Creating the social change necessary to end sexual violence...

March is National Women’s History Month

This year’s theme: Women Inspiring Innovation Through Imagination:
Celebrating Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

See Women’s History Month Page

What better way to celebrate than to thank grass-roots organizers and partners across the nation for their efforts that helped get the Senate version of the Violence Against Women Act re-authorized yesterday!

Read CNN’s news on VAWA...
Also, read President Obama’s statement:
And, statement by our partners at FORGE – Violence Against Women Act Becomes Trans-Inclusive:

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH (SAAM) IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

WCASA has now put the SAAM page up on our website; we’ll be adding more content in the run-up to April, but most importantly – we want to know what’s happening in your communities! If you have events in April, please send relevant information – title, date(s), time, location, link to more information online (if it exists on your local website or Facebook), and contact information – to Peter Fiala, Technology & Events Coordinator, at peterf@wcasa.org. Also join us for a meeting to discuss Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) events across the state and to brainstorm for SAAM. The meeting is on GoToWebinar March 6th, 11:00am-12:00pm and the link is https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1662931421327938560.

WE LEAD Leadership Academy

The WE LEAD Leadership Academy is accepting applications for its 2013-14 leadership group. WE LEAD, a program of the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, is a yearlong leadership academy which focuses on building new voices of leadership within the movement to end domestic and sexual violence by providing hands-on leadership development opportunities for survivors of violence and/or people from Wisconsin’s underserved or under-represented communities. The deadline for applying is March 31, 2013. Learn more....

Help Raise Awareness of Sexual Assault Prevention

Learn about WCASA’s Jewelry Fundraiser
Jewelry maker Melissa Roberts will be donating 100% of her commission of ANY purchase from March 4th through April 28th. Shop the catalog and place an order at http://www.mysilpada.com/melissa.roberts.

From the HOME page, choose Shop Silpada Catalog. Then click Find Your Hostess! Choose WCASA Fundraiser!!! The individual who places the largest order will receive a FREE polishing cloth!! You can contact the artist with any questions at (414) 801-8009 or midgegp@yahoo.com. Download the fundraiser flyer.

WCASA WINTER SCARF SALE
Support WCASA this winter by purchasing a beautifully handmade price of $20. Half of the proceeds will help WCASA continue to be the voice for programs and survivors and to achieve our mission of creating the social change necessary to end sexual violence. Purchase now..
The Rape of Petty Officer Blumer
Inside the military’s culture of sex abuse, denial and cover-up

BY SABRINA RUBIN ERDELY
FEBRUARY 14, 2013 Rollingstone.com

The first thing Petty Officer 2nd Class Rebecca Blumer realized upon waking was that she was freezing cold and naked. The second thing was that her body ached all over. Blumer groggily scanned the unfamiliar room for clues. She saw a concrete floor splotched with vomit, a metal door and a window onto a hallway, where a woman in an orange jumpsuit was sweeping.

Learn more about Lynn...

Meet Lynn Johnson-WCASA’s new Programs Coordinator

WCASA welcomes Lynn M. Johnson as Programs Coordinator.

Lynn Johnson received her Bachelor’s in Social Work from UW-Green Bay and her Masters in Social Work from UW-Oshkosh. While she was an intern at Family Services in Green Bay, she became passionate about her work with sexual assault survivors.

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3/06/2013 SEX OFFENDERS - WHAT EVERY PERSON/BUSINESS NEEDS TO KNOW! 1:30-2:15 Webinar Learn more.


03/13/2013 Enhancing Effective Community Responses to Deaf Victims Wednesday10:30 PM - 1:30 PM See event flyer

03/15/2013 Social Emotional Development: Play Therapy Based Assessments and Interventions with Infants and Young Children” presented by Dr. Sally McCoy. Please see event flyer...

03/15/2013 How to Make the Most of Your2013 National Crime Victims’ Rights Week Resource Guide Webinar 2pm, EST Learn more...

04/03/2013 4th SALSA and Chips with UNIDOS. Learn more...

04/10/2013 Manejo Del Estrés.5:00pm-7:00pm. The Healing Center (“El Centro Para Sanar”) Milwaukee Learn more...

04/18-19 2013 Independencia Financiera Para Latinas Sobrevivientes de Violencia Domestica A 2-Day Train-the-Trainer Workshop for OVW Grantees & other DV Providers that Serve Latina Survivors (including Immigrants), New York Register and learn more...

04/24/2013 Walk a Mile in her shoes: PADA and UW Whitewater Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event April 24th 5-7 UW Whitewater Campus. Learn more and register

The Sexual Assault Across the Lifespan National Technical Assistance Project, a project of the NSVRC, is excited to announce three upcoming webinars:

Growing Resiliency: Meeting the Needs of Children Surviving Incest Tuesday, March 5, 2013

Prosecuting Cases of Sexual Violence in Later Life Friday, March 8, 2013

REGIONAL WCASA MEETINGS AND TRAININGS

South Central Regional Meeting: March 21, 2013 Topic: Trauma Informed Care, Advocacy in Rural Communities. APFV (association for Prevention of Family Violence, Elkhorn-Walworth County, WI

Northeast Regional Training: Wednesday, May 8, 2013 Providing Inclusive Services: Working with Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender & Queer (LGBTQ) Survivors of Sexual, Domestic & Intimate Partner Violence Goodwill Industries, NCW 1800 Appleton Road, Menasha (behind store) 8:30 - 4:30

*Space is limited. Register early to reserve your space. See poster...

Southwest Regional Meeting: Thursday May 23, 2013 Plateville, WI Working with Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender & Queer (LGBTQ) Survivors of Sexual, Domestic & Intimate Partner Violence. Location TBD 9:30-4:30pm