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Colgate University Women's Studies Program

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From the Director....

With the beginning of the New Year, I find myself reflecting on the enormous contribution that Women's Studies has made to academic research and scholarship over the last two decades. Since the early 1970's when the first official Women's Studies course was offered in the United States, there has been a virtual explosion of feminist research on women and gender.

The breadth of this scholarship is impressive. In a recent issue of the Women's Review of Books, reviews included books on motherhood in classical Greece, Mark Twain, British feminists and imperialism in India, lesbian philosophy, American jazz, and gender and science.

Here at Colgate, feminist scholars are at work on their own contributions to this body of research. Significant additions to the literature in Women's Studies have been made by a number of individuals who are part of Colgate's Women's Studies Program. Ann Pitcher, for example, has written on women and agriculture in Mozambique, Tim Byrnes on the role of the Catholic Church in the abortion controversy, Deborah Knuth on Jane Austen, Lourdes Rojas on women and sexuality in



Cutting the ribbon at the new Center for Women's Studies.

Latin American, and Margaret Darby on feminist pedagogy.

Not only does the published work of these and other Colgate scholars enhance our knowledge of ourselves and our world, but their research also informs and enlivens the Women's Studies courses they offer. Colgate students who learn first hand from Linn Underhill about women and photography or from Joanne Pagano about education and gender have a very special opportunity to understand the way in which classroom teaching and the passionate commitment to scholarly research reinforce one another.

Faculty as well as students benefit, for teaching courses in Women's Studies enables professors to enhance their
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Spotlight on Alumnae

At 42, Lori Slutsky is considered an old hand at grantmaking. Slutsky '75 is President of the New York National Trust, which raises millions of dollars to improve the quality of life in New York City.

Slutsky has been a member of the Colgate Board of Trustees since 1989, and this Fall was named Vice Chair of its major \$130 million fundraising campaign.

Colgate is fortunate to have
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Center for Women's
Studies Hours:
Monday -Friday:
9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday-Thursday:
8 p.m. -10 p.m

What's Happening in Women's Studies

Student Research Presentations:

This spring the Center for Women's Studies will continue its tradition of sponsoring Student Research Presentations. All students who are interested in using this forum to discuss their academic papers, projects, or theses are invited to participate. Faculty and staff nominations of student work are welcomed. Contact Jennifer Leigh at x7156 for more information.

Feminist Reading Group:

Beginning this semester, the Women's Studies Program will sponsor a Feminist Reading Group. This group will be discussing current feminist scholarship three times during the Spring on Monday afternoons at 3:30 p.m. All members of the Colgate community are invited to participate. Please call Mary Keys at x7456 for this month's reading if you are interested.

The 25th Celebration of Coeducation:

The Celebration of 25 years of Coeducation will continue this Spring term with several events. Invitation to Inspiration: The Alumnae Career Speakers Series will be held in February, March, and April. This lecture series will give students an opportunity to hear from some prominent female graduates about their Colgate experiences and career choices.

The Twenty-fifth Celebration of Coeducation will also sponsor a Faculty Colloquium on Alumnae in Communications scheduled for this Spring. The Celebration will also continue into Alumni Weekend where many special reunion programs are scheduled.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton Award:

Colgate's Women's Studies Program will again be accepting nominations for the Annual Elizabeth Cady Stanton Award. Each spring this award recognizes the contribution of an outstanding member of the Senior Class who has demonstrated active leadership in improving the status of women on campus and in the wider community.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton was a serious intellectual, social critic, and writer, as well as an activist committed to creating a world of equality and justice for women. We are soliciting nominations of the Senior who best exemplifies Stanton's ideals.

Please contact Jennifer Leigh or Professor Lynn Staley at x7156 by March 10. We welcome nominations from all members of the Colgate community.

Spotlight on Alumnae:

(Continued from page 1) the insights and services of Lori Slutsky, a woman who is considered one of the top executives in her field. Slutsky will be on campus this spring and hopes to be able to talk to students about careers in fundraising

Women of Color Film Festival:

Last fall the Center for Women's Studies, in conjunction with the Office of Residential Life, Africana and Latin American Studies, and the Office of Intercultural Resources, held a workshop which trained ten women of color to facilitate this semester's Women of Color Film Festival. The Film Festival will expose the wider Colgate Community to cinematography of Women of Color. It will also provide a forum for discussion on issues the films raise about the lives of women of color. Keep posted for screening times!

Career Woes?

