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VICTIM

April 2012

Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Child Abuse Prevention Month, and Victims' Rights Week

Victims' Rights Week (April 22-28, 2012) is commemorated every April. April is also **Sexual Assault Awareness Month** and **Child Abuse Prevention Month**. Pima County Attorney Barbara LaWall encourages residents to participate in community activities that support crime victims and promote violence prevention efforts. She hopes that community members will support the work of these nonprofit agencies that help victims rebuild their lives.

- Throughout April. **Casa de los Niños' A Night for Children**. People will host their own fundraising events. The public is encouraged to attend any of the 30 Days, 30 Ways Calendar events. Call 624-5600 or visit www.casadelosninos.org.
- April 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 9th 9:30am-2:00pm. **U of A Hands Project**. Come help prevent violence and spread the message that hands are not to be used for hurting. Contact Erin Strange at 626-1829 or strange@health.arizona.edu.
- Tuesday, April 3rd. **National Day of Action**. Support your local community and donate to the Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault. Participating locations: 1600 N. Country Club Rd. and 101 W. Irvington Rd., Office 3A. www.sacasa.org.
- Tuesday, April 10th 6:00pm. **Take Back the Night**. Geronimo Plaza, Main Gate Square, U of A. Sponsored by UA Oasis Program and Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault. Free; open to the public. Call 327-1171 or visit www.sacasa.org.
- Saturday, April 14th 9:00am. **Walk Like MADD**. Reid Park (Country Club and 22nd St.). A walk and a car show. For information call 322-5253 or jason.frazier@madd.org.
- Saturday, April 14th. **Cinema Nirvana Movie Night**. Tucson Yoga, 150 S 4th Ave. Donations accepted. Proceeds to support the Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault. www.sacasa.org.
- Tuesday, April 17th 5:30pm. **Screening of *The Invisible War***. Joel Valdez Library, 101 N. Stone Ave. View an award-winning documentary about sexual assault in the military with panel presentation to follow. Free and open to the public. www.sacasa.org.
- Saturday, April 21st 6:00-8:00pm. **MADD Candlelight Vigil**. Brandi Fenton Park. A remembrance of victims of drunk drivers. Free and open to the public. Call 322-5253 or email jason.frazier@madd.org.
- Sunday, April 22nd 12:30-4:30pm. Southern Arizona Children's Advocacy Center **Charity Bowling Tournament and Raffle**. Golden Pin Lanes, 1010 W. Miracle Mile. For more information call Callie Koch at 243-6420 or ckoch@soazadvocacy.org.
- Monday, April 23rd 11:00am. **Victims' Rights Week Celebration**. Arizona State Capitol, Senate Lawn, 1700 W. Washington St., Phoenix. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to diana.cooney@apaac.az or (602) 542-7222 by April 4, 2012.
- Tuesday, April 24th 4:00pm. **Preventing Dating Violence** presentation by Bobbi Sudberry, Executive Director of Kaity's Way. TPD West Division, 1310 W. Miracle Mile. Sponsored by Homicide Survivors and the Pima County Attorney's Office. For more information call 740-5525 or email robert.mccafferty@pcao.pima.gov.
- Wednesday, April 25th. **Denim Day**. An annual international event to protest a 1999 Italian Supreme Court ruling that overturned a rape conviction because the victim was wearing jeans. Call 327-1171 or visit www.sacasa.org.
- Wednesday, April 25th. **Dine Out For Safety**. Dine out at participating restaurants and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault. Visit www.dineoutforsafety.com for a list of restaurants.
- Saturday, April 28th 10:00am-12:00noon. **Step Up, Speak Out, End Bullying PSA Showcase and Awards Event**. The Loft Cinema, 3233 E. Speedway Blvd. Come view the anti-bullying PSAs created by children and adults throughout the community and recognize the award winners. For more information visit www.endofbullying.com.
- Saturday, April 28th 6:00-8:00pm. Homicide Survivors' **Candlelight Vigil for National Crime Victims' Rights Week**. Children's Memorial Park (Oracle and River). Free and open to the public. Call 740-5729 or visit www.azhomicidesurvivors.org.

"April is an important time to reach out to survivors, educate ourselves about these crimes, learn more about what we can do to prevent them, and renew our commitment to making our county a safer place for everyone." **Pima County Attorney Barbara LaWall**