

University of Idaho

Women's Center

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November-December Programs

*Women's Center programs educate, enrich, and entertain. Bring your lunch and join us!
All programs begin at 12:30 at the Women's Center and are free and open to the public.*

Tuesday, Nov. 2nd

STRESS MANAGEMENT, PART II **Jim Morris**, Counseling Psychologist from the Student Counseling Center, returns for a follow-up program on stress management. This session will focus on personal strategies for managing and controlling stress in our lives.

Wednesday, Nov. 3rd

A SPECIAL TREAT — IN POETRY **Tess Gallagher**, Visiting Poet for the Department of English, will give a poetry reading at the Women's Center. This is a special opportunity to hear her read in an informal, intimate environment and a chance to meet her and share your interests in and questions about women's poetry.

Thursday, Nov. 4th

WHAT RIGHTS HAS A WOMAN? This film, produced by the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization, illustrates the plight of rural women on three continents and discusses their role in development. An important film for anyone concerned about women's rights across the globe.

Tuesday, Nov. 9th

PROFESSIONAL WOMEN IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA **Dixie Ehrenreich**, Director of the Women in Development project at the U of I. (Laboratory of Anthropology), will show slides and discuss her observations about the role of women in the PRC. Dixie has traveled extensively in China and has fascinating and astute observations about women in that country.

Wednesday, Nov. 10th

OBSERVATIONS AND PERCEPTIONS ALONG THE HAN RIVER **Dr. Dorothy Zakrajsek**, Director of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, will show slides and talk about her recent work in Korea, with a particular look at women's work and roles. Dr. Zack has wonderful stories to tell and interesting insights about her experiences in Korea.

Thursday, Nov. 11th

ASUI OFF CAMPUS/NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT FORUM **Doug Jones**, ASUI Senator, will be at the Women's Center to talk about current issues for the ASUI and solicit opinions and ideas especially from off campus students. Don't miss this chance to make your voice heard in U of I student government.

Tuesday, Nov. 16th

ANGER AND ITS NEGATIVE IMAGES Anger has received a lot of bad press from folks who say it should not occur. But suppressed anger can cause depression and aggression. How to be more aware of anger and some methods of handling anger appropriately are the subjects of this session. **Nancy Sasser**, a counselor in private practice in Moscow, will lead the presentation.

Wednesday, Nov. 17th

UNUSUAL ROLE MODELS: WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY This slide/tape show features four outstanding women in New Mexico and their careers in various fields of science and technology: **Mercedes Agogino**, Professor of Physics; **Corale Brierly**, Chemical Microbiologist; **Patsy Rivera**, Computer Systems Manager; and **Sandra Zink**, Bio-Medical Physicist. This is your chance to see that it can be done—by women!

Thursday, Nov. 18th

MATH ANXIETY: CAUSES, EFFECTS, AND STRATEGIES This program features a video tape by **Sheila Tobias**, author of the pioneering book *Overcoming Math Anxiety*, and explores the issue and problems of math anxiety for girls and women.

Tuesday, Nov. 23rd

THANKSGIVING FEAST In its annual tradition of companionship and fun, the Women's Center will provide a turkey and you are invited to bring the trimmings for a lunchtime party potluck. The Women's Center Thanksgiving Potluck is famous for good food and fine fun. Stop by anytime after 11:30, but if you want turkey, don't come too late!

Please post

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Director: Alayne Hannaford
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The Women's Center newsletter includes announcements and information about the many services and programs offered by the Center to the University and Moscow communities. It is published and distributed at the beginning of each month during the academic year. If you have announcements or information you would like included in subsequent issues, please let us know. Suggestions for change or improvement in our format are welcome!

The Women's Center is updating its mailing list for the 1982-83 academic year. If your address has changed or if you would like to have your name added to the mailing list, please call or stop by the Women's Center to let us know. If you know someone else who would like to receive the newsletter, please pass her/his name and address on to us.

HOURS:

8:00-5:00, Monday-Friday
Monday night, 6:30-10:00
Wednesday night, 7:00-10:00

Women in the Curriculum Project Meetings. New schedule:

10/25	UI Science and Technology Task Force (EeDaHo room, SUB)	11:30
10/28	Joint Professional Schools Task Force (EeDaHo room, SUB)	3:30
11/1	Joint Social Sciences (EeDaHo room, SUB)	11:30
11/2	International Development Joint Meeting (113 White Hall)	4:00
11/4	WSU Humanities* (Regency)	12:00
11/5	UI Humanities (Faculty Lounge)	2:00

* tentative

There will be more meetings scheduled throughout November and December. For information about those meetings or about the Women in the Curriculum Project, call the Women's Center or Mary Emory, 885-7997.

Moscow N.O.W. has a business/members only meeting the 2nd Tuesday of each month. A program meeting is held on the 4th Tuesday of each month and is open to the public.

Tuesday, Nov. 9 Business meeting, Galena/Gold Room, SUB.

