

the advocate's Voice

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Paul Schaub

Paul Schaub, is the County Attorney for Cheyenne County and has been since 1995. Prior to that he was in private practice. Paul also worked for the Intern, Criminal Division of U.S. Department of Justice in the District of Nebraska in Omaha.

Paul's education includes a bachelors degree with a major in History, and a Juris Doctor degree from Creighton University School of Law.

Paul's professional affiliations are: Licensed to practice law in Nebraska and Colorado, Chairperson of the Cheyenne County Child Abuse and Neglect Investigative and Treatment Teams, Special Prosecutor for Kimball County, and Board Member for CAPstone Child Advocacy Center.

Paul is married to Doreen and they have two sons, Jacob (12) and Joshua (10). Paul likes to spend time with his family. They enjoy vacationing at state parks. He also looks forward to attending the boys' various school and sporting events. Paul makes the effort to spend some one-on-one time with his boys—whether it means playing catch with a baseball, shooting some hoops, or throwing a football or Frisbee.

Kristie Neilan

CAPstone's Administrative Assistant

If you haven't met her please come by and say hi.



National Children's Alliance Children's Advocacy Centers

One in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually abused before the age of eighteen. National Children's Alliance and the Children's Advocacy Center programs are fundamentally changing the way America handles cases of child sexual abuse one community at a time.

Founded by Former Congressman Robert E. "Bud" Cramer, Jr., (D-AL), National Children's Alliance (NCA) is a 501(C)3 non-profit organization that promotes and supports communities in providing a coordinated investigation and comprehensive response to child victims of abuse. NCA is the national accrediting body for over 700 Children's Advocacy Centers (CAC's) who in turn provide a community-based response for hope and healing to victims of severe child abuse.

Children's Advocacy Centers are public-private partnerships utilizing a team approach to finding the truth in child abuse investigations. Based on a multi-disciplinary team model, professionals from child protective services, law enforcement, prosecution, victim advocacy agencies, and the medical and mental health communities work together to investigate and intervene in cases of suspected child abuse. It was designed by professionals and volunteers responding to the needs of their own communities, Children's Advocacy Centers provide services to more than 259,000 children annually. Although many CACs receive small amounts of public funding, Children's Advocacy Centers are primarily private-non-profit, 501(C)3 organizations and raise the bulk of their funding through private donations and local community support.

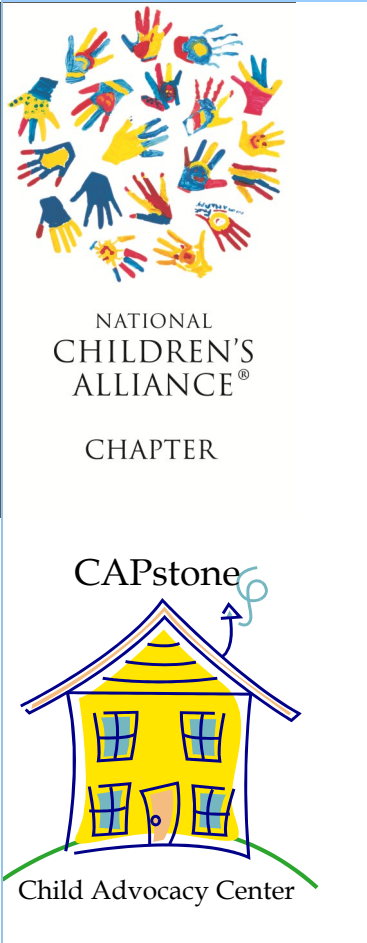
Facts on Children's Advocacy Centers:

- The primary mission of a Children's Advocacy Center is to prevent further victimization by ensuring that investigations are coordinated, concise and meet the age appropriate needs of the child.
- Although Children's Advocacy Centers partner with government public service agencies, such as child protective services and law enforcement, funding for Children's Advocacy Centers is primarily private.
- Communities with a Children's Advocacy Center report increased successful prosecution of perpetrators consistent follow-up to reports of child abuse and reduction in re-abuse rates for child victims.
- CACs provided services to 259,329 children from birth to age 18 last year. 38% of the children were younger than 6 years old. In 2009, 71% of children receiving CAC services had a presenting concern of sexual abuse, 16% physical abuse, and 20% included neglect, witness to violence and other such offenses.
- Utilizing a grassroots approach to CAC growth and development, the number of Children's Advocacy Centers has grown from 22 member program in 1992 to more than 700 Children's Advocacy Centers by May 2010.
- The U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime, has promoted Children's Advocacy Centers as their number one recommendation for improving services to children whom either directly experience or witness violence in their homes, neighborhoods or schools.

