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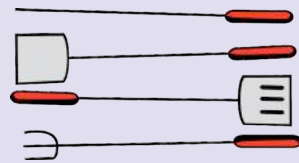
FRIED CHICKEN PLATE

\$8.00

JUNE 3RD | 11AM - 2PM

Southgate Mall Parking Lot

Thanks in advance for your support!



**WALK
A MILE
IN HER
SHOES**

SATURDAY, OCT 8TH

Northeastern High School Track

Help Albemarle Hopeline to raise awareness about domestic violence and join in our efforts to end abuse.



HOW YOU CAN HELP

1. Make a donation by either mailing a check to Hopeline's address listed below or by using a credit card online on our website www.albemarlehopeline.org. Look for the "donate" button.
2. Designate your gift to Hopeline through Albemarle Area United Way.
3. Talk to our Executive Director or a Board Member to learn how you can make a contribution through a major gift of land or other real estate property, or a bequest.
4. Drop off your old, unwanted cell phones at one of our offices.
5. Donate gently used clothing, furniture, small appliances, etc. to Hopeline's Clothesline Thrift Store. Then shop the best bargains in town!



HOPELINE'S CLOTHESLINE THRIFT STORE

923 Halstead Blvd.
Elizabeth City, NC 27909
252-338-3107

Hours:
Monday – Saturday
10 am – 5 pm



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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS

SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

For the tenth consecutive year, on September 16, 2015, National Network to End Domestic Violence conducted a one-day unduplicated count of adults and children seeking domestic violence service in the United States. This annual census documents the number of individuals who sought services in a single 24-hour period, as well as the types of services requested, the number of service requests that went unmet due to a lack of resources, and the issues and barriers that domestic violence programs face as they strive to provide services to victims of domestic violence. Of the 86 identified domestic violence programs in North Carolina, 60 participated in the census count. The following figures represent the information provided by those 60 participating programs;

- 1,576 Victims served in one day
- 820 Found refuge in emergency shelters/transitional housing
- 756 Adults and children received non-residential assistance and services (Including counseling, legal advocacy, and children's support groups)
- 461 Hotline calls answered
- 913 Educated in prevention and education trainings
- 102 Unmet requests for services, of which 61% were for housing

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ALBEMARLE HOPELINE'S NEWSLETTER
SPRING 2016

APRIL IS SEXUAL ASSAULT
AWARENESS MONTH

SOUTHERN RIDERS

February 27, 2016

Bill Smith and Jason McCardle

The Pasquotank County Chapter of the Southern Riders has been helping Albemarle Hopeline for approximately 21 years. Bill Smith, the only charter member of the Pasquotank County Chapter, and Jason McCardle, the current president, spoke recently about this group's long term relationship with Hopeline.

Mr. Smith, a retired biology teacher, taught in Currituck for 31 years. He is a past 12 year National President of the Southern Riders. He came to Elizabeth City in 1994 from the Norfolk Chapter of the Southern Riders and started



another chapter of the Southern Riders. This became the Pasquotank County Chapter.

They are 20 members strong, and every year since 1994, these members from all walks of life, come together in early November and collect shelter supplies outside

participating stores. For nearly 20 years, it was Food Lion, and for the past couple of years, it was three Dollar Generals and Dollar Tree in Elizabeth City. They give out Hopeline fliers to customers which has a list of supplies needed. Customers then buy supplies and give them to Hopeline or in many instances, give monetary donations. Many people who do this say that Hopeline has helped them, and they now want to contribute to Hopeline. Mr. Smith said that it's always warming to know that people who have been helped, can now help in return.

The group does a Toy Run the weekend following the collection of supplies. People that want to participate in the Toy Run will donate a toy or make a contribution. These are then delivered to Albemarle Hopeline with a trailer full of supplies. The Toy Run has always been done in conjunction with the collection of shelter supplies in early November. "We are all happy to help families in need and every year look forward to the collection day," said Mr. Smith.

They also did a Poker Run for Hopeline last August and raised approximately \$1,000 to help with the Christmas project. In anticipation of the Poker Run, the Southern Riders put out fliers that said the Run would benefit Hopeline, and they had 110 bikers to participate.

Jason McCardle, the current President and originally from West Virginia, is employed as a project manager for Cary Reconstruction, which is a fire and water restoration business with the headquarters in Cary, NC. Mr. McCardle stressed that community support is important to this group, and they are constantly doing community activities throughout the year; however, helping Albemarle Hopeline

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SOUTHERN RIDERS *continued*

has been a longstanding tradition. He said, "Collection day is nice. We've been doing it for so long, and people will tell us how Hopeline has helped them." He adds that "it's with the support of the community that makes it all happen."

Carol Patterson, Director of Residential Services at Albemarle Hopeline, who also oversees the maintenance and upkeep of the shelter, has worked with this group for all of those 21 years. She said that it's interesting that so many people have negative preconceived ideas about "bikers", but they can come from all walks of life...i.e., professionals such as attorneys and teachers to name a couple. When the Southern Riders come to Hopeline, she said it feels like "family's home for the holidays."

Carol said that she sees some of the same ones every year.... "big guys wearing bandanas and leather, riding around doing good and giving a helping hand to the community. The excitement starts to build when I hear them coming. When you see all the bikes pull into Hopeline's parking lot, it's mesmerizing. In years past, there

"It's with the support of the community that makes it all happen."

