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WOMEN'S CENTER 5TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Schedule of Activities

Tuesday, November 1

- at the Women's Center -

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| 10:30 a.m. | Videotape of four women graduates of the Princeton class of 1973, the first coeducational class. Discussion. |
| 11:30 a.m. | Walkin' Wo/Men: a one-mile fast walk or run on campus starting at the Women's Center (see map of route below) |
| 12:00-1:00 p.m. | Seminar: "The Strange Career of Women at Vanderbilt," Paul Conkin, Distinguished Professor of History. |
| 1:30 p.m. | Videotape: "Women and Creativity" |
| 2:30 p.m. | Videotape: "Uncommon Women and Others." |

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**Tours of the Women's Center all day

***Audiotapes may be heard in the Women's Center Library throughout the day, including Ellie Smeal's 1983 Women's Week Address, National Public Radio's recent program on the Wage Gap, and many others.

A big celebration is planned for Tuesday, November 1, to mark the fifth anniversary of the founding of Vanderbilt's Women's Center. Everyone, male or female, is welcome to come over between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and participate in some of the special events or simply take a tour of the Center.

A timetable of events that has been posted around campus appears below. Scheduled events include videotapes, a seminar on Women at Vanderbilt, and the introduction of the Women's Center's newest program to promote physical fitness, "Walkin' Wo/Men."

Videotapes will be played in the Meeting Room. These include an interview with May Sarton and a series about four Princeton women in the class of 1973, which was the first year women received bachelor's degrees from that university.

Visitors to the Women's Center on November 1 will also be able to listen to audiotapes in the Library which include the Eleanor Smeal address which launched Women's Week last March. Other tapes deal with the gender gap in pay and in politics.

"Walkin' Wo/Men", - the Women's Center's new program to promote physical fitness - will start Tuesday, November 1, as part of the commemoration of the Center's fifth anniversary. Even fairly slow walkers should be able to cover this route in about 20 minutes.

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at 11:30 a.m., a group will depart from the Women's Center on a one-mile walk or run, for those who prefer. The route is mapped below:

Past Rand Terrace to the Central Library; down to 21st Avenue between the Library and the School of Nursing; up 21st to Garland; up Garland to the University Club; in front of the Club and around the Office of Undergraduate Admissions; down 24th Avenue onto Vanderbilt Place; and back to the Women's Center.

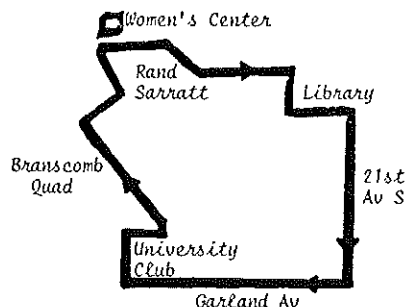
A leader will be identified by her reflective orange vest which carries the program's name, "Walkin' Wo/Men".

This program is open to everyone, men as well as women. Those who want to join the group at Edgehill and 21st or Garland Av-

enue may do so, returning to their starting point to complete their mile.

The goal is personal fitness. No one is racing against anyone else. Everyone will try to improve her or his own time, or perhaps increase the distance covered in the same amount of time.

So take a break - give yourself a break - join "Walkin' Wo/Men" on Tuesday, November 1, and every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday thereafter at 11:30 a.m.



One Mile Route past familiar landmarks for Walkin' Wo/Men

Women and Men in the Household of Faith

November 8-10

"Women and Men in the Household of Faith" is the theme for this year's Cole Lectures with Commentary and the Antoinette Brown Lecture sponsored by the Divinity School. The three day schedule of events begins November 8 and includes these public lectures:

November 8, 7:30 p.m. - "Emerging Issues in Feminist Biblical Interpretation" by Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza. Cole Lecture I.

November 9, 7:30 p.m. - "Feminist Theology: A New Way of Seeing, A New Way of Being", by Sallie McFague. The Antoinette Brown Lecture.

November 10, 1:30 p.m. - "Slaves and Wives: House Church and Household Code" by Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza. Cole Lecture II.

Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza (Dr. Theol., University of Munster) is presently professor of Theology at Notre Dame. She has published numerous articles and books on theological issues, feminist theology, and the ministries of women. Her latest book is *In Memory of Her: A Feminist Theological Reconstruction of Christian Origins*.

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FOCUS ON WOMEN AT VANDERBILT

Our series recognizing the accomplishments of women at Vanderbilt continues this month with the focus on faculty women of George Peabody College for Teachers.

