

Women's Studies

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AFRICAN SCHOLAR TO VISIT COLLEGE

Deborah Etoori of Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda, will be visiting the College the third week in November.

She will be delivering a lecture on women in Higher Education in Africa at noon on November 18th in Jones Hall, Rm. 201. In addition, she will be giving an informal talk on women in contemporary Africa on Tuesday, November 19 at 4 p.m. in the Reves Room at the Reves Center. All are encouraged to attend.

Etoori's visit to the College is part of a program sponsored by Ohio State University's Conference on Women's Studies in Africa.

NELL NODDINGS TO GIVE LECTURE AND SEMINAR

Nell Noddings, Professor of Educational Philosophy and Associate Dean of the School of Education at Stanford University will be visiting the College November 11th to give both a lecture and a faculty seminar.

The lecture is entitled, "The Challenge to Caring in Schools," and will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Dodge Room of PBK. She will be addressing the application of Carol Gilligan's work on caring in education. Please RSVP to Amy Witcover, 221-2315, if you would like to attend.

The theme of the faculty seminar is caring in moral education and ethics. Professor Noddings will give a short introductory overview of her scholarly writing; the remainder of the seminar will be open to questions and interests of the audience. If you wish to have a Cheese Shop sandwich during the seminar, place a paid order with Sheila Brautigam (Rm. 216) by 11:00 a.m. before the seminar.

CONFERENCE ON GERMAN WOMEN WRITERS

Undergraduate students in the German Women Writers class this semester are holding a conference to present their research. Everyone is encouraged to attend the conference; it will be held Saturday, December 7 in

Washington Hall (Room TBA). Contact Jennifer Taylor at 221-3638 for more information.

FINAL BROWN BAG LECTURE; MOVIE SERIES

If you haven't made it to the Brown Bag Lunch lecture series, you still have one more chance. Assistant Professor of English Chris Bongie will be delivering a lecture entitled, "Postcolonial Literature" on Thursday, November 21 from 12:30 to 1:45 in the Charles Center. Bring your lunch; drinks and cookies provided.

The final movie in this semester's Women's Studies movie series is "Wings of Desire." It will be shown on Tuesday, November 12 at 7:30 p.m., also in the Charles Center.

NEW MOVIES AT THE CHARLES CENTER

The Charles Center now boasts five new acquisitions to its Women's Studies video collection that are available for use. They are:
"Small Happiness"
"Zora is My Name!"
"The Company of Wolves"
"Gilda"
"Country Lovers, City Lovers"

ATTENTION STUDENTS!

Space is still available in both Women's Studies 390-01, Women's Communities, and 405, Feminist Theory. Both classes are taught by Vicki Kirsch.

Students in Women's Communities will look at several historical women's communities and communities of the imagination with an eye toward theories of community, friendship, and the economics of desire. Readings include Barbara Kingsolver's Holding the Line: Women in the Great Arizona Mine Strike of 1983, Sarah Lucia Hoagland's Lesbian Ethics, and Monica Wittig's Les Guerilleres. It will be held from 2-3:20, Tuesday and Thursday in Morton 239.

Feminist Theory offers an in-depth look at contemporary feminist theoretical stances, American and

French, in relation to the various disciplines of the humanities and the sciences as they face the complexities of difference raised by issues of gender, race and class. Readings will include Betty Friedan's The Feminine Mystique, Bell Hooks' Talking Back: Thinking Feminist, Thinking Black, and Adrienne Rich's On Lies, Secrets and Silence. The class will be held Mondays and Wednesdays, 3-4:20 in Wren 2.

"SO YOU'RE A SENIOR"

Ready to graduate? Have questions about your career path and the choices and problems you might face down the road? There is help!

The Division of Student Affairs and the Society of the Alumni are sponsoring a lecture panel entitled, "So You're a Senior," as part of the ongoing program, "Pathways for Women: Mapping Out Your Destiny" on Tuesday, November 12th, 7-8:30 p.m. at the Alumni House.

The panel will consist of five William and Mary Alumni with different educational backgrounds and careers. They will address questions on women in the workplace as well as at home. They will also discuss politics in the workplace, career paths, and self-esteem. The goal of the panel is to give insight into the choices graduating women face, and there will be time for informal meeting after the panel.

For more information contact Michelle Kersting at 221-3313.

WOMEN'S ISSUES GROUP

The Women's Issues Group meets at 6:30 on Thursday evenings in the Charles Center. All are welcome.

There are a number of events WIG is sponsoring in the upcoming month:

Vicki Kirsch and "National Velvet"
Professor of Women's Studies Vicki Kirsch will be giving an informal talk on the movie "National Velvet," Thursday, November 7. WIG will meet at 6:00 rather than 6:30 to watch the movie; Professor Kirsch will deliver her talk afterward.

Faculty Panel

WIG is sponsoring a panel on women in academia. A panel of female faculty members will discuss issues facing students who are considering a career in academia. Several disciplines will be represented. Tentative participants include Heather McDonald (Geology), Barbara King and Virginia Kerns (Anthropology). The panel will be held Tuesday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Bake Sale for Avalon

Some as yet undetermined time in November WIG will be holding a bake sale fundraiser for Avalon, the Center for Women and Children. If you see us selling our baked goods, please buy some!

Possible Women's Studies House??

Students interested in applying for a Women's Studies House should come to the next WIG meeting (6:00 p.m. Nov. 7th) or contact Emily Becker, 253-7656.

WIG is always interested in new ideas for projects or programs. Call Emily Becker, 253-7656; Eileen Lintz, 229-9740; or Elisa Jaramillo, 221-4118, if you have any ideas or concerns.

NEWS ELSEWHERE...

CALLS FOR PAPERS

The Western Association of Women Historians will hold its 23rd annual conference at the Huntington Library, San Marino, California, May 29-31, 1992. Papers or panels offering comparative analyses in any area or field are especially welcome. Proposals for sessions and papers should be sent by February 1, 1992, to Edith Gelles, Institute for Research in Women and Gender, Serra House, Stanford University, Stanford, CA 94303-8640.

Papers are also invited for inclusion in an anthology on use of non-tenured faculty in the humanities, in higher education, as a feminist

issue. Completed papers must be received by December 1. For additional information call or write Margie Burns, 6113 Lombard Street, Cheverly, MD 20785, (301) 386-5615.

AUTHOR PAULE MARSHALL TO GIVE READING AT VCU

Author Paule Marshall will be reading from her new book Daughters at 8 p.m. Tuesday, November 19th at the Business Building Auditorium at Virginia Commonwealth University. A reception will follow across the street in the Commons Building. Both the reading and the reception are open to the public.

LECTURE BY VA SYMPHONY MUSICAL DIRECTOR AT ODU

Jo Ann Falletta, Musical Director of the Virginia Symphony Orchestra, will deliver a lecture entitled, "My Turn at the Podium: Life as a Woman Conductor," November 8th, noon to 1:30 p.m. in BAL 921.

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