Five ways to get involved during Sexual Assault Activism Month!

1. **Stop by The Clothesline Project**—Starting on April 8th, you might notice something new hanging around **central campus**. Starting in 1990, women across America have been speaking out about their stories of survival and support through The Clothesline Project, writing urgent, honest messages addressing issues of sexual and domestic violence on T-shirts that are then displayed on clotheslines in public places. After spring break, take a moment to recognize the thoughts and experiences of SMC community members by stopping by the clotheslines located **outside Dante Hall, the Rec Center, and the Intercultural Center**.

2. **Get involved with Denim Day**—In 1992, an 18-year-old in Italy was raped by her driving instructor, who was found guilty of the crime. Unfortunately, that wasn’t the end of the story; the instructor won an appeal case when a court member claiming that the victim must have consented because her jeans were too tight to remove without her help. This is just one instance of injustices facing rape victims, yet it inspired a movement across California State. Stop by **Dryden Patio on April 15th from 11:30 to 2:30** to check out a visual display of thoughts and support for survivors as written on denim, and tell us how you support survivors of sexual assault!
Educate yourself with SCAR and Interactive Theater—Learn through action by attending the SCAR (Student Coalition Against Rape) and Interactive Theater workshop on Wednesday April 15th, from 7:00 to 8:30pm in Dante 204. Witness an interactive and eye-opening presentation that covers everything from bystander intervention to rape culture as it relates to you.

Attend or perform at Take Back the Night—On April 22nd, students have the chance be a part of a widespread international movement that has taken over college campuses and streets across the world since the 1970s. An evening of self-expression for the Saint Mary’s community, Take Back the Night will begin at 7pm in Hagerty Lounge with story sharing, poetry, and more in honor of sexual assault survivors. The night will end with a candlelit vigil and a walk across campus. If you are interested in performing, stop by the WRC or contact us online!

Watch The Hunting Ground—From the Academy Award-nominated filmmaking team behind The Invisible War, comes a startling exposé of sexual assault on U.S. campuses, institutional cover-ups and the brutal social toll on victims and their families. On Tuesday April 28th at 6pm, stop into the Intercultural Center for an important event in the co-sponsored by the WRC, Residential Experience, Community Life, the IC, the WaGS department, the Associate Dean of Students, and the Communications department.

This April, you’ll also have two chances to join The Body Positive for honest, affirming discussions and delicious food! On the 16th and 30th, female-identifying students are welcome to stop by the WRC at 6pm to share thoughts and feelings about bodies, media expectations, and the process of learning self-love. This is the last month of Body Positive for the academic year, so if you’re interest, check it out! For information on future events and to share positivity throughout the week, request to join the “SMC Body Positive” Facebook page!