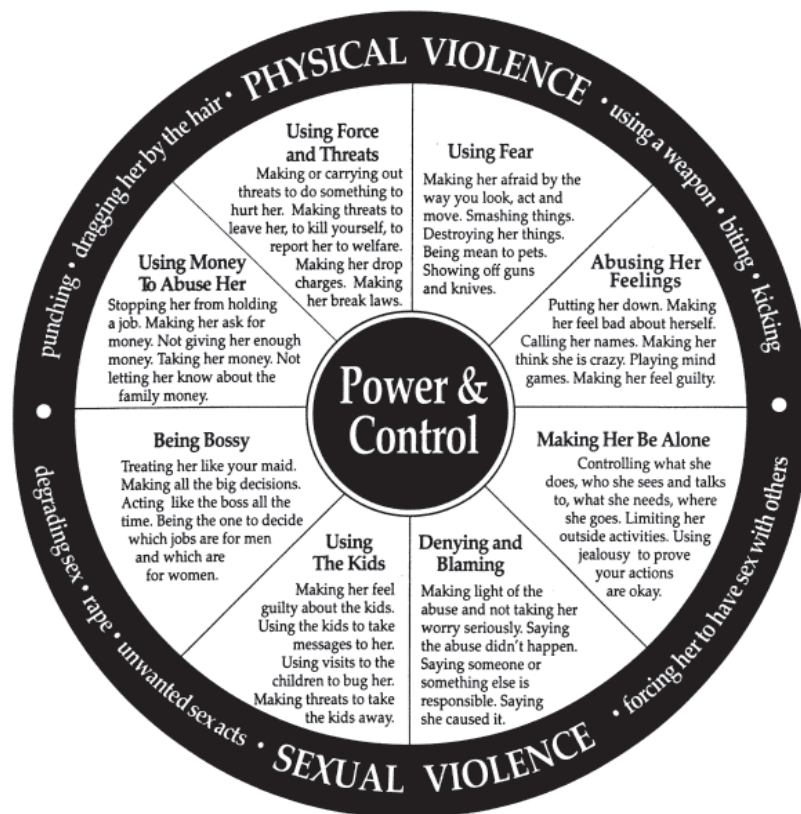


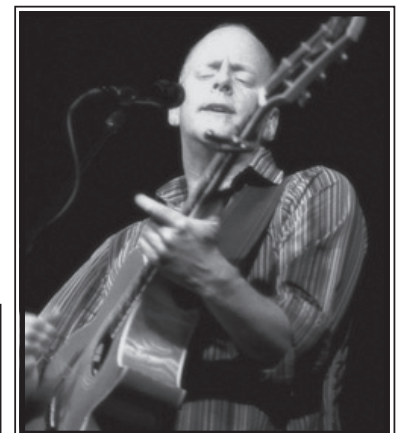
Abuse is any attempt to gain power or control over another person using physical, emotional, sexual, or financial tactics.

As Client Services Director for Advocates of Ozaukee, one of my responsibilities is to track agency statistics – how many clients we served, what services were provided, and what services need more focus. With client numbers continually growing, the services that we provide grow as well. One of the major areas of growth in our agency is the number of hours that we provide in individual counseling. So far this calendar year, Advocates of Ozaukee has provided nearly 300 additional hours of counseling as compared to this time last year. Counseling has definitely become a primary focus, not only for our agency but also an imperative focus to the healing process.

After talking with many of our clients, it has become evident that a basic understanding of abuse is a necessary foundation for counseling and in healing. The majority of our clients receiving counseling identified power and control as being one of the most important issues to discuss. Power and control are at the center of any abusive relationship. One of the most obvious ways to control another person is through the use of violence – hitting, slapping, holding someone down, or sexually assaulting someone. In addition to violence, there are many other tactics that an abuser can use to exude power and control. Instead of using physical or sexual violence, many abusers use verbal, emotional, psychological or financial abuse to control their partner. Sometimes these tactics are subtle and some people do not recognize them as abuse. It's important to remember that any behavior used to gain power or control over another person is abuse.



- Kristen Wheeler



Adapted from The Power and Control Wheel developed by the Domestic Abuse Intervention Project, Duluth Minnesota.

