being an hour long, Abbie planned a more compact, two-day training. On June 8th and 9th, the group met at Abbie's home, ready for full days of learning, sharing, and, of course, having fun! The sessions lasted from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, with time for a lunch break and fun games.

On the first day of training, both the new and old members shared a little about themselves, making everyone more familiar with the new group. Abbie gave a talk about what makes a relationship healthy and equal, and later in the day, Jenna Clark, an Adolescent Group Worker at the Center for Survivors, came to talk about dating violence. The group then moved outside for an intense battle of Capture the Flag. Once the kids were able to spend a little of their energy (and one of the flags got caught in a tree), the group went back inside to talk about the media and its role in sexual harassment. Lead by Stacy Riley, another Adolescent Group Worker at the Center for Survivors, the group skimmed through magazines finding

pictures they thought sent the wrong messages. This ended the first day of training.

On the second day of training, Abbie taught the group more about sexual assault and what to do when a friend is raped. Before the group broke for lunch, Erin Nahorny, the Children's Services Director at the Center for Survivors, gave a talk about the boundaries and confidentiality issues that are a part of being in a group like Revolution. After lunch, the group met again to talk about stalking and the legal side of sexual harassment with Traci Nelsen, the Legal Advocate at the Center for Survivors. Traci talked about the laws concerning sexual harassment here in Nebraska and what exactly can be considered harassment. The second day closed with updating the members on meeting dates and signing up for the theatre group.

The training was very successful this year. The group gained seven new members, who all learned a lot about the group's message and had a lot of fun. We're excited to welcome these new members into the group and can't wait to see them start making a difference!



The two teams of
Capture the Flag!



Lauren's Lane

Hello Everyone! First of all, I would like to inform you that there is going to be a lot of big changes this year...starting with the addition of Kelsey Jochum. Kelsey and I will be sharing the position of Revolution Student Coordinator this Fall while I begin my four-year bachelor's degree in Nursing at Bryan LGH in Lincoln. I will also be

working toward a minor in Social Sciences.

The second big change is that the "new theatre troop" is in the process of writing a new script for the 2009-10 school year. The plan is to have 6 actors in the dramatization and of course, our sound guru, Tayler Bock.

Also on the agenda for this year is Orlando! The 2008-09 theatre group will be traveling to Orlando, Florida, in November for the 2009 National Conference on Sexual Assault in Our Schools. While we are there, we will be performing the dramatization, "Boiling Point." I am really excited for this awesome opportunity!