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The quarterly newsletter for the Child Advocacy Center.

Henry Moreno, Detective Gering Police Department

Henry Moreno was hired to be a police officer for the City of Gering in January 2001. Since that time he has worked a variety of different tasks and details. Henry attended the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center in 2001, upon completion of basic training he was initially assigned to work patrol. After a short time of watching his performance, intelligence, initiative and work ethic he was determined to be a very good candidate for a position in Investigative services. Henry was

also personally drawn to that side of law enforcement and prepared himself for that potential role in the department by attending specialized training and individual development.

That position became available and in October of 2005, Henry tested for the position and was promoted to detective. Since that time he has continued his professional growth and development by attending specialized training in Evidence collection and Forensics

sciences, child abuse, interview/interrogation and sudden death investigations to name a few. He has been selected and further trained to be the department's instructor on Domestic Violence related issues and approaches that role with the same tenacity and commitment that he shows in his everyday duties. Also during the time that Henry has worked in investigations he has had the commitment and drive to continue his education working on his Master's Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from the University of Wisconsin Platteville.

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Kathy Carter, Administrator for the Children and Family Services

Kathy Carter is the Children and Family Services Administrator managing programs in Child Abuse and Neglect and Juvenile Services in 15 counties of Western Nebraska. She has been in the field of Child Welfare for the last 23 years, the last 17 years being with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

Kathy received her undergraduate degree in 1980 from the University of Sioux Falls, SD, and a Master's Degree of Education in Guidance, Counseling and Personnel Services from South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD in 1984. Kathy is a Licensed Mental Health Practitioner and Certified Professional

Counselor in the State of Nebraska.

Kathy serves on the Board of Directors of CAPstone representing the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

In her spare time Kathy enjoys golfing, working on her house, making wine and officiating softball.

The purpose of a Child Advocacy Center

According to state statute, "The purpose of a child advocacy center is to provide a child-focused response to support the physical, emotional, and psychological needs of children who are victims of abuse or neglect."

As outlined in Nebraska State Statute 28-728, "Each county or contiguous group of counties will be assigned by the Department of Health and Human Services to a child advocacy center."

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services currently has service contracts with the Child Advocacy Centers throughout Nebraska to provide services to child victims and non-offending family members. These contracted services include:

- Videotaped forensic interviews
- Medical evaluations
- Advocacy
- Case coordination to the multidisciplinary (LB1184) investigation and treatment teams
- Training

The Statue reads that each team have protocols for "Arranging for a videotaped forensic interview at a child advocacy center for children sixteen years of age or younger who are alleging sexual abuse or serious

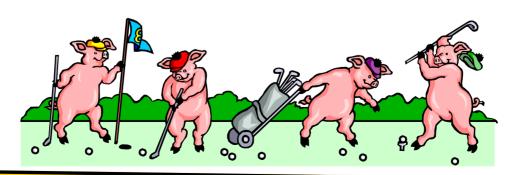
physical abuse or neglect or who have witnessed a violent crime, been removed from a clandestine drug lab, or been recovered from a kidnapping." Therefore, Child Advocacy Center staff are prepared to see child victims or witnesses of:

- Sexual abuse
- Serious physical abuse or neglect
- Domestic violence
- Kidnapping
- Homicide
- Meth labs

Jason Vesper Memorial Golf Tournament August 22, 2009

Annual golf tournament in remembrance of Jason Vesper, who passed away in January 2008 under tragic circumstances. This is the second Annual Golf Tournament with proceeds donated to CAPstone.

Registration Forms and information available at www.jasonvespermemorial.com
6:30 a.m. tee time
Riverview Golf Course, Scottsbluff, Nebraska



1st Annual Light of Hope Breakfast

CAPstone and CASA Friday, September 18, 2009 at 7:00 a.m. Scotts Bluff Country Club

Looking for corporate sponsors
(\$1,000, \$750, \$500, \$250)

And

Team Captains

NOW!!

Contact CAPstone for more information

Soroptomist Awarded \$1,300

Care - packs were put together for sexual assault exam victims

@ the Hospital in Scottsbluff

Volunteers of America
Early Headstart
Salvation Army
For donations of
Blankets, books, bags of goodies

Nebraska State Troopers Association of Nebraska for \$500

Thank You

Everyone that participated In the Pinwheels For Child Abuse Prevention in April We made \$1,200

> Iron Rage Motorcycle Club for \$655 on June 13th Katelynn Stinnett National Memorial Ride For Child Abuse Prevention

We now have hair testing kits available.

Call CAPstone for more information

308-632-7274

<u>CHADRON</u> CAPstone Child Advocacy Center

OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to our Open House, celebrating the opening of our Chadron office.

Please come enjoy some punch and cookies with us, view our offices and learn about CAPstone.

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2009 Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 255 Chadron Avenue (Early Headstart building) Please use back door entrance

We are on the Web

www.capstonenebraska.com

Check it out!!

Upcoming Trainings and Meetings

Vicarious Trauma
July 28th, Northeast Community College, Norfolk, NE
August 11th, Chadron State College, Chadron, NE
August 23th, Sandhills Convention Center, North Platte, NE

Unsafe Havens July 26-31, Prosecuting Online Crimes against Children Chicago, Illinois

Unspoken Crimes

September 1 & 2, Community Response to Domestic Violence in Ainsworth, NE

Contact VAWA Coordinating Team Assistant Kimberly at 402-471-4777

Through the Eyes of the Child Children's Summit September 9 –11, 2009
Grand Island, Nebraska