Worried about what you are going to do next year, or even next summer? Come check out the collection of internship and career related materials at the Center for Women's Studies. Consult reference books on the National Women's Organization or the Career Planning Guide written by Colgate students!

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Spring 1995 Calendar

JANUARY

20 Friday

Free Film Series
8:00 p.m.

Center for Women's Studies

24 Tuesday

Amy Fried
"Should Women Candidates Run as Women?"

Brown Bag Lunch Series
11:30-12:20

Center for Women's Studies

27 Friday

Free Film Series
8:00 p.m.

Center for Women's Studies

30 Monday

Feminist Reading Group
3:30, Center for Women's Studies

31 Tuesday

Child Care Advocacy Day in Albany.
Janet Benjamin

"Treatment for men who have been in Violent or Abusive Relationships"
11:30-12:20 p.m., Brown Bag Lunch
Center for Women's Studies

FEBRUARY

2 Thursday

National Girls and Women in Sports Day. There will be a special Brown Bag Lunch celebrating this event.

3 Friday

Free Film Series, 8:00 p.m.
Center for Women's Studies

8 Monday

Sexual Violence Awareness Week

7 Tuesday

Mary Leal '94
"The Clothesline Project"
Brown Bag Lunch Series
11:30-12:20

Center for Women's Studies

10 Friday

Free Film Series
8:00 p.m.

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14 Tuesday

"Childcare at Colgate"
Brown Bag Lunch Series
11:30-12:20

Center for Women's Studies

15 Wednesday

Center for Women's Studies
First Year Reception
Celebrating Susan B. Anthony's Birthday.

17 Friday

Free Film Series
8:00 p.m.

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21 Tuesday

Rebecca Ammerman
"Ancient Votive Figurines from Paestum and the Age-Old Problem of Childcare"
Brown Bag Lunch Series
11:30-12:20
Center for Women's Studies

23 Thursday

Rebecca Walker
In Conversation with Students
4:00 p.m.
Center for Women's Studies
Lecture: "Becoming the Third Wave"
7:30 p.m.,
Helen Persson Auditorium

24 Friday

Free Film Series, 8:00 p.m.
Center for Women's Studies

25 Saturday

Center for Women's Studies
Third Annual Women's Spring Leadership Conference
10:00 a.m. - 3 p.m.

27 Monday

NY AIDS Coalition lobbying Day in Albany.

28 Tuesday

Brown Bag Lunch Series
11:30-12:20,
Center for Women's Studies

MARCH

1 March

Women's History Month Begins!

3 March

Free Film Series, 8:00 p.m.

6 March

Feminist Reading Group, 3:30 p.m.
Center for Women's Studies

7 March

Brown Bag Lunch Series
11:30-12:20

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research. By trying out new ideas in the classroom, engaging in dialogue with students, and listening to student critiques, these scholars refine and sometimes rethink their subject matter. I would like to thank both students and faculty who have helped make these intellectual contributions possible. Looking to the New

Year as Director, I want to reiterate the commitment of our Women's Studies Program to continuing to provide an environment where such outstanding learning and research can flourish.

Joan D. Mandle
Women's Studies Program

*Celebrate International
Women's Day
MARCH 8th*

The Center for
Women's Studies
&
The Cultural Center

Keep posted for announcements!

The Center for Women's Studies

presents

Rebecca Walker

founder of
The Third Wave

Thursday, February 23, 1995
7:30 p.m.

Helen Persson Auditorium

The Center for Women's Studies

Third Annual

Women's Leadership
Conference

Saturday, February 25, 1995

10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m

*This year's conference will offer workshops
on lobbying skills, mediation, and building
coalitions among women.*

Get Involved Off-Campus with the Center for Women's Studies!

The Center for Women's Studies is again sponsoring exciting programs off campus. We want you to get involved! Check off those programs or events that interest you, detach this portion of the page, and return it to the Center for Women's Studies, East Hall, Lower Level.

Name: _____

Phone#: _____

Box#: _____

I want to participate in:

- Mid York Child Care Council's Lobbying Day in Albany. January 31, 1995
- NY AIDS Coalition's Lobbying Day in Albany. February 27, 1995
- NARAL/ NY Lobbying Day in Albany. April 25, 1995
- Seneca Fall Trip. The Center will sponsor an excursion to historic Seneca Falls National Park during March.
- Community Service Project. Projects focusing on women's needs in local communities and shelters.
- Volunteer Work at the Center for Women's Studies.