

## YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Dear Friends of ASHA,

It's been an exciting year! Besides receiving the CBI grant, office space and money for technical assistance, we received the "Peacemaker" award from CHOICES. What else can we ask for? We can ask for domestic violence to be eliminated from the face of the earth. Can this happen? Yes it can, if we all get involved.

"You must be the change you wish to see in the world." — Mahatma Gandhi

Most of us know or have known someone who is getting abused. If we look the other way that means we are allowing the abuse to continue. In Mumbai (India) I noticed that the names of apartment owners who have not paid the Building Association dues are displayed in the elevators. This method of "naming and shaming" has been used by some South Asian organizations in the field of domestic violence. While not advocating this method, the community has to let abusers know that their behavior is unacceptable. At least give the victim information about ASHA-Ray of Hope or some other domestic violence organization so they may seek help for themselves.

Another goal we have achieved this year is to get more men involved in our organization. I am proud to say that our fund-raising committee is mainly comprised of men. South Asians as a community have a great deal of respect for men and it is easier for men to take advice given by other men. In

addition, they can be great role models for the boys in our community. I am very grateful to the men for getting involved in this very important issue of domestic violence.

Thank you to everyone who has supported ASHA-Ray of Hope's efforts through donations and volunteering. I realize that activities sponsored by ASHA such as plays and forums are not exactly entertaining. However, if our community participates with the same fervor as it does with musical concerts, football games and Indian movies, this cause could move forward with blinding speed. The winners will be the victims.

Sincerely,



**Mira Satiani, LPCC**

*President, Asha - Ray of Hope*

***ASHA-Ray of Hope would like to thank the following people for helping the organization in various ways:***

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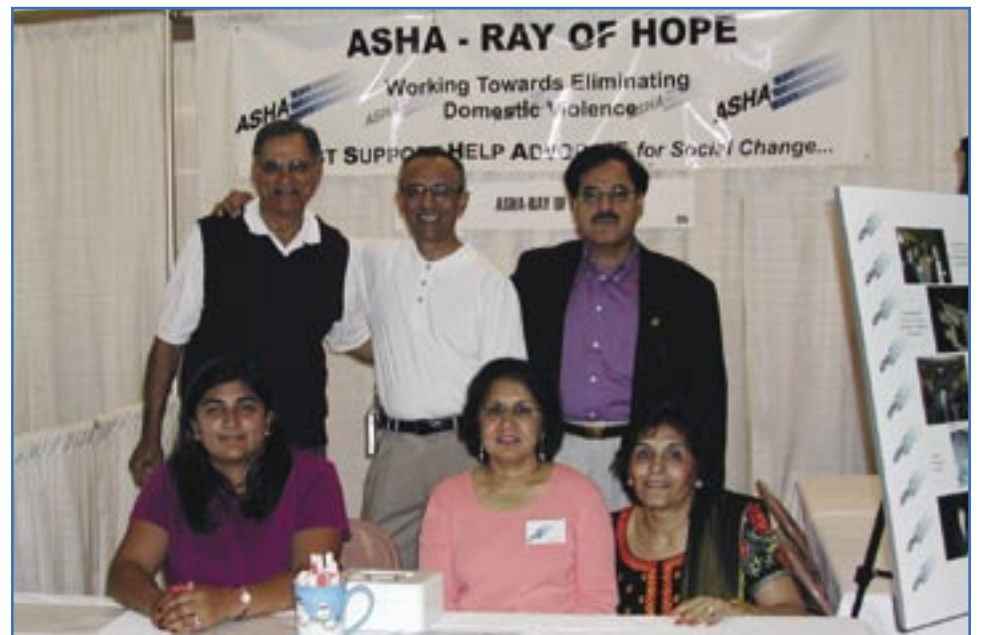
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*FIA Festival 2005*

## ASHA-RAY OF HOPE'S EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

By *Eve Quine with Dr. K. Rajadhyaksha,  
Mira Satiani and Veena Kasbekar*

The past few months have been full of exciting activities for ASHA-Ray of Hope. We have hosted several events and were participants in many festivals, conferences and workshops. One major event for our organization was the inauguration of our new office in July. After two and a half years of board members, committee members and others working out of their homes, we were finally able to obtain office space! Our new home is now at the Center for Child and Family Advocacy. We are very excited about this growth ASHA has experienced. Our typical office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Eve Quine, a social worker, and either Mira Satiani or Dr. Rajadhyaksha are in the office during these hours. Please feel free to call or stop by.

