The Stitzel Endowment

First project funded . . .

Associate professors Christine Martin and Maryanne Reed of the Perley I. Reed School of Journalism are the first Stitzel Endowment Teachers to be funded by the Judith Gold Stitzel Endowment for Excellence in Women’s Studies Teaching and Learning. Martin and Reed will host a panel of women correspondents who were Vietnam era journalists, offer a series of seminars and lectures, and produce an hour-long documentary related to their research. Women’s Studies and Journalism look forward to establishing a Center for the Study of Women in International Journalism at WVU. The underwriting of the Martin-Reed project constitutes the first step under the aegis of the Endowment to incorporate women’s studies scholarship into the curriculum by acknowledging and supporting the work of faculty members who are making this integration possible.

A dream realized . . .

I am deeply grateful to my family, friends, students, and colleagues who made my retirement celebration so memorable. Through your extraordinary contributions to the endowment that I launched last November 1st, it now is valued at over $52,000 in gifts and pledges. Together, we are realizing the dream of weaving women’s studies into the fabric of West Virginia University. Your generosity is a source of joy and hope.

Judith Gold Stitzel, WVU Professor Emerita of English and Women’s Studies

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Judith Stitzel (r. front) with 1999 JoAnne and Charles Dickinson Symposium committee and presenters at the April 13th event, “Women Using Technology to Promote, Maintain, or Restore Health.” Front: Lillian Waugh, Sue Leight, Fredona Stenger (moderator). Back: Barbara Howe, Vickie Chase, and Stephanie Caswell-Shuckers. Many thanks to the Dicksons and Dr. Robert D’Alessandri, Vice-President for Health Sciences, for making the five-session series possible.
Director's Corner

This has been a busy spring and a time of transitions! The 13th Dickinson Symposium focused on Women and Technology. April was crowded with speakers and programs—Take Back the Night and Sexual Assault Awareness Week, two Masters of Arts in Liberal Studies candidate colloquia, Prof Frederick A. Lubich’s program on representations of women in German art, and Joan Browning’s talk about her work in the civil rights movement.

Our long-range planning committee ended the year with a very successful May planning “advance,” during which 14 faculty and staff reviewed our work and developed an ambitious agenda for the upcoming year.

WVU celebrates the millennium during the 1999-2000 academic year, and I am providing information about WVU’s history, with a strong emphasis on social justice issues. The 1999-2000 freshman orientation handbook will include a history of WVU which emphasizes social justice issues and draws on Lillian Waugh’s 1989-91 WVU Women’s Centenary research.

A preliminary director position description was shared at the June NWSA (National Women’s Studies Association) annual meeting and the formal search for a permanent director for the Center begins in the fall.

And, this summer planning begins for the 20th anniversary of Women’s Studies at WVU, which will be celebrated during the 2000-2001 academic year!

Barb Howe

Alliance News

The West Virginia Alliance for Women’s Studies invites you to attend our annual Balloon Festival Dinner on Friday, October 8, 1999 at the Plains Country Club in Morgantown. Tickets are available for $25. Please contact me at (304) 296-1310 or vbruhn@wvu.edu or call the Center at (304)293-2339.

The Alliance is a 501(c)-3 charitable organization. Funds raised go to scholarships for WVU students. Door prizes will be given and a great meal will be served. If you are unable to attend, but want to send a donation, please make your check payable to WVAWS or West Virginia Alliance for Women's Studies and send it to: Vicki Bruhn - WVAWS, P.O. Box 413, Morgantown, WV 26507-0413.

Every so often, an organization reexamines its goals and purpose. The Alliance has begun such a period, due in part to the great success of the Center over the past decade. We are very proud of our accomplishments, but cannot rest on our laurels. Life and the WVAWS evolve through change. We value your support during this time of transition.

Thank you for your continued support of the West Virginia Alliance for Women’s Studies and the WVU Center for Women’s Studies. See you October 8!!

Victoria C. Bruhn, WVAWS president

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Thank you! Bill Davis (above) was the last of four temporary Center staffers who helped out last year when a college staff review delayed a permanent hire. Thanks, also, to Donna Pruitt, Karla Vaughan and Donna Clarke.
Student News

Breaking the Silence in Cyberspace

One out of four college women will experience rape or attempted rape during her college career; one in four women will be raped during her lifetime. Having researched the area of sexual assault education and prevention since 1994, I am personally aware of the need for information on sexual assault at WVU.

