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### **Sexual Assault Crisis Center Expands Prevention Education Program**

*New educator brings theatrical background to bear on Prevention Education program*

APPLETON, Wis., November 1, 2005—The Sexual Assault Crisis Center, Fox Cities Inc. has expanded its Prevention Education program with the addition of Judith Dolnick to its educator staff.

Dolnick most recently was a middle school drama teacher at the University School of Milwaukee, where she taught drama to grades five through seven, as well as directed two theater productions a year. In addition to her teaching and directing duties, she served as chair of the drama/dance department for the past three years.

“We’re thrilled to have Judith join our staff,” Kathleen Lhost, SACC executive director, said. “Her years of educational experience coupled with her background in drama present some exciting possibilities and new directions for our Prevention Education program.”

Dolnick’s expertise in reaching young minds through theater will help the Center establish a youth drama troupe that will help educate peers about topics relating to sexual violence and building healthy relationships, Lhost said. “Theater is a great way to educate youth when dealing with uncomfortable subject matter,” she said.

With the arrival of Dolnick, the Center now has two community educators (one full-time equivalency position). Helen Kobussen is the other community educator. Lhost said the addition of Dolnick would allow Kobussen the necessary time to reach out to rural areas and begin to establish relationships with additional schools.

The Sexual Assault Crisis Center, Fox Cities Inc. is located in Appleton and was founded in 1978. The Center is dedicated to providing crisis intervention and advocacy services to survivors of sexual abuse, their families and others affected. The goal of the Center is to work toward ending sexual abuse and violence in our communities through prevention and education. Its services are confidential and free.