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FROM THE DEPARTMENT HEAD

Happy fall semester to you all!! Thanks to the hard work of the staff and students in the Women's Resource and Action Center (WRAC), and the Office of GLBT Services, we got off to a wonderfully strong feminist start. Not a week passes without a pallet of interesting choices to make (see calendar inside). Just last week, Margaret Randall, the well known internationalist feminist author, poet, photographer and human rights activist gave a

powerful, hope inspiring talk under the auspices of National Coming Out Day. She received a well-deserved standing ovation by the students, faculty, staff and many community members. A rough draft of her talk will be made available on our department website. Thank you, Margaret!

Enclosed you will find our brand new WS brochure, the work, solely, of our students and financially supported by the Dean's office.

Five-thousand copies were distributed as an insert to the student newspaper in April, many of which were then rescued from recycling, allegedly by a team of gnomes. Voila! We look forward to your reactions and feedback.

In our next issue we will give you an update of our retreat in April and more alumnae news (please do keep it coming).

Until then!

Tinke Ritmeester

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Women's Studies Graduate Named Minnesota's Representative for NCAA Woman of the Year

Already the most decorated student-athlete in the 74-year history of University of Minnesota Duluth athletics, track and field standout Heather Hamilton added another entry to her burgeoning collegiate resume today when she was named the female NCAA Division II Scholar-Athlete of the Year by the NCAA II Conference Commissioners Association. Augustana College's Aaron Graumann was the male recipient, marking the first time in the six-year history of the award that both winners came from the North Central Conference.

Hamilton, a native of St. Paul, Minn., was chosen from a field of eight female regional scholar-athlete award winners which were announced last month.

This past June, Hamilton landed a spot on the 15-member 2004-05

ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America College Division Women's Track and Field/Cross Country First Team, becoming, in the process, the first Bulldog to be bestowed with national academic All-American recognition on three occasions (she was a first team pick in 2004 and a third team honoree in 2003). One month earlier she received the North Central Conference's coveted 2005 Stan Marshall Award, which is presented each year to one male and one female senior student-athlete who distinguish themselves through academic performance, athletic ability and community activities. Hamilton is currently pursuing a master's degree in social work after she graduated with honors (summa cum laude; 4.00 cumulative grade point average) from UMD in May 2004 with degrees in women's studies and psychology.

During her stay at UMD, she has also been the recipient of the following scholarships: Raymond W. Darland All-American Scholarship (based on scholastic record, character, citizenship and leadership; 2003-04), College of Liberal Arts Scholarships (based on scholarship, campus leadership and community involvement; 2003-04) UMD's Presidential Scholarship (given to Minnesota residents ranking in top 5 percent of their senior class who demonstrate outstanding leadership abilities; 2000-04), and Bohannon Merit Scholarship from UMD's College of Education and Human Service Professions (based on scholarship and campus involvement; 2002-04). A member of the Dean's list for Academic Excellence all 10 semesters thus far, Hamilton landed UMD's Top Female Scholar-Athlete Award for

2003-04 and was the first winner of the Shjon Podein Community Service Award (awarded annually to a UMD student-athlete who best exemplifies leadership qualities on and off the field of play and has made noteworthy humanitarian contributions to the Duluth and UMD communities).

For the full article, please check out our website:

<http://www.d.umn.edu/ws>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ON-CAMPUS

Oct. 19. "Domestic Violence: A Community Issue, A Global Issue" presented by Cathryn Curley of Safe Haven Shelter, in KSC 268, 12 Noon.

Building a Peaceful Community: Candlelight Vigil to End Domestic Violence in Leif Erickson Park, 5 p.m.

Oct. 24-28. *Perish Masks Program* to honor 42 women and children from Minnesota who lost their lives to domestic violence will be on display at the Kirby Tables, in front of the Bookstore.

Oct. 26. "How the Supreme Court Nominations Could Affect our Day to Day Lives" panel discussion with Elizabeth Storaasli in KSC 268, 12 Noon.

Nov. 2. "Women in Athletics" panel including UMD coaches and student athletes in KSC 268, 12 Noon.

