**Purple Light Nights**®

Tues, October 6, 6:30-8:00p.m. @ GRU Summerville Teardrop

Put on your purple to kick off National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Enjoy light refreshments as we welcome Mayor Hardie Davis, Jr. and learn from the powerful testimony of survivor Valerie L. Williams, author of “God’s Divine Intervention.” Books available for purchase and signing. Open to the public. Sponsored by the GRU Division of Enrollment and Student Affairs and the Department of Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Social Work.

**When Loving You is Hurting Me: The Realities of Dating Violence**

Thurs, October 15 7 p.m. @ Paine College CHOICES Conference Room

Get educated with SafeHomes of Augusta’s Outreach staff. Donations of new toiletries will be collected for SafeHomes.

**GLAAD Spirit Day**

Thurs, October 15 All Day, All Locations

Join millions of Americans and wear purple on #SpiritDay to take a stand against bullying and in support of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community.

**Safe Exits: The Process of Leaving an Abusive Relationship**

Thurs, October 15 11:30-12:45 p.m. @ GRU Summerville Science Hall W1002

Tues, October 20 5:30-6:30 p.m. @ Maxwell Branch Library

(1927 Lumpkin Rd, Augusta – Call 706-793-2020 to sign up)

A panel of experts explains the legal processes involved in safely exiting an abusive relationship. Panelists include SafeHomes Legal Advocate Yasmin Thomas Goodman, NACP Volunteer Advocate Joahn Sperry, Deputy Jamey Moss of Columbia County Sheriff’s Office, and Dr. Allison Foley, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice at GRU.

**Domestic Violence in Words and Pictures**

Thurs, October 22 6:30-8:30p.m. @ Paine College Student Center, 2nd floor

Coffee shop poetry and art night. Hosted by the Psychology and English Clubs in collaboration with the Counseling Center. Donations of new toiletries will be collected for SafeHomes.

October 26 - October 29@ Paine College Student Center, 2nd floor

The Psychology and English Clubs in collaboration with the Counseling Center will install an interactive display of art, media representations, pictures and words associated with domestic violence and its impact. Add your voice to this communal wall to STOP domestic violence everywhere. Donations of new toiletries will be collected for SafeHomes.

**SafeHomes Survivor’s Walk**

Thursday, October 296:30-8:00p.m. @GRU Summerville Teardrop

This annual ceremony features testimonies from domestic violence survivors and a balloon release and candlelight walk. Open to the public. Wear purple to show your support. Sponsored by the GRU Division of Enrollment and Student Affairs and Ladybug’s Flowers and Gifts.

Events coordinated by the Domestic Violence Awareness Month Committee:

A partnership of SafeHomes of Augusta,

Augusta University (formerly Georgia Regents University), and Paine College.

Special assistance by students in Dr. Allison Foley’s “Gender and Victimization” course.

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