In August, ASHA-Ray of Hope hosted a talk by Dr. Shamita DasGupta, co-founder of Manavi, a domestic violence prevention organization in New Jersey. She presented her vast knowledge and experiences in working with victims of domestic violence in the South Asian community. This event provided attendees with helpful information regarding the struggles experienced in the United States by many South Asian victims of domestic violence.

On October 1, ASHA held a financial seminar for women, entitled "Families and Women: Importance of Financial Preparedness for Life's Major Events." This event was conducted by one of our members, Ruby Jain, who shared a great deal of helpful information and met after the seminar for a one-on-one consultation with those who wished to discuss their personal goals and objectives. We are very thankful to Ruby for her willingness to conduct this event.

October was also the month when ASHA was recognized for its hard work in the community over the past three years by being awarded the CHOICES' Peacemaker Award for 2005. We had the opportunity to share our thanks for this honor at the CHOICES Peacemaker Luncheon on October 6.

Another exciting event that occurred in recent months was an opportunity to be interviewed for the Community Tapestry program on Channel 3. Debarati Bardhan was interviewed for the program by James Stowe, and this interview has been aired several times on Channel 3.

In December, ASHA held its annual board elections at the Worthington Library. Three board members, Shobhana Davda, Sujata Reddy and Nita Chabria completed their terms and Shantha Balaswamy, Diane Patel and Subha Lembach were elected to join the board. Uma Bhatt was also elected as ASHA's new treasurer replacing Deepa Saratchandran. ASHA would like to extend a big thank you to Shobhana, Sujata and Nita for their work on the board and Deepa for her work as ASHA's treasurer. We would also like to welcome the new board

members and treasurer, Shantha, Diane, Subha and Uma. Thank you for your willingness to volunteer your expertise to the work of ASHA.

Our final major event for 2005 was ASHA's fundraiser, held on November 19th at Bombay Gardens in Columbus where football fans had the opportunity to watch the OSU/ Michigan game on a large-screen television while enjoying some great food and drinks. Everyone had a lot of fun while raising money for ASHA-Ray of Hope. At the end of the evening, OSU fans were celebrating this university's defeat of Michigan!

In addition to these events, ASHA was also represented at several community festivals and other events. Some of these include the Thyagraja Festival, Ugadi celebrations, the Asian Festival, "Victims No More" (an exhibition of paintings and sculptures by two victims of domestic violence), the India Festival and the FIA picnic. These were fun opportunities to interact with others in the community while educating them on the work of ASHA-Ray of Hope.

### *Conferences and Workshops*

ASHA's board and other members have been busy over the past several months attending many workshops, meetings and conferences and serving on several committees. We would like to highlight a few of these:

- Engendering Change: Addressing Violence against Asian Women. Mira Satiani attended this Midwest Regional Training Conference held in July in St. Paul, Minneapolis. The conference was funded by the Office of Violence Against Women and co-sponsored by the Battered Women's Justice Project. It brought together 120 attendees from various organizations in the Midwest. Discussion centered around the difficulties and successes of working in specific communities. Workshops and panels covering the following topics:
  - Cultural contexts: What does violence look like in our communities?
  - Sexual violence
  - Innovative strategies
  - Cultural competency
  - Community engagement
  - Technical assistance from the National Resource Centers
- Connections II: Forging Alliances Among Women of Color-Striving for Economic Justice – sponsored by the Ohio Domestic Violence Network's annual Women of Color Institute. Mira Satiani attended this conference in September. Attendees participated in plenary on collaboration among women of color and community engagement.
- Lifting Victims Through Service and Collaboration – sponsored by the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services. Mira Satiani attended this conference in October. Participants learned about cultural competence in victim services. Discussions centered on identifying under-served racial and ethnic com-

munities, overcoming language and cultural barriers and the challenges in victim services, and building bridges to reach other communities.

Panel representatives came from various backgrounds and included representatives from the African-American, Amish, Asian, Latino and Appalachian communities. Persons with disabilities and the gay/lesbian/transgender communities were also represented at the conference.

