

**WHEN LOVE HURTS...**  
**A Symposium on Relationship Violence**  
**February 14-21, 1991**

**Thursday**  
**Feb. 14 Relationship Violence Awareness Fair**  
**Scott Plaza College Coffee**

Join members of the symposium planning staff for a look at audiovisual and written resources dealing with relationship violence. Posters and other educational materials will be distributed.

**Friday**  
**Feb. 15 Poster Campaign Begins**

Look around you! Posters addressing relationship violence will begin to "crop up." Take a few minutes to "stop and read the posters."

**Tuesday**  
**Feb. 19 Jacquelyn White, "Acquaintance Rape Among Students: A Hidden Epidemic?"**  
**Fine Arts Theatre, 7:30 p.m.**

Dr. White, a professor of social psychology at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, is an authority on acquaintance rape. Her research has focused on date rape on the college campus.

**Wednesday**  
**Feb. 20 Ruth Pugh, facilitator, "Campus and Community Resources."**  
**Isabella Cannon Room, 4:00 p.m.**

Ms. Pugh, coordinator for counseling services, will coordinate representatives from campus and community agencies that deal with acts of relationship violence. The participants will share information, distribute literature and address individual questions. Agencies scheduled to attend are the following: Rape Crisis Center, Family Abuse Services, Alamance/Caswell Mental Health, Alamance Memorial Emergency Services, Elon College Department of Campus Security, Burlington Police Department, Elon College Police, Alamance County District Attorney's Office, Elon College Counseling Services, Residence Life and the Chaplain's office.

**Gary Ander, "An Intervention Strategy to Stop Relationship Violence"**  
**Fine Arts Theatre, 7:30 p.m.**

Mr. Ander, community services consultant with the Alamance-Caswell Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities/Substance Abuse Center, conducts re-education groups with perpetrators of relationship violence.

**Thursday**  
**Feb. 21 Ruth Pugh, "Signs and Symptoms: Recognition and Referral"**  
**Isabella Cannon Room, 4:00 p.m.**

Ms. Pugh will conduct an information and training session for faculty. The focus will be two-part. First, the session will inform faculty of behavior that may signal a student is experiencing or has experienced an act of relationship violence. Second, the session will provide faculty with concrete steps for responding to a student who reports that he or she is a victim of relationship violence, including referral resources.

**Residence Hall Discussion Groups**  
**Carolina Lounge, West Lounge, Harper Center Lounge, and Jordan Center Lounge.**  
**7:30 p.m.**

These sessions will focus on answering student questions about relationship violence. The sessions will be facilitated by members of the residence life staff and community resource persons.

The Relationship Violence Symposium is sponsored by the Department of Psychology, Residence Life, and the Elon College Counseling Services. Financial support is provided by the office of student affairs, the office of academic affairs, and contributions made to the college in the name of the late Mr. Leland Atkins.

## White to speak on acquaintance rape

**Deborah Durkee**  
**The Pendulum**

Acquaintance rape or date rape is the subject of a frank analysis by Jacquelyn White on Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the Fine Arts Theatre at 7:30 p.m.

White, who is Professor of Psychology at University of North Carolina at Greensboro, has been doing human aggression research with a strong focus on gender issues. She has been conducting a five-year study funded by the National Institute of Mental Health.

"Acquaintance rape is the situation where a woman is forced into sexual intercourse by someone who is known to her," White said.

White said that acquaintance rape does not have to be violent. She said a whole range of behaviors exist where sex is not consensual. The behaviors can range from mild forms of verbal or physical intimidation to stronger forms, from verbal threats of violence to force.

In acquaintance rape there are not usually any broken bones or

severe beatings, White said. The woman knows and trusts the person who just overwhelms her.

Acquaintance rape is not normally reported as a crime. Half the victims never tell anybody, White said. Some victims tell a friend, only four to five percent report it to the police she said.

Acquaintance rape happens quite often. White sees the reason for this as "An unfortunate consequence of the whole dating/sexual scripts that men and women learn."

Men are supposed to be the initiator of sexual relations and are taught not to take no for an answer, White said. Women are supposed to be coy and passive.

"Men begin to feel they are entitled to have sex," White said. She said that society needs to help men learn that just because a woman is friendly does not give them rights to take advantages.

White said a great deal of education is needed. "Most important is for men and women to define and be clear about what their sexual intentions are," White said.

## Ander focuses on relationship violence

**Darren Benfer**  
**The Pendulum**

Gary Ander, from Alamance-Caswell Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services will speak at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theater, on Wednesday, Feb. 20.

Ander's discussion, "An Intervention Strategy to Stop Relationship Violence," is part of the symposium on violence in relationships. He will speak from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and a question and answer session will follow at 8:40 p.m. in the Isabella Cannon room.

Ander is originally from Chicago and did his undergraduate studies at Western Illinois University. He received his

Masters degree in counseling at California State University at Fullerton.

Ander will cover his treatment program, "Alternatives", for men who have been physically abusive to their partners. The program, in cooperation with the local District Attorney's office, gives first time abusers of women the option to attend rehabilitative classes rather than face sentencing.

"There has been, and continues to be, ongoing violence in some relationships," Ander said. He said physical abuse, like many other social issues, is now coming out of the closet. "What I'm going to do is talk about a lot of socially sanctioned attitudes that allow abuse to continue."

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