

# Ingham Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition

## Coordinator's Update

Spring will be here soon - and March brings several "partying" opportunities to Ingham County. The first is St. Patrick's Day, traditionally one of the biggest drinking days of the year. Many bars open at 7:00 a.m. and run drink specials all day – everything from green beer to Irish Car Bombs (a blend of beer, Guinness, and Bailey's Irish cream) and revelers party the entire day and into the evening hours. The other big event is March Madness- the NCAA College Basketball tournaments in which Michigan State is projected to go deep. ISAP is represented on the Michigan State Celebratory Events Committee, a joint venture between MSU students and Student Organizations, MSU Staff, the City of East Lansing, East Lansing Police and MSU Public Safety, Olin Health Center, and other concerned community groups which address safe and organized ways for the community to enjoy the success of MSU athletics safely without disorder and chaos.

The State Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant (SPF SIG) funding approved for Ingham County allowed ISAP to partner with the East Lansing Police department to fund extra road patrols in key traffic corridors to reduce alcohol related vehicle crashes on St. Patrick's Day and for future athletic events. In Ingham County we have embraced the community engagement and collaboration model to the fullest. I look forward to reporting continued successes countywide!

*Harriett Dean*  **Go Green!**

### April is Alcohol Awareness month!

*See our youth in action at:*

**Tri County's Got Talent**  
Saturday, April 18, 2009 7:00-9:30 PM  
The Hannah Community Center, East Lansing



## MARCH 2009

### Alcohol Awareness Funding Awarded

The Alcohol Awareness Month Committee, a subset of ISAP, received a \$5,000 grant from the Capital Region Community Foundation's Youth Action Committee. This funding will support Safe Prom initiatives in April, May, and June in Ingham County and the tri-county area.

### DFC Continuation Grant Submitted

ISAP submitted the continuation grant for year three of the five-year Drug Free Communities Grant. We are continuing to address the goals and objectives outlined in our county strategic and implementation plans, such as county outreach and mobilizing outlying Ingham County communities around their substance use data.

### February ISAP Meeting Outlines Adult Use Workgroup Initiatives

Since its inception, ISAP has discussed issues in the county around a lack of information regarding the protocol for health care providers to make substance abuse referrals, and resources for patients who come in for care intoxicated. At the ISAP meeting this month on the 19<sup>th</sup>, discussion will continue and the Adult Use work group will reconvene to work on this problem. If you are interested in being a part of the solution and are willing to serve on the workgroup, please email me at [hdean@eaton.k12.mi.us](mailto:hdean@eaton.k12.mi.us). Both coalition members and non-members with expertise in this area are welcome!

**The Next ISAP meeting is  
Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 8:30  
a.m. at the South Precinct**

**April:**

**Alcohol Awareness Month  
Using Technology and Prevention: Webinar**