

Safe Passage, Inc.

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Serving domestic and sexual violence victims and providing prevention programming to six counties



Handbags 4 Hope, Sept. 22 in Brookville at Third Place Restaurant

Speaker: Jill Giesting

New and gently used purse auction, salad luncheon, mini-fashion show by Blue Velvet. \$8 tickets at Safe Passage at 812-933-1990 or FCN bank, downtown branch

Doors open at 9:30 a.m. Programming about 10:30 a.m.

Over 50 purses featured, several new and brand name!

6th annual Batesville Handbags brings in over \$9000!



About 180 people bid on 74 purses at the fundraiser for Safe Passage Aug. 11, hosted by Community Church/Batesville.

A message from our Executive Director....

Dear friends,

This is my favorite season - the smells and symbols of everything pumpkin, crisp air, college football - all part of the rhythm of autumn. October also brings Domestic Violence Awareness Month to our routine. I hope you will look for events and education pieces that will be flooding our communities. Perhaps you can join with us and help more people to learn about the services Safe Passage provides by forwarding this newsletter and letting others know what we offer. Word of mouth from neighbors, family and friends is still the #1 way that those in need learn about us!

October is also the launch of our newest line of support for those who have experienced sexual

violence at any time in their life. Safe Place will offer emergency response for any adult who has just experienced a rape as well as counseling, support groups, and other help for those who want to heal from sexual trauma that occurred at any point in their past. Please check out our new website www.safenlaceforhope.org for more



Save the Date!

The annual We Help. We Heal. We Hope event will be Saturday, Dec. 1 at Walhill

Farms in Batesville.

This is our major fundraiser! Please make plans to attend, host a table, sponsor or

donate a raffle item. Contact Mary Mattingly at Safe Passage, 812 933-1990 for more information.

Look for more details to come!



www.safeplacecincinnati.org for more information.

I hope you will take the challenge to be part of our team through spreading the word, volunteering services, making a donation and remembering us in prayer. Together we change lives and transform our community for good.

Peace,

Jane

Our own Hero!

Congratulations to our Executive Director **Jane Yorn**, chosen as one of the Heroes of Character by the Character Council of Greater Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky and Southeast Indiana. Save the date to recognize Jane at the Heroes celebration dinner Oct. 25 at the Lawrenceburg Event Center. www.charactercincinnati.org



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Look for banners and ribbons in the communities and awareness campaign at the **Batesville vs. Greensburg** varsity football game Friday, **Sept. 28.**

Our deepest thanks...

Please join us in thanking our outgoing board members, Mick Wilz of Brookville, Tina Bojack of Lawrenceburg and Angela Scudder of Milan. Jamie Anderson will continue as an honorary board member. All have served two 3 year terms, and have been exemplary members, volunteering their time and expertise in a number of ways for the betterment of the organization and communities we serve.

Safe Place, a new division of Safe Passage [Visit our website](#)



Big Splash Made at the Bash!

A record number attended the 4th annual Bash Before the Stash at the Lawrenceburg Event Center on June 1 to support efforts to curb domestic violence. Through sponsorships, donations and ticket sales, over \$40,000 was raised for Safe Passage.

Anytime Fitness hosts the special event with all proceeds going to Safe Passage. John Spence, owner of 21 Anytime Fitness facilities, is on the board of Safe Passage, and spearheaded this successful fundraiser with support from his staff and business partners Michael Gelfgot and Christian Slater. About 400 were in attendance.

Jane Yorn, executive director of Safe Passage, was overwhelmed with the response from Anytime Fitness and the community. "We are so pleased with the support of the county either by attending this event, decorating a table, sponsoring it or providing an auction item," She added, "Anytime Fitness puts on a first rate event." The money raised from the Bash will go to prevention programming and support services for victims and their children.

A live auction featuring eight items and a silent auction with over 30 baskets/packages helped raise money for Safe Passage.



Meet our new Safe Place team

Safe Place is the new Sexual Assault Crisis Center

Name: Katie Hoffman, Director of Sexual Assault Services, Safe Place.

About: Ball State University grad. She and her husband have 3 children and recently returned to her hometown of Greensburg.

Formerly: Family Case Manager with DCS; Victim Advocate/Case Manager

for survivors of domestic and sexual violence with A Better Way, 911 dispatcher.

New role: Developing the structure and support to ensure that Safe Place becomes a leader in providing resources to survivors of sexual assault. My team will be tasked with determining the needs of the community and using that information to build a program that ensures effective prevention efforts, compassionate advocacy in crisis and ongoing support for those who have experienced sexual violence.



Name: Sarah Balana Molter Advocate/Prevention Specialist

About: Sarah is from Lebanon, IN, and relocated to Batesville.

Formerly: Associate Director of Student Life at Hanover College She has a Bachelor of Science from IUPUI and a Masters of Science in Student Affairs in Higher Education from Indiana State.

New role? I will be working with the survivors wherever they need me (hospitals, law enforcement, court, etc.). I will be leading support groups and conducting prevention programs in the schools and colleges in

our service area.

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