



are you rape wise?



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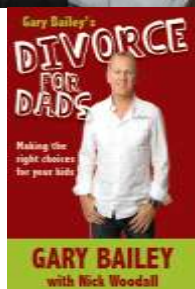
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Dear ParenTeen members, educators' forum & health care professionals

A warm welcome to all our new members, we hope that your support pack has been a valuable tool in dealing with problems related to your children.

Gary Bailey spoke at two of our seminars this month, his book Divorce for dads proves to be a very helpful tool in assisting parents with dealing with divorce and their children, remember we have to put the children first. His book is available for purchase at R 150.00; please contact our office if you would like to purchase a copy.



This month we take a look at: Taking action against domestic violence, often we have calls from educators and parents regarding the procedures that have to be followed when dealing with domestic violence.



An informed parent, is an empowered parent



Taking action against domestic violence

Reporting domestic violence

Domestic violence act

- The South African police have to act if you lay a criminal charge
- Assault/rape or sexual assault/damage to property/verbal threats

Apply for a protection order

- The South African police will fill out an application for a protection order
- Magistrate issues summons and court date
- Sheriff serves the documents
- Magistrate interviews the abuser
- Protection order issued
- Take a copy of the protection order to your nearest police station

When the abuser does not adhere to the order

- Go to your nearest police station
- Any police officer will take a statement
- Open a case of contempt of court
- Take a copy of the protection order and place it in the docket
- Immediate arrest of the abuser
- A 5 year prison sentence may apply

As a parent if you do have a protection order please give a copy of that order to your school and notify them of this.

Until next time

***John Buswell &
The Rape Wise Team***