- Aarohan: South Asian Women Rise Up! - sponsored by Manavi in New Jersey. Dr. Veena Kasbekar attended this conference which included a workshop on trafficking and some considerations for advocates of victims of domestic violence. It also included a panel discussion regarding activism and the South Asian women's movements.
  - The Capacity Building Initiative for Immigrant and Refugee Organizations (CBI) offered several workshops that were attended by Dr. Kasturi Rajadhyaksha, Dr. Janak Wadwa, Mira Satiani and Eve Quine. Some of the topics included learning ways to obtain and utilize data and statistics to communicate needs in our community, actual researching of grants and proposal writing, how to measure the outcomes of our programs to see if goals set are being achieved, how to plan fundraisers, education on non-profit insurance and building relationships with other non-profit organizations as well as sharing experiences and partnering with them in reaching common goals. We had the opportunity to write a grant proposal during this process as well. We also had an opportunity to meet the funders at a luncheon and to communicate the needs of our organization with them. A Board Leadership Dinner is planned for our board members to meet the CBI grant steering committee.
  - Harmony at Home in a new Land – sponsored by the Action Ohio Coalition for Battered Women. Dr. Kasturi Rajadhyaksha attended this meeting in September at the Main Library. The meeting addressed the issue of domestic violence in immigrant communities. Dr. Rajadhyaksha discussed domestic violence in Asian communities, its effects and ASHA's mission.
  - Diversity in Philanthropy luncheon. Dr. Kasturi Rajadhyaksha represented ASHA at this luncheon on September 13 and participated in a panel to spread awareness of the issue of domestic violence in the South Asian community. She was joined at this event by two other panelists, one of Islamic heritage and one of Hispanic descent.
  - Asian-American Health Conference. Dr. Kasturi Rajadhyaksha represented ASHA at this conference in Cleveland, Ohio, in November. She had the opportunity to discuss domestic violence in Asian communities and ASHA's role in addressing this problem.
- In addition to these conferences and workshops, ASHA-Ray of Hope is in the process of applying for several grant opportunities in order to continue to expand our work in the South Asian community. ❖

## ***Domestic Violence Resource List***

Columbus Police Department.....911 or  
(614) 645-4545

Franklin County  
Sheriff's Department..... (614) 462-3333

CHOICES..... (614) 224-4663

### **Batterer's Treatment**

Lutheran Social Services..... (614) 261-5580

Mt. Carmel..... (614) 234-2939

Southeast..... (614) 225-0980

Crossroads..... (614) 445-0352

Africentric Personal  
Development..... (614) 253-4448

### **Legal Information**

Capital University Family  
Advocacy Center..... (614) 236-6779 or  
(614) 236-6245

Domestic Violence Unit –  
Prosecutors (protection  
orders, filing charges) .... (614) 645-6232

Victims of Crime  
Compensation ..... 1-800-582-2877

VINE (notification of which  
correctional facility defendant  
is housed)..... 1-800-770-0192

Legal Aid Society ..... (614) 241-2001

CRIS (Community Refugee &  
Immigration Services).... (614) 235-5747

### **Other**

Adult Protective Services..... (614) 462-4356

Center for New Direction .... (614) 849-0028

Columbus Literacy  
Council..... (614) 221-5013

Franklin County  
Children Services..... (614) 229-7000

Franklin County Dept. of Job  
& Family Services ..... (614) 462-4000

Dr. Yung Chen-Lu  
(free medical clinic)..... (614) 451-3550

National Domestic Violence  
Hotline (24 hours) ..... 1-800-799-7233

Ohio Domestic Violence  
Network..... (614) 781-9651

## **INAUGURATION**

*By Bhagwan Satiani*

ASHA-Ray of Hope held an Inauguration of its new office space at The Center for Child and Family Advocacy at 655 E. Livingston Avenue on July 21, 2005. This new location also houses the Columbus Coalition Against Family Violence, CHOICES (another domestic violence prevention organization), Franklin County Children Services and departments of the Franklin County Sheriff and the Franklin County Prosecutor. All of these organizations are dedicated to serving families, therefore ASHA is able to collaborate with them in serving its clients.

Judge Yvette McGee Brown was the chief guest at the Inauguration. She spoke about the integrated services available at one location and welcomed ASHA as a partner in the Center's overall mission. Other speakers included Rachel McIntosh, Project Director of the Community Building Initiative, as well as several ASHA-Ray of Hope board members: President Mira Satiani, Past President Dr. Rani Lakhi, Master of Ceremonies Debarati Bardhan, Treasurer Deepa Saratchandran and Dr. Kasturi Rajadhyaksha, who was recognized by ASHA and was presented with a well-deserved award by Mira Satiani for her dedication to the organization.