At WVU, one-to-one counseling services are available, as well as assistance from the Office of Sexual Assault Education and Prevention. However, because I found educational information services to be lacking, I created a “virtual environment” website which is designed to serve women at the university and around the world.

The website is multi-faceted; visitors have access to diverse narratives, poetry, suggestions for healing, etc. Menu selections include information and resources pertinent to institutional and judicial policies, prevention and education methods, and scholarly literature on rape and sexual assault. The site also provides access to world wide web links, secondary sources (both in area libraries and on the web), and a chat room on use of the web for sexual assault education and prevention. Visit my site at http://www.wvnet.edu/~LChapman2

Lynnette Chapman

Take Back the Night at WVU

This April 14, 1999, event was organized by FEM (Female Equality Movement).

Interested in FEM? Call (304) 293-2339 and leave your name with Cathy.

Student Praises NWSA Conference

Attending the NWSA meeting in Albuquerque revived my interest in women’s studies in a way that couldn’t have been achieved from books alone.

I used to think that the feminist movement was some abstract entity that I would never feel a part of, but at the conference exposure to women who used a variety of channels for feminist activism inspired me to become more of an activist myself because my contributions, whatever size or form they may take, are not only important to the movement— they will enable me to unite with others to become the movement.

Many thanks to the Center for Women’s Studies for giving me this experience.

Angela Higgins

Endowed funds helped Angela Higgins (r), a junior from Buckhannon, West Virginia, attend the National Women’s Studies Association meeting in Albuquerque with her mentor, Dr. Barbara Scott Winkler (l), and Center interim director Dr. Barbara Howe (c). Angela, a women’s studies minor and human nutrition major, spoke on “Wimmin’s Comix” at the “Women in Pop Culture Session.”
Faculty Associate News

Thank you to all who served on Center committees this past year and for informing the Center of your accomplishments from Summer '98 through June '99.

Katherine Aaslestad (History) received an Eberly College Riggle Fellowship in the Humanities and a DAAD (Deutsche Akademischer Austauschdienst) Short-term Scholarship for summer work on a manuscript on civic identity and nationalism in 19th-century Germany. Presentations: “Sitten und Mode, Fashion, Gender and Public Identities in Early Nineteenth-Century Hamburg,” Bad Homberg; “Interest, Imagination, and Introspection: Teaching the Holocaust in Modern German History Courses,” Southern Historical Association; and “The 1890s in Hamburg,” WV Humanities Conference.

Dale Birkle (Pharmacology and Toxicology) is the 1999 Mary Catherine Buswell Award recipient for Service to Women at West Virginia University. Prof. Birkle will be enjoying a sabbatical semester at U.C. San Diego, Scripps Institute, and has handed over the West Virginia AWIS (Association of Women in Science) presidential gavel to Linda Vona-Davis (Dept. of Surgery). WVAWIS runs annual “Expanding Your Horizons” math and science workshops for girls and participates in mentoring projects.

Rick Briggs (Center on Aging, Education Unit) was named an AGHE (Associate for Gerontology in Higher Education) Fellow and authored Caregiving Daughters: Accepting the Role of Caregiver for Elderly Parents (Garland). Presentations include conferences in Germany (on Aging in Rural America), North Carolina, and West Virginia (on use of role playing and drama as an instructional technique). Dr. Briggs serves as principal co-investigator for $330,000 in Benedum and Sisters of St. Joseph Fund grants which enhance services to the elderly in Calhoun County, West Virginia.

Anna S. Elfenbein (English) contributed a review of Gwyn Rubio’s Icy Sparks to the Journal of Appalachian Studies (Fall '98); presented “Contemporary Appalachian Ecofeminist Fiction: Marilou Awiakta and Denise Giardina,” at the Appalachian Studies Association Conference; and was awarded a $7,500 WVU Faculty Senate Grant to study gender and editing in Maxwell Perkins’ letters.

Tesfa Gebremedhin (Resource Management) co-edited Sustainability in Agricultural and Rural Development (Ashgate, 1998), a publication to which he also contributed a chapter, “Sustainability and Agricultural Industrialization: Issues and Implications”; and co-authored Leadership Challenges for Effective Management (Blackhall, 1999), and a divisional bulletin, “Education as an Investment for Economic Development in West Virginia: An Empirical Analysis.”


