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WOMEN'S CENTER "THE GALLERY"

The Women's Caucus for Art, was founded in 1972 to support women in the visual arts professions. Their attention is focused on the enormous contributions of women and people of color through the history of art. In collaboration with the Moscow Chapter of WCA, the UI Women's Center will host a rotating art exhibit featuring a different local artist and her work each month.

Our first exhibit features the photography of Liz Roberts-White, who earned her BFA in Studio Art, and is working on a MA Interdisciplinary degree in Women's Studies here at the UI. Liz works in multimedia, from photography to sculpture, with emphasis on the development of

female body image. Her goal is to help others enjoy and appreciate art while promoting an understanding of female issues.

Second in the series, beginning October 15, will be Lisa Manning, who will graduate from UI this spring with a Master's of Fine Arts. Her emphasis is in fiber or textile arts. Lisa enjoys working in a medium that is traditionally considered women's work, and is very interested in patterns and repetition. The moon is one of her favorite subject matters.

There are currently about 30 members in the Moscow WCA, which has been active for three years. For information, contact Ashley Horrall, ashleysart@aol.com.

Visiting Distinguished Author

Susan Swetnam, author of Home Mountains: Reflections from a Western Middle Age, will present a workshop for aspiring authors, Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon in the Gold Galena Room of the SUB. Ms. Swetnam will also give a reading at 12:30 p.m. at the Women's Center.

After a youth spent in the East in quiet rebellion and discontent, the author writes about the middle-age surprise of finding herself at "home" in the intermountain region of southeastern Idaho.

Ms. Swetnam's presentation is made possible by a TumbleWords grant sponsored by the Idaho Arts Council. Call 885-6616 for workshop details.

Diversity Cinema Event

Yvonne Russo, co-producer and actress of Naturally Native, will be guest of honor at a brown bag program at the Women's Center on Monday, October 15 at 12:30 p.m. This Diversity Cinema Feature depicts three sisters, of American Indian ancestry, but adopted by white foster parents as young children. Dedicated to starting a Native cosmetic business, they attempt to overcome obstacles both in the business world and in the home. Movie will be shown at 7:00 p.m. in the SUB Borah Theater.

Journalist-in-Residence

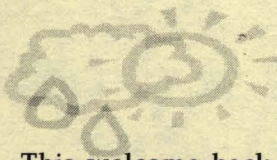
The UI Women's Center will hold a brown bag program on Thursday, Oct. 20 at 12:30 p.m. to welcome Lori Edmo-Suppah, who has joined the UI School of Communication faculty as a lecturer and consultant on issues related to Native Americans and journalism. The journalist-in-residence program is designed to improve news coverage of tribal life and encourage young American Indians to pursue careers in journalism.

As editor of the Shoshone-Bannock tribe's weekly newspaper in Fort Hall, Idaho, Edmo-Suppah has won awards from the Native American Journalist Association (NAJA) and the Idaho Press Club. In 1995, she won NAJA's Wassaja Award for Excellence in Native Journalism. In 2000, the NAJA named the Sho-Ban News the Best Native Weekly.

ASUI President Visits Middle East

Leah Clark-Thomas, ASUI President, traveled to Israel last summer to attend an educational seminar with 15 other student body presidents. Leah will share photos and experiences from her travels to the intersection of three continents. In addition to relating some general history of Israel, she will discuss the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, from a political and personal stand-point, and also from observation of religious sentiment regarding the turmoil.

There will be a reception for Ms. Clark-Thomas at the UI Women's Center at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 27. She will begin her presentation at 5:00 p.m.



Director's Corner

This welcome back article was to have been much different than what I sit down to write today. Our world is different today, Thursday, September 13, 2001. The terrorist attack on the USA September 11th has left us in shock and disbelief. In the days and weeks ahead we will learn much about ourselves and our country: how we respond to an attack like this, both individually and as a nation; how we heal as a nation; how we change and grow from this experience; and how we become agents of change in the world. Do we seek peace? How do we do that? How do we become involved and in what ways? How do we seek answers for the causes of and ending of terrorism throughout the world? I know that in the days ahead, each of us will look inside ourselves for answers; we will talk to friends and family for answers as we search to make sense of it all.

As I wrestle with all of this, there is much I am grateful for today. As I watch from our corner of the USA, I realize there are so many people who have come forward to help, to save lives, to work day and night rescuing others, to give blood, and to offer help in some way. Here in Moscow, I have also been proud of the work of many people. ASUI mobilized quickly on Tuesday to raise money for the Red Cross and its important work. And, on Wednesday, a candlelight vigil wound through the streets of Moscow allowing all to come together to express feelings, emotions, and offer support.

Today, as I listen to the news of new violence against Arab and Muslim Americans I want to urge each of us to be a voice of outrage against attacks on any Americans or foreigners in this country who were in no way related to this attack. We should never tolerate this type of counter-attack. We should all reach out in friendship to citizens within our communities who fear leaving their homes because of their ethnicity, their beliefs, or their religion. As a friend of mine said, "if we want to achieve peace, we must work for justice, justice for all people in the world."