About 75 guests and members participated at this seminal event that gives ASHA a permanent home and ability to network with various organizations in the same building. Prominent guests included Judge Carrie Glaeden, City Attorney Richard Pfeiffer, CBI Task Force members Peggy Colestra, Linda Thompson and Julie Paek Hubler, Executive Director of CHOICES Gail Heller and Franklin County Commissioner Paula Brooks. ❖



Fundraising Committee

## **ASHA RECEIVES CHOICES PEACEMAKER AWARD**

*By Eve Quine*

ASHA-Ray of Hope is pleased to announce that this fall, we were honored to be awarded the prestigious Peacemaker Award from CHOICES, an organization with which we have worked together to serve victims of domestic violence in the Columbus region. This is an award given out each year to those who work diligently to make the community a safer place including making strides to respond to, educate and advocate for change with regard to domestic violence. This award was presented to ASHA and Jerry Jurgensen of Nationwide, at the CHOICES' Peacemaker Awards Luncheon on October 6, 2005, at the Hyatt Regency. Mira Satiani, Dr. Kasturi Rajadhyaksha, Dr. Janak Wadwa and Eve Quine had the privilege of attending this luncheon, at which time we had the opportunity to thank CHOICES for the honor of this award and educate attendees on the work of ASHA in the community. Some other highlights of the luncheon, themed "CHOICES Rocks", were a concert of local musical artists including Watershed, Hope Vitellas and Shaun Booker; a dynamic speech by Detective Jennifer Quilio regarding a domestic violence situation involving a leader on her local police force near Minneapolis, Minnesota; and the appearance of Andrea Cambern of WBNS 10-TV as a master of ceremonies.

For those of us who were able to attend the CHOICES Peacemaker Awards Luncheon, it was an enjoyable event. What an honor to be recognized for all the hard work those at ASHA have done over the past three years. ASHA could not have gotten to where it is today without the work of so many. ❖





CAPACITY BUILDING  
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PRESIDENT MIRA SATIANI AT  
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OUR NEW OFFICE  
AT  
CENTER FOR CHILD &  
FAMILY ADVOCACY  
655 E.Livingston Ave.



**Mission Statement**

**Asha-Ray Of Hope exists to support and counsel victims of domestic violence in Ohio, especially in the South Asian community. Through advocacy, collaboration and awareness activities, ASHA will help to educate the greater community and connect victims with the resources they need to achieve self-reliance.**

DEBI BARDHAN INTERVIEWED ON  
CHANNEL 3 BY JIM STOWE



OFFICE HOURS  
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY,  
FRIDAY  
9 A.M. - 2 P.M.

HON. CARRIE GLAEDEN & DR.  
RANI LAKHI AT ASHA EVENT





**BOOTH AT  
LOCAL  
FESTIVALS**



**MEMBERS OF ASHA RAY OF HOPE  
WITH DR. SHAMITA DAS DASGUPTA**

**DR. RAJA WITH DR. VEENA  
KASBEKAR AT REGISTRATION  
FOR MANAVI GUEST SPEAKER**



**DR. SHAMITA DAS DASGUPTA,  
MANAVI AS GUEST SPEAKER**



**MIRA SATIANI ACCEPTS  
CHOICES PEACE MAKER  
AWARD, 2005 ON BEHALF  
OF ASHA RAY OF HOPE**



**GAIL HELLER, EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR OF CHOICES AT  
AWARD CEREMONY**



**ASHA  
BOOTH  
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CEREMONY**



## FORGOTTEN VICTIMS: IMMIGRANT CHILDREN AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

By Amelia Berry

*Between 5 and 16% of children in the US are exposed to domestic violence each year.*

*Studies suggest a 10% smaller brain size in children who are maltreated.*

*Children who witness abuse in the home are 2-3 times more likely to suffer from depression later in life and are 3-12 times more likely to commit suicide. They are nearly twice as likely to develop cancer and nearly 2 1/2 times more likely to suffer a stroke.*

*– 2004, Family Violence Prevention Project, Cincinnati, OH.*

Americans are just beginning to understand the devastating impact of domestic violence on children. But what happens when these children are immigrants, or the children of recent immigrants?

