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# **Upcoming PACT Events**

## Dialogue Night 2

South Burlington High School Wednesday, March 21, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

## **PACT Community Awards Dinner**

St. John Vianney Parish Center Thursday, April 12, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

#### **PACT Fair**

F.H. Tuttle Middle School Cafeteria Tuesday, May 15, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

# Dialogue Night: In the Words of Our Teenagers Teen Responses to Ask Us Who We Are

- "It would really build awareness if all kids saw this film."
- "Students act out or sleep in class, and I often wonder what their situation is. I know a lot is going on but do not know what."
- "Often you do not know someone's situation."
- "It is just so hard to know what people are going through. Being a foster child isn't really 'visible."
- "You need to know you have support whether it is from your family, friends, a teacher or some other adult in your life."
- "Kids need a sense of belonging."
- "It was good to hear the perspectives from all sides -- not just the kids, but the foster parents and the birth parents. That must have taken so much courage for the birth parents."
- I like the concept, 'It takes a village to raise a child.' South Burlington has a good community, but there are parents who have bad influences."

Dialogue Night 2012!







