



Comité d'action du premier ministre
sur la prévention de la violence familia

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ANNOUNCEMENT DETAILS

1) Sisters in Spirit Vigil, October 2

When: 11:30 a.m

Where: Confederation Landing Charlottetown PE

To indicate your attendance, please contact Eileen Conway-Martin,
econwaymartin@gmail.com

For further information on this event, please contact AWAPE office:
(902) 831-3059 Toll free: 1-888-973-4292; email: info@awapei.org

The Aboriginal Women's Association of PEI, as well as our supporting partners; Native Council of PEI, Family Pride Program (Mi'kmaq Confederacy of PEI), Abegweit Wellness Centre, Chief Mary Bernard Memorial Women's Shelter (LIFN Health Centre), PEI Inter

ministerial Women's Secretariat and PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women, have been proud to show their support and are committed to raising awareness of our "Stolen Sisters" and to "Stop the Violence" against women in PEI

For more information on the Sisters In Spirit Initiative (NWAC):

www.october4th.ca www.nwac-hq.org

2) Verbal Abuse Prevention Week, October 4-11

"Verbal Abuse Prevention Week on PEI will be held from October 4-11, 2015. This has been held every year in PEI since 1999 and provides an opportunity to focus on this specific form of abusive behaviour. Schools and communities raise awareness of verbal abuse by having speakers and talking about its effects and how we can raise awareness and help prevent it from devastating lives.

As the 2015-16 school year begins, please be aware of your youth and how things are going at school. Ask them how their day was and look for warning signs. Ensure they feel comfortable about coming forward for help, no matter where they may be or how old they are. Especially in this technological age, look for signs of bullying online." (Excerpt from PSA). Sincerely, Tami Martell, Verbal Abuse Prevention Canada. Facebook page [Verbal Abuse Prevention Canada](#) and twitter handle #verbalabusehurts.

3) Ale & Folk for Anderson House, October 17

Spend an evening with friends and enjoy some fantastic entertainment in support of women and children in need in our community!

Ale & Folk for Anderson House will be held on Saturday, October 17th at Upstreet Craft Brewery (see attached flyer). Poetry readings from Laurie Brinklow, Jane Ledwell, Yvette Doucette, Becka Viau and Kandace Hagen will start things off at 7pm followed by musical performances by Emilee Sorrey, the Amanda Jackson Band, Kinley Dowling and Jenni Roberge. Complimentary appetizers will be served and cold beer will be on tap. Win an *Island Artisans* prize package (bring a donation of toilet paper, paper towel or laundry soap pods for Anderson House and receive a free ticket to enter in the draw)!

All proceeds benefit the programming and services at Anderson House.

Location: Upstreet Craft Brewery, 41 Allen St., Charlottetown

Date/Time: Saturday, October 17, 2016 at 7:00pm

Tickets: Tickets are \$30 (\$25 tax receipt) and very limited! Tickets are available at Upstreet Craft Brewery or by calling Lindsay at 902-213-5183.

For more information contact Kandace Hagen at kandace.hgn@gmail.com or 902-367-0412

4) Retraites d'Action-Femmes : 17 et 18 octobre 2015, 5 et 6 décembre 2015

Action-Femmes, en partenariat avec le Village des Sources l'Étoile Filante et la Coopérative d'intégration francophone de l'Î.-P.-É, organise des retraites pour les femmes. Voici l'occasion de se ressourcer dans un milieu paisible et d'échanger entre femmes. Les dates des retraites sont les 17 et 18 octobre 2015 ainsi que les 5 et 6 décembre 2015.

Lors de l'AGA d'Action-Femmes, le 20 septembre dernier, nous avons renouvelé le conseil d'administration avec quatre nouveaux membres. Les discussions en après-midi avaient comme but d'identifier les objectifs et actions pour la prochaine année.

Vous devez soumettre votre nom par courriel (afipe@ssta.org) ou par téléphone (902-888-1681, poste 267).