Willy Porter Concert

See inside for more info on the upcoming Willy Porter concert to benefit Advocates! Log on to www.advocates-oz.org for more information.

Willy Porter Benefit Concert

Mark your calendars, call your friends, and make plans to join us for our first Willy Porter benefit concert at the Cedarburg Cultural Center!

Porter, who released his debut CD in 1990, has received critical acclaim for his songwriting, singing and as a “master of the acoustic instrument”, will perform on **Saturday, January 6, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.** Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$35 at the door and will be available November 15th at all Ozaukee Bank locations, directly from Advocates, or online at www.advocates-oz.org. Seating is limited so get your tickets early!



Willy’s career includes touring with legendary artists Paul Simon, Sting, Jeff Beck, Jethro Tull, Rickie Lee Jones, Tori Amos, and The Cranberries. Willy recently performed at the Pabst Theatre debuting his latest CD “Available Lights”, which was recorded in Milwaukee on his new record label, Weasel Records. According to Porter, recording the CD in Milwaukee also allows time for more important things — namely, being home for dinner with his wife and children. “That’s my first priority,” Porter said. “I know the musician’s lifestyle doesn’t always allow that to happen, but with my own studio, it was really enjoyable to make a 9-to-5 record.”

“Willy Porter’s greatest songwriting attribute lies in his quietly reverberating stories.”

— Billboard Magazine

“...a master of the acoustic instrument.”

— CMJ New Music Report

Porter’s performance will benefit Advocates, providing funding for services to women, children, and men who are living in the midst of domestic or sexual violence.

*Abuse is never a
one-time event.*

For those of you who shop at Pick ‘n Save Stores with an Advantage Card, please register for the ‘We Care’ Program at the service desk and name Advocates as the recipient of funds to be distributed.

**Our number is
014750**



Collect Cell Phones

You can help fund our programs by collecting old cell phones from your relatives, friends, and co-workers. Some of the phones collected are distributed to Advocates’ clients to call 911 if needed. The rest are recycled for cash to support our programs. You can drop off phones at any area Ozaukee Bank or Grafton State Bank, or call us to arrange a pick-up!





If past years are any measure, during the upcoming holiday season Advocates will be the grateful recipient of many wonderful donations of toys, clothing, household goods, and other gifts used to help make Advocates' active clients' holidays brighter.

Last year, one of the families in shelter celebrated their first Christmas *ever*. Two little boys, age 7 and 4, had their very first Christmas tree and first visit from Santa. It was exciting to watch them as they stared in disbelief at their good fortune.

If you, your church, civic, or work group, or someone you know would like to donate items for family holiday gifts, please call Advocates at (262) 284-3577 to arrange to have the items picked up.

Listed below are some items we always need for families during the holidays.

Gifts for Moms - slippers, pajamas, jewelry, gift cards for stores and gas, certificates for manicures or hair cuts, socks, wallets, photo albums, and single use cameras, purses or tote bags, scarves, hats, and gloves.

Gifts for Children & Teens - movie passes, gift cards, mittens, hats, pajamas, cartoon character blankets or sheets, arts and crafts supplies, (no stuffed animals please we have many), DVDs, radio/CD players, dolls, trucks, board games, building toys, and refurbished or new bikes.

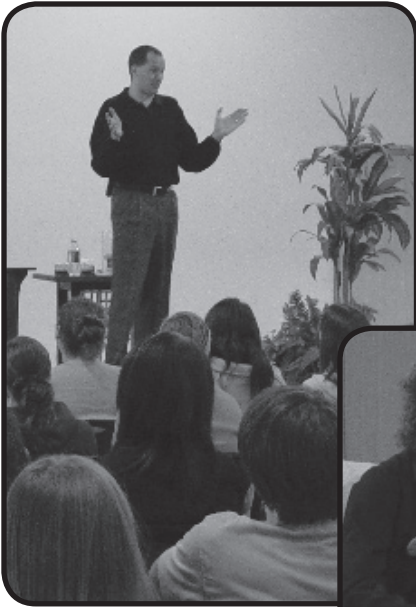
Gifts for Homes - When families are ready to move out of shelter they usually need to completely equip a home. Advocates tries to keep some essentials on hand to help in the transition. Items needed include: silverware, pots and pans, dishes, glasses, blankets, sheets (twin or queen), pillows, towels, bathroom sets, dish towels, kitchen utensils, and cleaning tools & supplies.