Ellesa High (English) contributed “The Standing People,” to Appalachian Studies Award Winning 1999 publication of essays, Bloodroot: Reflections on Place by Appalachian Women Writers, Joyce Dyer, ed. (University Press of Kentucky) and presented “Clear-Cutting: Creative Nonfiction by Four Appalachian Women Writers,” at the Appalachian Studies Conference.

Kathleen Karraker (Psychology) followed five 1998 presentations on her parenting and child development research with Spring 1999 offerings—“The Big Five Model of Personality as a Predictor of Cross-situational Patterns of Behavior” at the regional Tri-State Psychological Association conference; and “Mothers’ Predictions of their Toddlers’ Performance on the Bayley Scales of Infant Development” at the Society for Research in Child Development national conference.

Madonna Kolbenschlag (Student Affairs) spoke on empowering women through information technology in Trondheim, Norway, at the 7th (triennial) International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women. She is founder of WIEU (Women’s International Electronic University). Please visit WIEU at: http://www.wvu.edu/~womensu/
Devika Malhotra (WVU-Parkersburg, Sociology) visited South Africa with the Citizen Ambassador Program’s Women’s Delegation and served as a consultant in a gender discrimination case.

Kathleen McNerney (Foreign Languages). In addition to presentations to the WV Foreign Language Teachers Association, (“Spanish Women Writers: A History”), and West Virginia Conference on Aging (“Pictures of Aging Women in Carme Riera”), she contributed these and other following works to Spanish and Catalan studies: co-author, España y su civilización (5th edition/McGraw-Hill); translator, Maria-Ania Oliver’s El sol que fa l’ànec; “Quim? Quima y Orlando: Cambios de sexo y de moda” in Actas del XII Congreso de la Asociación Internacional de Hispanistas: Birmingham 1995; and reviews in Letras Peninsulares and World Literature Today.

Ann Oberhauser (Geography) has received total of $95,207 in internal and external grants to pursue work in women’s home work and industrial restructuring in Appalachia and cross-cultural comparisons of rural women’s economic development in Appalachia and South Africa. Publications include a chapter, “Weaving the Socio-Economic Fabric of Women’s Lives,” in B.E. Smith (ed.), Neither Separate nor Equal: Women, Race and Class in the U.S. South (Temple) co-authored with doctoral student Anne-Marie Turnage; and “Households, Violence and Women’s Economic Rights: A Case Study of Women and Work in Appalachia,” in Fenster (ed.), Gender, Planning and Human Rights (Routledge). Turnage and fellow doctoral candidate Amy Pratt, 1999 Winifred South Knutti Graduate Scholar, are her research assistants.

Janis-Rozena Peri (Music) is spending her Fall ’99 professional development leave in New York City, and coaching with Wayne Sanders, co-director and co-founder of Opera Ebony, an expert on the works of African-American women composers.

Cindy Stackpole (United Campus Ministries) earned her D.Min. in spirituality from Wesley Theological Seminary and is pioneering “Women Saints and Mystics” (WMST 191-J) this Fall.

Donley Studlar (Political Science) was honored as 1998-99 Eberly College of Arts and Sciences Outstanding Researcher for his work on women candidates in Canadian and Norwegian elections.

Steven Zdaney (History) published Hairstyles and Fashion: A Hairdresser’s History of Paris, 1910-1920 (Berg) and L’artisanat en France au XXème siècle (Editions Bélin). Presentations include “French Flappers: the Politics of Women’s Short Hairstyles” at Indiana University (PA) and, “The Mirage of Corporatism” at Cornell University.

Transitions

Moving

Kathy Covert (Chemistry) is joining the faculty of Bates College in Lewiston Maine.

Caroline Litzenberger (History) is joining the faculty of Portland State University in Oregon.

Sally Ward Maggard (Sociology) is now National Program Leader for Rural Sociology of the Economic and Community Systems unit of the Cooperative State, Research, Education, and Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Her WVU ties continue through appointment as adjunct associate professor of Resource Management, College of Agriculture, Forestry, and Consumer Sciences.

Retired

Karen K. Douglas (assistant professor emerita, Community Medicine) was presented with the Ray O. Duncan Award for her leadership in health and physical education.

Enid Portnoy (assistant professor emerita, Communications Studies) has moved to the Washington, D.C. area.

Reba Thurmond, retired United Methodist Church campus minister, mentored her successor and co-teacher, Cindy Stackpole in last semester’s “Women, Religion, and Spirituality” course.

Ann Oberhauser (l) with Amy Pratt (c) and Anne-Marie Turnage (r) and Appalachianian by Design display. Home-based microenterprise ABD produces high-quality knit goods.
Congratulations!

