

Lighting the Path...

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From Darkness to Light...
Domestic Violence Stops Here!

Making an Impact!!



Wilmington University's athletic department had a domestic violence week that culminated with a domestic violence awareness and prevention night on January 31, 2012! The special night took place during the Wilmington University vs. Philadelphia University basketball game. Check out pictures of the monumental event at the end of the newsletter!

Martin Luther King Rally



President and founder of Witney's Lights, Quincy Lucas, made an appearance at the Omega Psi Phi-sponsored Martin Luther King Peace Rally at the Union Missionary

Baptist Church in Dover, Delaware. Mrs. Lucas spoke about community involvement and holding our political leaders accountable in making a change!

Message from the President



The Witney's Lights family would like to wish you and your family a Happy New Year!

This year, Witney's Lights is embracing a new theme:

~ **Boldly impacting communities worldwide:**
holding ourselves accountable.

In the year 2012, we will be even bolder in our efforts to bring awareness to the masses about the silent epidemic of domestic violence. Likewise, we challenge each of you to take responsibility for the state of our community as well. If we want to make a change, we have to start with ourselves! We also must hold our leaders accountable by expecting them to commit to making a change, and demand that they follow through with their promises for healthier and safer communities.

In this month's issue of Lighting the Path, you will notice that we are starting the year off making an impact by partnering with Wilmington University and by using our voice to represent citizens at town hall meetings and panel discussions. Thanks to you and your persistence, Witney's Lights has been extended many opportunities to spread awareness and focus on prevention. Doors that were once closed are now open as we establish more partnerships and apply for grants to fund our programs.

Next month look for some exciting news about the expansion of Witney's Lights on the West Coast! Our goal this year is simple: **worldwide impact!**

Continuing the mission,

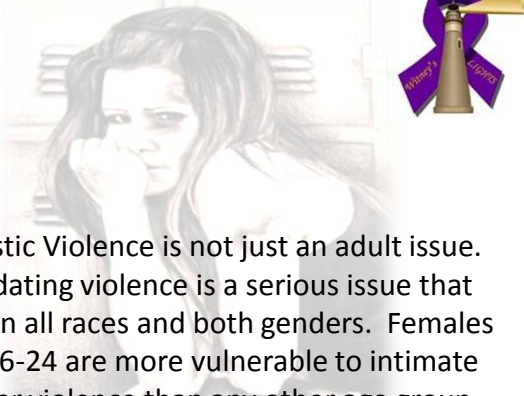
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Alpha Kappa Alpha Honoring the King!



On Martin Luther King Day, January 16, 2012, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated held its Day of Service at the Family Foundation Academy in New Castle, DE. President and Founder of Witney's Lights, Quincy Lucas, spoke about the teen dating violence epidemic!

February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month!!!



Domestic Violence is not just an adult issue. Teen dating violence is a serious issue that occurs in all races and both genders. Females ages 16-24 are more vulnerable to intimate partner violence than any other age group – at a rate almost triple the national average. Commit to making a difference by encouraging the young people in your life to log on to www.stopdatingviolence.org and take the teen dating pledge!

Become a member of the...



Witney's Lights is looking for more interns to be a part of the dream team! Witney's Lights provides its Interns with real-world leadership training, as well as a unique opportunity to learn about the inner workings of a nonprofit organization. Interns must be self-starters, have excellent verbal and written communication skills, and excel in cultural sensitivity and respect for differences. Interns must be proficient in Microsoft Office, college juniors and seniors are preferred.

Interested?

Visit our website: www.witneyslights.com and download an application!

Domestic Violence Fast Fact...

Approximately 1 in 5 female high school students report being physically and/or sexually abused by a dating partner.

Help Keep the LIGHTS on – Make a Donation Today!!

Witney's Lights relies on the generous support of our sponsors and individual donors to keep our lights shining as we continue our mission to eradicate the domestic violence epidemic, nationwide.

Please visit www.witneyslights.com/Donate.html to make a secure donation online today and help us continue to bring domestic violence from darkness to light.



Be sure to follow us on Twitter: @Witneyslights and like our Facebook page!

Approaching Events!!

- **March 4, 2012**, Fairy Godmothers, Inc. of Delaware Prom Fair. Quincy Lucas will give a presentation on Teen Dating Violence. Milford, DE (3:00 pm)
- **March 21 2012**, 30th Annual Federal Women's Training and Awards Program/Conference. Baltimore, MD. Quincy Lucas will serve as keynote speaker
- **March 27, 2012**, University of Puget Sound Domestic Violence Awareness Program Quincy Lucas will serve as keynote speaker Tacoma, WA.
- **March 28, 2012**, B2 Fine Art Gallery/Studios Domestic Violence Awareness Reception and Fundraiser to Benefit Witney's Lights Tacoma, WA.(6-8pm)



Wilmington University men's and women's basketball Teams



Even the opposing team wore the purple shirts to support the cause!