Thank you all for your generosity to Advocates' clients throughout the year and for thinking of them during the special holiday times.

Holiday Concert

Alliance Bible Church will host an evening of holiday and original music by
Jim Bohn and other special guests.
December 9th, 2006 - 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM

All proceeds go to Advocates of Ozaukee to help make the holidays happier for our clients.
Admission is a gift for a child to give to his or her mother. See the list above for ideas.



Youth Conference October 2006



October 20th was the second Youth Conference hosted by Advocates of Ozaukee. This conference was entitled “Can I Kiss You?” and focused on respect and communication in dating relationships. Students from Homestead, Grafton, Port Washington, and Ozaukee High Schools participated in the event.

Mike Domitrz, who is the creator of the “Can I Kiss You?” Program, is a popular national speaker based in Greenfield, Wisconsin. Advocates of Ozaukee was fortunate to have Mike speak at this year’s conference. The response from the students was overwhelming! *“Mike was a very inspirational speaker.” “Mike was amazing.” “The words he said were put into terms we could relate to.”*

Students were also able to attend workshops throughout the day that discussed issues of dating, depression, alcohol, self-injury, and grief. Advocates of Ozaukee would like to thank Ozaukee Council, Ozaukee Family Services, Ozaukee County Counseling Center, Sexual Assault Treatment Center, Defense Works, and the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin for taking time out of their schedules to help make this conference a success.

It is the positive student responses we received that make the staff at Advocates of Ozaukee excited to host conferences for our youth. Watch for more information in upcoming newsletters for details on our next conference.

- Mary Knetter

*“I hope this event is set up again next year.”
“We learned about subjects teens should be aware of.”
“Thanks for the great opportunity Advocates of Ozaukee.”*

Thank you to our event sponsors!

This conference was offered to each school and student completely free of cost. Without the support from the following organizations, this conference could have never have taken place.

- 5 Corners Pontiac GMC Truck Center
- Grafton State Bank
- The Huiras Center of Columbia St. Mary’s
- Multiline Insurance
- Port Washington State Bank
- Potawatomi Bingo Casino
- RA Stevens Family Foundation
- Rockwell Automation



Go to www.canikissyou.com for more information and sign-up for a free newsletter, “The Date Safe Advocate,” by Mike Domitrz; Author, Speaker, and Executive Director of The Date Safe Project.

JOIN A SUPPORT GROUP

Groups are open to all women and their children; you need not be a shelter resident or current client. Please call for more information.

Domestic Violence

*Tuesdays
6:30—8:00 p.m.*

*Children's Domestic
Violence Support
Group meets at the
same time. It is open
to children of all ages.*

Sexual Violence

*Thursdays
6:30—8:00 p.m.*

*Children's Life Skills
Group meets at the
same time. It is open
to children of all ages.*

*Advocates is in need of a
gently-used well-running
van to transport clients.
Call Barb at
(262) 284-3577 or
(877) 375-4034 to make a
tax-deductible donation of
your used vehicle.*



**Check out our *Wishlist*
at www.advocates-oz.org and
click on the *GIVE HELP* tab.**

CHILDREN'S SUPPORT GROUP

Each child who attends the domestic violence program, Hands are for Helping Not for Hurting, puts a painted hand print on the wall in Advocates' Children's Center. Over 150 hand prints have been added over the years.



Dear Rockwell Automation Employees,
 How many Rockwell employees does it take to stop a ceiling fan from wobbling? How much concern for others does it take for a Rockwell employee to climb up in their own attic to find an oven hood that Advocates needed after realizing the one that we had did not fit? This year's Day of Caring was held on September 11th. The weather was cold and rainy, but the group still completed many outside projects such as reinforcing a swing set, cleaning gutters, and power-washing the house.



