

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The Bay Area Women's Center has several community events planned in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Please join us for any of the following events:

Operation Law Enforcement will kick off the month's events with the National Day of Unity, October 1 at 12:00 noon. Local Law Enforcement agencies will join Bay Area Women's Center in recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Officers will line their patrol cars in the parking lot at Bay Area Women's Center and Purple Ribbons will be placed on the antennas of the patrol cars as a visual reminder that our community will not tolerate any type of domestic violence. You are invited to join us at The Center and receive a free Purple Ribbon to tie on your antenna and show your support.

Domestic Violence Awareness Walk and Candlelight Vigil. Join us October 6 to show community support as we honor survivors and remember victims of domestic violence. The Awareness Walk begins at 5:30 at the FP Horak building and proceeds over Veteran's Bridge to the Bay County Community Center where the Vigil and program entitled, "*Building Bridges*" will begin at 6:00 PM, followed by a Survivor's Speak Out. Refreshments will be served and the 3rd Annual Purple Ribbon Award will be announced. For Purple Ribbon nomination forms please call 686-4551.

Hands Are Not for Hitting T-Shirt workshop is scheduled for children to design a *free* t-shirt by painting their palms and applying them to a t-shirt pre-printed with the words "Hands Are Not For Hitting." The workshop will be held on: October 9, noon – 3:00 PM at The Pumpkin Farm, 4150 Bernthal Rd., Standish.

The **Clothesline Project** is a national program started in 1990 to address the issue of violence against women. It gives survivors an opportunity to leave behind some of their pain on a shirt-canvas. The shirts are hung on a clothesline to be viewed by others as testimony to the problem of violence against women. Displays are scheduled for:

In Arenac Co. - October 12, 10:00 – 2:00 at St. Mary's Hospital, Standish

In Bay Co. - October 19, 10:00 – 2:00 at Bay Regional Medical Center, Bay City

October 26, 10:00 – 2:00 at SVSU in the Science Building near the Library



**Take Action,
Decide to End
Domestic
Violence**

**TO LEARN MORE ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS MONTH
CALL 989-686-4551
OR VISIT WWW.BAWC-MI.ORG**

The Statistics are Shocking

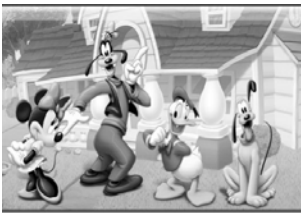
- **One in every four women** will experience domestic violence in her lifetime, according to the *National Violence Against Women Survey, 2000*.
- In 2009, **Bay County 911 dispatch received 1,612 domestic violence calls resulting in police reports.** You may not know it, but these reports involved your family, neighbors or co-workers. The alleged victims were women, children, men and elders whose home has been a confinement for escalating abuse.
- **Children witnessing violence** between parents or caretakers is the strongest risk factor of transmitting violent behavior from one generation to the next. 30% to 60% of perpetrators of partner abuse also **abuse the children** in the household. **Children fail to report domestic violence or sexual abuse** because of shame, fear of retaliation, or fear of not being believed.
- *The US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2006* recognizes that females who are **20-24 years of age** are at the greatest risk for intimate partner violence.
- A 2005 national survey revealed that 21% of **full-time employed adults** were victims of domestic violence. *The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention* estimate that the annual cost of lost productivity due to domestic violence equals **\$727.8 million.**

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Miscellaneous Needs

Diapers size 4 & 5
 Baby Wipes
 Baby monitors
 Personal care needs
 Feminine products
 Batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V)
 Cleaning and paper supplies
 Florescent light bulbs (48" – F40's)
 Towels, washcloths, dish towels
 Bedding
 New pillows
 First-aid supplies
 Over-the-counter medications (adults and children)
 Gas cards and bus tokens
 Phone cards
 Pocket calendars
 Planners or journals
 New underwear and socks (adults, children, teens)
 Bathing Suits, including plus size
 Fabric paint
 Copy paper
 Packing tape
 Ink pens and highlighters
 Dry erase markers
 Legal pads (8 ½ x 11)
 "Thank You" cards
 CDR-R disks
 Used computers, speakers, printers -winXP or newer
 Certificate frames
 Cell phones (working or not)



Thank you to the many families who participated in the Disney Give-a-Day, Get-a-Disney Day program. We hope you enjoy your day at a Disney Park and thank you for your gift of time to BAWC.

Please call Shelley Ramos at 989-686-4451 to continue your volunteer experience.

