New Film: “The Naked Truth” Premieres

Irreversible Consequences viewed by 8,000
JPCC Conducts its 900th Interview

Our Vision
Provide a child-friendly forensic interview center that offers new hope to children who have been the victims of sexual abuse, physical abuse, or who have witnessed domestic violence. Interviews are conducted in a comfortable, safe atmosphere by a team of highly trained professionals to ascertain the truth on behalf of the child and the suspect. Care is taken to ensure follow-up services are provided to aid in the healing process.

Additionally, JPCC provides information, training and consultation to parents, teachers, law enforcement officers, medical and mental health professionals.
For the past six years we have been showing the film *Irreversible Consequences* to numerous middle and high schools in Marin. The award winning film, written and directed by JPCC Director Michael Grogan and DA Tech Analyst John Aliotti, and acted by San Marin High School drama students, is about “sexting.” After viewing the film students answer a survey, which inquires about reactions to the film content and their personal experiences, related to topics addressed in the film. In reviewing junior and senior girls’ answers, it was shocking to see the responses to sexual-related questions. Though boys are raped, girls are more commonly the victims. Rape, along with other sexually concerning behaviors, was revealed as having occurred to a surprising number of students. This brings the question: What is happening to our youth?

The following results are based on 93 female junior and seniors respondents from five different high schools across the county.

- **I would consider sending a semi-nude/nude picture of myself to my boyfriend/girlfriend over my phone.**
  - Range: 17%-36%  
  - Average: 21.58%

- **I have felt strong pressure to send a nude/semi-nude picture of myself to someone.**
  - Range: 5%-47%  
  - Average: 27.05%

- **I have had a similar experience to that depicted in the film, having non-consensual sex.**
  - Range: 3%-36%  
  - Average: 16%

- **I have been in a sexual situation with someone where things went too far and I have strong regrets about it.**
  - Range: 20%-63%  
  - Average: 27.90%

These results are alarming; to think that 16% of high school junior and senior girls have been the victims of rape is undeniably a grave concern. In addition, there is a significant number (over one-fourth of girls) who have found themselves in a sexual situation where things went too far and later suffered deep regrets. It would suggest we have a very serious problem in our community.
Department of Homeland Security Uses Center

Two agents from the Department of Homeland Security requested to use the Center for a federal investigation into a sexual abuse case. It is common for Centers to make their facility available when the crime occurs in their community or the victim resides in that county. The suspect was a Marin County man who was communicating with two teenage boys, posing as a female. The suspect was Skyping the boys and was running a video loop of a young woman performing sexual acts on her self. All the time the suspect was watching the boys via the Skype link. The boys had no idea that they were being watched. The boys and their family were cooperative; the suspect is currently in jail awaiting trial.

Generosity of Spirit

Nico’s older brother was reading a book about Charlie Chaplin’s early life and found out the deprivation he suffered as a young child. Nico was deeply affected, realizing there are many children even in his community who have a much different life than his. Nico began to research where he might put his efforts into helping kids who could use some assistance and found out about the JPCC. He talked to his third grade teacher, Mary Stratton, and she agreed to make it a class project for their third grade class at Wade Thomas School in San Anselmo. Knowing the JPCC provides a toy to each child who visits the Center, students and family members in Nico’s class created a drive that resulted in over 60 donated toys. We are grateful to Nico for his thoughtfulness and giving spirit.
"The Naked Truth" Premiers!

A full house at the Emily Gates Student Center at San Marin H.S. to view the premiere of "The Naked Truth".

Left: SMHS Vice Principal Mike Casper attends the premiere with his wife and daughter.

Above: Drama Teacher of San Marin Arts and Technical Arts Linda Kislingbury dances with one of the film’s actors, Louis Henry.

Below: Heather & Ron Ravani, Ed Berberian listen to the speakers who preceded the start of the film.

Photographs by Janice Blair
Film Director John Aliotti talks about the trials and tribulations of making the film, but also the joy brokered from working with the students.

