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For the next DWC newsletter, from Nicole Rafter, DWC Chair

February 12, 1999

Here is my list of committees for the 1998-1999 year. Please let me know if you spot errors or omissions. Also let me know if you'd like to work on a committee; it's never too late to volunteer. Thanks, Nicky Rafter (rafter@badger.jsc.vsc.edu)

**DWC COMMITTEES, 1998-99**

Executive officers of the DWC: Nicole Rafter, Chair; Helen Eigenberg, Vice Chair; Executive Counselors: Rebecca Block, Susan Krumholtz, and Kimberly Cook; Secretary-Treasurer: Claire Renzetti.

ASC new members breakfast subcommittee: Chinita Heard, Organizer; Evelyn Gilbert and Chris Rasche

Email Distribution List subcommittee: Marjorie Zatz and Angie Moe Wan

External Awards Committee: Chair: Tammy Anderson; Lynne Goodstein and Joanna Phoenix

Feminist Seminar: Nancy Wonders & Mona Danner

Fifteenth Anniversary Committee: Chair, Debra Stanley; Susan Krumholtz (silent auction) and April Pattavina

We decided against holding a full-blown auction, but Susan Krumholtz is organizing a silent auction of a few items. She is being helped by Jana Jasinski, Suman Kakar, and Becky Block.

Good Practices in the Discipline Committee: Co-chairs: Susan Caringella-MacDonald and Marjorie Zatz

Other committee members: JoAnne Ardovini-Brooker, Mona Danner, Jeanne Flavin, Suman Kakar, Susan Miller, Ruth Peterson, Betsy Stanko, Marge Zahn

Advisory Board: Joanne Belknap, Meda Chesney-Lind, Julius Debro, Laura Fishman, Lynne Goodstein, Nancy Jurik, Susan Krumholtz, Merry Morash, Nicole Rafter Claire Renzetti

Internal Awards Committee: Chair: Susan Caringella-MacDonald;  
Michelle Miller and Angie Moe Wan

Newsletter: Editor: Stephanie Bush-Baskette; Associate Editor:  
Sue Carter Collins

Book Review Editors: Suman Kakar, Beth Higgs, and Joanna Phoenix

Outreach Committee: Chair: Kim Cook; Chris Rasche: brochure  
redesign

Nominations Committee: Chair: Barbara Price; Brenda Sims  
Blackwell and Chinita Heard

Program Committee: Chair: Suman Kakar; Ted McNeilsmith and Roz  
Muraskin

Task Force on Professional Women: Chair: Becky Block

1999 Social Hour: Chair: Jacqueline Gibbons  
We are badly in need of volunteers here, so pitch in if you can.

Student Affairs Committee: Just one person volunteered, and as  
she had to drop out, this committee is not staffed this year.

Student Paper Award: Chair: Jana L. Jasinski; Suman Kakar

Task Force on Women in Prison: Nancy Hirschinger, Jackie Klosak,  
Suman Kakar, Barbara Price, Everlyn Zeller, and Roz Muraskin.  
We still need a chair.

Working Group on Sexualities: A new group aimed at professional  
development, research-related discussions, and networking. Open  
to all graduate students and faculty interested in this work or  
who have students doing research in the area of sexualities.  
Contact person: Nicole Rafter (email at top of this list)

**REQUEST FROM THE CHAIR:** Please look over this list to see if  
you think any of the committees is not essential. I have  
had a lot of trouble staffing committees this year and think  
we are over-extended. Partly this is because we have  
embarked on new projects like the Feminist Seminars, the  
Good Practices in the Discipline board, and the Sexualities  
Working Group. But we may be able to eliminate some  
committees that were crucial 10 years ago but are less  
important now. Please let me know your thoughts on this:  
raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu . Thank you. Nicky

Date: Thu, 25 Mar 1999 11:47:41 -0800 (PST)  
From: nicky <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
To: Sarah Hall <asc41@compuserve.com>  
Subject: Re: DWC Past Presidents

SARAH: THIS IS VERY VERY HELPFUL. THANK YOU SO MUCH. NICKY

On Thu, 25 Mar 1999, Sarah Hall wrote:

> Nicky:  
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> Phyllis Jo Baunach's email address: pjbaunach@usdoj.gov  
>  
> Christine Rasche's email address: crasche@unf.edu  
>  
> Anna Kuhl was chair in 1988 and 1989, but she has "dropped out of sight"  
> and I had heard she had changed her last name, but I do not know what  
> it is or where she is. At one time I believe she was in Kentucky and then  
> Oklahoma. You might check with Harry E. Allen (selmadoc@aol.com)  
> to see if he has any recent information on her.  
>  
> Carole Garrison was chair in 1991 and left during her term to go to  
> somewhere in the middle east. She has not been a member since 1993.  
> She came back to the University of Akron (Department of Criminal  
> Justice, Akron, OH 44325), but I do not know if she is still there.  
> Her phone number was 216/972-7795.  
>  
> Hope this is helpful.  
>  
> Sarah  
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Bush-Baskette Correspondence ~

Date: Thu, 9 Sep 1999 09:23:52 -0900 (PDT)  
From: nicole rafter <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
To: "Stephanie R. Bush-Baskette" <sbushbas@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>  
Subject: Re: Response regarding Division on Women & Crime newsletter (fwd)

I'LL RESPOND IN CAPS TO MAKE IT EASY TO LOCATE MY RESPONSES.

