

Women's Studies

September 1994

BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES

The Fall Brown Bag Lunch Series has begun! On September 13, Chandos Brown will speak on "Why Astronauts Need a Knife." The talk will last from 12:30 until 2:00 and will be held in the Commonwealth Center Seminar Room in the College Apartments.

Other topics this month include:

Sept. 20: David Holmes, "From Pews to Altar: Women in the Episcopal Church from the Colonial Period to the Present"

Sept. 27: Ann Rasmussen, "The Dance of Gender Roles: Expressive Culture in the Middle Eastern Diaspora"

WOMEN'S STUDIES WELCOMES GRAY

Nancy Gray, newly appointed assistant professor of Women's Studies and English, came to us from California State Polytechnic University in Pomona, California where she was on the faculty in the Department of English for five years. Her teaching and research specialties include 20th Century literature, women writers (especially those who do "experimental" or avant-garde work), literary and feminist theory, postmodernism, politics (cultural and literary) of race and gender, and all forms of feminist troublemaking. For the time being her favorite leisure-time activities include being trained by her cat and experimenting with ways to find her way around Williamsburg!

AUTHOR TO ADDRESS WOMEN

On Wednesday, September 28 at 7 p.m., author and professor Carol Weinberg will deliver a talk on "Issues for College Women" in the University Center Auditorium. Weinberg, who has been a college administrator for over 20 years, has recently published a book entitled The Complete Handbook for College Women: Making the Most of Your College Experience. Weinberg urges

students attending the talk to wear a cap, t-shirt, or button advocating an issue important to college women.

A reception sponsored by Winged Nation will follow the one-hour talk.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES

VWSA Conference

Old Dominion University is hosting the Virginia Women's Studies Association Annual Meeting. The conference, to be held September 30-October 1, is entitled "Women's Voices" and will feature women's performance, workshops, and presentations. Student registration is \$15, and the pre-registration deadline is September 23. Forms and information are available at the Women's Studies office at 327 Richmond Road.

Feminist Thought and Action

Virginia Tech is hosting the Second Annual Feminist Research and Pedagogy Conference September 23-24. Registration is due September 16, and the fee is \$48 for both days or \$28 for Friday only. More information and registration forms are available in the Women's Studies Office at 327 Richmond Road.

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Shared Experience Internships

AVALON, A Center for Women and Children, is offering internship opportunities this semester including the following positions: Child Advocate Assistant, Shelter Intern, Weekend Shelter Volunteer, and Court Advocate Intern. Information on these and other local unpaid student internships is available at the Career Library, 124 Blow Memorial Hall.

Women's Issues Group

Women's Issues Group is sponsoring many activities this year. WIG is planning to have more student-led talks and action along with social gatherings. A few events being planned for this fall:

Take Back The Night March, panel discussion on Feminist Spirituality, and Women's Poetry Readings. For more information, or if you have ideas for other activities, contact Melanie Henderson at 221-5623.

Essence: Women of Color

Essence, William and Mary's Women of Color Organization, has many events planned for the fall semester. Essence is an organization open to women and men of all races who are interested in learning more about women of color. For more information, contact Ruth Jones at 221-5335.

W&M Acting for Change

WMAC is an organization of women and men acting to change attitudes of violence and disrespect towards women. WMAC targets issues of dating violence, rape, and sexual harassment on campus and in the community. For more information contact Dolly Trompeter at 221-5803.

Winged Nation Magazine

Winged Nation, a women's art and literature magazine, begins its third year at William and Mary with a bang! Staff members are happy to announce that the Ms. Foundation has awarded a grant to cover part of Winged Nation's publication expenses for the year. If you are interested in joining the board of Winged Nation or would like submission guidelines, please contact Tara Kelly at 221-5487.

SEEKING SUBMISSIONS

The feminist quarterly HURRICANE ALICE seeks submissions of poetry and prose (fiction and non-fiction) and book reviews on the topic of "Boundaries of Feminism." Other topics will also be considered. For submission guidelines, a sample issue (\$3), or to submit your work, send a SASE to: HURRICANE ALICE, c/o English Dept. U of Minnesota 207 Lind Hall 207 Church ST. S.E. Minneapolis, MN 55455 Submission deadline: late October.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The first academic conference on Anabaptist Women's History is planned for June 8-11, 1995, at

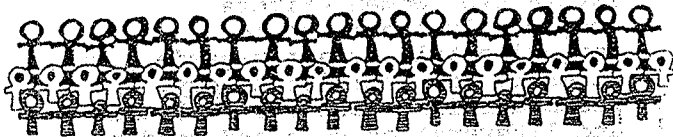
Millersville University in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The purpose of the conference is to examine women's experiences in Amish, Mennonite, Hutterite, Brethren, and other communal societies and Pietist groups. Suggested topics include Women, Warfare, and Pacifism; Access to the Pulpit; and Women, Health, and Healing. The proposal deadline is October 1. For more information contact Professor Green at 221-2457.

WOMEN ON INTERNET

Internet is full of women's information! Our featured list of the month is a discussion list on race, class, and gender with a focus on working-class backgrounds. To subscribe, send a message to majordomo@sol.acs.uwosh.edu

The message should read: subscribe working-class-list [your internet address]. Eliminate dates, signatures, etc. for this message.

Other lists can be found on Bitnet, including a Bisexual Women's Discussion List (BIFEM-L@BROWNVM), a Rural Women Discussion Group (RURWMN-L@BINGVMB), and information on women's and feminist-oriented spirituality (WMSPT-L@UBVM). For information on subscribing or for other lists, contact Debbie Green at 221-2457.



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