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Happiness Through Health

by Otto McClarrin

HAZARDS FOR UNBORN FOUND EVEN FOR SOCIAL DRINKERS: Surprising new findings are showing that even social drinking by pregnant women can harm their babies. While it has been widely recognized that heavy drinking was a distinct risk to the fetus, researchers have demonstrated for the first time that small amounts also can have a detrimental effect.

As little as two ounces of alcohol a day caused changes in growth and development, according to studies conducted at the University of Washington hospital in Seattle.

Infants with "fetal alcohol syndrome" were smaller than normal. They had reduced head circumference, some changes in facial features, anomalies of the ear and cardiac murmurs. Of the 163 infants studied, 11 were classed as having the fetal alcohol syndrome.

"These data provide a strong reason to suspect that moderate levels of alcohol consumption during early pregnancy can have an adverse effect on the fetus," the researchers said.

On the basis of the findings, they advise women to stop drinking not only during early pregnancy but even before starting a pregnancy since they may not realize for two weeks or more that they are pregnant.

The study was conducted by Drs. James W. Hanson, Ann Streissguth and David W. Smith of the University's departments of pediatrics, psychiatry and behavioral sciences.

The association of alcohol and birth abnormalities followed a "dose response curve," meaning the risk of having a newborn child with fetal alcohol syndrome increased proportionately with the average daily alcohol intake.

If the average maternal drinking is less than an ounce of absolute alcohol a day, the apparent risk for abnormalities appears to be low. But if consumption increases to one to two ounces, the risk may approach 10 percent, the researchers said.

X-RAY TECHNIQUE DETECTS SIGNS OF CHILD ABUSE: A new X-ray technique is being used in St. Louis to detect the tiny bone chips in infants that point to child abuse. Courts are now accepting X-ray films of the bone chips as evidence. In many cases, conventional X-ray procedure would not reveal the minute bone damage, even when an attending physician suspected beating of the child because of the patient's clinical history.

"The new method permits X-ray films to tell us a story that the child is too young, too sick or too scared to tell," said Dr. Aïmand Brodeur, a radiologist at the St. Louis Hospitals.

The method, called "direct radiographic magnification," has been perfected in recent years to allow enlargement of X-ray images without loss of detail. Doctors at the university's Cardinal Glennon Memorial Hospital, are probably the first in the nation to apply the technique to child abuse cases, said Brodeur, a nationally recognized expert on the problem.

Brodeur said he and others "didn't realize we could apply the method in child-abuse cases" until a year ago. "Since that time, juvenile court judges have accepted the new X-ray procedure as positive diagnosis of child abuse in five child custody trials." The new X-ray films, he said, "are unequivocal demonstration of this kind of violence and should do away with legal wrangling." So far, all five cases brought to court with film from the new technique as evidence have resulted in the temporary placement of the children in foster homes.

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V. J. P. Corner

by Kenneth Carson

Hello VOICE Readers:

Second Chance, Inc., held a business meeting at the Jean, Nevada Prison, with the Rev. Charles Wyatt and the Inmates Advisory Committee. The meeting was very successful and we're hoping they in turn will have gained further knowledge in how the program will benefit the prisoners. The IAC was well formed, and I might add, a well informed group of men.

Second Chance wishes to thank Rev. Wyatt of SNCC, Jean, Nevada, for giving up his holiday with his family and friends in order to allow us the opportunity of visiting the prison. We need more men like Rev. Wyatt, as he is a dedicated man to his profession and he cares about all of the inmates and seems to have a good relationship with the men. In turn, the men seem to respect Rev. Wyatt very much.

HELP !!

There's a well known business man on our side of town who disregards the school zone area. I have been standing, talking to the guard and this man doesn't stop at all for her. He inches his way toward her instead of stopping completely, and speeds around other cars that have slowed down to 25 miles, and he actually gets mad if he has to stop. The guard has spoken to him, and he was very nasty to her.

To this gentleman: We're asking, please let our children grow up.

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King, the Meat Man



Telling It
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by Jimmy Gay

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