Tuesday, Nov. 23 Films, SUB

Tuesday, Dec. 14 Business meeting

MORE WOMEN THAN MEN IN HIGHER EDUCATION Last year marked the sixth year in a row that more women than men were enrolled at colleges and universities in the U.S. Women were also a key reason for increase in enrollments, which reached a new high of 12.3 million for Fall 1981, despite federal aid cuts and a tapering of "baby boom" students. Preliminary estimates from the National Center for Education Statistics show women to be outnumbering men students by close to one-half million, accounting for 52% of the overall 1980-81 enrollment. Here at the University of Idaho, Fall 1982 enrollment figures indicate women are 38% of the student population, an increase of 6-8% over the past 10 years. We still have some catching up to do!

MORE WOMEN THAN MEN IN MEDICAL SCHOOL! For the first time, the first year class at MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY's medical school enrolled more women than men. Of the 106 students in the entering class, 55 are women, making the school the third among the nation's 123 four-year medical schools to have a freshman class with a predominance of women.

ON THE OTHER HAND, women medical school faculty advance at half the speed of men. For women physicians on medical school faculties, promotion takes twice as long as it does for their male colleagues, according to a survey of four medical schools. The survey also found a decline in the percentage of women on all medical school faculties from 15% in 1965 to 10% in 1979.

The Women's Center has copies of a beautiful weekly engagement calendar for 1983 called *Northwest Herstory*. The calendar features well-known women in the Northwest and is visually attractive as well as chock-full of fascinating stories. It sells for \$6.95, a bargain at that price, and will make nice Christmas gifts as well as a fine way to say thank-you to a friend or family member. Profits from sales go to the Maud Sterling Trust Fund. Stop by for your copies before we run out.

WOMEN AND MINORITIES AT THE TOP STILL AT THE BOTTOM *Women and Minorities in Administration of Higher Education Institutions* compares employment patterns and salaries for administrators in 1976 and 1979. Prepared by the College and University Personnel Association and the American Council on Education, the report analyzes change and examines five frequently offered explanations for slow or non-existent progress of women administrators:

1. Women have been on the job a shorter amount of time than men.
2. Women are more often hired from within the institution than are men.
3. Financial exigency prevents institutions from hiring additional women.
4. Stable or declining employment in higher education precludes achieving affirmative action goals through employment growth.
5. Low turnover in the tight academic labor market means few opportunities for hiring.

None of these explanations stood up under scrutiny. Other highlights of the report include:

1. Of the top-level administrative jobs in the 1978-79 survey, white men held 74.5% with 94% in the chief executive category.
2. Women in similar posts received 68 to 80% of salaries earned by white men and minority men earned 90%.
3. At institutions reporting to both the 1975-76 and 1978-79 surveys, women and minorities gained 3.5% in their share of top-level administrative jobs.

For more information on this extensive report, contact the Women's Center which has a copy.

ALTERNATIVES TO VIOLENCE has been busy the past month and a half with organizational work, training for new advocates and safe-home sponsors, and helping victims (the numbers tend to increase during the change of seasons and with the approach of the holidays). Anyone interested in getting involved with this organization that provides services to victims of domestic violence and rape—your help is needed. The next meeting of the Executive Committee (open to all) is Thursday, Nov. 4th (call the Center about time and place). The next General Meeting is the first Thursday in January (Jan. 6, 1983); election of officers for the coming year will be held at that meeting. Or, call the Women's Center to find out how you can get involved. Alternatives to Violence is partially supported by United Way; your contribution to United Way helps to keep this needed service functioning. You can, if you wish, designate your United Way contribution specifically to Alternatives to Violence; give generously.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW The second annual Women in Small Business conference for the Moscow-Pullman communities will be held March 18 and 19, 1983, at the WSU CUB. Plans are underway for an exciting and useful conference. Watch this newsletter and the media for further information as the conference dates approach. Meanwhile, reserve those days!

The Women's Center is:

- Sack Lunch Programs
- Library
- Resource Files
- Information and Referral
- Drop-in Lounge
- Peer Counseling
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Outreach

The 1983 National Women's Studies Association Conference will be held June 23-30, 1983, at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. The convention theme is "Feminist Education: Quality and Equality." The theme emphasizes the relationship between quality and equality, furthering the conviction of the NWSA that a quality education depends upon equal access for women and girls to all educational opportunities. The convention will include interdisciplinary, cross-cultural, and non-academic sessions as well as sessions on scholarship in the academic disciplines that constitute women's studies. If you are interested in submitting a proposal for a session or paper, please contact the Women's Center for further information.

Pink Triangle, a film about persecution of homosexuals in German concentration camps, will be shown at the Women's Center Wednesday, Nov. 3rd, at 3:30 p.m. The film speaks eloquently to the persecution of a minority and is important to people concerned about oppression of any kind.