Over 120 professionals ranging from shelter advocates and pre-school teachers to doctors and police officers gathered at Cincinnati Children's Hospital recently for the Alliance for Battered & Abused International Women's 4th Annual Conference, "Immigrant Children & Domestic Violence: Solutions for Helping Silent Victims." Workshops addressed the special challenges of immigrant children and how services can be tailored to meet the needs of these families.

Featured speaker Julie Kim, Children's Program Manager at the New York Asian Women's Center, discussed the complex dynamics that may emerge when an immigrant child is exposed to domestic violence. When bilingual children are used as interpreters for their monolingual parents to communicate with social workers, doctors, or police, they are forced to hear details of the abuse that are inappropriate for their age, and they are often blamed by one parent or the other for "taking sides." Immigrant children often struggle at school due to language barriers, inability of non English-speaking parents to help with

homework, and challenges "fitting in" with their peers. These problems are exacerbated when they are forced to change schools because of domestic violence or when they are struggling to cope with violence, often with little or no support. Often, immigrant children are made to feel that the violence in their family is a "cultural" problem; this alienates them from their community and their own identity.

Other workshops included an introduction to immigrant children's federally-mandated education rights within public schools – including the right of undocumented children to attend school without facing inquiries about immigration status – and an exploration of the many special considerations for immigrant families involved with children's services. Participants in a workshop entitled "Child Support, Custody & Immigration" learned about the interplay between immigration and family court cases, including how to use protection orders to address abusers' threats to take children out of the country. A workshop on economic survival explored immigrants' eligibility for the "safety net" of public benefits that serve as a lifeline for many victims and their families, but for which immigrants are often ineligible due to immigration status. Conference attendees also learned about several immigration processes that Congress created specifically to aid immigrant victims of abuse and their children, such as self-petitions under the Violence Against Women Act, the U Visa for victims of crime, and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status for abused or neglected children.

The emotional climax of the day came with the testimony of a 26-year-old North African woman who currently resides with her two young daughters in a transitional housing program for battered women. She talked about the physical, verbal and emotional abuse she and her daughters suffered at the hands of her husband, and how her husband then fulfilled his threats to get custody of her children by convincing the court that she was incapable of caring for them due to limited English and lack of financial resources. After four months of only limited visitation rights, she regained custody of the children and has worked tirelessly both on her own and with a strong network of

service providers to provide stability for her daughters, whose speech and social development were stunted by the abuse. "Since my kids have been back," she reported, "I have watched them open up. They have a secure and stable life for the first time. They are happy and healthy. They are better communicators, they are more open to other people, and they have friends for the first time." This brave survivor encouraged outreach to immigrant women, many of whom are isolated by domestic violence and lack information about the resources available to them and their children. "The more we get the word out," she said, "the more these women will get the message, like I did, that they are not alone in this new country." ❖

*– Amelia Berry coordinates the Alliance for Battered and Abused International Woman (ABAIW) in Cincinnati. The ABAIW is a coalition of more than 20 agencies working to increase awareness of and improve responses to domestic violence against immigrant women. Before joining the ABAIW, Ms. Berry served as an advocate for Chinese victims of domestic violence at the New York Asian Woman's Center.*

## THANK YOU!

ASHA-Ray of Hope has many special thanks to extend to all those who made our 2005 Fundraiser, the OSU vs. Michigan Game, on November 19th such a success:

- We would like to give a special thanks to the planning committee for the fundraiser: Dr. Janak Wadwa, Kirit Kapadia, Jagadish Sant, Arjan Gursahaney, Dr. Bhagwan Satiani.
- We would like to send a big thank you to our sponsors and all those who donated supplies, food and door prizes. These people include Jagadish and Sharayu Sant, Dr. Parul and Rahul Bawa, Vein Solutions, Asim Sheikh, the Medskar-Khalaf Group of Morgan Stanley, Inder and Lida Sethi, Arjan Gursahaney, Nita and Manu Chabria, Dr. Janak Wadwa, Kirit Kapadia, Bombay Gardens and Inkwell. Thank you so much for your generosity.
- Last, but certainly not least, we would like to thank all those who came out and supported our fundraiser.

