

# Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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## 1. Conference: A Community Response to Sexual Assault: Academic, Legal and Victim Service Perspectives

A one-day conference, *A Community Response to Sexual Assault: Academic, Legal and Victim Service Perspectives*, on sexual assault will be held in Duluth on Thursday, April 21, 2005, from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The conference will feature Stephen Thompson, who is a national expert on sexual violence, as well as many other dynamic and experienced presenters. The conference will include information that is relevant and important for advocates, law enforcement officers, probation officers, prosecutors, therapists, counselors, middle and high school staff, college and university staff, clergy and anyone else who works with victims of sexual assault.

[Program for Aid to Victims of Sexual Assault \(PAVSA\)](#) is sponsoring the conference. Visit [PAVSA](#) for more information or to register, (218) 726-1442.

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## **2. Support group for people who have supported someone in their life who has experienced sexual violence**

A Support group is starting for people who have been a supportive to someone in their life who has experienced sexual violence. This group is sponsored by The Sexual Violence Center, Minneapolis, MN.

Ten Week Support Group

Thursday Evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Starting March 3rd

For additional information including space availability and meeting location contact the [Sexual Violence Center](#), (612) 871-5111.

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## **3. Changes on the MNATSA conference brochure**

Changes and additions were made to the MNATSA conference brochure.

### **New 2-part Workshop**

Thursday, April 21st

1:00 - 2:30 & 3:00 - 4:30

Is the Sky Falling? The Results and Implications of the Recently Published Results of California's Sex

Offender Treatment and Evaluation Project, Part 1 & 2 (must attend both sessions)

Michael Miner, PhD, LP: University of Minnesota

### **Date & Time Changes**

- ▶ Now scheduled for Thursday, April 21st, 10:30 - Noon  
Two Adult Outpatient Treatment Outcome Studies  
Philip Pettman, PhD and Steve Sawyer, MSSW: Project Pathfinder, Inc.
- ▶ Now scheduled for Friday, April 22nd, 10:30 - Noon  
E. Psychotropic Medications Used with Child and Adolescent Sex Offenders  
Mark Holub, MD: Psychiatrist, Mille Lacs Academy-Nexus

### **Program Correction**

- ▶ *Title Correction*  
Thursday, April 21st, 3:00 - 4:30  
Sex Offenders and the Internet, Part 2 (must attend Part 1)  
Elizabeth Griffin, MA and Commander Rick Anderson: Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force
- ▶ *Presenters Correction*  
Thursday, April 21st, 10:30 - Noon  
Predatory Offender Notification: Educating the Community  
Scott Behrends: MN Department of Corrections and Stephen Huot, MEq: Minnesota Dept. of Human Services Symposium: Imagine...Putting An End to Child Abuse

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## **4. Dakota County Child Abuse Prevention Symposium Featuring Victor Vieth**

Victor Vieth, Director, National Center for the Prosecution of Child Abuse will be speaking at the Dakota County Child Abuse Prevention Symposium

Friday, April 8 2005

8:30am - Noon

Dakota Lodge at Thompson County Park

1200 Stassen Lane, West St. Paul, MN (SW corner of Butler and Hwy 52)

*The symposium is free and a continental breakfast will be provided*

Seating is limited so pre-registration is required. Contact [Chelly Dufour](#), Dakota County Public Health, (651) 554-6158.

Symposium Sponsors:

- ▶ Dakota County Child Abuse Prevention Council Dakota Healthy Families
- ▶ Dakota County Public Health Department Action Benefiting Children
- ▶ Dakota County Social Services Children's Home Society & Family Services
- ▶ Dakota County Attorney's Office

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## **5. Correction to last SVPN E-News**

Please note the following correction to the SVPN meeting notes in the last SVPN E-News:

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- ▶ Soy Única, Soy Latina! conference for Latina girls ages 9 to 14, March 25, 2005. Call (612) 821-6123, ext 7 to register.
- ▶ Entre Amigas, a workshop about sexual and reproductive health for Latina women, starts March 3, 2005. For more information, contact Maria, (612) 874-1412.

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## **6. MNALL Training: *Building Partnerships with Marginalized and Underserved Communities***

The MN Network on Abuse in Later Life is providing a training: *Building Partnerships with Marginalized and Underserved Communities*.