Main film actors answer questions about the potential impact of the film and their part in its production; Bella Blofeld, Aryana Hamzehloo, Obed Ventura, Carlie Thoma, Kristian Seyler, Louis Henry.

Below: Michael talks to two of the film’s script editors—Ashley Altmann and Dara Elkurdı.

Above: Michael, Larry and John acknowledge San Marin H.S. and specifically Vice Principal Mike Casper for his continued support of the film.

Right: Sound Engineer Larry Nilsen and father of the lead actress Kyra talks about the impact these films are having on the student community, and how important it is to be involved in something that makes a difference.
“The Naked Truth” Goes to School...

Left: Deputy District Attorney Aicha Mievis responds to student questions at Redwood High School.

Above: Lisa Richter and Nell Branco Counselors at San Domenico School have the JPCC present Irreversible Consequences annually to the graduating 8th graders.

Left: Deputy District Attorney Vanessa Wong relaxes at lunch between presentations of the film to classes at Hall Middle School in Larkspur.
Left: Long time avid supporter of the film, Jon Hirsch at Redwood High School, always an active voice with students when discussing the message conveyed in the film.

Above: Hewitt Jackson and Dave Hickman at Mark School in San Rafael, find the film presents a valuable lesson for their graduating 8th grade class before entering high school.

Above: Deputy District Attorney Elaine Kuo speaks to students at Novato High School about the laws pertaining to “sexting” and rape.

Right: Deputy District Attorney Tom McCallister, rests between presentations at White Hill Middle School. Tom, a strong believer in the film’s important message to youth, is an active and inspirational presenter when talking to students about what they are doing online.
Left: Assistant Director of H & HS, Heather Ravani, delivers the opening welcome reminding all attending of the importance of working collaboratively on cases of child abuse.

Above: Coreen Woehl and Kuba Piotrowski appear in a short play about the life of a girl who is being trafficked.

Below: Chief Jim Berg, NPD, presents a plaque to Steve Cogan’s widow honoring his many years of exceptional service to the agency.

Left: Members of the Cogan family attend the luncheon paying tribute to Steve’s memory.
Left: Chief Todd Cusimano, CMPD, acknowledges the outstanding work of Patty Monge, the first recipient of the Steve Cogan Memorial Award.

Left: Deputy District Attorney Nicole Pantaleo remembers her fond memories working with Steve Cogan and his unique ability to connect with children.

Above: Michael provides a gift certificate to Sandra Harrington along with the other Sew & Sews, who have donated over 200 quilts for children who come to the Center.

Left: Retired Deputy District Attorney Ron Ravani reflects on his 30 years of experience and his pride in being a law enforcement agent.

Below: Social Worker Molly Miller recounts her work with Steve Cogan and his impact on her life.

Below: Members of the San Marin Advanced Drama Class receive flowers for the performance of a short play about the day in the life of a trafficked young woman. Left to Right: Bella Blafeld, Kuba Piotrowski, Coreen Woehl, Thomas Peterson, Athina Davios and Linda Kislingbury.
Child Forensic Interview Training

In August, child forensic interviewers from local police jurisdiction and Children and Family Services gathered to work on their skills. Since there has been a steady increase in teenagers coming to the Center, the Project Director secured the opportunity to have high school students play the role of victims. Students were given a script to follow and encouraged to not be forthcoming, since many of our teen victims show great reluctance.

Detective Amy Yardley, NPD attempts to gain the confidence and trust of the male student victim discussing his alleged abuse.

Detective Leslie O'Toole, SRPD, allows her victim to tell her story without interruption.

Detective Laurie Dargo, attempts to put student actor Emile at ease in her attempt to ascertain the nature of her sexual abuse.

Detective Rob Hill, NPD and Officer Patty Monge, CMPD (background), begin the process of developing a rapport with their assigned student.

Detective Selma Tijero, MCSO, listen intently to the student victim assigned to her.

Student actor Athina, decides she is going to make things difficult for Detective Mark Wilkinson, SRPD. The frustration of her noncompliance is evident of the face of Detective Aaron Piombo, SRPD.
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