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The Dickinson Women's NEWSLETTER

From The Women's Resource Committee

October 15, 1976

WHAT'S THE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER?

Well, it's women students (we would love to have men too, but we haven't seemed to draw any this year) who gather to talk, experience and understand each other and our surroundings, as women. Already this year we've sponsored a women's faculty-student dessert function. New and old women faculty met women students in a non-academic and relaxed gathering. Also we sponsor films and speakers and we have had, and may again plan, a series of discussions and seminars, called a Mini-Week, around a topic which the students of WRC feel a need to confront and expose to the other students of the College. The WRC has one or two women-faculty lunch discussions each month to benefit from different individual experiences, personalities and accomplishments of our women's faculty (hopefully they enjoy us too). But the Women's Resource Committee isn't a radical feminist group. We just need and enjoy each others similar and different experiences and ideas as and about women. We hope, through the newsletter, that we can reach you too.

Margy Little

GETTING TO KNOW - DIANE RONNINGEN

A college counselor at Dickinson College must supply a variety of services required by the students. These services include, not only career counseling and educational/vocational decision-making, but the more individualized areas of personal counseling and minority affairs. To properly cover such diversified fields the person must indeed be dedicated and most willing to become intricately involved in the Dickinson College Community both faculty and students. Diane Ronningen, newly appointed college counselor, is such a person.

Diane attended the University of Maryland to complete her undergraduate studies in the fields of psychology and sociology. She then proceeded to finish out her graduate studies at Indiana University and the University of Pennsylvania. It was during last summer while attending the University of Pennsylvania to complete her PHD that Diane was offered the position of college counselor at Dickinson College. This was made possible by the recent grant from the Lilly Foundation.

Diane was recommended to Dr. Howard Figler by friends at Swarthmore College. Although not really in the market for a job, Diane thought she would enjoy counseling at Dickinson, especially due to its location. As Diane said, "I've always wanted to live in a small town. I'm tired of the city." Since Diane enjoys such outdoor activities as jogging and camping the area around Carlisle was much more appealing than that of Center-city Philadelphia.

Diane enjoys the Dickinson Community immensely, commenting on the friendliness of the students, faculty and administration. The position Diane holds' runs for 2 years during which time she will, no doubt, prove to be a most vital and beneficial member of the Dickinson College Counseling Service.

Pam Davis

SAY SOMETHING!

Have you ever wanted to say something, but found no one to be listening? We are sure that all of us, at one time or another have wanted to express our feelings but the appropriate time or place never arose. Feelings that pertain to Dickinson Women; feelings that pertain to you. Here, in this column, is an opportunity for you to express some of these feelings.

September has brought the rebirth of Dickinson's social life which directs out attentions to the Fraternities. There are both positive and negative attitudes circulating among the women on campus concerning this facet of the social life. Many women feel that the Fraternities are demeaning; others enjoy full participation. We want to know how you feel about this. Drop us a line and say something.*

*Direct your responses to H.U. Box #389. Please specify if you prefer not to have your response published in the next Newsletter.

Heather Cooke & Anne Fiore

FRIENDSHIP

Oh, the comfort -

The inexpressible comfort of feeling safe with a person

Having neither to weigh thoughts,

Nor measure words - but pouring them all right out - just as they are

Chaff and grain together

Certain that a faithful hand will take and sift them

Keep what is worth keeping -

And with a breath of kindness

Blow the rest away.

Dinah Craik

CALENDAR

- Oct. 22 Next WRC meeting; Sideroom 220; Noon.
- Oct. 26 Film: Long Day's Journey into Night, 7 and 9 p.m. Dana 110
- Oct. 28 Miriam Levine, Poetry Reading: 8:00 p.m. (Sharp Room Library)
- Nov. 2 Panel discussion with receiver of Arts Award (details in next Newsletter)
- Nov. 11 Film: Adam's Rib starring Spencer Tracey : Katherine Hepburn with refreshments afterwards.

The WRC Newsletter wants to hear from you! Any prose, poetry, cartoons, quotes-anything, should be submitted to Box 1000.

Notice: Anyone who wishes to receive this newsletter regularly, please fill in your name and box number and return to Box 1000.