## **Agenda**

- ▶ Registration, Information and Introductions
- ▶ What is Domestic/Sexual Abuse in Later Live? Barb Doherty, Adult Protective Services of MN, Char Thompson, MNALL
- ▶ Identifiers, Barriers, Advocacy, Referrals and Connections in the:
  - ▶ Asian Elder Community - Naly Yang, MN Coalition for Battered Women
  - ▶ Latina Elder Community - Rosario de la Torre, St Paul Intervention
  - ▶ Native Elder Community - Mary Person, Domestic Abuse Services Center
  - ▶ African American Elder Community - Mary Whitney, Founder “Women Planting Seeds”

## **Who Should Attend?**

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Advocates, Adult Protection Personnel, Health Care Persons-including Nursing Home, Home Health Care, Parish Nursing and Clinic Personnel, Faith Communities, Social Workers, Senior Service Providers, Law Enforcement, Prosecutors, Community members

*Building Partnerships with Marginalized and Underserved Communities*

Wednesday, March 9, 2005

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

St. Michael's Church

1660 West County Road B

Roseville, MN

[Char Thompson](#), (651) 636-5311

*Registration: \$25.00, MNALL Members \$20.00, 5 hours CEU*

This training is supported by the MN Coalition for Battered Women.

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## ***7. Prevention Connection Web Forums: The Violence Against Women Prevention Partnership***

The [California Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#) (CALCASA) announces *Prevention Connection: The*

*Violence Against Women Prevention Partnership* to build the capacity of local, state, territorial, national and tribal agencies and organizations to develop, implement and evaluate effective violence against women prevention initiatives.

Prevention Connection Web Forums are a series of bi-monthly on-line conferences will explore the efforts to end violence against women before it happens in the first place. Prevention experts present on a range of topics.

The next web forum will be *Toward a Community Solution: A Public Health Approach to Advance Primary Prevention*.

### **Presenters**

Larry Cohen and Lisa Fujie Parks of the Prevention Institute.

*Prevention Connection: The Violence Against Women Prevention*

Thursday, March 17, 2005, 2:00-3:30 p.m. EST (11:00 am - 12:30 p.m. PST).

[Register for Prevention Connection Web Conference](#) on March 17

*Cost is free*

### **For more information**

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## **8. 15th Annual MN Conference on Adolescent Females**

[Girls Becoming Women: Igniting the Power Within](#) is the theme of the 15th Annual MN Conference on Adolescent Females taking place on April 11 & 12, 2005 at the St. Paul Sheraton. There will be girl panels and performances, nationally known keynotes, workshops on everything from martial arts to TVbyGIRLS to ideas for better multicultural programs, and much more! Early registration is only \$135 for two day event, lunch included.

[Molly Oberweiser](#), Chair

2005 MN Conference on Adolescent Females

(888) 659-3757

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## **9. Conference: *Why Does He Do That?***

*Why Does He Do That? Inside the Minds of Angry and Controlling Men*, a conference featuring [Lundy Bancroft](#), an author, trainer, counselor, and activist on issues of abuse and recovery.

*Why Does He Do That? Inside the Minds of Angry and Controlling Men*

Tuesday, April 12, 2005, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Shooting Star Casino, Hotel and Event Center

Mahnomen, MN 56557

*Registration Fee: \$35 due by April 5, 2005*

### **Questions**

Loretta (218) 935-5554 ext 3232 or Sadie (218) 847-8572

### **Sponsors**

- ▶ White Earth Reservation Tribal Council Victim Programs
- ▶ Mahnomen County Working Together
- ▶ Lakes Crisis & Resource Center
- ▶ White Earth Court
- ▶ Anishinabe Legal Services

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## **10. *Confronting the Sexual Abuse of Women with Disabilities***

[VAWnet](#), the National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women, recently released, [Confronting the Sexual Abuse of Women with Disabilities](#). Written by R. Amy Elman, this report

opens with a brief overview of the research on sexual abuse of women disabilities. It then considers the methodological quandaries related to sexual abuse research in general and the data on women with disabilities and the men that abuse them. Recognizing the obstacles and related gaps in our knowledge about the sexual abuse of women with disabilities may put us in a better position to both grasp the problem and pursue effective strategies for its prevention.

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## ***11. Does Childhood Sexual Abuse Set in Motion a Cycle of Violence Against Women? What We Know and What We Need to Learn***

From the [Journal of Interpersonal Violence, \*Does Childhood Sexual Abuse Set in Motion a Cycle of Violence Against Women? What We Know and What We Need to Learn\*](#), reviews evidence for the deleterious effects of childhood sexual abuse on female development in both the acute and long-term phases. Taken in aggregate, there is evidence to suggest a persistent cycle of violence perpetrated against women that begins in childhood in the form of sexual abuse, reemerges later in adolescence and early adulthood in the form of physical assault or sexual revictimization, and ultimately places the next generation at considerable risk for victimization. The differential effect of the characteristics of sexual abuse and the wide variation in the onset and developmental course of symptoms are underscored. The need for adequate models elucidating mechanisms behind this continued cycle of violence is discussed.

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