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2010 UPAA Conference

Our 2010 conference was held on June 24 and 25^{th} at the University Park Hotel in Salt Lake City. This year we had some wonderful presenters and I think that everyone was pleased with what we offered.

Recent CUPA Recipients

- Roswithe Brown, Cache County Attorney's Office
- Adrienne Lee DeJong, Davis County Attorney's Office
- Elaine Despain, Duschesne County Attorney's Office
- Sindra Garcia, Salt Lake City Proseuctor's Office
- Megan Hutchins, Salt Lake City Prosecutor's Office
- Salote McKenzie, Washington Co Attorney's Office
- Lydia Mossi, Kane County Attorney's Office

Help us in Congratulating them on a Job Well Done

If you are interested in joining a study group to prepare for the CUPA test, please contact JoEll Rowley.

Val Baldwin, CPC

Live Your Ultimate Life Now

by Henry Neils, Reprinted from CareerBuilder.com

In some ways it was a typical breakfast meeting. The waitress was pleasant, the eggs were average, and the restaurant was full of busy people. My client held a cup of black coffee and the first few times he took a sip he managed to spill quite a bit of it. His trembling hand was just one of the symptoms of his burnout. That's why we were meeting. He wanted to know if I could help him.

I picked up a fork and explained that as long as I used it for eating, the fork would last indefinitely. However, if I began to use it to drive nails or dig trenches, it would soon break. The key was to use it for what it was designed to do.

The look in his eyes told me he got it, but I still went on to say that people are like the fork. When they do what they are not designed to do, they eventually break.

Sure enough, I had him take a MAPP (Motivational Appraisal of Personal Potential) Assessment and it showed that he was designed to work on projects where there was a definite goal. He derived immense satisfaction from reaching goals. He also needed to work by himself about half the time. He was a scientist and enjoyed lab time, doing calculations, and interpreting test results.

What his job required on a day-to-day basis was another story. His primary task was to supervise a

dozen people and maintain operations. No goals. No projects. No time alone. Consequently, his job was sucking the life out of him.

Much credit for his recovery goes to his boss who was willing to change the job content to fit the design of a valuable employee.

So how do you know if you, a loved one, or someone who reports to you is suffering from burnout? Here are the early-warning signs.

- 1. Chronic fatigue exhaustion, tiredness, a sense of being physically run down
- 2. Anger at those making demands
- 3. Self-criticism for putting up with the demands
- 4. Cynicism, negativity, and irritability
- 5. A sense of being besieged
- Exploding easily at seemingly inconsequential things
- 7. Frequent headaches and gastrointestinal disturbances
- 8. Weight loss or gain
- 9. Sleeplessness and depression
- 10. Shortness of breath
- 11. Suspiciousness
- 12. Feelings of helplessness
- 13. Increased degree of risk taking

Fight burnout. Do what you were designed to do. If you are interested in taking your own MAPP assessment, you can do so easily, quickly and affordably online at www.assessment.com. Check it out and get started on living your ultimate life!

TRIVIA

- $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{R}}$ "Stewardesses" is the longest word typed with only the left hand.
- 🕯 "Lollipop" is the longest word typed with your right hand.
- No word in the English Language rhymes with "month, orange, silver or purple."
- $\ensuremath{\Re}$ Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.
- * The words "racecar," kayak" and "level" are the same whether read left to right or right to left.
- **%**A snail can sleep for three years.
- ★ An average person's left hand does 56% of the typing.
- * Women blink nearly twice as much as men.



Remember your Hero?

Christine Stevens is employed at the Millard County



Attorney's Office in the criminal division. She has been there since 1991. She is a member of the Utah State Bar Paralegal Division, the BCI TAC for their office, and also is their Victim/Witness Coordinator.

Christine currently lives in Holden with her Farmer/

Rancher spouse. They have 6 children and 13.5 grandchildren. She loves to golf, read, shop, travel and spend time with her family. Christine will be a valuable member to our board and we look forward to the knowledge and experience she will bring.



Hi, I am Marcy Duke. I was born and raised in Orem, Utah. She currently resides in Spanish Fork and currently live in Spanish Fork. I have two sons, one living in Spanish Fork and the other in Cedar City. I worked at the Wasatch County Attorney's office for nine years and am now at the Springville City Attorney's office, where I have been for the past three years.

My favorite things to do when not working are playing with my four grand kids, golf, reading, sewing and shopping. I look forward to being on the UPAA board, I have enjoyed the UPAA conferences in the past and meeting all the members, it is something I look forward to every year. If we haven't met please come and introduce yourself, I love meeting new people.



















Remember when you were little and your parents or an older sibling was your hero, the person you looked up to and admired? Still today, your children or siblings look up to you and whether you know it or not, they still see you and try to imitate you. Children want to be so much like you, so grown-up. They watch everything you do from what you wear, to how you put on your makeup, and how you decide to drink, smoke, or do illegal drugs. If you wonder how much of your child's life you are influencing by asking them to bring you a beer or an ashtray, you might be surprised to know that they often think that is what grown-ups do and so, that's what they should do too. Children are exposed to media so much that the messages and ideas they put in their minds are sugar-coated. They glamorize substance abuse as something to pass time or to have fun with. As role models for our children and siblings, there are steps we can take to be positive role models for them. Here are a few examples:

- 1. Don't engage in illegal, unhealthy, or dangerous drug use. Avoid actions that say, "Do as I say, not as I do." Children watch our actions and imitate them from early on.
- 2. Don't involve your child in your use of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs. Don't ask them to get you your beer or light a cigarette.
- 3. When possible, point out examples of bad behavior linked to substance use or abuse and the consequences. Examples can be found everywhere. It's part of your job to engage your child about what they see and tell them what it means.

If you use substances, the fact is, they are more likely to use them too. However, you can still do a lot to help your child choose not to do them. Make sure that within your family there are rules on the use of alcohol. If family celebrations include alcohol, try to find alternative ways to celebrate. If you use tobacco products and have had difficulty quitting, talk with your child about the challenges you have faced, and how addictive it is. Let them know if you thought you could stop easily, but it has become harder because you are dependent on the nicotine. Also, tell them you want to quit. If you use illegal drugs or are abusing prescription drugs, you are sending them a negative message that you use them to escape from your problems, that it gives you a temporary happiness, and that it's okay to not follow the law.

You might be doubtful on whether you should tell your child about your past experiences. Know that these types of talks can help to guide them so they know these things are not good for them. Some children may not want to know, but some could really benefit from this discussion. Take caution to make sure that you make a good distinction between past and present. Be a positive role model for your child and set limits- but allow room for growth. Remember not to cut off communication with them when they become independent, because that could be when they most need your advice, even if they may not ask for it. You should always be there for them to talk and to guide them. "Parents are a child's first and best teacher." -Written by: Yemina Geroli, ASAP Coalition (Information taken from: SAMHSA, Keeping Youth Drug Free, 2004)

This message is brought to you by ASAP (Art City Substance Abuse Prevention). "Springville is a community that empowers its citizens to be respectful and accountable by valuing unity, celebrating creativity, and promoting healthy lifestyles.

