

# Green Hills Women's Shelter

A monthly newsletter brought to you by the GHWS

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## March is National Women's History Month



**National Women's History Month** is an annual declared month that highlights the many important contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society. The setting aside of March as National Women's History Month is a fairly new notion however.

In 1980, only 31 years ago, President Jimmy Carter declared the week of March 8th

National Women's History Week, and by 1986, 14 states had already declared March as Women's History Month. This momentum and state-by-state action was used as the rationale needed to lobby Congress to declare the entire month of March as National Women's History Month. And so, March 1987 was declared to be the first official National Women's History Month by the United States Congress. A special Presidential Proclamation is issued every year which honors the extraordinary achievements of American women.

The Green Hills Women's Shelter is proud to take part in celebrating National Women's History Month, and we pay homage to the many brave women who have struggled throughout history to further women's causes and rights.

You too can honor these women by helping on a local level to change the lives of women right here in your community - volunteer at the shelter, or make a monetary contribution. Many women deal with abuse daily, and live in silence. If you, or someone you know, are currently living in an abusive relationship, urge her to contact our shelter hotline at 800-942-0649. We are here to help.

## Famous Female Firsts

1587 - Virginia Dare is the 1st female child born to English settlers on US soil

1849 - Elizabeth Blackwell is the 1st US woman to receive her medical degree

1892 - The 1st female presidential candidate, Victoria Woodhull is nominated

1920 - the 19th Amendment gives women the right to vote

1964 - Haven House, the first "modern" women's shelter in the world, opens in California.

1981 - Sandra Day O'Connor becomes the 1st female supreme court justice

1983 - Dr. Sally Ride becomes the 1st US woman to go into space

2008 - Hillary Clinton becomes the first woman in U.S. history to win a presidential primary

## Educational Presentations Offered

The Green Hills Women's Shelter is happy to offer educational presentations to local groups or organizations on a variety of shelter and women's rights related topics.

If you are interested in scheduling a presentation from the staff of the

GHCAA Green Hills Women's Shelter for your organization or group, please contact (<http://www.greenhillswomensshelter.org/contact.php>) any one of the three shelters, and we will be happy to arrange a time to further discuss your needs.



## Help Us Bring Alice to the GHWS

The Green Hills Women's Shelter needs your support. The Shelters are actively seeking donations in order to purchase a new client management software called Alice.

Alice is designed specifically for use by domestic violence shelters. The program offers a complete client database and reporting solution for domestic violence and sexual assault agencies. Alice would greatly simplify the task of collecting and reporting data on client demographics and activities that many funders require.

Other agencies have reported how the addition of Alice to their toolbox has helped make the operation of their shelters smoother and has helped them free up valuable time for client interaction that was previously spent doing paperwork.

GHWS is hoping to raise enough funds to purchase the software, licenses for each of the three shelters, and three new computer systems for each shelter to run the program on. Our goal is \$4,000.

If you would like to help the Green Hills Women's Shelters reach this goal by donating to the Alice Fund, please send your check, cash, or money order to:

Green Hills CAA  
c/o Tammy Taylor  
1506 Oklahoma Ave  
Trenton, MO 64683

Be sure to note in the memo line that the donation should be used towards the purchase of the Alice software. All donations, in any amount are greatly appreciated! Thank you!

## Make a Difference - Volunteer

Volunteers are a very important part of the Green Hills Women's Shelter. We truly appreciate the dedication and enthusiasm of our volunteers!

Each Shelter currently has a wide

variety of opportunities available for volunteers. If you are interested in lending your time to the shelter, an interest survey and application form are available online at: [www.greenhillswomensshelter.org](http://www.greenhillswomensshelter.org)

Yes! I would like to help the Green Hills Women's Shelters! Please accept my donation & use it to further your mission.

\$50       \$25

\$10       \$1

Please apply my gift toward the following:

Trenton Shelter

Chillicothe Shelter

Cameron Shelter

ALICE Software

Most Needed Area

Please send donations to:

Green Hills  
Women's Shelter  
1506 Oklahoma Ave  
Trenton, MO 64683

**Thank You!**

# ~ Trenton Shelter News ~

## Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE)

Developed in 2010 by Missouri Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence, in partnership with the University of Missouri Sinclair School of Nursing and Master of Public Health, the SANE PowerPoint presentation and flyer are intended to help Missouri nursing schools address sexual violence care in the clinical setting by encouraging nursing students to become SANE-certified.

This promotional program, which includes presenter notes, provides MCADSV members with information they can use to promote SANE training as an aspect of nurses' health care education. In addition, this program reinforces the important role nurses can play in service to their communities by increasing informed responses in the healthcare setting to patients who have been or have a history of

being sexually assaulted.

If you have an interest in sharing the program with your nursing students, or becoming Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner certified, please contact a member of our shelter staff and/or MCADSV ([www.mocadsv.org](http://www.mocadsv.org)).



### Shelter Needs List

This month, the Shelter would greatly benefit from these following items:

- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Detergent
- Diapers; Size 3,4,5
- Pillows
- Sheets; Full and Twin
- Towels and Wash Clothes
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Bath Soap
- Pots and Pans
- Cleaning Supplies
- Deodorant
- Batteries; AAA and AA
- Light Bulbs
- Mops and Brooms

## Website Provides Online Resource

The Green Hills Women's Shelter has developed a website containing information about the shelter and its services.

The website has valuable resources for not only those living with domestic violence, but also for those individuals wishing to learn, donate, or volunteer at the shelter.

Visit the site at the URL below for a list of our upcoming events and fundraisers, steps you need to follow in order to become a shelter volunteer, links to other resources, and information on our 50% tax credit program.

Updates from the shelter can also be found on Facebook, Twitter, and MySpace by searching for "ghcaa".

Please visit us online at:

[www.greenhillswomensshelter.org](http://www.greenhillswomensshelter.org)

**Thank you to all the generous donors who help us continue to help others!**



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**Trenton FAX:** 660-359-3297

**Chillicothe Shelter:** 660-707-0042  
**Chillicothe FAX:** 660-707-1693

**Cameron Shelter:** 816-632-4900  
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Victim Service Advocate

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Case Manager/Volunteer  
Coordinator

Tawnya Jones  
HPRP Housing Assistance

### Cameron

Sherri Kelsall  
Shelter Support Advocate

### Milan

## Our Shelter

Green Hills Women's Shelter is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing services for victims of domestic violence & sexual assault. This program provides services to residents of the Missouri counties of Caldwell, Clinton, DeKalb, Linn, Carroll, Livingston, Chariton, Mercer, Daviess, Putnam, Grundy, Sullivan, and Harrison.