



June/July 2011

**From the Chairman’s Corner:**

***Parents Matter Supporters:***

We thank all who have worked tirelessly in the flood effort to date. Especially those in Parents Matter who prepared breakfast for workers’, sandbagged, provided assistance to others’ whether moving furniture etc...

Our mission is education regarding dangers / reduction of underage drinking and drinking and driving however in this emergency you have reached well beyond that mission. This is a time of Community Support, you have “stepped up to the plate” when needed.

Our organization, as well as others, have shown a sense of “concern for others” and provided assistance to those in need. Please continue your efforts thru the remainder of this emergency however long it takes.

*Together we will survive this difficult time.*

Thanks again,  
Larry Weiss, Chair  
Parents Matter Central SD  
222-4339



**Remember Flag Day – The Birth of “Old Glory”**

**Parents Matter Sound Bites:**

Please access the Parents Matter updated website, [www.parentsmattercsd.com](http://www.parentsmattercsd.com) , for news, articles and reports regarding substance use/abuse.

Recent posts include: NSDUH Report:, **”Parental Involvement in Preventing Youth Substance Use”**. Also posted is the: **Coalition Membership/Application Agreement Form**. Please feel free to complete a downloaded form and send it via e-mail to: [parentsmatter@pie.midco.net](mailto:parentsmatter@pie.midco.net).

There will be an Audio-Conference call at 2:00 PM (CST) on June 22<sup>nd</sup> , *“Reducing Underage Drinking: Research and Information for Judges on Harm Reduction and Prevention Initiatives”*. The conference call will be held in Growing Up Together’s Offices at 800 E. Dakota. Should you wish to participate, please contact us by e-mail or telephone: 224-3189.

Parents Matter has been provided funding by the Turner Grant to complete a combined report for the Pierre/Fort Pierre Schools Pride Survey Reports. This process will be completed by July by Mt. Plains Evaluation. The information and data will be posted when it becomes available.

Due to the flooding; Parents Matter cancelled the June coalition meeting but, will meet on August 10 at Noon in the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room of St. Mary’s Care Center. Everyone is invited and asked to bring a friend. Lunch will be served. Please make your reservations by calling: 224-3189 or e-mailing: [parentsmatter@pie.midco.net](mailto:parentsmatter@pie.midco.net) .