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## Local Teen Uses Clay and Soap to Explain the Dangers of Underage Drinking and Driving

*Students create video messages to warn peers about drunk driving*

**COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., May 4, 2009**—Sara Khan, a 10th grade student at the Colorado Springs School, recently won the McDivitt Law Firm Video Public Service Announcement Contest, which asked area teens to produce videos discussing their feelings and thoughts regarding the dangers of underage drinking and driving. Using household items such as clay and soap, Sara created a unique and artful PSA that brings a surrealist spin on a common message.

During a ceremony at the Colorado Springs School on April 28, Mike McDivitt and his wife, Karen, who is the firm's community outreach coordinator, presented Sara with her prize, which includes:

- an Apple MacBook with Apple Final Cut Express HD
- custom computer and software tutorial from Mark Pimentel, owner of ASSISTech, a Colorado Springs-based computer consulting company and licensed Apple Consultant
- local television placement of the winning PSA, which will be aired beginning April 4

"We're proud to help give teens the opportunity to voice their opinions and concerns about the serious nature of underage drinking and driving."

**Mike McDivitt**  
Attorney

A donation of \$2,000 also was given to the Colorado Springs School on behalf of the McDivitt Law Firm.

"The McDivitts are doing so much for youth awareness here in Colorado Springs," said Karen Teel, youth programs specialist at MADD Colorado. "We appreciate them for all that they do to increase underage drinking awareness and prevent drunk driving within our community."

The contest resulted in many outstanding entries, so the McDivitts included second, third, and fourth place prizes. Scott Von Thun, a 10th grade student at Coronado High School won second place and received an Apple MacBook; Camilla Stark, a 9th grade student at Air Academy High School, won third place and received \$300; and Jeffrey Stark, a 10th grade student at Air Academy High School, won fourth place and received \$200. Additionally, students who didn't place in the contest each received \$50 for their time and hard work.

The PSAs, which were judged on students' abilities to discuss underage drinking and driving and produce quality videos, can be found on the McDivitt Law Firm Web site at [www.McDivittLaw.com](http://www.McDivittLaw.com).

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McDivitt Law Firm is a highly visible and respected Colorado personal- and work-injury law firm that provides legal advice and representation for a wide variety of issues, including those related to workers' compensation, Social Security Disability, and general personal injury claims for those injured in Colorado and beyond. With offices in downtown Colorado Springs, Pueblo, and Denver, McDivitt Law Firm was founded by Attorney Mike and Dr. Karen McDivitt and includes lawyers, paralegals, and support staff to provide caring, aggressive, energetic, and thorough legal representation for people who have been injured physically, psychologically, economically, and emotionally. The members of the firm recognize the importance of giving back to the community and sponsor the Safe and Sober Free Ride Home program on New Year's Eve, St. Patrick's Day, Cinco de Mayo, and Halloween as well as the firm's annual video PSA contest for high school students.

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