



*Nu's News



* Nu is the Vietnamese birth name for "Girl"

Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services of Halton

June 2007

SAVIS In Your Community



Victory!!

The 1st week of June has officially been declared "Sexual Harassment Awareness Week" in Ontario!

Save The Date!!!

"Dare To Dream: Ending Violence Through The Arts"

Halton's 1st Anti-violence concert for

"Take Back The Night"

When: Tuesday September 11, 2007

Where: T.A. Blakelock High School, Oakville

For more information contact Zehra at (905) 825-3622

This Just In...

SAVIS Wednesday evening counseling to begin

June 6, 2007

Contact SAVIS for more information

SAVIS & Pulse Youth Health Centre

SAVIS is providing counseling at Pulse Youth Health Centre. For more information or to book an appointment:

SAVIS 905-825-3622

Pulse 905-634-5500

www.pulsetfy.ca

Live, Laugh & Love Workshop Series

SAVIS' spring workshop series for women 16 years and older who have experienced sexual assault has been a success to date. There are 2 more workshops left.

June 6

Yoga (facilitated by Mom's Healthy Secrets)

June 13

Breeeeathe! & Meditation (facilitated by Moksha Yoga, Oakville)

Individuals may attend any or all workshops. All the workshops are **FREE!** To register, please contact Nicole at 905-825-3622.



“Step It Up!” Halton



Halton Multicultural Council, the AIDS Network, Women of Halton Action Movement (WHAM), Nina’s Place and the Body Shop who each shared their violence prevention message to the government. Breakfast items were generously donated by Tim Horton’s of Hopedale Mall and Fortinos. Longtime SAVIS supporter Kevin Flynn was also present.

For more information on the “Step It Up!” Campaign, please visit www.stepitupontario.ca

May 3, 2007

SAVIS launched Sexual Assault Awareness Month with “Step It up!” Halton—a community breakfast and media conference. SAVIS was joined by the Women’s Centre, Halton Organization for Pride and Education (HOPE),

To view the Oakville Beavers “Step It Up!” Halton article, please go to :

<http://oakvillebeaver.com/news/article/91266>

Hbc Foundation Supports SAVIS

At a cheque presentation on May 2, 2007, SAVIS Executive Director, Jacqueline Benn-John accepted a \$1500.00 donation from the Hbc Foundation. Hbc is honoring its 337th Birthday by donating \$740,000.00 to local charities across Canada.



Thank you Hbc Foundation!



Volunteer Appreciation—April 26, 2007



Sheila Branch, Certified Laughter Leader from World Laughter Tour, leads SAVIS Counsellor Nicole Pietsch & Ministry of the Attorney General Regional Program Consultant Leanne Bebe through a game.

Thank you to all our volunteers!
With your support there is NOTHING we cannot accomplish!!



SAVIS staff, volunteers and supporters such as Gary Carr, & Mike Kingston (Deputy Chief of Halton), socialize while enjoying dinner.

SAVIS Celebrates Baisakhi



SAVIS was honoured to be invited to celebrate Baisakhi on May 19, 2007. Baisakhi (also known as Vaisakhi) celebrates the Sikh New Year and the founding of Sikhism.

L-R: Eunice Quash, Zehra Haffajee, Jacqueline Benn-John, Meera (the event organizer)



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Upcoming Events

June: Pride Month

1st Week: Sexual Harassment Awareness Week

June 12—SAVIS AGM

September:

September 11—"Take Back The Night":

- "Dare To Dream: Ending Violence Through The Arts" - concert
- "Take Back The Night" march

For further information, contact Eunice at (905) 825-3622

Food For Thought

"The connections between and among women are...the most potentially transforming force on the planet."

Adrienne Rich



Take Back The Night 2007

Take Back The Night 2007 has taken on a new format this year. Historically, Take Back The Night has not attracted marginalized and diverse communities. This year will be different! TBTN's planning committee wanted an event that would be inclusive to many communities. On September 11, 2007, Halton residents will be able to enjoy a 2 hour anti-violence concert entitled "**Dare To Dream: Ending Violence Through The Arts**" at T.A. Blakelock High School. We know that the "arts" and violence transcends race, age, religion, identity, ability and class. Thus, SAVIS, along with its community partners (Halton District School Board, Halton Regional Police Services, Halton Women's Place, HOPE, Nina's Place & T.A. Blakelock H.S.), have to date booked the following artists: Joharah (belly dancer), Sarah Melody (singer and "Youth For Human Rights" Canada spokesperson), Sonay Gabroo Pubjab De (South Asian bhangra group), steel pan band and Sofia Baig (spoken word artist). This 2 hour concert will then be followed by our TBTN march. TBTN 2007 will also include community booths, food and refreshments catered by local restaurants and an art exhibit (photographs, paintings and sculptures) by U of T students. **SAVIS is still looking for volunteers, sponsors, donations and artists. Please contact Zehra at (905) 825-3622 or at education@savisofhalton.org for more information.**