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The
BAYTEAM

PREVENTION NEWS FROM THE BARRINGTON ADULT YOUTH TEAM
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Parenting IS Prevention
it starts early and never ends.

Parenting IS Prevention Video Series

BAY Team staff and volunteers have created a new video series for parents, featuring local experts and community members. This series provides parents with children of all ages, concise information on a variety of topics that help to build a strong foundation for children to grow up happy and healthy. Available on the website (www.thebayteam.org) and on Youtube, the videos are 2-3 minutes long and cover topics including Igniting your child's spark, the impact of early expectations on youth development, stress, developing your child's brain, vaping, caffeine, the REACH framework, and transitioning from high school and into college. The first featured Video is *Developing Your Child's Brain – Part 1*.

HELPING CHILDREN 'REACH' THEIR PERSONAL BEST

BAY Team member and Arts educator, Dena Davis recently travelled to The Search Institute to learn about a new initiative which is changing the face of education. REACH, is aimed at increasing motivation and improving social-emotional well-being of youth.

The REACH process has four components:

1. The REACH Framework, which identifies 5 important factors that influence a student's desire and ability to work hard at school: Relationships, Effort, Aspirations, Cognition and Heart.
2. The REACH Standards, which articulate goals (milestones) that students work toward in each area of the REACH Framework.
3. The REACH Strategies, which provide schools and organizations with practical ways to help young people meet the REACH Standards.
4. The REACH Survey, which provides schools with valid and reliable data on students' progression toward the REACH Standards and on additional factors that influence student motivation.

The plan is to offer opportunities to learn about how REACH can be used to help children to achieve their personal best through

- An informative video series
- A community workshop
- A professional development workshop for educators
- Easy to implement "Anchor Activities" for inside and outside of the classroom.

Visit our website to try out some great REACH resources and activities and watch our VIDEO SERIES on www.thebayteam.org and on YouTube

ANNOUNCING THE BAYTEAM SCHOLARSHIP

Beginning this spring, the BAY Team will award a scholarship to one deserving senior who has played a leading role for at least two years in prevention activities for youth at Barrington High School. Established in honor of Joanne Royley and the services offered through her position as Student Assistance Counselor at BHS, this scholarship will recognize the important influence youth have on preventing substance abuse in our town and schools. Applications are available from Mrs. Royley and are due by 4/1/17.

Visioning Peace

Visioning Peace is a group comprised of Interfaith Clergy and Community Groups in Barrington. They have come together with a goal of bringing people together to advocate for peace. With this goal in mind there are two events scheduled:

Visioning Peace Interfaith Dinner
Sunday, February 12, 5-7pm
Barrington Congregational Church. Tickets are \$10, \$6 for children under 12. We will be making lanterns and sharing hopes for a more peaceful world. Proceeds will support Farm Fresh RI. For tickets call Denise at 247-1900 x316 or email dalves@barrington.ri.gov.

Mother's Day Peace Vigil
Saturday, May 13, 5-7pm
We will meet at St. John's Episcopal Church and walk together to Police Cove Park. There we will light the lanterns made at the dinner, hear "The Original Mother's Day Proclamation" by Julia Ward Howe, and come together in music and prayer. We are lifting up the original meaning of Mother's Day which is relevant to our time. People will be asked to bring diapers and baby wipes to support *Project Undercover*.



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EXTRA! EXTRA! The BAY Team is awarded prevention regionalization grant by BHDDH. They will be the lead agency on the region that includes Barrington, Bristol, East Providence, and Warren.

ARTS are Alive! This Winter in Barrington!



The *Arts Alive!* 2017 Theatre Season is underway, and will kick off with the Primrose Hill School production of *Peter Pan* January 20 (6:30pm) & 21st (12:30pm) at BHS, followed by Nayatt School production of *Alice In Wonderland*, Feb 3 & 4th. For a full list of the plays this year, visit www.artsalivebarrington.org

Why are we passionate about keeping the ARTS ALIVE?

Social and personal benefits of participation in theatre

- Increased levels of confidence and self-esteem
- Increased numbers of friends and an increased ability to make friends
- A more developed sense of personal and group identity
- A sense of belonging
- Increased self-discipline and commitment
- Improved abilities to articulate and express feelings and opinions
- A sense of happiness, fun and well-being
- Increased levels of activity
- A sense of personal and group achievement
- Increased understanding and knowledge of relevant issues
- Increased ability to take risks and be spontaneous within a safe environment
- A sense of empowerment
- A sense of escape and relaxation

THE BAY TEAM IN THE THEATRE!

Thanks to the Warren/Barrington Rotary Club and 2nd Story Theatre, the BAY Team received a donation of \$3,333 after a packed performance of an exciting performance of *Prelude to a Kiss* in November.

Many thanks to **Shaw's Supermarket** and **Jafra** for supporting the work of The BAY Team.