CAPstone is re-accredited with NCA

The Capstone Child Advocacy Center in Scottsbluff has been re-accredited by National Children's Alliance (NCA) following an extensive application and site review process.

CAPstone is an accredited Child Advocacy Center that serves 11 counties in western Nebraska.



The Standards for Accreditation

Accredited membership in NCA requires that programs meet ten standards. These standards ensure effective, efficient and consistent delivery of services by Children's Advocacy Center to child abuse victims throughout the county. The standards, which have been in existence since 1996, were revised to better meet the needs of child abuse victims in 2008.

National Children's Alliance Standards for Accredited Members

1. Multidisciplinary Team (MDT)
2. Cultural Competency and Diversity
3. Forensic Interview
4. Victim Support and Advocacy
5. Medical Evaluation
6. Mental Health
7. Case Review
8. Case Tracking
9. Organizational Capacity
10. Child Focused Setting

Walking Tacos



Come to
Oregon Trail Days Food Fair
On
Friday, July 16, 2010
Downtown Gering

Jason Vesper Memorial Golf Tournament

August 21, 2010

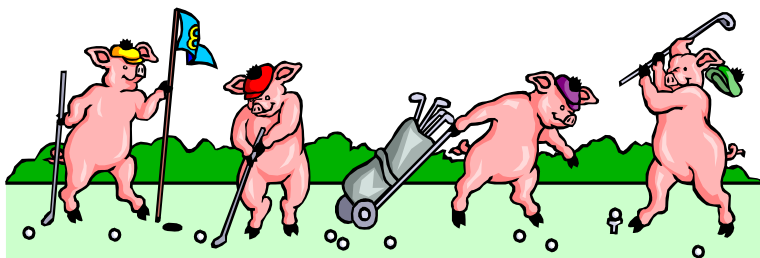
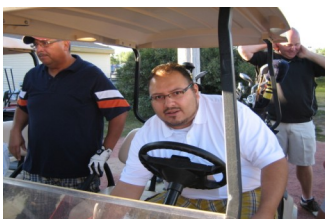
Annual golf tournament in remembrance of Jason Vesper,
who passed away in January 2008 under tragic circumstances.
This is the Third Annual Golf Tournament with proceeds donated
To CAPstone

Registration Forms and information available at

www.jasonvespermemorial.com

6:30 a.m. tee time

Riverview Golf Course, Scottsbluff, Nebraska



Light of Hope

The 2nd Annual Light of Hope Breakfast

For CAPstone and CASA

Friday, September 10, 2010 at 7:00 a.m.

Scotts Bluff Country Club

We are looking for corporate sponsors
(\$1,000, \$750, \$500, \$250)

And

Team Captains
NOW!!!!

Contact CAPstone for more information



Open House in Sidney

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The Sidney Satellite Office Is Now Open

We have conducted six interviews since we've opened. Our trained interviewers for this site are: Keith Andrews, Sidney Police Department and Brian Eads, Nebraska State Patrol.

THANK YOU

To ADC, Memorial Health Center, Thomas Buckley Trust, and Goodwin Law Office for their donations to CAPstone and also a big thanks for all that helped get this up and running.



1st Annual Superhero Race Join the fight against Child Abuse

Join us on Saturday, August 14, 2010 for
CAPstone's 1st Annual
Superhero Race!

Come to Gering for our fantastic 5k and kids 1k.
Run or Walk



The race will benefit
CAPstone Child Advocacy Center
Please pre-register by August 6th
Check-in will begin at 8:00 a.m.
The Kids 1K will start at 8:30 a.m.
The 5K will follow at 9:00 a.m.

The race fee is \$15 for individuals and \$10 for children 12 and under, \$5 more for cape.
Costume Contest

