

Former White House advisor, military veteran, narcotics cop and community leader offers students unique perspective on life challenges.

At the young age of 12, Paul Chabot entered drug rehab. He learned from his mistakes and excelled in life, becoming an inspiration to those around him. He became a decorated police officer in California as the University of Southern California; served at the White House under two U.S. Presidents; worked in the U.S. Congress; Department of Justice; Department of State and most recently as a Governor appointed Commissioner to the California Parole Board and candidate to state office. He recently authored the book, *Eternal Battle against Evil* and is President of Chabot Strategies, LLC – a national security consulting firm.

He has over 10-years of military experience - commissioned as a Naval Intelligence Officer with service in the Pentagon and later deployed to Iraq with a special operations task force. Today, Paul is a LT Commander - Department Head for Intelligence at a Reserve command with the U.S. 3rd Fleet.

Dr. Paul Chabot has spent the better part of his life helping others better their lives. He was handpicked from California in 1999 to work directly for the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Once there Paul helped shape national policy and programs aimed at substance abuse prevention, education, treatment and enforcement. Today's those initiatives are taking hold across America and helping reduce our nation's dependence on substances that kill approximately 120,000 of us every single year.

Drug use at the high school and college level is significant, yet not many people truly know the potential harms of usage, least of all the people using the drugs. Many young people see a cheap, clean high with few short-term effects, while educators, health providers and the general public worry about the long-term effects.

Into this confusing lack of consensus comes Dr. Chabot. He is traveling the nation, speaking to students about the dangers of using substances. He is telling them about the effects on individuals, but he's also giving them an idea about the effects on the nation, our local communities, and their future.

Chabot brings an impressive array of experiences to the table. In college he was a founder and president of his fraternity. He became a University Ambassador, New Student Orientation Leader, IFC Judicial Director, Resident Advisor, Student Conduct Officer, and was named as the Greek Man of the Year and Student Leader of the Year.

As a police officer in California assigned to patrol and promoted to the narcotics division, Paul saw the ugly side of drugs and alcohol by investigating drug overdoses, drug related homicides and assaults. *"The crazy thing is that the patterns of the use and abuse weren't that different," Chabot said. "The users can be totally different in terms of*

race, privilege, access to opportunity, and locale. But the damaging end result of abusive behavior is pretty much the same, regardless of who you are or how innocent you think these particular drugs appear. Nobody thinks it will happen to them.”

Chabot opens students eyes with startling new information, portrayed through his highly popular programs. He discusses the pitfalls of group think and his Chabot rubber band theory. Having gone through rehab before, he knows how to truly reach out to youth and young adults, and make a difference.

“It’s amazing the false information that circulates among young people. Like every drug that’s ever come along in our culture, the initial word is that the drug won’t hurt you. It’s not addictive,” Chabot said. “It isn’t until much later that the truth catches up and students learn that there is a whole lot to worry about.”

He created a number of community coalitions and nationwide nonprofits aimed at bettering our communities, including the Coalition for a Drug Free California, the Inland Valley Drug Free Community Coalition, Drug Free RC and Stars and Stripes United.

Today, he continues to volunteer his time to better communities across America.

Paul is married to his wife, Brenda. Together, they have three children.

On (DATE) at (TIME and LOCATION), Dr. Chabot will present his program, (Name Program), to (STUDENTS/FACULTY) of (NAME OF SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION). For more information, call (CAMPUS CONTACT) at (PHONE).

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