Janet Eyler, Assistant Professor of Education, was promoted to Associate Dean of George Peabody College for Teachers in September 1983. She is also a Research Associate in the Vanderbilt Institute for Public Policy Studies. She received her B.A. and M.Ed. from the University of Washington (1966, 1970), and her Ph.D. from the University of Indiana in 1977. Eyler, who is chair of the Women's Center Advisory Board for 1983-84, attended the Bryn Mawr Summer Institute for Women in Higher Education Administration last summer.

Elizabeth Goldman, Associate Professor of Mathematics Education and Associate Dean for Undergraduate Academic Affairs, recently received the Ellen Gregg Ingalls Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching. She was nominated by Kappa Delta Pi, an honor society in education, for her superior knowledge of math and her ability as a fair and well-organized teacher. She is the outgoing chair of the Faculty Senate. Goldman received her B.S. from Tulane University in 1964 and her M.A. and Ph.D. from Vanderbilt, 1966, 1970.

Susan Gray, Professor Emerita of Psychology, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the American Psychological Association's Division of School Psychology. The Award is among the highest of honors awarded by the Association. Gray received her A.B. in 1935 from Randolph Macon Women's College, and her M.A. and Ph.D. from Peabody (1939, 1941).

Bertha Holliday, Assistant Professor of Psychology, spent last year on leave from Vanderbilt doing research at Cornell University. She was the recipient of a Post-Doctoral Fellowship for Minorities from the National Research Council, sponsored by the Ford Foundation. With Urie Bronfenbrenner and Glen Elder, Jr., she studied the changes in southern black families as affected by the Civil Rights Era. Her research stipend was continued for her study at Vanderbilt into the childrearing practices and social support networks of black mothers. She graduated from the University of Chicago in 1969, received her Ed.M. from Harvard in 1970, and her Ph.D. from the University of Texas, Austin in 1978.

Jeanne Plas, Associate Professor of Psychology, was granted tenure with full status, effective the 1982-83 academic year. She received her A.B. from Catholic University

in 1965, her M.A. from Kent State in 1968, and her Ph.D. from the University of Georgia in 1975. Her research interests include the learning patterns of American Indian children. A recent project in collaboration with Barbara Wallston and Kathy Hoover-Dempsey deals with the network support of career-committed women.

Sharon Shields, Assistant Professor of Physical Education, was recently awarded the Young Scholar Award by the Southern Association of Physical Education for College Women, a 13-state region. On October 22, Shields was presented the award in Daytona Beach Florida, at the Association's fall conference. Her topic for the Young Scholar Lecture was "The Wellness Movement in Physical Education: Past Philosophies Influencing Current Trends setting a Model of Life for Tomorrow."

Shields is currently working on several employee fitness programs with a grant from the American Alliance of Health and Physical Education, one of only six awarded in the nation. She is studying the effects of structured and non-structured physical fitness programs on the reduction of susceptibility to coronary heart disease. Shields received her B.S. and M.Ed. from the University of Louisville in 1971 and 1974, and her Ph.D. from Peabody in 1976.

Barbara Strudler Wallson, who has had tenure since 1978, was promoted to Professor of Psychology with full status in the fall of 1982. She received an A.B. from Cornell University in 1964, an M.A. from the University of Connecticut in 1966, another M.A. from the University of Wisconsin in 1970, and a Ph.D. from Wisconsin in 1972. Wallston received one of the first six Peabody Merit Awards given last spring in recognition of outstanding faculty members. She was also given Fellow Status for the fifth time, in the American Psychological Association. Only 5-10% of APA's members achieve Fellow Status for unusual and outstanding contribution to the field of psychology. Wallston first achieved Fellow Status in 1978 in the division of Psychology of Women. Since then the divisions of Health Psychology, the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, Psychologists in Public Service, and most recently Personality and Social Psychology have granted her Fellow Status.

Editor's Note on Women's VU Policy: Courtesy titles will not be used for women or men. Submitted articles will be edited to conform to the policy if necessary.

New at the Library . . .

Equal Pay for Work of Comparable Worth: An Annotated Bibliography. Published and distributed by the American Library Association, 1982.

This guide contains 142 annotated sources on the topic, including studies done to document the differences between men's and women's wages, possible solutions to this problem, government regulations concerning equal pay, litigation in this area and studies performed in specific professions, i.e., nursing, librarians. It can be used by individuals seeking an introduction to the subject, by organizations active in the field, by journalists or policymakers, and by librarians.

Office Work in America. Report by Working Women, 1982.

