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perspective of how we began the development of our county's community response to DV. Kitsap County Commissioner Chris Endresen shared a personal story of survival. David Gitch, CEO, Harrison Hospital, talked about the medical community and particularly Harrison's protocols for handling DV cases. Kitsap County Prosecutor Russ Hauge shared with the audience his office's dedication to the prosecution of DV cases and the support of victims through programs like SAIVS. Captain David Thomas, CO, Naval Submarine Base Bangor, spoke of the Navy's efforts to develop internal programs and to coordinate with the civilian community to end family violence.

We were proud to be able to offer six educational break out sessions that day. Topics ranged from internet safety for kids, faith issues, interstate protection orders, services for child

victims, and a victim/perpetrator panel discussion. We also offered an interactive victim's story, In Her Shoes, which challenged the participants to make decisions and feel the consequences as if they were a victim of DV.

Our day closed with a lyrical dance presented by two talented young women, Kameil Forsythe and Brandee Gambrel to the song, "I Can't Take It Anymore", by Karen Clark. It was a very visual expression of what we had been experiencing all day.

It was a beautiful clear and sunny fall day. As our minds were fed by the speakers & presenters, the Port Orchard Soroptomists and Port Orchard Rotary combined forces to bring us a wonderful continental breakfast to feed our bodies. Our spirit was also fed by the Crossroads Community Church

which hosted our event for us this year and provided a perfect setting for the inspirational day that was to be our 4th Annual Summit.

We have many people to thank for our Summit this year and not the least of which are the record setting 237 of you who joined us! A special thanks to our Summit chair this year, Teresa Moses and our Task Force Program Committee chair, Susan Vitale-Olson both of whom kept us on track to meet our goal this year. It was a successful day!

If you missed it or would like to share what you experienced that day with others, we have both the keynote speakers on video tape. The tape is available in our lending library at the Project Family Parenting Center, 2528 Wheaton Way, Suite #104 in Bremerton, (360) 373-3030.



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