We appreciate your community involvement and the time each and every one of you took to complete much needed shelter improvements including painting, sorting donations, building shelves in a closet, organizing the pantry, and shelter cleaning.

Working with you was a great opportunity and experience. We couldn't have done any of it without you! Hope to see you all again next year. Thank you so much for being a part of United Way's Day of Caring program.

Thanks so much!!!!

Advocates would like to send out a special thank you all who work so hard on our grounds throughout the year. Barbara Schaezner, Nancy & Jack Quandt, Susie Granzow, and many others put a lot of effort into keeping our numerous gardens surrounding the shelter beautiful. Dick Scholten, Bob Reiter, and their faithful companion,

Max, continue to show up week after week to keep the yard in shape.



Barbara Schaezner, Nancy & Jack Quandt are keeping after the weeds!!!

The flowers and the neatly trimmed lawn are a warm welcome to the women and the children sheltered at Advocates and for the staff who work here.



Dick Scholten, Bob Reiter, and Max, after an afternoon tending to the lawn.

It's not all in the numbers...
– Barb Fischer, Executive Director



I know that it is not all in the numbers but as an agency that receives funding from many sources, one of the ways Advocates effectiveness is measured is by the number of people we serve and what outcomes they achieve. So here are some of the numbers we have reported during the past year.

- Clients served: 488 this year versus 379 last year.
- Hours of advocacy service increased from 36 last year to 443 this year.
- Hours of counseling for adult victims of sexual violence: from 386 last year to 1,414 this year.
- Number of adult contacts (this includes crisis calls, information and referral calls, counseling and advocacy contacts, and follow up) from 3,275 last year to 4,320 this year.

As you review the numbers, please remember that for each hour of counseling or client counted, there is a person. In most cases, there is more than one person because there are children, other relatives, and friends who are involved.

Advocates doesn't turn away anyone who comes to us seeking help.

With the increase in the number of clients, there is an increase in spending. Advocates has managed to serve all these additional clients by adding one 20 hour a week position and rearranging staff hours, but as services grow to meet client needs Advocates needs to increase funding.

This is the season of caring, of giving and sharing. **Please consider a year-end gift to Advocates.** There is an easy to use envelope enclosed in this newsletter. I promise you that Advocates will use your gift wisely. We will use it to provide shelter, food, counseling, and a chance at a new life for all who want something most of us take for granted: to be safe in our own homes.

Support Lines: 262.284.6902 or 877.375.4034
TTY Line 262.284.8828

Paper Bag Princess Luncheon

Nancy Byers and her Paper Bag Princess Committee did it again! Their hard work and creativity made for another amazing event supporting Advocates of Ozaukee. This year's luncheon was held at Ozaukee Country Club on October 10th and featured a silent auction, raffle, and fashion show.

The event, in its 8th year, has raised over \$230,000 for Advocates' programs over the years.

Nancy has already begun preparing for the next luncheon in October 2007. Watch for more details about it in future newsletters.



Paper Bag Princess - Kika Nowicki, Barb Fischer - Executive Director, and Nancy Byers - Event Organizer.
Photo by Deb Kranitz - News Graphic.

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Resources

National Domestic Violence Hotline:
1.800.799.SAFE (7233) or TTY 1.800.787.3224

Helpful web sites: *Don't forget to cover your internet tracks*

- www.advocates-oz.org
- www.women'slaw.org
- www.feminist.org/other/dv/dvhome.html
- www.safe4all.org
- www.usdoj.gov/ovw - Department of Justice/Office of Violence Against Women
- www.wcadv.org - WI Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/domesticviolence.html - Good information from basic to specific types of abuse includes information for youth and teens.
- www.ncadv.org - National Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- www.endabuse.org - Family Violence Prevention Fund - Be sure to look at the information on Coaching Boys to Men
- sda.gov/da/shmd/aware.htm - Domestic Violence Awareness Handbook

Great books:

- **Getting Free (You Can End Abuse And Take Back Your Life)** by Ginny Nicarthy, M.S.W.
- **The Verbally Abusive Relationship** (How to recognize it and how to respond) by Patricia Evans
- **I Am Not Your Victim: Anatomy of Domestic Violence** by Bethel Sipe