The Women's Center will be open every Monday night from 6:30 until 10:00 and every Wednesday night from 7:00 until 10:00 for **STUDY TABLE** and **FREE TUTORING**. If you need a place to study, come by the Center for peace, quiet, coffee, and a pleasant study environment. On Monday nights, Gary Wilsey will be available for tutoring in math, chemistry, physics, and engineering science. On Wednesday nights Jim Janoch will be available for tutoring in math, physics, chemistry, engineering, and some social sciences. This tutoring is free and available on a drop-in basis and is co-sponsored by the Women's Center and Special Services.

The Women's Center was privileged to have poet Marilyn Hacker present a reading of her poetry at the Women's Center in October. We still have some copies of her most recent collection of poetry for sale at the Center. The book, *Taking Notice*, sells for \$6.13 and is worth every penny! Stop by to get your copy.

Women's Center Resources

The Women's Center subscribes to a variety of periodicals and journals which both educate and entertain. Current and back issues are available for use at the Center; people who wish to copy interesting and relevant articles can do so for 5¢ per page. Current journals include: *Ms.*; *Working Women*; *Savvy*; *Mother Earth News*; *Mother Jones*; *Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies*; *Plainswoman* (a women's studies journal from the University of North Dakota); *Network* (a news magazine from Utah); *N.O.W. Times*; *Graduate Woman*. In addition, the Women's Center has a nearly complete set of *Ms.* from the past 10 years; back issues of *Spokeswoman* (current news and politics about women's issues). For casual reading, for information, for scholarship, for entertainment, for education—the Women's Center offers you reading resources through the news media and scholarly publications. Stop by; if you need help, staff and work-study students can assist you.

GOOD READING: Books at the Women's Center

Hiking the Backcountry, Jackie Johnson and Ann Pudicombe. This do-it-yourself guide for adventurous women includes everything from how to buy a pack that fits to how to protect yourself on the trail (from animals as well as humans). Based on the research of women backpackers, it provides tips, hints, and actual accounts of experiences in the wilderness—such tidbits as "The Thirteen Essentials," "In Benediction of the Bandana," "Perils and Precautions," and "Trail Companions." Delightful reading for anyone who has or plans to enjoy outdoor life in the backcountry.

Women's Diaries of the Westward Journey, Lillian Schissel. "I write on my lap with the wind rocking the wagon." So writes Alpline Ashley, to introduce this book of diaries and interpretive commentary about the private literature by women who traveled the Overland Trail to Oregon and California. This narrative is written from the diaries, reminiscences, and letters of 103 women, mostly white women, many of them daughters of second and third generation American families. It is a fascinating account in which "the women bring us a new vision of the overland experience; they do not write of trailblazing or of adventure but of those facets of living that

are unchanging. In reading their diaries we come closer to understanding how historical drama translates into human experience."

A Wild Patience Has Taken Me This Far, Adrienne Rich. This most recent collection of Rich's poetry continues and extends the themes and style of *Dream of a Common Language*. It speaks to the commonality of self-searching and self-discovery for women as they explore the meaning of their lives and unearth untold stories and histories. Anger and tenderness infuse the poems. As always with Rich's poetry, poems and lines of poems touch a chord for nearly every reader. If you can't afford to buy your own copy, stop by the Women's Center and check out ours.

The Greasy Thumb Automechanics Manual for Women, Barb Wyatt. This one's a how-to-do-it-book for women who want to learn basic maintenance and repairs for their cars. It is thorough, clearly written and illustrated, and includes such things as doing a lube job, repacking front wheel bearings, tune ups, and brake repair. Definitely a must for people who want to work on their cars and avoid costly repair bills.

The Summer 1982 issue of *Montana: The Magazine of Western History* is entitled "Nineteenth Century Women on the Frontier" and includes articles which illuminate the personal lives and trials of nineteenth century women on the frontier. Margot Liberty, for example, outlines the surprisingly negative effect the arrival of horses had upon her life—increasing her workload and diminishing her social status. Another article chronicles the life and career of Montana's first woman lawyer, who was admitted to the bar in 1889. Copies of this issue are available for \$2.40; call the Women's Center for information about ordering.

Programs, continued:

Tuesday, Nov. 30th

THE ORIGINS OF SEXISM: COPING WITH THE COLLECTIVE UNCONSCIOUS **Ann Fictner**, U of I MA candidate in Interdisciplinary Studies, will discuss the material basis for the sexist division of labor in human culture. Using psychological insights, Ms. Fictner clarifies the confusing theories about the origins of the patriarchy and provides the theoretical underpinnings for Wednesday's program—

Wednesday, Dec. 1st

WOMEN IN REVOLUTION: BUILDING A COLLECTIVE CONSCIOUS **Bob Leamer**, U of I student of Economics and History, will take Ms. Fictner's model of sexual division of labor one step further, to explain how the gender-determined economic role of women leads to revolutionary activity by women who seek to change the patriarchal organization of culture. These two presentations are a single construct and represent the leading edge of feminist theory.

Thursday, Dec. 9th

A CHRISTMAS GALA Another time-honored Women's Center tradition. This one's a potluck, too. Again, the Center will provide a main dish and you bring the trimmings. This is a last chance to gather with friends and share Christmas festivities before finals and end-of-the-semester departures and goodbyes.



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