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WOMEN'S CENTER

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Finer Points

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****GREETINGS FROM THE WOMEN'S CENTER****

"What Women's Center?" you may ask. The answer can be found in a red brick building behind the President's House on Church Street. The doors officially opened to the Dickinson Community on March 5th, and since then, board members have organized a number of exciting activities to get the Center off to a strong start.

Many events merit special places on your calendars— from discussions to field trips. Weekly plans will be posted in the HUB near the photo showcases. In the meantime, make note of these upcoming activities. The Women's Center awaits your visitations!

****ACTIVITIES****

Thursday weekly discussion: 7 p.m., March 29th features "A Cross-cultural View of Feminist Images" as its topic. Students and/or faculty who have been abroad will share their various observations of women in foreign society. These informal weekly talks are a great opportunity to share ideas on contemporary issues. Take a study break and bring a friend!

Lecture: 4 p.m., Tuesday, April 3rd. Kate Dvorak from Franklin & Marshall brings a special topic to the Women's Center; "Feminist Theology in Context: Where Does Mary Daly Fit?"

Day trip: Saturday, April 7th to Gettysburg College for the Women's Conference. Details are posted in the Center.

Lecture: 4 p.m., Thursday, April 12th. Annette Niemtow offers insight on "Reading American Literature."

Concert: 4 p.m., Thursday, April 26th. Carrie Rohr will present a flute concert featuring the music of women composers.

Other events are currently being scheduled. They include Friday Coffeeshouses and a day trip to Baltimore to see a play. These activities and dates will be announced in the near future.

****PRE-REGISTRATION****

... has arrived once again. After you've finished complaining about gym requirements and the limited courses in your major, take a moment to consider this: In the fall Dickinson professors are offering a few classes pertinent to women's studies. If you would like to heighten your awareness about women in our academic sphere, make room in your schedule for:

- Religion 203A with Prof. Bechtel 10MWF
Bible and Contemporary Issues. The impact of the Bible upon the generation and alleviation of three topics, including sexism and soul/body dualism— with intriguing readings from such books as Embodiment by James Nelson.
- English 384 with Prof. O'Brien 2-4:30W
American Poetry. Selected studies on many poets, with special attention upon the works of Emily Dickinson and Adrienne Rich.

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****BOOK CORNER****

Slowly but surely, the Women's Center is acquiring books for a small library. If you feel like taking time off from the classwork grind, here are some selections in the new library that would be of interest...

Adrienne Rich, A Wild Patience Has Taken Me This Far, Poems 1978-1981
The Letters of Virginia Woolf, Vol. 3, 1923-28
Barbara Pym, Excellent Women
Mary McCarthy, The Company She Keeps

The school store also has a wide selection of hardcovers and paperbacks by and about women, including...

Mary Gordan, <u>The Company of Women</u>	Kate Millet, <u>Sexual Politics</u>
Marilyn French, <u>The Women's Room</u>	Alice Walker, <u>The Color Purple</u>
Betty Friedan, <u>The Second Stage</u>	Maya Angelou, <u>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</u>
Kate Chopin, <u>The Awakening</u>	
Adrienne Rich, <u>Of Women Born</u>	

****DID YOU KNOW****

... that you can self-develop a Women's Studies Major here at Dickinson?
If interested, contact Rena Convissor, ext. 1461.

... that 70% of the modern Spanish population believes that a married woman with children shouldn't work outside of the home?

... that only 4.4 seconds separate the world record time of the men's 400 meter dash from the world record time of the women's 400 meter dash?

****PLEASE REMEMBER****

If you have any questions comments and/or suggestions about the Women's Center and its activities, we heartily welcome your input. You can 1) chat with co-chairpersons Sharon O'Brien, Mary Anne Morefield, or student representatives Pat Carter or Rena Convissor; 2) drop us a note at the Center; 3) sit in on a Student Board Meeting (Sundays @ 6:30 p.m.) or 4) write a love letter to Bobby Riggs.

Oh yes--- as co-editors of this newsletter, our boxes are open to your ideas as well. We accept pertinent news, quotes, trivia for "DID YOU KNOW", etc. Finer Points is not printed on a set time table... but be on the lookout for our next edition.

Remember the dignity
Of your womanhood.
Do not appeal,
Do not beg,
Do not grovel.
Take courage,
Join hands
Stand beside us,
Fight with us...

---Christabel Pankhurst
English suffragist, (1880-1958)

Have a good week,

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