

Confirmed Speakers

Phil Chalmers has been writing books, speaking, and researching youth culture since 1985. Phil is concerned with the well-being of today's youth, and he has devoted his life to educating and guiding teens toward a more positive, healthy, and safe lifestyle. Phil has appeared in many media outlets, including the Montel Williams Show and the Howard Stern Show. He has interviewed the likes of Charles Manson and David Berkowitz to television personality Joe Schillaci, homicide detective from the A&E show "The First 48." He is the author of several books, including "*Can You Handle the Truth*," and produced two video series, including the hit series "*True Lies*," about today's destructive and violent media. His latest project is a book for Thomas Nelson Publishers titled "*Inside the Mind of a Teen Killer*," his ten year study of teen killers and school shooters. The street date for this highly anticipated book is May 5, 2009. He is also working on a reality television series titled "Teen Killers," which will give viewers a chance to meet many of the subjects of his non-fiction book.

Lieutenant John Kost of the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office has been working in the counter terrorism field since September 11, 2001. On that day he was detailed out to the US Secret Service working as counter surveillance for President Bush's visit to Booker Elementary School, in Sarasota, Florida. From that day forward he has been working with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Regional Domestic Security Task Force and the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force. He has taken current declassified information on al-Qaida's targeting methodology of hard, soft and symbolic targets and put together a program to assist law enforcement, school officials, and private sector officials in detecting, disruption, and identification of persons conducting pre-operational surveillance on their buildings and schools. Lt. Kost will touch on the history of terrorism abroad and in the US. He will do a comparative analysis of our schools to Israeli schools in reference to protection. He will also speak about the Perfect Day Scenario, which was declassified in April of 2002. He started sharing that information in May of 2002. In the past five years he has spoken on these subjects across our nation on behalf of the School Safety Advocacy Council, National Association of School Resource Officers, Florida Association of School Resource Officers, International Association of Chiefs of Police, Baltimore County Public Schools and Security Solutions International.

FBI Special Agent Tonya M. DeSa new FBI Training Initiative: "*Identifying Warning Signs of School Violence*." SA DeSa is bringing this initiative to New Jersey from Langley, Virginia. It will provide insight for law enforcement, educators, administrators, campus public safety professionals, and mental health professionals, who may be tasked with responding to threatening situations in school environments. The focus of this training is the identification, assessment and management of potential threats.

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John J. DeVoe is the founding member of Vested Security Solutions, LLC. Throughout his career in law enforcement and the private security industry, John has dedicated himself to the pursuit of cyber-criminals. While his years in policing have led him to investigate and apprehend thousands of criminals who have committed a variety of offenses, his passion has long been education initiatives that have ultimately reached thousands of children and adults throughout the Northeastern United States. An enthusiastic speaker who lectures on a number of intriguing topics, John specializes in Internet safety.

Jeffrey J. Angermeyer is a founding partner of Vested Security Solutions, LLC. Now in his seventh year of service to the State of New Jersey, he is a full-time police officer. He was elevated in 2005 to serve as a criminal investigator, pursuing crimes committed via computer in one of New Jersey's largest counties. In his tenure as a police officer, he has participated in hundreds of criminal investigations. Jeff is pursuing a Master of Administrative Science degree with a concentration in Computer Forensics.

United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration "*Pharming in the Garden State*." Pharming parties are one of the latest trends among adolescents today. Young people get together to trade and mix different prescribed medications, often stolen from medicine cabinets in their own homes. This workshop presented by SAC McAleer and SA Collier will focus on current trends regarding prescription and over the counter drug abuse.

DEA Special Agent in Charge Gerard P. McAleer As Special Agent in Charge, Mr. McAleer is responsible for the daily operations of the men and women whose primary mission is to enforce the federal narcotics laws throughout the State of New Jersey.

DEA Special Agent Douglas Collier currently serves as the Public Information Officer with the DEA. As such, he develops channels of communication and implements public information programs to ensure that the media and the public are aware of DEA objectives, programs, goals and accomplishments.