Intersections

ODU Women’s Center Newsletter

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Walk a Mile in Her Shoes

This March, the Men of ODU came out for the annual Walk-a-Mile in Her Shoes event. The Women’s Center, Old Dominion University President John R. Broderick, Green Dot staff, trainers, and student athletes came together to rally support and awareness in ending sexual violence. Thanks for your support and we look forward to seeing you again next year.

For more information on the state-wide campaign, visit: www.livethegreendot.com

Women’s Center Mission

The Women’s Center offers programs and services designed to promote gender equity and address the unique challenges and opportunities female students encounter in the pursuit of higher education. Recognizing the critical role that both women and men play in promoting a safe environment free of gender bias, Women’s Center programs are designed to educate and inspire all students to achieve their personal, academic, and professional potential.

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I’ve seen the Green Dot strategy take hold at Old Dominion. Green Dot builds a shared vision of a violence free campus and a shared sense of responsibility for each other’s safety. Once students get involved, the power of this vision shifts the campus culture and violence begins to plummet. It’s not complicated, just effective. By educating our community on how each of us can choose to replace moments of potential harm with moments of safety and support, every Monarch can contribute to a safer learning environment for all. Dot by Dot these small individual choices add up to big change. This is how our society stopped wide-spread smoking, drunk driving and littering across our highways. All of these social shifts occurred in my lifetime and I fully expect to see at least one more major advance in public health and safety before I sign off this planet: the end of unchecked sexual violence and the start of a new era where all students can pursue their college dreams on a campus where they are respected and valued. For more information, visit: www.livethegreendotht.com

Joann Bautti: A Superhero

Graduation season has come, beaches are getting crowded, teens are being sent off to college, grills are sizzling, and sadly we are reporting a staff departure, Joann will leaving to join EVMS. She has worked at the Women’s Center since 2009 as the Assistant Director.

During her tenure, she was the project director of the grant from US Department of Justice. Joann has been pivotal in leading the annual production of The Vagina Monologues, forging collaborations with NATO and Hampton Roads Naval Installations to train their staff on dealing with sexual assault.

Join us in wishing her well in her endeavors with EVMS.

Green Dot: Is Prevention Possible?

By Wendi White

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Women's Center Staff Updates

Hellos

Angel
S.A.F.E. Graduate Assistant
Angel is our S.A.F.E. Graduate Assistant for the M-Power Program. She has been a faithful volunteer, previous Social Norms intern and social media guru.

Saliya
Office Assistant
Saliya is the oldest daughter of 5 siblings and is a Communications major with an emphasis in Public Relations.

Mandi
Graphic Designer
Mandi is a senior in the Graphic Design program with lots of interests; one of which is making journals to sell on Etsy.

Rachael
Graphic Designer
Rachael is also a senior in the Graphic Design program. She is a proud existentialist and loves tattoos. She has three.

Karmen
S.A.F.E. Graduate Assistant
Karmen has served as a Graduate S.A.F.E. Coordinator. Her enthusiasm for educating her fellow Monarchs has been a delight to witness. Your warm spirit will be missed.

Raven
Graphic Designer
Raven served as a Graphic Artist. She graduated in May 2016 and was hired with a local printing firm. We wish her well on her new job.

Mandi
S.A.F.E. Graduate Assistant

Saige
Graduate Assistant
Saige faithfully served in mPACT, a theater arm of the Women's Center. Witnessing her on stage...is well SAIGE. Go forth and do great things!

Rachelle
Graphic Designer
As the Lead Graphic Artist for the Women's Center, Rachelle ensured our logos, posters, website, and whatever else we needed was presented in a extraordinary manner.

Goodbyes

Rachael
Graphic Designer
Rachael is also a senior in the Graphic Design program. She is a proud existentialist and loves tattoos. She has three.
# Things We’re Diggin’ #FemCulture

## #FemMusic

“No” By: Meghan Trainor

## #FemSites

www.adiosbarbie.com

## #FemMovies

Alice Through the Looking Glass

### July Women’s Center Calendar

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<td>Outdoor Activities— Surf &amp; Yoga</td>
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