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VOLUNTEER OF THE QUARTER:
DENISE JAIMES

Denise James has been chosen to be the Volunteer of the Quarter due to her dedication, passion and ability to adapt marvelously to three of our programs. Since her advocate training ended in spring 2007, she has completed two others which are the Long Term Counseling and Speakers' Bureau trainings. She is active in all three programs where she has demonstrated her great communication skills and her ability to work in challenging settings and overall goes beyond what is expected of her to empower others.

Denise is a newlywed and resides in Carpinteria with her husband and awesome dog name Dulce. She currently attends Antioch University where she is pursuing a PhD in psychology. She enjoys traveling, hiking, bicycling and many other outdoor activities when she has time. But most of all she enjoys learning about herself and spending time with her loved ones in order to nourish her relationships.

When asked about her experience thus far at SBRCC she commented, "It's been incredible being here and a life changing experience for me personally but most of all I am honored to be making such an impact on others through my one-on-one counseling sessions and conducting community presentations". She stated appreciating all the trainings she has been attending at SBRCC which have allowed her to have much positive self-growth.

Finally, Denise is a great asset to SBRCC and we all appreciate her commitment to all three programs and hope to continue to work with her for many more years to come.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONTHLY ADVOCATE MEETING:

Monday, January 14th, 2008, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

The January advocate meeting will be on the 14th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The topic covered will be on how to understand "Anger" related to sexual assault. Please make sure you contact me via e-mail at yesenia@sbrcc.net if you will not be available to attend.

The February advocate meeting will be on the 11th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The guest facilitator will be Terra Wise, a local educator and healer who works with individuals and groups on health and balance related to miscarriages and abortions. For more information please feel free to see her site: www.terrawise.net. Please be advised that she will provide us with an overview and specific insight on the topics mentioned above.

~Yesenia Curiel, Crisis Intervention Coordinator

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE MEETING:

Thursday, December 13th, 6:30 – 8:00pm

Join the Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) Campaign Committee! You can help shape a powerful campaign to end sexual violence and create a culture of equity and respect!
Next SAAM Committee Meeting:

Thursday, December 13th, 6:30-8:30pm, at SBRCC

Snacks will be provided. Please RSVP by calling 963-6832, ext. 12 or sending me a message at alena@sbrcc.net. Thank you!

~Alena Donovan, Community Education Coordinator

WHAT IS REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE?

Tuesday, January 22nd, 5:30pm



Loretta Ross, leading reproductive rights activist, will lead a Community Conversation about “Roe and Reproductive Justice” to celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision. The Santa Barbara Pro-Choice Coalition invites you to participate in its annual Roe Anniversary Event, co-sponsored by Just Communities Central Coast.

Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008

Reception at 5:30pm, Program at 6:00pm

Faulkner Gallery, Santa Barbara Main Library, 40 E. Anapamu St.

Spanish-language Interpretation provided!

Loretta Ross is a founder of the SisterSong Women of Color Reproductive Health Collective, and was the Co-Director of the April 25, 2004 National March for Women’s Lives in Washington D.C., the largest protest in U.S. history. She is also the co-author of *Undivided Rights: Women of Color Organizing for Reproductive Justice*. Ross will address reproductive health issues in the context of fundamental human rights and lead a dialogue about reproductive justice. ***This is a great In-Service opportunity for advocates!***

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT POSITION OPEN AT SBRCC

SBRCC is looking for an Executive Assistant. This is a part-time position (15 hours per week). Assist with coordinating executive projects, grant reports and fund development activities. Maintain organized administrative filing systems. You must be computer literate & have some experience with database management. We’re looking for someone with strong verbal & written communication skills. Please submit your resume and 3 professional references to Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center, 433 E. Cañon Perdido St, SB 93101; sbrcc@silcom.com.

For other Position Openings, please visit www.sbrapecrisiscenter.org/JobDesc/joblist.html.



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH ON INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH, 2008

Please Save the Date for a Volunteer Appreciation Brunch on Saturday, March 8th, 2008 –International Women's Day! More details to follow.

GOOD SEARCH:

HELP SBRCC BY SURFING THE WEB

There is a new search engine called GoodSearch. They donate advertising proceeds to the non-profit of choice. You simply do your internet search through GoodSearch and designate SBRCC. To begin your search, go to www.goodsearch.com and write in Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center under "who do you goodsearch for?" click "verify," then start your search.

Please use Goodsearch - powered by Yahoo!- instead of other search engines when you need to search the internet. Please use responsibly. If they suspect our users are abusing it - we could be removed. Please spread the word! The more people that use GoodSearch and designate SBRCC - the more the money will flow.

~Hilary Kleger, Development Director

DONATE OLD CELL PHONES

Did you know you can support SBRCC by donating your used cell phones? The agency receives a financial contribution for each phone we collect, so please tell your friends and family to drop off their old and tired cell phones at our office.

~Ofelia Cervantes, Receptionist