



*Nu's News

* Nu is the Vietnamese birth name for "Girl"

Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services of Halton December 2006



SAVIS In Your Community



SAVIS Receives Funding!!!

The Town of Milton approved funding for counseling services in Milton for 1 year. Executive Director Sandra Rupnarian accepted the funding on behalf of SAVIS.

Volunteer Training

SAVIS is pleased to announce that 14 women completed volunteer training. These women spent 8 weeks increasing their knowledge on various topics:

- Feminist and Cross Cultural Counselling
- The social context of sexual violence
- Oppression
- Crisis Intervention
- Childhood abuse, Ritual Abuse, suicide, multiplicity
- Medical and Legal procedures

SAVIS thanks all its new volunteers who will be giving their time to the Crisis Line and/or office.

More Crisis Line Volunteers NEEDED!!!

- College/university student looking for front line experience?
 - Looking to develop new skills?
- Volunteer Training Begins in February 2007
Call SAVIS for more details!!!

SAVIS Incredibowl 2007

Get out your bowling bags & buff up your shoes! Get set for an Incredible Afternoon - 70's Style on Saturday February 17th at Burlington Bowl. Enjoy cosmic bowling to your favourite tunes from the 70's and a chance to deck yourself out in your hippest 70's threads!

Don't miss this huge Disco Party!

All proceeds go to support SAVIS
Sponsored by Exclusively Women's Fitness Centre



To Register a Team, or find out more about Volunteer or Sponsorship Opportunities contact Leila Hurley at (905) 825-3622 or at incredibowl@savisofhalton.org



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Upcoming Events

February: Volunteer Training!

February 17—Incredibowl 2007
A fundraising event at Burlington Bowl for SAVIS.

March:

March 8—International Women's Day

May:

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

June:

Pride Month

1st Week: Sexual Harassment Awareness Week

For further information, contact Eunice at 905-825-3622.



Volunteer @ SAVIS !

We are always looking for dynamic, energetic and committed women . SAVIS is currently looking to expand its volunteer base; with needs in the areas of peer crisis line counselling, fundraising and community education. Please contact us for more information: 905-825-3622 or savis@savisofhalton.org



December 6

National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

December 6, 1989 will be remembered as the darkest day in Canadian history. Marc Lepine, 25, entered Montreal's Ecole Polytechnique carrying a .22-calibre rifle. The enraged gunman separated the men from the women and told the men to leave the classroom. Before opening fire in the engineering class, Lepine calls the women "une gang de feminists" and says "J'hai's les feminists". After shooting 27 people, Lepine shot himself in the face. As I reflect today on the Montreal Massacre, I envision a community that is free from violence . I envision a community where we will chose to thrive in the light of education rather than live in the shadows of ignorance . We must not just mourn the death of these women; we must remember the reason for their murders and we must act. Let the stories of all women who have been affected by violence be continuously told. Let us learn from our past. Most importantly, don't let the lives that have been lost or touched by violence be in vain. (Zehra Haffajee)

Some Thoughts on "Take Back The Night"

"It was an incredibly moving event to be at and Zehra and her committee certainly deserves congratulations for such a wonderful and powerful event. HOPE made some great connections and it was so warm and positive to be with such a diverse group of people." Marcus Logon, HOPE Executive Director

"Pat yourself on the back for a job well-done! What a thoughtful and entertaining night. Nicole was a fine MC and all the speakers spoke from the heart. Congratulations to you and your committee!" Sherry Ardell, SAVIS Board Member

See you all next year!!!
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