This report outlines some of the major issues facing women office workers today and offers an agenda for change in the 80's. The discussion includes statistics on the numbers of women clerical workers and how their salaries compare to those of men clerical workers. Other concerns of women office workers are poor career opportunities, child care policies, sexual harassment, and health and safety hazards on the job. A list of references used in preparing this report is included.

The Hearts of Men, by Barbara Ehrenreich. Anchor Press, 1983.

Barbara Ehrenreich contends that the breakdown of the family did not stem from women rebelling against their sex roles in the 60's but was begun ten years earlier by the male flight from commitment. The men's revolt against the "breadwinner ethic" is followed from its beginnings in the 50's to the "Me Generation" of the 70's. Cultural influences from Playboy Magazine to the medical profession's classification of "responsibility" as a risk to health are explored.



Old Soldiers Never Die - The following inscription appears on a tombstone in St. Nicholas Church, Hove, England:

In memory of Phoebe Hessel who was born in Stephney in the year 1713. She served for many years as a private soldier in the 5th Reg. of Foot in different parts of Europe and in the year 1745 fought under the command of the Duke of Cumberland at the Battle of Fontenoy where she received a bayonet wound in her arm. Her long life which commenced in the time of Queen Anne extended to the reign of George IV by whose munificence she received comfort and support in her latter years. She died at Brighton where she had long resided December 12th 1821 aged 108 years."

-from *MINERVA: QUARTERLY REPORT ON WOMEN AND THE MILITARY*
Summer 1983

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gloria DeArcangelis will present program on Women and Art

On December 1st, the Women's Center will sponsor a slide lecture by Gloria DeArcangelis in a continuing series on "Women in Literature and Art."

Gloria DeArcangelis will speak about her work and the work of other women artists who have influenced her. A slide show illustrates her wood sculptures which employ "the images of houses as stage sets for personal critiques of relationships and their surrounding mythologies."

The artist is an assistant professor of sculpture and ceramics in the Fine Arts Department. She holds an M.F.A. in Ceramics from the University of Washington (1981), and B.F.A. (1978) from Philadelphia College of Art.

The lecture begins at 7:00 p.m. at the Women's Center, E-2 West Side Row. Anyone interested is welcome!



Planned Parenthood

Women and Sexuality

This course will assist women of all ages in examining who they are as sexual people.

The course begins November 7 and meets for five Monday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Menopause and Hysterectomy Seminar

This seminar will focus on helping women explore the physical and emotional effects of menopause. The benefits of proper nutrition and therapeutic yoga will be explored.

November 12, Saturday only, 9:00-4:00

Men and Sexuality

This course will examine the changing role of men and provide an opportunity for discussion and sharing.

Meeting for five Monday evenings, the course begins November 14 at 7:30-9:30.

How to Provide Sexuality Education When You Are Not Sure What You Are Doing?

This workshop is designed for teachers, counselors and other professionals who want to develop or enhance skills in sexuality education.

December 8 and 9 only, 9:00-4:00

For further information, contact Mary Berlin 327-1097.

Money Management

The popular Introduction to Money Management course, taught by Sandra Lewis, C.P.A., will be offered again in November. This class series will meet at 7:00 p.m. at the Women's Center on Wednesday, November 9, Thursday, November 10, Wednesday, November 16, and Thursday, November 17.

Preregistration is requested since class enrollment is limited. A fee of \$10.00 for the series will be charged. For further information call the Women's Center, 322-4843.

Roundtable Seminars

November 2 - "Sex Discrimination in Employment: Past, Present, and Future" Paul Burstein, Associate Professor of Sociology

November 9 - "Sex Differences in Concern about Weight and Eating" Shelley Chaiken, Assistant Professor of Psychology

November 16 - "Women and Economic Development: Family Planning, Migration, and Labor Market Behavior" Kathryn Anderson, Assistant Professor of Economics

All Roundtable Seminars begin at noon and end promptly at 1:00 p.m. at the Women's Center. All interested persons are invited to attend; bring a sack lunch if you wish. Coffee, tea or soft drinks are available at the Women's Center for a modest price.

Vanderbilt Professional Women

On December 1, Barbara Sadler of *Color Magic* will speak on wardrobing and grooming for professional women.

Breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m.; the program will start promptly at 8:00 a.m. Coffee will be provided by the Women's Center in the Rand Hall faculty dining room.

League of Women Voters

Third week in November - General meeting sponsored by The League of Women Voters of Nashville on the subject of military policy.

Third week in January - General meeting sponsored by The League of Women Voters of Nashville on the subject of health care. For further information call the League office at 297-7134.