Nov. 9. "Women in Business" panel with local business owners and UMD professors in KSC 268, 12 Noon.

Nov. 15. *Self Defense Workshop* in the UMD Ballroom, 7 p.m.

Nov. 16. "Women in Science" panel including UMD professors KSC 268, 12 Noon.

Nov. 30. "Women in the Arts" panel including

UMD professors in KSC 268, 12 Noon.

Dec. 7. "Women in Construction" in KSC 268, 12 Noon.

Dec. 14. "Women and AIDS" in KSC 268, 12 Noon.

OFF CAMPUS

UW-Superior:

Oct. 24. The Women's Coffeehouse presents **STARHAWK** in the Kathryn Ohman Theater, McCaskill Hall, 7 p.m.

Oct. 27. *Lesbian Nuns: Twenty Years of Breaking Silence* talk in the Multicultural Center, Old Main, 7 p.m.

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Mar. 3-4, 2006. "Dangerous Desires: *Queer Politics in the New Millennium*," a women's history conference at Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY. Keynote speaker is Amber Hollibaugh, Senior Strategist, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and author of *My Dangerous Desires: A Queer Girl Dreaming Her Way Home*. Topics may include, but are not limited to: queer theory and LGBT history; media representations; the marriage debate; class and race in LGBT movements; sex work etc. **Deadline: Nov. 18, 2005.** Send proposals to Tara James, Women's History Program, Sarah Lawrence College, 1 Mead Way,

Bronxville, NY 10708 or email tjames@slc.edu.

Mar. 9-11, 2006. "Mobility," The Seventh Annual Graduate Symposium on Women's and Gender History in the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. To celebrate and encourage further work in the field of women's and gender history, we invite submissions from graduate students from any institution on topics in women's and gender history that address the theme of "Mobility." **Deadline: Nov. 1, 2005.** For more information, contact Programming Committee Chair James Warren at gender-symp@uiuc.edu.

June 15-18, 2006. "Locating Women's Studies: Formations of Power and Resistance," 27th Annual Conference of the National Women's Studies Association in Oakland. NWSA invites papers that examine women's studies education, scholarship, service and activism wherever they occur, whether in research institutions, comprehensive or liberal arts campuses, community colleges, K-12 schools, women's centers, research institutes or community organizations, or via independent scholarship and creative works. The Association also invites papers that examine locations in terms of power, including the relations among academic sites, communities, regions, nations, local sites, global settings and identity groups. Proposal topics could include but are not limited to: the role

of feminist/womanist theories in women's studies; the relationship between women's studies and science education; women's studies in non-US contexts; etc. **Deadline: Nov. 1, 2005.** Visit <http://www.nwsaconference.org> to download the CFP and for complete conference details.

CALL FOR CONTRIBUTORS

Latinos and Latinas in U.S. History and Culture: An Encyclopedia. M.E. Sharpe, a New York-based academic and reference publisher, is seeking contributing scholars for a comprehensive reference work on the historical and theoretical examination of Latinos/Latinas throughout the United States from the 19th century to present. The project is aimed at the academic high school levels. General editors are Dr. Carmen Lugo-Lugo and David J. Leonard, professors in the Department of Comparative Ethnic Studies at Washington State University. For information, please email DavidLeonard@djlwsu@adelphia.net.

MEETING INFORMATION

FACE meets Thursdays at 5 p.m., in the Multimedia Room, KSC 273B.

Pro-Choice meets Thursdays at 4 p.m., in the Multimedia Room, KSC 273B.

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Fall 2006

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dates on cele-
bration and
reunion plans.*



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***Mark Your Calendar!!!**

*Race, Culture and the Achievement Gap
Summit*

Venue: Lincoln Park School, 2424 W. 5th St.

Date & Time: 4-9 p.m., Friday, Oct. 28th, & 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 29th.

Pre-registration required. Call Alanna Oswald, MacArthur School, 218-628-4881 to register or for more information.

FREE: Childcare stipends, and meals

Free transportation provided if needed