The support of all of you is so greatly appreciated. Because of you, we can continue to provide education and support to victims of domestic violence in the South Asian community. ❖

## STOPPING MEN'S VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN: IT TAKES ALL OF US TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

By Reiko Ozaki, MSW, LISW  
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I acknowledge that domestic violence occurs in forms other than male violence against women, particularly in gay and lesbian relationships. However, since the majority of domestic violence is perpetrated by men against women and the nature of this issue is rooted in patriarchal social construction, I refer to men as the perpetrators and women as victims/survivors of domestic violence throughout this article.

Ohio Domestic Violence Network (ODVN), a statewide coalition of domestic violence programs, supportive organizations and concerned individuals, provides information, resources, technical assistance and training on domestic violence. At ODVN, I specialize in assisting programming for men who batter around the state. I also collaborate with those who strive to assist survivors of domestic violence in immigrant communities, including ASHA-Ray of Hope.

The programming to stop men's violence against their wives and girlfriends in the United States began emerging in the late

1970's. Those programs are generally called batterers' intervention programs (BIPs). The majority of participants of BIPs are men who are arrested by the police for assaulting their partners or ex-partners and ordered by the court to complete the program as part of the terms of their probation. Most BIPs work as well with men who are not court-ordered to complete the program. Some men often come to BIPs hoping that their partners would not leave them if they seek help - the motivation is not genuine in many cases and thus manipulating.

Current best practice model for BIPs in the U. S. calls for group sessions led by male and female co-facilitators. In general, a group of about 8 to 15 men meets weekly for 1.5 to 2 hours. Most programs use some variation of a psycho-educational approach in an effort to stop/reduce participants' abusive behavior. In Franklin County, most BIPs require men to attend a minimum of 26 weeks, with individual sessions in some cases. In group sessions, men are challenged about their attitude toward women, negative thinking patterns, and defense mechanisms with which they deny, minimize and blame others for their violence. Co-facilitators need to confront such attitudes and behaviors while being supportive of the process of change that abusive men may go through. One of the most important features of BIPs should be their concern and focus on victim safety. Thus BIPs should

have some type of collaborative relationship with battered women's programs.

Along with many professionals in this field, I believe that the longer a BIP, the bigger the impact it has on abusive men. These men, for many years, have used abusive tactics such as making threats, humiliating her, manipulating children, and slapping her to get what they want, when they want, and in the way they want it. They usually succeed in getting their way (e. g. sex to make himself feel bigger, keeping her to himself, having her serve dinner on time, etc.) by making her feel intimidated and/or powerless. They gain, although it is a superficial gain as they lose love and trust in their relationship. It is generally difficult for abusive men to change the way they think and operate when it's working for them. It would take a long time for them to change their ways if they ever would.

The effectiveness of BIPs has not been conclusive. After 30 years of history in BIPs, professionals still have different ideas about defining success and determining effectiveness. There are ongoing efforts in research and discussion among professionals in this field that continue to provide new and emerging insights. As we continue to search for ways to end domestic violence, I believe that we know one thing for sure: we are challenged to raise more awareness about domestic violence in our communities and to say "Stop!" to the men who are abusing us, our sisters, mothers, and friends. BIPs may not change individual abusers' attitudes and behaviors, but we must continue to raise our voices so that everyone will hear. We need more men as our allies to stop men's violence against women and change the social norms that allow this to continue.

You can be part of the effort to end domestic violence by participating in "A Call To Men" presented and led by Anthony Porter and Walter Dekeseredy on May 5, 2006 in Columbus. It will be an opportunity for many men to gather and learn about how socialization of men in society has led many men to be abusive and how all men can be part of the community-changing effort. For more information, please check our website at [www.odvn.org](http://www.odvn.org), or contact ODVN at 614-781-9851/800-934-9840 or [info@odvn.org](mailto:info@odvn.org). ❖



Fundraiser 2005

## Upcoming Events!!!!

ASHA will be hosting a Film Series Depicting Violence Against Women on April 22, 2006. This is an exciting event to which we encourage all of you to come.

We will have a booth at the Asian Festival (May 27 & 28, 2006), India Festival (October, 2006) & UN International Festival (November, 2006). Come out and enjoy the festivities!

ASHA will be putting on a play, "Interrogations," in November 2006. This is a play based on a true story of domestic violence in a South Asian family.

*Our New Website!! After many months of working on updates for our website, the project is finally complete. Check it out at [asbarayofhope.org](http://asbarayofhope.org)!*

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*Thank you to all those who are serving on committees at this time.*

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