1999 Women's Studies Graduates

Women's Studies Minors Completed
May-August 1999

Dawn Jo Altman
B.A. Sociology & Anthropology, History Minor
David "Hoby" Botero
B.A.s Communications Studies & Spanish
Karla S. Brookreson
B.A.s Psychology, Sociology & Anthropology
Jennifer M. Coyle
B.S.W. Social Work
Renee C. Gadsby
B.A. Sociology & Anthropology, Gerontology Certificate
Crystal Dawn Lindsey
B.A.s History, Communications Studies
Michelle D. Lucas
B.A. Sociology & Anthropology
Lisa K. Martin
B.A. Sociology & Anthropology
Kristen Mumaw
B.A. Psychology
Anne Y. Smittle
B.A. History
April K. Stewart
B.S. Speech Pathology & Audiology

Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (M.A.L.S.)
Lynnette M. Chapman
(Women's Studies Certificate, '97)

"A Visit With Louisa May Alcott"

was a high point of the April 19th festivities. Ms. Ralston's presentation was made possible by the West Virginia Humanities Council, with financial assistance from the Office of the Secretary, West Virginia Department of Education and the Arts.

"Louisa" spoke about 19th-Century women's rights, education, and the abolition of slavery.

Special Thank-Yous

1998-99 Visiting Assistant Professor
Safoura Boukari, Ph.D.

1998-99 Teaching Assistants
Cherith Boon
Jennifer Campbell
Lynnette Chapman
Raschelle "Shelley" Raker
Andrea Soccorsi

Summer Work Study Students
Jennifer Carpenter
David McCord

Welcome! Cathy Jasper (r), the Center's new administrative secretary, greets women's studies faculty associate Carolyn Nelson, visiting lecturer in the English department.

Photos on pages 6 & 7 by WVU Photographic Services
Celebrate!

Some '98 and '99 graduates and an unexpected guest. Front: Renee C. Gadsby, Dawn Jo Altman and Kristin Mumaw. Rear: Hoby Boero with Muñeca, Chris Brehm, Lynnette Chapman and Bill Townsend. Gadsby and Brehm are expected to complete women's studies minors this year.

Eberly College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Women's Studies Senior
Dawn Jo Altman

Eberly College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Women's Studies Teaching Assistant
Andrea Socorski

Sallie Lowther Norris Showalter Award for Excellence in Mathematics & Related Disciplines
Melanie Blackburn

Winifred South Knutti Graduate Scholarship
Amy D. Pratt

Velma M. Miller Graduate Scholar Award
Karla Anhalt

Carrie Koeturius Scholarships for Returning Women
Lori L. Compton, Larisa Lebedeva, Theresa K. Miller, Barbara Ronk

Judith Gold Stitzel Endowment for Excellence in Women's Studies Teaching and Learning
Christine Martin and Maryanne Reed

1999 Women's Studies Student Award Recipients

Front: Karla Anhalt (Velma Miller Award), Andrea Socorski (Eberly College Outstanding Women's Studies Teaching Assistant), Teresa Miller and Lori Compton (Koeturius Scholars). Rear: Melanie Blackburn (Sallie L.N. Showalter Award), Dawn Jo Altman (Eberly College Outstanding Women's Studies Senior), Barbara Ronk (Koeturius Scholar), Amy Pratt (Winifred South Knutti Scholar), (Renee Gadsby, minor candidate), and Larisa Lebedeva (Koeturius Scholar). Awards given on April 18th, 1999, totaled $10,000.
Graduate News

Surveys Show Women’s Studies Grads Live What They Learned

Center grads responded to two surveys in 1998-9, an anonymous graduate survey and a mailing given women’s studies certificate/minor and award winners the opportunity to update us on their successes and, if they wished, have their remarks cited. The surveys showed overwhelmingly positive assessment of the WVU women’s studies’ experience, asked for a women’s studies major, and demonstrated the need for more and earlier career counseling.

Respondents appreciated helping to shape the Center’s programs. They consider women’s studies a “turning point” in their lives, and they recommend working hard to eliminate barriers between academic and non-academic communities by strengthening connections between theory/scholarship and practice/activism.

15% of our 109 1986-1998 graduates sent in non-anonymous surveys and half the respondents invested in future students by becoming donors.