Special Donors give to Special Events, Thank You

The following businesses and individuals contributed funds for our recent special events. We wholeheartedly appreciate your support to make our community awareness events so successful. In the spirit of the United Way, you have chosen to live united. Thank you.

- 1st State Bank, Bay City
- 7-Eleven Store # 81
- AAUW, Bay City Chapter
- Andrews Hooper and Pavlik
- BASIS—Sacred Heart
- Bay Regional Medical Center
- Cindy Luczek, Bay Co. Clerk
- City of Bay City
- Copoco Credit Union, Bay City
- Dee Dee Wacksman
- D & W Waterworks
- Financial Edge Credit Union
- Graff Chevrolet
- H Hotel
- Health Delivery Inc.
- Jennifer Barnes
- Joan Swide, Remax "Mother/Daughter Team"
- Joni Boye-Beaman
- McAlpine Family
- Meijer Bay City Store
- PNC Bank, Bay City
- Saginaw Chippewa Tribe Casino
- Saginaw Valley State University
- Sheri Schumann, Tax & Accounting
- Sunrise Family Credit Union
- Sunrise Side Construction
- Thumb National Bank, Bay City
- Thomas and Bonnie Struthers
- Top Producers, Inc
- Tri-City Swimming Pools, Inc.
- Two Men and a Truck, Bay City
- United Bay Community CU, Bay City
- Wal-Mart Bay City Store
- Weindlander Fitzhugh
- Younkers Bay City Store
- YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region

The following businesses and individuals gave in-kind items and services for recent special events.

- Angela Markel Dance Studio
- Angela Williams, Singer
- Applebee's, Bay City
- Bay Valley Portable Toilets
- Bay Area Rental
- Bay Co. Community Center
- Bijou Orchestra
- Buffalo Wild Wings, Bay City
- Copoco Credit Union, Bay City
- DJ Mark DeWitt
- Dow Diamond
- Drew Nelson, Singer/songwriter
- FP Horak, Bay City
- Greg Greenway, Singer/songwriter
- Harvey's Grill & Bar, Bay City
- Home Depot, Bay City
- Jack's Fruit Market
- Jen Cass, Singer/songwriter
- Jen Sygit, Singer/songwriter
- Jim Davies, Musician
- Jim and Jeanne Ordiway
- Joann Podleski Dance Studio
- Joe Jencks, Singer/songwriter
- Judy Barber, CLUW
- Ken Bisel, Guitarist
- King Fish Restaurant & Tiki Bar
- Kroger, Bay City
- McDonald's, S. Euclid Ave.
- Meijer, Bay City
- Petit Four Pastry
- Purtell's Restaurant
- Randall Williams, Singer/songwriter
- Rosie's Pies
- S & H Engraving
- Saginaw St. Salon
- Sam Corbin, Singer/songwriter
- Stock Pot Restaurant
- Subway, Euclid Ave. location
- Tiffany Davies, Singer
- USA Dance Club
- Vivian Stafford Dance Studio
- Wal-Mart, Bay City
- William's Cheese Shop



United Way of Bay County

United Way of Bay County is in the business of changing lives. They lead and collaborate with a network of community partners to address human needs. In the community effort, United Way of Bay County acts as a catalyst for change. Their volunteers and financial resources are directed at programs that target three priority areas, Youth, Health and Wellness, and Basic Needs and Independence.

Bay Area Women's Center is proud to be a United Way partner agency. We have chosen to Give, Advocate, Volunteer, and to
LIVE UNITED!



Bread with a Mission

Buy your "Cuisine de France" and "La Brea" bread at Bay Area Women's Center! Fifty percent of your total purchase qualifies as a charitable deduction as allowed by the IRS, making your purchase a great value. All profits will be used to establish emergency reserve funds and to support non-grant funded projects to assist victims of domestic and sexual violence, making your purchase priceless. The next sale is scheduled for November 4th -18th. Just in time for your holiday meals. To receive an order form contact Debbie Keim at 686-2251 or dkeim@bawc-mi.org.

Bon Appétit!



LUNAFEST®, an evening of short films by, for and about women will be featured at the State Theatre on Oct. 13, 2010 at 7:00 pm and a reception will be offered at 6:00 pm. The 90-minute program features nine films ranging from quirky animations to touching documentaries. Tickets are available at the State Theatre Box Office for \$10 each or you may purchase tickets online at www.statetheatrebaycity.com. You may find more information about the film program at www.lunafest.org.

