


Domestic Violence Awareness Month Events

October 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
In 2003, there were 1,564 Domestic Violence offenses reported by all Whatcom County law enforcement agencies						
3	4 <i>Check out the Bellingham Library Downstairs Display (all month)</i>	5 Lummi DV Fun Run/Walk 384-2285	6 DV Awareness Vigil "A Safer Journey" 6:00-7:00 p.m. Whatcom County Courthouse	7 Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Services Volunteer Training Begins 671-5714	8 "DV: Impact on Children" Brown Bag Lunch 734-4616 ~ Promoting Healthy Relationships Dinner & Dance 384-2285	9
10	11 Womencare Volunteer Training Begins 671-8539	12 Lummi Volunteer Appreciation Day ~ Domestic Violence Video Series 671-7663	13 Workshop - Emerging Issues in the Law of Domestic Violence 676-6978 ~ Free Self- Defense Class - 384-2285	14 Community Clothesline Workshop 671-7663	15	16
		19 Labyrinth Walk for Domestic Violence 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Fairhaven Ferry Cruise Terminal 671-5714	20	21 <i>Domestic Violence Support Group meets Wednesdays and Fridays</i> 671-5714	22 Parenting After Violence Class for Women Survivors of DV Oct 22&23 676-2164	23 Pour Your Heart Out to Stop Domestic Violence 671-6079
		26 "How to Help Someone You Love" Brown Bag Lunch 671-8539	27 Free Self- Defense Class 384-2285	28	29 Best Screening Practices Conference For Healthcare Providers 671-5714 ~ Lummi DV Vigil 384-2285	30

For more information about Domestic Violence Awareness Month or how you can get involved contact the Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence (360) 671-5714

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- October 5 Lummi DV Fun Run 12- 1 p.m. "Kwina mile" start at planning building. The run will be a one-mile race. Prizes will be awarded to winners and each participant gets a t-shirt. Entry fee funds go directly to the DV Women's Shelter. For information call Aaren McBride 384-2285.
- October 6 Vigil "A Safer Journey" 6-7 p.m. at the Whatcom County Courthouse. This year's vigil will provide education and ideas on the ways in which we can all play a part in supporting a DV victim/survivor in their journey towards safety. It will feature a short performance, speakers and presentation of the First Annual Domestic Violence Outstanding Achievement Award. Displays and local resources will be available in the Rotunda. For more information call 671-5714.
- October 8 "DV: Impact on Children" brown bag lunch with short video clips, discussions, and refreshments, sponsored by Brigid Collins. Garden Street Support Center, Growing Together Office, 1231 N. Garden Street, #200, from 12 -1 p.m. For more information call Kathryn Jarrett 734-4616.
- October 8 Promoting Healthy Relationships Dinner & Dance 6 -11p.m. at Wexliem' (Lummi Nation). Catered and professionally trained servers will help host this relaxing evening. Free childcare is available. A DJ will provide the music. For more information call 384-2285
- October 12 Video Series 6-10 p.m. Dream Space, 1318 Bay St., Admission by donation. 6pm: *Broken Vows: Religious Perspectives on Domestic Violence* presents the stories of six battered women -- Jewish, Roman Catholic, and Protestant, and how their congregations responded to their situation. 7:30pm: *Defending Our Lives* An Oscar winning documentary about the magnitude and severity of DV. 8:30pm: *A Cry For Help: The Tracy Thurman Story* The story of the landmark case that led to the adoption of DV legislation and reforms in police responses to DV calls. For more information please call 671-7663.
- October 13 Workshop Emerging Issues in the Law of Domestic Violence 1- 4:15 p.m. Bellingham Municipal Court Building, 2014 C Street. Speakers on: Crawford v Washington, Victim Defendants, Domestic Violence Court, Domestic Violence Perpetrator Treatment, Risk Assessment and Safety Planning. Free. Questions? Call Bellingham Municipal Court, Commissioner Pete Smiley at 676-6978. Approval for 3 CLE credits pending. Sponsors: Bellingham Municipal Court, Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence, Whatcom County Superior Court, Coordinated Judicial Response to DV Committee.
- October 13 & 27 Free Self-Defense Classes 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Lummi Fitness Center. Open to the public. For more details call Aaren McBride 384-2285.
- October 14 Community Clothesline Workshop 5:30pm-8:30 pm, drop-in, 511 E. Holly St. Any woman, who has experienced violence, at any time in her life, is encouraged to come forward and design a shirt along with their families and friends. The Clothesline Project provides a vehicle for women affected by violence to express their emotions by decorating a shirt to hang on a clothesline for others to see as testimony to the problem of violence against women. For information call 671-7663.
- October 19 Labyrinth Walk for Domestic Violence sponsored by the Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence, 6- 8 p.m. at the Fairhaven Ferry Terminal. An ancient meditative healing tool open to the community. Free. For more information call 671-5714.
- October 22-23 Parenting After Violence Seminar offered by Catholic Community Services. This 12-hour seminar is designed to empower women survivors of DV so they can be more effective parents of their children. Because children also experience the effects of violence in the home, they may present special challenges to a mother who has been victimized by her partner. This class addresses these issues and offers hope for women who are now safe from DV. Call for more details 676-2164.
- October 23 "Pour Your Heart Out to Stop Domestic Violence" LAW Advocates is sponsoring a Coffee/Tea Tasting as a fundraiser, community awareness, and educational opportunity to learn more about their services. 9-11a.m. \$10 to sample a variety of coffees, teas and pastries offered by local cafes. Hizzoner's Restaurant, 322 N. Commercial St., Bellingham Call 671-6079 for tickets.
- October 26 "How to Help Someone You Love" brown bag lunch, 12-12:45 p.m. How to help someone in a DV situation. Call 671-8539 for details.
- October 29 DVSAS 2004 Fall Conference Best Practices in DV: Screening for Abuse in a Clinical Setting at St. Luke's Health Ed. Center, 10a.m.-2 p.m. Speakers: Dr. Maestas & Dr. Sugg from the U of W School of Medicine. A thorough discussion of the challenges associated with responding to disclosures of abuse in a clinical setting and a review of model screening practices along with practical suggestions about implementation. Registration fee \$50. CME/CEU credits. To register call 671-5714.
- October 29 Lummi DV Vigil "Start the Healing" in honor/memory of all those who are or were victims of DV. The event will involve a candle light ceremony and speakers 5-7p.m. at the Old Lummi Gym. The event will revolve around the theme "Start the Healing". For more information call Aaren McBride 384-2285.