JASON MCCARDLE

would be so many bikes, it required a police escort." She emphasizes that it is rare that agencies, such as Hopeline, have a group that helps year after year for over 20 years and maintain and exceed what they've done in previous years.

Once they had delivered the shelter supplies and toys in November 2015, they had already made a commitment for 2016.

The admiration and respect is mutual between the parties. Mr. Smith said that Carol is a "lovely" person. "She tries so hard to have the proper permission from participating stores and is always so appreciative of all that the Southern Riders do."

.... and it is with our sincere and humble gratitude that Albemarle Hopeline salutes the Pasquotank Chapter of the Southern Riders.

ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST



Key Note Speakers at the 2016 Legislative Breakfast, David Elliott of the NC Attorney General's Office (right) and Pastor Michael Gaddy of Kadesh AME Zion Church (left).

Albemarle Hopeline's Annual Legislative Breakfast took place on March 7 at Cypress Creek Grille. The event was well attended by elected representatives from the six counties in Hopeline's catchment area. David Elliott, Special Deputy Attorney General/Director of Victim and Citizens Services and Pastor Michael Gaddy of Kadesh AME Zion Church both made passionate and thought provoking speeches. Mr. Elliott spoke about domestic and sexual violence prevention, social media and the desensitization of violence and its effects on youth. Pastor Gaddy shared a very moving story about losing his sister to domestic violence. Many in the audience expressed their appreciation to Hopeline's Board of Directors and Executive Director

Melanie Jordan for this year's event and the exceptional job in selecting the keynote speakers. Mary Ann Mason, Board Vice-President, served as chairperson for the breakfast.

SART PROTOCOL

Although the Pasquotank/Camden Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) may never achieve its goal of eliminating sexual violence, it made major strides forward with the adoption of the Sexual Assault Response Protocol on February 2, 2016. On that date, the leaders of the District Attorney's Office, Elizabeth City Police Department, Camden and Pasquotank County Sheriff's Departments, Sentara Albemarle Medical Center and Albemarle Hopeline signed the Memorandum of Understanding to formally adopt the Protocol as the guide to follow when responding to an incident of sexual violence. The SART included the development of a Sexual Assault Response Protocol in its list of goals when the team was formed in August 2012. The team began working on the Protocol in earnest in April 2014 when a subcommittee composed of representatives from the agencies listed above started meeting monthly to determine how best practices could be integrated into a protocol that made victim's needs a priority, held offenders accountable and promoted public safety.

Training has been planned for April 2016, and will be conducted annually to ensure that first responders are familiar with the protocol and any revisions that may be made. The SART is also working on plans to take the sexual violence prevention message to the administration, staff and teachers of the local high schools. The team accomplished its goal of providing prevention forums for students and faculty/staff at Elizabeth City State University, College of the Albemarle and Mid-Atlantic Christian University last fall.



Left to Right

Melanie Jordan, Executive Director, Albemarle Hopeline, Chief Eddie Buffaloe, Elizabeth City Police Department, Andy Womble, District Attorney for First Judicial District, Sheriff Tony Perry, Camden County, Sheriff Randy Cartwright, Pasquotank County, Coleen Santa Ana, President of Sentara Albemarle Medical Center

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH 2016

The month of April has been designated Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) in the United States. The goal of SAAM is to raise public awareness about sexual violence and to educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence. Albemarle Hopeline invites you to join us in recognizing Sexual Assault Awareness Month this April.

WEAR A TEAL RIBBON

The color teal and the teal awareness ribbon has been chosen to represent awareness about sexual violence nationwide.

SAAM @ ALBEMARLE HOPELINE

Please join us in raising awareness:

Team Together "TEAL" it Stops – April 15th

By wearing the color teal we will raise public awareness around ending sexual violence. Wear teal to show your support.

Strike-Out Sexual Violence Event - April 15th

Albemarle Lanes at 4pm.

Join Hopeline & friends while we bowl to strike out sexual violence in honor of SAAM.

24 HOUR CRISIS LINE
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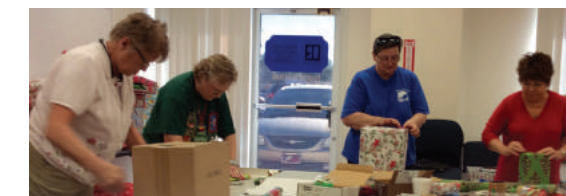
Albemarle Hopeline is a private, non-profit agency serving victims of domestic and sexual violence in the counties of Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck, Perquimans, Chowan and Gates in rural northeastern North Carolina. Direct, comprehensive services include 24-hour crisis line, shelter, individual counseling, court advocacy, information, referral, outreach and awareness / prevention education for schools, churches, civic groups and the community-at-large.

If you are in need of any of our services or if your organization would like a Hopeline representative to provide information to your group, call the main Hopeline office at 252-338-5338.

All services are free of charge

SPECIAL THANKS

Thanks to community support and generous donations Albemarle Hopeline was able to provide Christmas to 72 families totaling 183 individuals. Thank you for your contribution and allowing Hopeline to fulfill the needs of those we serve.



Volunteers wrapping gifts at Albemarle Area Association of Realtors in Elizabeth City.

