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EMCC observes Domestic Violence Awareness Month

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Estrella Mountain Community College is hosting several activities to mark Domestic Violence Awareness Month. All are free and open to the public.

- "Silent Witness Exhibit," Monday through Friday in the Ceremonial Plaza.

The Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence is sponsoring the traveling exhibition consisting of a collection of life-size human cut-outs, each representing a person who lost their life to domestic violence. That person's story is attached to the cut-out so others can connect and relate to their experience.

- "Clothesline Project;" Oct. 12-19 in the Ceremonial Plaza.

EMCC students, faculty and staff created T-shirts that represent those who have been affected by domestic violence. The display is part of the national Clothesline Project, started in 1990 with four goals in mind: To bear witness to the survivors and the victims of domestic violence; to help in the healing process for those who lost a loved one or survived violence themselves; to educate, document and raise awareness of the extent of the problem of violence against women; and to provide a nationwide network of support, encouragement and information for other communities starting their own Clothesline Projects (www.clotheslineproject.org).

EMCC is at Thomas and Dysart Roads in Avondale. Information: Olga Tsoudis, 623-935-8592.