Board of Trust Invited to Open House

On Thursday, November 3, Vanderbilt Trustees will begin to gather on campus for the semi-annual meeting of the Board. As in the past, the Women's Center Advisory Board and staff have organized a special program to share with Trustees who are interested in women's concerns and are able to add to their tight schedules a meeting with University women.

This fall's plan departs from our past meeting-format. Last summer the Women's Center was refurbished and expanded to occupy the entire top floor in E Building, West Side Row. We are eager to show off our new quarters and especially want members of the Board to see our attractive walk-in facility.

So rather than calling a meeting, as we have done before, we are hosting an open house all day on Thursday and Friday, November 3 and 4. Our staff and members of the Women's Center Advisory Board will be here to greet everyone who comes over; to provide tours of the Center and answer questions about our programs, plans, and hopes for the future of women at Vanderbilt.

A letter has been sent to the Trustees, telling them of our plans. We hope that readers who were unable to come over during our Fifth Anniversary Open House will drop by on Thursday or Friday.

-Nancy A. Ransom
Director

Celebrated Astronomer will speak at Sarratt

E. Margaret Burbidge will deliver a public lecture Thursday, November 17, 7:30 p.m. in Sarratt Cinema. Her lecture topic is expected to be galaxies with active nuclei (an exact title was not available when this article was written). An informal reception will follow.

This lecture is in honor of Carl K. Seyfert, the first director of the Dyer Observatory, and is part of the festivities planned by the Vanderbilt Astronomy Program to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the dedication of the Dyer Observatory.

Other events will include the dedication of the 12 inch DeWitt Telescope at the Dyer Observatory in honor of John DeWitt, Jr., who donated his telescope to the university some years ago. On Friday and Saturday, November 18-19, the International Amateur-Professional Photoelectric Photometry Association meets.

Burbidge is the retiring president of the
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Women's Center Team Wins Third

The Women's Center team won a prize in the United Way race on Saturday, October 8 for having the third largest team. The Department of Psychology and Human Development team was second, and A D Pi was first. Winners will be given tickets for the Vandy-Memphis State game on October 29, to take children who are benefitted by the money raised through the United Way campaign.

Members of the Women's Center team were: Enid Katahn, Jackie Looney, Gay Morgan, Brad Powers, Maureen Powers, Nancy Ransom, Karen Sroufe, Lottie Strupp, and Annie Wills.

Members of the Women's Center team wore yellow roses as their emblem. The yellow rose was the symbol used by suffragists during their struggle to gain the vote in America.

Unemployment Rate for Women with Humanities Phd's Exceeds that of Men

A new report has found that the unemployment rate for women with Ph.D.'s in the humanities (all fields combined) is higher than the rate for men Ph.D.'s - 2.6% for women, 1.1% for men. The report, "Science, Engineering and Humanities Doctorates in the United States," also shows a median salary for men in the humanities of \$27,400, compared with \$23,200 for women. It was issued by the National Research Council of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

-University Women, April 1983

Conference on Child Abuse: November 14 - 16

Working Together in the Best Interest of Children and Families, the Southeast Regional Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect will meet November 14-16, at the Opry-land Hotel.

"The purpose of the Southeast Regional Conference is to bring together all the disciplines involved in the care and treatment of child abuse and neglect victims and their families. The conference is intended to provide means by which the participants can learn from experienced and knowledgeable professionals, share information on innovative programs, encourage local coordination and discuss future directions." (from circular)

There is a registration fee of \$40.00 which includes the banquet on Tuesday evening.

For further information on the conference, contact: Paul Campbell, Office of Continuing Social Work Education, UT School of Social Work, 1838 Terrace Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37996-3920. (615) 974-6015.

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Household of Faith, cont. from p. 1

Sallie McFague (Ph.D., Yale) is professor of theology and former dean of Vanderbilt Divinity School. She is the author of *Metaphorical Theology: Models of God in Religious Language* (1982) and *Speaking in Parables: A Study in Metaphor and Theology* (1975).

Commentary workshops continue the theme of "Women and Men in the Household of Faith," with these topics among others - Language and Liturgy; The Christian Family in Transition; Gender, Race and Conflict in the Church; Feminist Spiritualities; Pedestals and Piety; Religion and the Southern Woman.

Information about all programs and about registration may be obtained from Catherine Snow, Director of School Relations, Divinity School, 322-2776.

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American Association for the Advancement of Science. Formerly the director of the Royal Greenwich Observatory in England, she was appointed director of the Center for Astrophysics and Space Science at the University of California, San Diego, in 1979. In 1958 she became the first woman to win the coveted Catherine Wolfe Bruce medal for distinguished service to the field of astronomy.

"Failure is Impossible" Susan B. Anthony

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