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The Native Council of PEI, with support from the PEI Violence Against Women Prevention Grant, presents “Strengthening our Resilience.” See attached poster.
The show will take place at The Guild on November 30th, 2018 from 7-9:30pm and will feature women in story, song, drumming and dancing as they tell their personal narratives of the many women who have experienced abuse.

Please contact The Guild box office https://www.theguildpei.com/box-office/ for ticket information or visit the Native Council of PEI to learn about this performance.

Tickets $10. Reserved Seating.

See you at the show!

2) Plum Pudding Fundraiser, puddings available after December 1

Handmade from a traditional war-time family recipe, Pat Robinson’s famous plum pudding are vegetarian-friendly, low in fat and low in sugar! These puddings are the perfect way to end a holiday meal and make excellent last-minute gifts to keep on hand in the freezer. Each pudding is beautifully gift-wrapped with a recipe card for the sauce attached.

Pick up arrangements to be made with Pat. Puddings available after Dec. 1st for only $15.

All profits go to Community Legal Information Association, PAC member and provider of valuable resources on family violence and to the PEI Humane Society.

For information or to order: plum pudding@eastlink.ca or 902-566-4388. Thank you for supporting Islanders and pets on PEI!

3) Opportunity to Serve on Poverty Reduction Council to Implement Provincial Poverty Reduction Plan, application deadline December 6

The Poverty Reduction Action Plan was released on November 2nd and now work is underway to form a Poverty Reduction Council to oversee the implementation of the Action Plan.

People have until Thursday, December 6 to apply for the Council through Engage PEI. You can find out more about the Council at https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/executive-council-office/poverty-reduction-council

4) Charlottetown Montreal Massacre Memorial Service, December 6

**When:** 12 noon, Thursday December 6 (see invitation, attached)

**Where:** Memorial Hall, Confederation Centre of the Arts (venue sponsor), Richmond Street, Charlottetown

29 years after the horrific murder of 14 women at L'École Polytechnique in Montreal, we gather to remember, to mourn, and to work for change. We will be commemorating the young women who died in Montreal and the 10 Island women who have been killed by partners or someone who knew them since 1989. And we will recommit to ending violence against women everywhere.

The special service will include an address by Paxton Caseley of Our Turn; poetry by Lily
Levesque; music by the Gaia singers; and Dylan Menzie accompanying candle-lighting on piano. Family members, dignitaries, and community activists will light candles in remembrance of those whose lives were cut short because they were women. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Contact Michelle at 902-368-4510 / info@peistatusofwomen.ca for more information.

5) **Canadian Femicide Observatory for Justice and Accountability 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, through December 10**

During the 16 Days of Activism the Observatory remembers the 129 women and girls killed by violence to date in Canada in 2018. Please join us to remember lives & potential lost to help increase awareness about femicide in our country [https://www.femicideincanada.ca/](https://www.femicideincanada.ca/). Also follow on twitter @CAN_Femicide.

6) **Order Form for Family Violence Prevention Week 2019 Print Materials Now Available, early orders appreciated**

Orders are now open for print materials for Family Violence Prevention Week 2019 that will take place February 10 through 16. Numerous excellent resources are available from PAC and its member organizations, and you will only receive them if you place an order!

You may use the attached order form in hard copy or fill in the online form at [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FVPWeekOrder2019](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FVPWeekOrder2019).

We’re grateful for early orders to help us plan in advance. All orders will be filled at the beginning of February. For more information about distribution, contact the PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women at info@peistatusofwomen.ca.

7) **First of Four Microphone Project Curriculum Resources Now Available**

The Premier’s Action Committee on Family Violence Prevention Youth Engagement Working Group collaborated with PEI’s Kinley Dowling, educators and community organizations to develop a new curriculum resource, *The Microphone Project*, for grade nine health classrooms.

The resource was inspired by Dowling’s powerful and award-winning song and music video Microphone that tells the story of how she was sexually assaulted after her high school prom 15 years ago.

The *Microphone Project* has four modules:
- Consent;
- Gender norms;
- Bystander intervention; and
- Sexual assault.

The first module on consent is now available to Island health classrooms to help teachers engage youth in important sexual health education discussions.

1) Volunteers Welcome at the Advisory Council!

The PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women is readying for its annual Purple Ribbon Campaign Against Violence Against Women and could use some volunteers to help print and collate teachers guides, which include PAC tip sheets, purple ribbons and other violence prevention resources for students and educators. Students requiring volunteer hours towards their coursework or to complete service commitments might find this opportunity particularly relevant. PAC support helps fund the teachers guide initiative.

Contact Michelle: 368-4510/ info@peistatusofwomen.ca

2) Men Matter, PEI’s male centered group program being offered for male survivors of sexual abuse

Men Matter is a male centered, free of charge group program for male survivors of sexual abuse in PEI (see flyer attached). Men Matter is managed and administered by the PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre, and the Catholic Family Services Bureau is the access point for men who wish to participate.

If you would like more information about the Men Matter program, you can call Sigrid Rolfe at the PEI Rape and Sexual Assault Centre, 902-566-1864, or Chris Doiron at the Catholic Family Service Bureau, 902-894-3515.

*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.

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