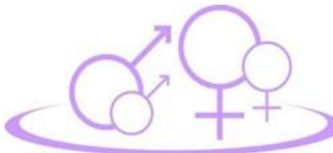


# Around the table with Wise Women

## October 2014 Monthly Update



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**It was picture day at WWGP -- thank you to Olivia Brey for donating her amazing talent to WWGP! Be sure to check out her business on Facebook, Oh! Photography!**



***WWGP begins with the End In Mind!***  
**Our staff completed a 2 1/2-day ToP Strategic Planning process which incorporated group facilitation methods into productive action and concrete accomplishments that help guide us to where we envision being in the next 3-5 years!**

### Weekly Happenings

**Tuesdays:** Women's Group,  
5:30-7:30pm

**Thursdays:** Men's Group,  
5:30-7:30pm

**Last Monday of the Month:**

White Bison Ongoing Support,  
4:30-6pm

### Upcoming Events

**NOVEMBER**

**7-8 & 14-15**

White Bison –Mending Broken Hearts

**DECEMBER**

**1-4**

Discovery Dating Facilitator's Training

**MARCH 2015**

**19th-20th**

ToP Facilitation Methods Training

### **WWGP chosen to host Verizon Press Event**

In recognition of our prevention work over the years, Wise Women Gathering Place was chosen to host the October 7th, 2014 press event in which Verizon Wireless presented a \$100,000 Hopeline® grant to End Domestic Abuse WI. The grant from Hopeline will be used to further expand End Domestic Abuse WI's work addressing teen dating violence across Wisconsin. "We are so grateful that Verizon Wireless is investing in this issue of domestic violence," said Alice Skenandore, Executive Director. "Wise Women Gathering Place is also grateful for our ongoing relationship with



End Domestic Abuse WI and the support they have provided over the past years." Following the event, End Domestic Abuse WI reached out to engage our very own Wise Youth Group in their initiative to make sure that teen voices are being heard and have invited them to be a part of the WI Teen Council on Domestic Abuse!

### **Discovery Dating Facilitator's Training coming soon!**

In this highly interactive 4 day training, participants test out lessons hands-on, gain transferable facilitation skills, and explore the theory behind the DDFT Method.

[To register – visit our website!](http://www.wisewomengp.org)





**Alice Skenandore awarded the 2014**

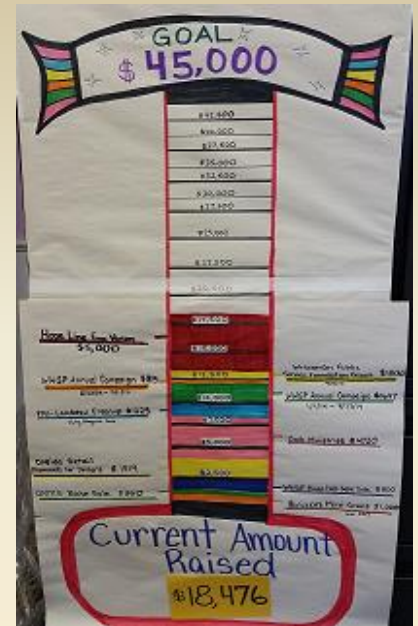
**Women of Character!**

The Wisconsin Alliance for Women's Health proudly presented the Inaugural Women's Health Leader Awardees. Congratulations to the 2014 Women of Character, Alice Skenandore (pictured here with Senator Tammy Baldwin at the award ceremony), for her dedication to ending sexual and domestic violence! We are so proud to have her and Wise Women Gathering Place recognized for our contribution to making Wisconsin a healthier state for all women! Thank you to the WCASA staff for their nominee of a very wise woman!

**Wise Youth Group 2014-15 has begun!**



High School Wise Youth (HSWY) kick started the year by furthering their leadership skills and healthy relationship knowledge! The HSWY used their 1st meeting to practice facilitating two parts of the Discovery Dating curriculum, benefits & pitfalls and norms. These topics explore the various relationships in our lives and the good and bad things that may come with them. They then passed on these learning at the 1st Middle Wise Youth meeting held at the Oneida Nation Elementary School and together came up with a group agreement and norms list, as a way of being and behaving with each other while at Wise Youth and in the community. Way to go Wise Youth!



**Thanks to a recent donation of \$5000 from HopeLine and Verizon we are now half-way to our goal of fully supporting Wise Youth for the 2014-15 school year! To support Wise Youth with a donation visit here: <https://www.crowdrise.com/wiseyouthgroup/fundraiser/wisewomengatheringpl>**



**Thanks to all that came out and supported Oneida's Domestic Violence Awareness Month Event!**

On Friday, October 3, over 50 community members joined together and walked from Three Sisters Community Center to Oneida Social Services building in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. They chanted

"No matter what you say, no matter what you do, you have the right to not be abused!" and other empowering messages on their journey. Nearly 80 people gathered for a traditional meal and presentation. Many thanks to Sarah Phillips, for sharing her survivor story, and Wade Fernandez, who donated his time and talent of healing music to all!