

CONNECTING FATHERS AND FAMILIES

CENTER FOR FATHERS AND FAMILIES OF ARKANSAS

CFF Invited to Partner with the S.A.F.E. Team

After speaking to literally thousands of dads at Pizza Nights all over Arkansas, the subject of parent involvement or *family engagement* as it is now called, has come to the forefront of CFF's efforts. A new organization called *Schools And Families Engaged*, known as The S.A.F.E. TEAM on campus, has invited CFF to partner with them to promote awareness and help parents get started by volunteering at their child's school.



Many researchers and journalists today warn about the negative influences on our children during school hours. What many reports fail to mention is how many of these negative influences came to the school from the child's *home*. *Schools And Families Engaged* has developed a workable plan for engaging family members AND communities in local schools during the school day AND at critical events or field trips by scheduling male AND female volunteers where they are most needed.

It doesn't take long for a school district to go through thousands of dollars trying to provide a safe atmosphere for education. Each SRO Officer needs salary and benefits; cameras and other equipment cost a lot to install and to maintain; if only we had a free and abundant source of qualified individuals willing to donate their time for the good of students... people we could trust to have their best interests at heart... like the PARENTS!!!

When parents engage in school activities, they also begin engaging in education generally—asking more often about homework and noticing more about their child's friends and classmates.

CFF's Dr. Crain will provide Parent Education for schools, teacher in-service and workshops to improve personal responsibility, safety and education on school campuses all over the nation. You can learn more about the S.A.F.E. TEAM on their website: www.thesafeteam.com.

Financial Peace Set to Begin January 6, 2009

After a successful 4 week "jump start" with a small group in November, CFF will offer Financial Peace to new registrants after the holidays. Session 1 will be repeated on January 6 and sessions will continue for 12 weeks.

Financial Peace University has successfully changed the lives of thousands of participants all over the country as they learn the skills to dump debt and begin to build wealth. How much more money would you have if you

didn't have any credit card bills to pay this month?

Interested participants can click on the FPU link at centerforfathers.org, go to Dave's website (link provided by CFF's), and watch a 20 minute introductory video. Once the decision is made to continue, you can register and pay online using CFF's Paypal link (you don't need a Paypal account; just follow the directions on the CFF site). See in Janu-

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