Thank you,
Jeannie Harvey

The Sisters Project

Sisters is a women's health program for women between the ages of 18 - 35, that builds pride, gives women the tools to create healthier relationships, and provides a comfortable space for women to talk about relationship issues.

Project coordinators, Mercedes and Kari Galloway, will explain more about this program on Wednesday, October 10, at 12:30 in the Women's Center Lounge.

Stay Safe & Healthy

Valerie Russo & Don Lazzarini

We know from research, the first few months of the semester are high-risk times for new students. Adjusting to university life can be difficult enough without the added stress of unwanted or forced sexual experience. To assist new students in a safe and healthy first year, we are asking students and student leaders to call and set-up safety programs. Making healthy decisions requires knowledge of the law, the social environment and personal responsibility. Our programs focus on sexual assault, alcohol, risk reduction behaviors, the law and more. Call Don or Valerie at 885-6616 to arrange a time for a presentation.

In Pursuit of AAUW Grants

The AAUW Educational Foundation, largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women in the world, supports aspiring scholars around the globe, teachers and activists in local communities, women at critical stages of their careers, and those pursuing professions where women are underrepresented.

Tona Treetop, recipient of an AAUW Career Development grant, will be on hand at the UI Women's Center at 12:30 on Tuesday, October 23, to answer questions and to share information and advice on applying for these awards.

Don't Miss This Athena Presentation on Gender Issues

Dr. Janet Mills will present the following workshops in the SUB Silver and Gold Rooms on Friday, October 5:

"Body Watching: Gender, Power, and Nonverbal Communication" designed to demonstrate how men and women speak different body language in the workplace. 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

"Head Leads/She Leads" examines the assumptions and practices that reflect masculine and feminine culture in order to build bridges of understanding and acceptance. 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Please join Dr. Mills for a brown bag program at the Women's Center at 12:30 p.m.

"You have to accept whatever comes and the only important thing is that you meet it with courage and with the best you have to give." – Eleanor Roosevelt

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Tues, Oct. 2

Janet Reno, Former Attorney General of the United States. Bellwood Lectures presents "The Legal Profession as Problem Solvers and Peacemakers." UI Student Union Ballroom, 2:00 p.m.

Weds, Oct. 3

Pullman Memorial Hospital Women's Health Series. Stress Reduction for Busy People, facilitated by Susan Simonds, Ph.D. WSU Compton Union Building, Room 110. 12:15 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 5

Gender Workshop Sponsored by Athena. Dr. Janet Mills will present "Body Watching: Gender, Power, and Nonverbal Communication" at 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. and "He Leads/She Leads" at 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Both workshops will be held in the SUB Silver and Gold rooms. Join Dr. Mills for a brown bag lunch at the Women's Center. 12:30 P.M.

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October 12 & 13

Tutximpepu Pow-Wow. Grand Entries will be Friday at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday at 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. UI Kibbie Dome.

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Sat, Oct. 27

African Night. Student Union Ballroom, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 29

Diversity and Human Rights Cinema. La Esquina Caliente. SUB Borah Theater, 7:00 p.m.

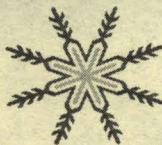
WomensWorks

A Holiday Art Fair of Quality Gifts Made by Women

Friday, November 30: 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Saturday, December 1: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

University of Idaho Student Union Ballroom

Vendor Space is still available. For information or to reserve a table, contact the Women's Center at 208-885-6616 or wcenter@uidaho.edu



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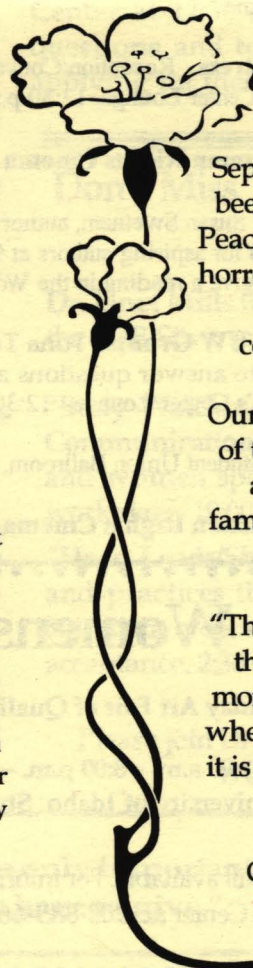
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The Women's Center Newsletter is published four times during the academic year. It includes announcements and information about the many services and programs offered by the center to the university and regional communities. There are also items of general interest about women's and men's issues. If you have announcements or information to include in subsequent issues, please let us know. Suggestions for changes, improvements, or additional items are always welcome. A taped copy of the newsletter is available on request for the visually impaired.

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September 11, 2001, a day to have been celebrated as the UN Day of Peace, became a day of unspeakable horror for US citizens and all people around the world; a day of confusion and anger; a day of sadness.

Our hearts go out to all the victims of this tragedy and their families, and to the missing and their families. We are all together as we heal and recover.

"There is no despair so absolute as that which comes with the first moments of our first great sorrow, when we have not yet known what it is to have suffered and be healed, to have despaired and have recovered hope."

George Eliot, *Adam Bede* 1859