The Great Lakes Bay Region Domestic Violence Programs, Bay Area Women's Center - Bay City; Underground Railroad - Saginaw; and Shelterhouse - Midland are proud to bring this series of LUNAFEST events to our Great Lakes Bay Region.

Mingle & Jingle, Downtown Gives 18 on the 18th



November 18th, 2010 from 3:00—7:00 pm, marks Downtown Bay City's 2nd Annual Mingle & Jingle. Many Downtown businesses are giving 18% of customer's spending to a local charity. For a list of businesses who have graciously offered to give 18% of each purchase to the non-profit of the customer's choice contact the Downtown Management Board. Please consider naming **Bay Area Women's Center** as your choice to receive your 18%.

BAWC Staff Share Recipe Secrets

This recipe was submitted to me in loving memory of Jerrilyn Rust-Walters. We lost Jerrilyn in 2008 but we remember her great personality and caring nature. We also remember her wonderful pot luck dishes she shared with us. Here's one of her favorites.

Jerrilyn's Tantalizing Toffee

1 Cup real butter (do not substitute)
 1 Cup granulated sugar
 Cook over medium heat...stirring.
 Will get frothy and then settle back down to be oily and brownish colored, continue to stir.
 At this stage, when it smokes, it's done. Pour onto sheet pan. (Jerrilyn lightly sprayed the pan ahead of time with cooking spray to be sure it won't stick.)

Optional: Sprinkle about 1/3 cup chocolate chips on hot candy, let melt slightly, then spread across candy.

CAUTION!!! DANGEROUSLY HOT- DO NOT ATTEMPT TO TASTE TEST... IT WILL MELT YOUR LIPS OFF!!!

Once cooled, candy lifts easily off pan and can be broken into desired pieces. Enjoy.

Younkers Community Day

Bon-Ton stores including Younkers and Elder-Beerman are sponsoring another Community Day on Saturday, November 13, 2010. Stores open at 6:00 am for special Door Buster Savings and an Early Bird specials (6 – 10 am.) You can save an additional \$10 off an item of \$10 or more with limited exclusions and no limit on the number of coupons used except only one coupon per item! You will need to purchase a coupon book for \$5.00, which is a direct donation to Bay Area Women's Center. To purchase coupon books contact Debbie Keim 686-2251.

IN-KIND NEEDS

Since 1975, BAWC has depended on in-kind donations to meet the needs of our clients. You can help by donating items, such as personal hygiene products, cleaning products and paper products. These items are always in demand for use in the shelter as well as a new home of a survivor. Other items needed are bedding, towels, gas cards and batteries. All in-kind donations are tax deductible.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES NEEDED

The dynamics of domestic violence creates many barriers for survivors including lack of financial resources. Many survivors go without professional services to provide basic needs for the family. If you are a professional service provider you can help by donating your services or allowing survivors a discount for your services. The following services providers are in demand for survivors of domestic and sexual violence:

- *Legal professionals: civil and family law attorneys, process servers, private detectives*
- *Personal care professionals: hair stylists, massage therapists*
- *Medical professionals: doctors, dentists, optometrists, chiropractors*

For more information about the needs of our agency or to arrange a donation drop-off call Shelley Ramos at (989) 686-4551.

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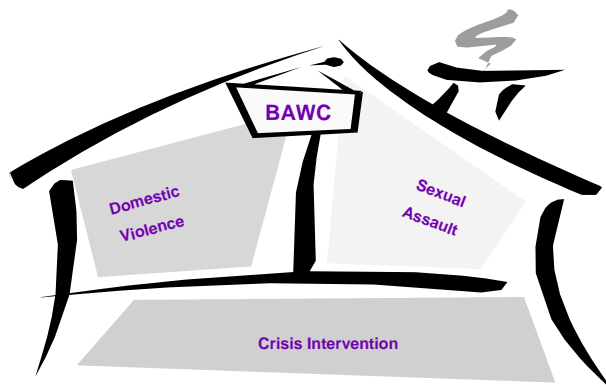
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BAY AREA WOMEN'S CENTER MISSION...

To eliminate domestic violence and sexual assault in our community.

Bay Area Women's Center offers free, confidential help to adults and families who have experienced domestic violence or sexual assault, and preventive education to the community. Client support services include a 24-hour crisis line, shelter, housing advocacy, legal advocacy, support groups, and children and teen services. For more information, call (989) 686-4551.

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