From the Director.

It is hard to believe that we are already into the second semester. This year has been productive and fun and this coming term looks like it will be very exciting. Last fall I began the year by discussing how we can integrate activism into our daily lives at the first Brown Bag in September. This spring we will continue to look at how people think about themselves as activists and how they act on their beliefs in many areas of their work and life.

I am particularly excited by a series of events, which will occur in February. These events are linked by the idea of Women Working for Change. On Feb. 17, Carol Gilligan, the author of In A Different Voice, will be speaking on campus. Her work changed the conversation in many disciplines because she challenged the dominant voice in psychological research by saying that you cannot describe human development by studying only one kind of human experience. Her talk “In a different voice, eighteen years later” promises to be intellectually challenging and I am personally looking forward to seeing her here.

The next-day five alumnae will be speaking at a Gateway program about their current occupations and how studying Women's Studies at Colgate influenced their work. Finally, on Saturday, these returning women will be spending time with current students, who have been selected through nominations by faculty and staff from all over the University. They will be discussing the topic of how we work for change and sustain ourselves while we do that.

These events will contribute to one of the goals I have had as the current Director. I am deeply interested in the question of how we want to live our lives connected to those we know and to those we don't know in an increasingly connected world. I think in order to do this in ways that do not simply support the status quo, we must combine our intellectual lives with our daily lives. The women coming here will help us all think about that.

We continue to have very exciting projects and programs at the Center for Women's Studies. One of the highlights of last term for me was a trip to Seneca Falls with several students and faculty. We visited the home of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the Wesleyan Chapel, and then traveled to Auburn to the home of Harriet Tubman. I think we were all moved and energized by this trip.

We have some very important Brown Bag speakers coming this term, so please check this Newsletter so you can mark your calendars. I look forward to seeing many new and many familiar faces this term.

Kay Johnston

P.A. Notes

Welcome back! A new semester is under way at the Center for Women's Studies, and there is much to look forward to. With the cooperation of the ever-amazing staff of Student Assistants, the Center will be launching a number of new programs and projects. Meanwhile, existing programs will continue to enrich the Colgate community with an array of entertaining and educational opportunities.

In addition to Black History Month, February is Women in Activism Month at the Center. Throughout the month, look for our programs to reflect the various ways in which women are making change. This theme compliments the upcoming Women's Studies conference, "Women Working for Change," February 17-19. In particular, our Brown Bag speakers will address the importance of taking action in our world. Among our invited guests are Bernadine Dohrn, former anti-war organizer, and Kim Sacco '93, vice president of the North American Indian Project in Syracuse, which works to promote the economic, cultural and political self-determination of American Indians in the Syracuse area.

For many people, social activism is something other people do. However, at the recent Brown Bag panel discussion (cont'd on page 3)
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
FEBRUARY - APRIL 2000

All events are free and held at the Center for Women's Studies, unless otherwise noted

**February**

8 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Bernadine Dohrn
Co-sponsored with Peace Studies
11:30 a.m.

14 MONDAY
Reel Women Film Series
*Incredibly True Adventures of 2 Girls in Love*
8 p.m.

15 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Sunny Dooley, Navajo storyteller
11:30 a.m.

16 WEDNESDAY
Professor Clarice Martin
"Ain’t I A Woman?": Images of Black Women for Love Your Body Week
11:30 a.m.

17 THURSDAY-19 SATURDAY
"Women Working for Change" Conference
By invitation only
Sponsored by Women's Studies

17 THURSDAY
Carol Gilligan
*In a different voice, eighteen years later*
Love Auditorium
7:30 p.m.

20 SUNDAY
Women of Color Film Series
*Fire*
8 p.m.

22 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Kim Sacco, NAIP
11:30 a.m.

24 THURSDAY
Info session on Women's Diversity Conference
4 p.m.
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28 MONDAY
Reel Women Film Series
*Norma Rae*
8 p.m.

29 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Molly Ames Baker
11:30 a.m.

**March**

2 THURSDAY
Leonora Zafi, OxFam
*TBA*
4 p.m.

5 SUNDAY-9 THURSDAY
Women's Week

5 SUNDAY
Center for Women's Studies Open House
Noon-4 p.m.
Reading of *The Vagina Monologues*
7:30 p.m.

6 MONDAY
Carolyn Nordstrom
Slide presentation on child soldiers in war
4 p.m.

Reel Women Film Series
*A League of Their Own*
8 p.m.

7 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Tracy Huling, feminist filmmaker
11:30 a.m.

Roundtable dinner discussion
"What is the future of feminism?"
ALANA Cultural Center
6 p.m.

8 WEDNESDAY
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

9 THURSDAY
Women's Resource Fair
Hall of Presidents
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

20 MONDAY
Reel Women Film Series
*The Joy Luck Club*
8 p.m.

21 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Denise Kimber Buell, Williams College
11:30 a.m.