This is a great beginning! Center grads confirm what Barbara Luebbe and Mary Ellen Reilly found in their landmark Women’s Studies Graduates: The First Generation, our discipline produces women and men who work hard to build communities as well as their own careers and families. At least five Center grads now hold law degrees. Many more are in social work or counseling. The arts, teaching, landscape architecture, engineering, health care, graduate school, parenting and mentoring claim increasing numbers.

Delilah Alexandria Board (M.A. & Winifred South Knutti Graduate Scholar ’98) is a program coordinator and instructor at North Central West Virginia OIC, a retraining center for displaced and disadvantaged workers. Sadly, she has proof positive that sexism is still alive and well; happily, she’s fighting back in style. Finding her calls were not being returned in a timely fashion, she started using her family nickname, “Alex.” Business is now booming for Alex Board.

Liz Bougatsos (Certificate & B.F.A.’96) lives in Brooklyn, NY, works in a bookstore, continues to do collaborative art installations and exhibitions, and is currently touring with Actress, a “working-class, college-educated, experimental band.”

Lynnette Chapman (B.A. ’96; Certificate ’97; M.A.L.S. ’99) launched “Breaking the Silence in Cyberspace, a sexual assault education and prevention website in April as part of her M.A.L.S. degree and has been teaching English at Fairmont State. She has used her women’s studies credentials in teaching literature and race and gender courses at Fairmont State while completing her master’s degree and in her sexual violence research. Lynnette will be married in August to Clifford Lavard “C.L.” Ryan, Petty Officer 1st Class, USN and will move to Norfolk, Virginia.

A past Carrie Koeturius Scholar and Women’s Studies Outstanding Teaching Assistant, she was the 1998 Social Justice Award recipient, and served as an executive committee member of the North American Student Coalition Against Sexual Violence.

Carrie Cooper (Certificate & B.A. ’94) followed her WVU economics degree with a M.A. in economics at SUNY-Buffalo. She works as a full-time broker for the Barter Network and waitresses part-time. Her volunteer work includes service on the Corporate Planning Committee for the American Diabetes Association and work with a Yorklyn, Delaware, area library and a civic association. Her women’s studies background, she says, prepared her for the “real world” of business. She is reminded daily of “how diverse and adaptable women are.”

Lynne C. Crane (Regents’ B.A. ’96; J.D. ’99) is studying for the bar and intends to practice family and bankruptcy law in Morgantown. She is also training to be a family law mediator.

Chris Weiss Daugherty (Certificate ’94 & ’92-3 Center interim co-director) returns to the USA in September after three-years as ACDI/VOCA representative and senior advisor to the Rural Community Capacity Building Program in Banska Bystrica, Slovakia. ACDI/VOCA is an American non-governmental organization. Chris reports “understanding [how] women and development work fits into overall development practice is a skill I use all the time...it gives our program...a special edge as we teach community development skills, work on microfinance, and...recognize that women leaders need a special “space” to exchange information.” About 1/3 of the program’s 150 Women’s Leadership participants are mayors.

Laura B. Hilling (B.A.90; ’95 Certificate; M.S.W. ’96) is an oncology social worker with the Mary Babb Randolph Cancer Center in Morgantown. She combines her social work, community health degrees and women’s studies credentials in “daily in bio-psychosocial assessments of cancer patients.”

Natasha Ice (B.A. ’94; Certificate ’97) was an advocate for battered women and rape victims and a case manager for children in West Virginia custody before becoming an adoption specialist for the WV
Department of Health and Human Resources and returning to WVU to earn a graduate degree with a mental health concentration. Her latest M.S.W. project is “Using Empowerment and Feminist Theories as Tools in Work with Domestic Abuse Victims.” She writes: “the knowledge I gained....in women’s studies has proved its immeasurable value to me time and time again in the past five years....Women’s studies has impacted every facet of my life. It has, in a very large part, helped to define who I am and what I do....I hope to use my [M.S.W.] degree in what I enjoy most--work with women.”

Mindy Moretti (Certificate & B.S.W. ’93) coordinates publications for the American Zoo and Aquarium Association and volunteers with DC SCORES, an after-school writing and soccer program.

Stacy Peterson (Minor & B.S.W. ’97) works in Morgantown as a children’s social worker at Valley Health Care, Inc., and uses her Women’s Studies and psychology credentials to “empower the young children with whom I work [because] they are the promise of a better future.”

Dee Quaranto (Certificate & B.A. ’93; M.S.W. ’93) works with college and high school students as a student affairs and Upward Bound counselor at Salem-Teikyo University. Dee hopes to earn a doctorate in educational administration or instructional technology. The survey prompted her to start an article which will explore “the impact that women’s studies has had on my personal and professional lives.”

