



## PACT E-News

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### PACT 2014-2015 Events!

- **Nov. 6, 2014:** PACT Community Dinner, SBHS, 5:30-7:00 p.m. **\*Special Guests! The cast & crew from SBHS's musical *Bring It On!* will perform for us and join us for dinner!\***
- **Dec. 4, 2014:** PACT Dessert/Dialogue at Allenwood, 6:30-7:30 p.m. **\*Special Guests! The UVM Top Cats, UVM's fantastic a cappella group, will join us and perform!\***
- **Jan. 8, 2015:** Welcome Back PACT Alumni Community Dinner, SBHS, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- **Jan. 19, 2015:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Community Celebration, Time TBA
- **Feb. 16, 2015:** Dialogue Night, SBHS, 6:30-8:30p.m.
- **March 19, 2015:** PACT Community Dinner, FHTMS, 5:30-7:00 p.m. **\*Special Location!\***
- **April 9, 2015:** PACT Community Awards Dinner, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- **May 13, 2015:** PACT Thank You Community Dinner, SBHS, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

### PACT Reflections

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." ~ Margaret Mead*

Six years ago Mariah Larkin, SBSD Prevention Counselor and PACTeen Advisor, shared this quotation with the over 300 people (half of whom were SBHS teenagers) who attended the first Dialogue Night in November 2008 following two underage drinking accidents. Tim Wile, SBHS Director of Guidance, and Karen Krupa, SBHS Class of 2009, also played instrumental roles in the November and later December Dialogue Nights. PACT as we now know it was officially founded that year and has continued to evolve thanks to the ideas and commitment of our South Burlington young people. As we begin our 7<sup>th</sup> year as an organization, we offer gratitude to our early participants; to those who have continued to remain involved in PACT over the years; and to our new friends who have the courage and vision to step up, share their voices, and allow PACT to take mindful next steps. We hope our community will always remember that PACT would not exist without you. We look forward to another great year of listening and learning from one another.



*PACT Retreat – September 14, 2014*



*At our Welcome Community Dinner on October 2, 2014, we were delighted to see returning friends and welcome new ones!*