25 SATURDAY
Field Trip to Syracuse Stage
*A Raise in the Sun*
Co-sponsored with ALANA Cultural Center

26 SUNDAY
Women of Color Film Series

**April**

4 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Professor Lorraine Madway
11:30 a.m.

8 SATURDAY
3rd Annual Women's Diversity Conference

10 MONDAY
Reel Women Film Series
*Housekeeping*
8 p.m.

11 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
*Illness in the Family: Personal Stories*
11:30 a.m.

16 SUNDAY
Women of Color Film Series
*The Pillow Book*
8 p.m.

18 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Professor Maureen Hays-Mitchell
11:30 a.m.

24 MONDAY
Reel Women Film Series
*Jupiter's Wife*
8 p.m.

25 TUESDAY
Brown Bag Lunch Series
Professor Ulla Grapard
11:30 a.m.

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P.A. Notes (cont’d) entitled, "Colgate Students Making A Difference," the six women who spoke made it clear that activism is a realistic pursuit and a rewarding lifestyle for anyone and especially for students. For me, that panel raised the issue of service learning as a necessary but under-utilized component of higher education. Intellectual privilege should not justify apathy; it is not enough to talk about making a difference or read about historical and contemporary figures who are achieving those goals. To paraphrase Gandhi, we must strive to be the change we wish to see in the world.

Along those lines, March 5-9 will mark the Colgate debut of Women’s Week. This five-day event will offer the Colgate community the opportunity to learn more about women’s issues on campus and in the world. There will be performances, lectures, a roundtable discussion about the future of feminism in the 21st century and a resource fair featuring local and regional women’s organizations. Wednesday, March 8, is International Women’s Day, and in honor of that day and in conjunction with Women’s Week, there will be several multicultural programs offered around campus. For a more complete schedule of events, consult the back page of this newsletter and keep your eyes out for posters. I encourage all of you to attend at least one event during the week. It promises to be a celebration worth repeating next year!

Don’t hesitate to stop in anytime to check out our library, read the newspaper, grab a cup of coffee, or catch a nap on one of our couches. Our evening study hours will resume this week, so keep the Center in mind for a quiet place to study. I look forward to seeing many of you at the Center soon. Best wishes for a successful and exciting semester.

Karen B. Zaidberg

Announcing the new Women’s Studies web site!

http://departments.colgate.edu/womens_studies

- Check on-line for upcoming conferences, lectures, movies & Brown Bag Lunch speakers!
- Find links to many local and national women’s organizations!
- Get more information about student groups at the Center, including Colgate Society of Feminists (CSF) and Sisters of the Round Table (SORT)!
- Learn about important issues and legislations, and how you can get involved!

Projected Launch Date March 2000

UPCOMING CONFERENCE

Breaking Barriers: Colgate’s 3rd Annual Women’s Diversity Conference

Saturday, April 8, 2000

The objective of this conference is to address the issues and differences that divide the community of women. It is important that women interact with one another because in spite of all our differences, there are an overwhelming amount of obstacles and experiences that we share by nature of being women. It is important that we acknowledge and understand the differences that underlie our everyday interactions with each other and at times can hinder what could be great relationships with one another. It is crucial to recognize and appreciate that different does not always mean separate and that we are all women varying in shape, size, and color. This womanhood that is shared by all is something that cannot be reproduced, removed, or replaced, so it might as well be embraced. Let us rejoice over this unique quality we possess... together, as sisters.

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The Center for Women's Studies presents

WOMEN'S WEEK
March 5-9, 20000

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Sunday, March 5
Center for Women's Studies Open House. Noon-4:00 p.m.
Readings from Eve Ensler's play, The Vagina Monologues. 7:30 p.m.

Monday, March 6
Carolyn Nordstrom slide presentation and talk on child soldiers in war. 4:30 p.m.
Reel Women Film Series. A League of Their Own. 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7
Brown Bag Lunch Series. Tracy Huling, feminist filmmaker to screen some of her work. 11:30 a.m.
Roundtable dinner discussion: "What is the future of feminism?" ALANA Cultural Center. 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 8
International Women's Day Schedule TBA

Thursday, March 9
Women's Resource Fair, featuring community and campus resources from Planned Parenthood of Syracuse, to FEDS, to the National Organization for Women, and more! Demonstrations and free chair massages! Hall of Presidents. 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Lecture TBA. 4:30 p.m.

Women's Studies Courses
Spring 2000

WMST 202 Women's Lives: Introduction to Women's Studies
WMST 490 Senior Seminar: The Relational Self
CLAS 232 Women in Greek & Roman Antiquity
COMP 332 Writing in the Social Sciences: Going Co-Ed
COMP 347 Language and Gender
CORE 180 Women in China
ECON 334 Gender in the Economy
ENGL 306 Writing and Society in the America Renaissance
HIST 312 U.S. Women's History 1900-Present
RELG 342 Narrative, Myth, and the Sacred
SOAN 355 Community Service: Theory and Applications
SOAN 371 Anthropological Perspectives on African Women