

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE Awareness Month

October 2015



Sept. 27-Oct. 2

Omega Phi Beta Sorority (sponsor)

Purple Hearts— Take a Pledge of Non-Violence

University of Rochester River Campus, Wilson Commons

Event where students can make a purple hand with heart cutout to symbolize their pledge promising not to hurt others with their words or hands. Cutouts will be hung at the University of Rochester and RIT campuses on "walls of awareness" throughout the week.

Oct. 1, 10 a.m.

Willow Domestic Violence Center* (sponsor)

Launch of Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Crime Victims Resource Center, 244 Plymouth Ave. S., Rochester

Annual domestic violence report given to the community and Domestic Violence Awareness Month launched.

Oct. 1, 5 p.m.

Willow Domestic Violence Center* (sponsor)

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Launch Social

Genesee Brew House, 25 Cataract St., Rochester

Join Willow Domestic Violence Center to launch Domestic Violence Awareness Month at this social gathering.

Oct. 2-16

Willow Domestic Violence Center* (cosponsor)

Bridge the Silence to Voice and Hope

University of Rochester Medical Center, Strong Behavioral Health, 300 Crittenden Blvd., Bridge Art Gallery

An exhibit of artwork created by local survivors of domestic violence.

Oct. 3, 10 a.m.-Noon

Willow Domestic Violence Center* (sponsor)

Walk a Mile in My Shoes

Ontario Beach Park

Event benefits Willow Domestic Violence Center.

Oct. 4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Rochester Yoga Festival

St. John Fisher College, Varsity Gym, 3690 East Ave., Rochester

Festival proceeds benefit Willow Domestic Violence Center.* For more details, visit www.rochesteryogafestival.com.

Oct. 7, 6-7 p.m.

Willow Domestic Violence Center* (cosponsor)

Bridge the Silence to Voice and Hope— Opening Reception

University of Rochester Medical Center, Strong Behavioral Health, 300 Crittenden Blvd., Bridge Art Gallery

Opening reception and informational session for *Bridge the Silence to Voice and Hope—A Gallery Exhibition of Strength, Survival, and Empowerment with Mixed Media*.

*formerly Alternatives for Battered Women

Oct. 8, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

University of Rochester Susan B. Anthony Center (sponsor)

Transforming Our Community: Meeting the Needs of At-Risk Children

Rochester Academy of Medicine, 1441 East Ave., Rochester

Conference to raise awareness about the adverse effects of violence, abuse, and neglect on the biopsychosocial health of children. For more details and registration, visit www.rochester.edu/SBA.

Oct. 9, Noon-3 p.m.

University of Rochester Susan B. Anthony Center (sponsor)

Stanton Anthony Luncheon and Conversation

University of Rochester River Campus, Interfaith Chapel

Annual event, this year titled "Domestic Violence and Health: Considerations Across the Lifespan." For details and registration, visit www.rochester.edu/SBA.

Oct. 10, 9 a.m.

RESOLVE (sponsor)

Scarecrow 5k and More

Appropriate for ages three and up. For registration information, please visit www.resolve-roc.org.

Oct. 13-18

Center for Youth (sponsor)

Fashion Week Rochester 2015

Various locations throughout Rochester

Each year the Center for Youth partners with Fashion Week Rochester to support youth shelters and programs. Proceeds from Fashion Week of Rochester benefit Center for Youth programs and Safe Journey.

Oct. 18

College Feminists at the University of Rochester and The New Agenda (cosponsors)

StoPP 5k Run and Walk

Event to raise awareness of sexual assault on campus. For more details, visit www.thenewagenda.net.

Oct. 20, 7-9 p.m.

College Feminists at the University of Rochester (sponsor)

Take Back the Night

University of Rochester River Campus, Wilson Commons, May Room

This event allows survivors and allies to advocate for the end of rape and sexual violence. A resource fair (7-8 p.m.) will provide information about volunteer opportunities to work with community organizations that raise awareness of sexual assault. Following the resource fair are a candlelight walk and a survivor speak-out (8-9 p.m.) to allow survivors to share their stories.

Oct. 21, 5:30-7:45 p.m.

Nazareth College (sponsor)

A Path Appears

Nazareth College, Shults Center Forum, 4245 East Ave., Rochester

Nazareth's Center for Civic Engagement, Social Work Department, and Women and Gender Studies Department will show the third episode, "Violence and Solutions," of the PBS documentary series *A Path Appears*. A panel discussion follows the screening.

Oct. 22, 7-9 p.m.

Omega Phi Beta Sorority (sponsor)

Remember My Name in Light

Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), Center for Campus Life, Bamboo Room (2650), One Lomb Memorial Dr., Rochester

This is a vigil-style event honoring women in the past and future who have been and will be touched by domestic violence. Event includes a poem reading ("Remember My Name") and putting candle crafts together.

Oct. 24, 2-3:30 p.m.

Sigma Psi Zeta Sorority (sponsor)

Start by Believing Campaign Event

University of Rochester River Campus, Dewey Hall, Room 1-101

Start by Believing is a public awareness campaign uniquely focused upon changing and educating the public's response toward victims of domestic violence. The guest speaker is Detective Sergeant Daniel Barrett of the Buffalo Police Department.

Oct. 24, 5-7:30 p.m.

RESOLVE (sponsor)

Pasta Dinner at Church of the Assumption

20 East Ave., Fairport

Tickets \$10/adult, \$5/kids under 12, FREE/kids under 3; tickets available at the door or in advance, call 388-0040; eat in or take out.

Oct. 28, 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

RESOLVE (sponsor)

Fairport Settler's Club Card and Games Party with Luncheon to Benefit RESOLVE

Midvale Country Club, 2387 Baird Rd., Penfield

Tickets \$25 in advance only; email settlersclub@gmail.com or go to www.resolve-roc.org for registration form.

Oct. 29, 7-9 p.m.

Omega Phi Beta Sorority (sponsor)

Telling Amy's Story

University of Rochester River Campus, Hoyt Auditorium

Screening of *Telling Amy's Story*, a documentary about one woman's tragic experience with domestic violence. A discussion about the movie's meaning and the audience's reactions, surprises, feelings, and familiarity follows the screening.

Additional Events in November

Nov. 5, 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

University of Rochester's Frederick Douglass Institute for African and African-American Studies and the University of Rochester Susan B. Anthony Center (cosponsors)

Gender and Violence Lecture

University of Rochester River Campus, Rush Rhees Library, Hawkins-Carlson Room

Featuring Akosua Adomako Ampofo, professor of African and gender studies and director of the Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana. Q&A to follow.

***Sisters-in-Law* Film Screening and Discussion**

University of Rochester River Campus, Rush Rhees Library, Hawkins-Carlson Room

Sisters-in-Law follows two legal professionals as they help women in their Cameroon village find the courage to fight difficult cases of abuse.



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