5) SAVE THE DATE Conference: Promoting Resiliency: The Impacts of Intimate Partner Violence on Parenting and Parent Child Relationships and Promising Evidence-based Supports and Responses, November 25-26

The Domestic Violence Community Action Group and KV Outreach Action Group are excited to announce an upcoming conference *Promoting Resiliency: The Impacts of Intimate Partner Violence on Parenting and Parent Child Relationships and Promising Evidence-based Supports and Responses* (see flyer attached).

Presenter: Dr. Linda Baker - Learning Director at the Centre for Research and Education on Violence against Women and Children at Western University. She is past Director of the Centre for Children and Families in the Justice System (formerly the London Family Court Clinic)

Date: Wednesday, November 25th and Thursday, November 26th, 2015

Location: Q-Plex, Quispamsis, NB

To request a registration form please email Robyn.DeLong@Horizonnb.ca

6) Men Matter Group Openings

Men Matter offers group programs for men who are on a journey of recovery from sexual abuse. Group sessions are free for participants, and generally run for ten weeks. Programs are aimed at increasing knowledge of the impacts of abuse, and expanding coping skills.

There are currently openings in a new group forming.

Before participating, men are asked to participate in a short interview. Call Chris at the Catholic Family Services to arrange an appointment or make a referral, at 902-894-3515, or call Sigrid at the PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre for more information, at 902-566-1864.

7) PEI to participate in national initiative to examine risk factors for domestic homicide in vulnerable populations

Experts from more than 40 community service organizations, government departments and universities have come together to address domestic homicide in vulnerable populations by creating the Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative for Vulnerable Populations (CDHPVP). The CDHPVP was just awarded nearly \$2.2 million by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council’s Partnership Development Grant program.

During the next five years, the CDHPVP will create a national domestic homicide database and conduct research to improve risk assessment and management as well as safety planning for vulnerable populations: those living in rural areas, immigrant and refugee women, Aboriginal women, and children exposed to domestic violence.

Western University education professor, Peter Jaffe, and University of Guelph sociology professor, Myrna Dawson, lead the initiative, which hopes to better understand underlying factors contributing to domestic homicide within these at-risk groups.

Three PAC member are collaborators on this initiative: Rona Smith, BA, BSW, MSW; David O’Brien, QC; and Dr. Wendy Verhoek-Oftedahl.

REMINDER DETAILS

1) Abuse & Neglect of Older Adults Research Team in the Maritimes (ANOART) Environmental Scan Survey

Abuse and neglect of older adults is a health and social problem with profound consequences that affects people from all walks of life. Research shows however that more older women are abused than older men. This may reflect the greater proportion of women among the older adult population or other factors such as ageism, sexism, lower social economic status, poorer health of older adults, and fewer personal resources.

The Maritime Provinces represent some of the highest percentage of senior population in Canada and share many other socio-economic challenges that exacerbate the growing concern about the real potential risk for increased abuse and neglect of older adults. ANOART was formed as a result.

ANOART members share a passion and commitment to the wellbeing of older adults. As part of the process of developing a research plan ANOART is conducting an Environmental Scan Survey to contribute to the knowledge about what is happening in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island on the issue of abuse of older people in general but more specifically in trying to understand the lived reality of abused older women.

Who can take part in the research study? Participants must be a resident of New Brunswick or Prince Edward Island. While anyone is welcome to complete the survey in these two provinces, the survey is targeted primarily at professionals who work with older adults in some capacity, including those who work with or for older adults who are abused.

Complete the ANOART Environmental Survey at: www.fluidsurveys.com/s/abuse

THANK YOU!

**Premier's Action Committee on
Family Violence Prevention Vision Statement**

A society where all individuals are safe, respected and valued; where any form of violence is unacceptable; and where children, women, and men have opportunities to reach their full potential and contribute to the overall well-being of all families and communities.

www.stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca