

Red Carnation seminar series

Band fraternity sponsors event about domestic abuse

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College students are not immune to domestic violence.

To address some of the issues of domestic violence, the Kappa Lambda Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Fraternity presented the seminar, Runaway Love-Domestic Violence Prevention, Feb. 13.

The program featured seminar speaker Sylvester Reed.

A case manager and victim advocate at Family Services Inc. of Winston-Salem, Reed deals with domestic violence issues for his clients.

He also facilitates groups for men and teenagers and oversees a program called Strong Fathers, a collaboration with the Department of Social Services focusing on domestic violence.

"The main goal of the seminar was to share domestic vio-

lence, abuse and ways to prevent them," Reed said.

The U.S. Department of Justice and the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence show an increasingly large number of incidents amongst college and university students.

According to NCADV, 42 percent of reported campus stalkers are boyfriends or ex-boyfriends. About half of all reported rape cases in the United States involve victims 18 and under.

About 71 percent of rape victims knew their offender, and 60 percent of rapes on college campuses occur between casual or steady partners.

Those who are involved in violent or abusive relationships may face unique obstacles in accessing services to escape from them.

Reed said that domestic violence is a disease.

"With Valentine's Day com-

ing up, a lot of people don't understand just because you take one time out of the year to show somebody love that the stuff you do throughout the year is going to be forgiven," said Darius Cureton, the chapter's adviser.

Reed's lecture "Love Shouldn't Hurt" focused on types of abuse and the ways to avoid situations dealing with abuse.

Domestic violence is not limited to pushing or hitting, either.

"If I didn't hit her in the face, it's not domestic violence' is the most common phrase I hear most," Reed said.

"Physical abuse is easy. Any woman can try to fight back but it all comes down to power and control, this is what men have."

According to Reed, four million women nationwide are physically abused each year and many more suffer emo-

tional abuse from their partner.

In approximately five percent of the cases, men are the victims of violence and abuse. He said that a person being abused and criticized by a partner often feels afraid, isolated, depressed and in need of support.

Although the seminar had a low number in attendance, that did not seem to bother the chapter adviser.

"I wasn't particularly disappointed in the low number of students that attended that seminar because many enrichment and development programs on campus, at least from what I know, boast low numbers," Cureton said.

Cureton also said that programming focused on sex and relationships seem to attract the most students.

"When we had the safe sex seminar back in September, we had just under 100 students," Cureton said.

Runaway Love was the third installment of the Red Carnation seminar series.

The first two seminars "Safe Sex at WSSU" and "Meeting WSSU Deadlines" took place during the fall semester.

The Red Carnation is a series of workshops that Kappa Kappa Psi hosts three or four times a year.

The workshops were initially planned for the Red Sea of Sound members, but the fraternity opened the seminars to all students.

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publish them online.

"I am more than honored to be the head of sports for BCW," Holloway said. "I will diversify my selections and give proper coverage of each HBCU."

Joseph said this is a great opportunity for students to sharpen their copy editing skills and see more of their own and their peer's content published.

"Interested student editors are allowed to contribute to whichever section they desire," Joseph said.

"This change will ensure that the voices of all HBCUs will be represented on BCW, as well as allow BCW to publish more content more quickly."

Since 2002, several institutions and organizations including the FAMU Foundation, National Association of Black Journalists and North Carolina A&T Foundation have admin-

istered Black College Wire.

"Their access is their ability to have a say in what content is featured on the website," Joseph said.

Several schools were recently removed from BCW site.

"Sites that were removed were deleted until their sites become active again," Stewart said.

When the colleges and universities become active again, they can contact BCW through Facebook or at bcwire@gmail.com with their updated information.

"It's really unfortunate that on many campuses the news is not being reported regularly in any form. This should not be acceptable to students, alumni, faculty or administrators. Everyone should support the free flow of news and information," Stewart said.

CAMPUS CRIME BLOTTER

The Campus Crime Blotter is a concise summary of the up-to-date incidents that affect the Winston-Salem State campus and community. Certain incidents may lead to News Argus articles that discuss them at great length.

Saturday, Jan. 29

At 10:35 p.m. an officer responded to a call regarding an underage non-student in Atkins Hall heavily intoxicated. The officer issued a trespass warning for consumption of an alcoholic beverage. No further information is available at this time.

Monday, Jan. 31

At 10 a.m. an officer responded to a call regarding a stolen iPod in O'Kelly Library. The case was closed pending any investigative leads or new information. No further information is available at this time.

Friday, Feb. 4

At 1:30 a.m. an officer responded to a call in Dillard Hall of a disturbance that involved a physical altercation between two female students. Both parties were cited Campus Appearance tickets. No further information is available at this time.

Saturday Feb. 5

At 11 p.m. an officer questioned two females suspected of having a controlled substance behind the Old Nursing Building. The substance was seized and placed in the evidence locker. Campus Appearance tickets were issued and sent to Judicial Affairs. No further information is available at this time.

Tuesday Feb. 8

At 4:14 p.m. an officer investigated a theft of miscellaneous items from a student in Wilson Hall. The items were found in the room of another student. A housing report was generated and sent to Student Affairs. No further information is available at this time.

At 9 p.m. an officer was given notification of a physical altercation involving two female students in Wilson Hall. Both students involved did not require medical attention and were issued Campus Appearance tickets. No further information is available at this time.

Thursday Feb. 10

At 5: p.m. an officer investigated the theft of parking passes from the Campus Parking office by two female students. Campus Appearance tickets were issued to both students. No further information is available at this time.

Sunday Feb. 13

At 1:20 a.m. an officer was dispatched to Brown Hall in reference to a student injuring himself by breaking a window pane. Upon investigation the student was transported to Wake Forest Baptist Hospital for medical attention. No further information is available at this time.

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