Jean L. Rollins-Haley (Minor/Outstanding Senior & B.S.W. ’98) is earning a dual Social Work and Public Administration M.A., working on an internship with the WV Regional Long-term Care Ombudsman Program and Center on Aging Educational Unit volunteering as a middle and high school parent.

Meghan C. Simpson (Certificate & B.S.W. ’98), works with prison inmates in Newark, New Jersey, where she is an American Correctional Association coordinator and counselor. Listing the certificate on her resume opens lines of communication and reveals how women’s studies turns students into “well-rounded, educated individuals.” Meghan applies the “lessons and skills I learned in women’s studies to help educate the men [with whom I work] on how to integrate back into today’s society.”

Denise Srail (Certificate & B.S.M.E. ’97; M.S.E. ’98), former Sallie N.S. Lowther Math Prize recipient and WVU-SWE (Society of Women Engineers) chapter president, works in the southeast where she draws heavily on her women’s studies preparation to facilitate communication as a crew training engineer.

Jennifer A. Thompson (Certificate & B.S. Child Development ‘96; M.A. ’97) works with developmentally disabled infants and toddlers at the Bucks County (PA) Association for Retarded Citizens. She finds “women’s studies courses help me relate to and understand the perspectives of each child and family with whom I work.”

Martha J. Blizzard White (Certificate & Regents’ B.A. ’98) and former Carrie Koetius Schorl, works part-time for United Way of Monongalia and Preston Counties (WV) and does research for a WVU School of Nursing project on birth assistance as she continues doula (childbirth assistant) work, advocacy on women’s health, childbirth and parenting issues, especially among rural populations. She is working toward national midwifery certification.

K. Aaron Yeatts (Minor & B.A. ’98) is finishing a year with AmeriCorps in Las Cruces, New Mexico, where she combines tutoring high-risk children (grades 1-3) in reading and involving parents in education. She is committed to women’s issues, at-risk kids and social justice and plans to pursue a graduate degree in public administration. “A day doesn’t go by,” she writes, “when I don’t think of WVU and the valuable knowledge, encouragement, and support I received from women’s studies....I know that I would not be the same person with the same passion had I not fallen into the department’s lap almost four years ago.”

First Alliance President Honored by WV Small Business Administration

The state Office of the U.S. Small Business Administration has named Mildred T. Bright, WVAWS’s founding president (1986-1991) and current board member, as “Women in Business Advocate for 1999.”

WVU alumna Bright ran Thompson’s of Morgantown, a family office supply firm, until 1998, when it was sold to Champion Industries. She was also the second woman to head the local Chamber of Commerce. Her nomination now goes on to the national competition.
Thank-You, Friends of Women’s Studies!

Gifts of over $12,700 were received January 7 through June 30, 1999 for program support, scholarships, awards and special events. Funds given to an endowment are assumed to be in honor of the fund’s namesake and namesake/s are apprised of those gifts. IMO= in memory of; IHO = in honor of.

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A daughter, WVU alumna Wilma Ann Buvinger Robinson, endowed the Wilma McElroy Buvinger Award in Economics to mark this accomplishment and encourage WVU women to follow in her mother’s footsteps. A collaborative effort of Dr. Robinson, the Center for Women’s Studies, the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences, and the WVU Foundation, the award was inspired in part by the WVU Women’s Centenary.

Kerry Ann King, a rising senior from Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania, received the first Buvinger Award of $450. She is an economics and mathematics double major.
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All count for the Women’s Studies Minor & Certificate

WOMEN’S MOVEMENTS SINCE 1960
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September 1999
WVU Women’s Studies Calendar of Events

9/2/99 - Women’s Studies Faculty Associates Meeting
4:00p.m. - 5:00p.m.
Mountaineer Laurel Room

9/16/99 - Center Open House for Women’s Studies’ Newcomers
4:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.
218 Eiesland Hall

Students, faculty associates and friends, come help us welcome Vaneeta Palecanda (Visiting Assistant Professor) Silvia Podhajecka (Slovakian Fulbright Scholar)
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W 16:00-18:50 109 Woodburn
Examines how the material body is treated in contemporary discourses. Readings enable students to theorize everyday practice. One issue, e.g., reproductive rights, health, violence against women, etc., will be chosen, situated historically, and its social and cultural ramifications studied domestically and internationally.

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