On Wed, 8 Sep 1999, Stephanie R. Bush-Baskette wrote:

> Nicky,  
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> I wa advised by a number of members who received th emessage from you abo=  
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> me that I needed to address it in the same form as you had initiated.

AS CHAIR OF THE DWC, I SENT A MESSAGE TO THE MEMBERS ABOUT SEVERAL IMPORTANT MATTERS. THIS IS A LEGITMATE USE OF THE LISTSERV. IT IS DIFFERENT FROM USING THE LISTSERV TO MOUNT A PERSONAL (AND UNFAIR) ATTACK ON A DWC OFFICER.

I  
> really regretted that you had sent such a message out about me to the ful=  
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> membership.

IT WASN'T A MESSAGE ABOUT YOU; IT WAS A MESSAGE ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER. IT DID NOT MENTION YOUR NAME. FOR THOSE WHO MIGHT KNOW THE IDENTITY OF THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR, I ADDED AN EXPLANATION TO "COVER" FOR YOU, ONE THAT I WAS SURE MEMBERS WOULD UNDERSTAND AND SYMPATHIZE WITH.

IN FACT, FEW MEMBERS WERE AWARE OF THE NAME OF THE CURRENT EDITOR UNTIL YOU SENT YOUR GLOBAL MESSAGE, ATTACKING ME AND IDENTIFYING YOURSELF.

> I would like for us to develop a joint letter apologizing to each other.

I HAVE NOTHING TO APOLOGIZE FOR. I HAD TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE MEMBERS ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER. I HAD TRIED ON MANY OCCASIONS TO REACH YOU, BY BOTH EMAIL AND PHONE, BUT YOU HAD STOPPED RESPONDING. I DIDN'T SEE ANY ALTERNATIVE, AND I STILL DON'T.

I  
> really don't like hoe far this is going.

I do believe it suggests that w e  
> must all be careful what we say about others and to others on this e-mail  
> list.

ABSOLUTELY. THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T MENTION YOUR NAME AND TRIED TO PROTECT YOU FROM CRITICISM.

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> I tried to call you to discuss all of this and left my number on your  
> answering machine.

I GOT THE MESSAGE, WHICH SAID YOU WOULD CALL BACK.

I hope that we can talk soon to resolve all of this.  
> There is more to the lack of a newsletter than my disseration (I was work=  
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> on the dissertation when I helped to get three issues out last year).  
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> Look forward to hearing from you so that we can get move to more positive  
> ground.

I AGREE; LET'S MOVE AHEAD. THERE IS NO NEED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THIS MATTER, SO FAR AS I AM CONCERNED.

NICKY

> Sincerely,  
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> Stephanie

> nicky wrote:

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> > What is your opinion?  
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> > ----- Forwarded message -----  
> > Date: Fri, 27 Aug 1999 14:42:48 -0400  
> > From: Stephanie R. Bush-Baskette <sbushbas@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>  
> > To: nicole.rafter <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
> > Cc: ascdow@DHVX20.CSUDH.EDU  
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Date: Wed, 08 Sep 1999 16:35:57 -0400  
From: "Stephanie R. Bush-Baskette" <sbushbas@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>  
To: nicky <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
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Date: Wed, 08 Sep 1999 17:55:39 PDT  
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To: nicky rafter <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
Subject: Re: Response regarding Division on Women & Crime newsletter (fwd)

Hi Nicky -

The only msg that I can find that you sent to the membership is this abbreviated one below:

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What you wrote (as shown above) is not at all offensive, disrespectful, or otherwise crude or rude. She is over reacting b/c of her own guilt! Boy, is this "de ja vue". Maybe she's related to Brenda!

I wouldn't be concerned abt what she wrote - take ano look at it tomorrow - she is clearly overreacting and spouting off emotionally! Anyone with half a brain (and on the outside looking in) will recognize this behavior.

The evidence speaks for itself - there is "no newsletter". "The State rests its case."

A simple statement is needed with no emotion or defensive response --- there hasn't been a newsletter, we haven't been able to communicate up until now, and we needed to move forward with getting information to the membership. The best thing for everyone is to move ahead with the business at hand.

I hope this goes away fast for you, this type of people stuff is such a waste of time and so painful when it gets out of hand...Believe I know!

We're so good at giving advice...we should follow it ourselves, once in awhile!

Time to Eat!

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Get FREE voicemail, fax and email at <http://voicemail.excite.com>  
Talk online at <http://voicechat.excite.com>

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From: nicole rafter <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
To: sbushbas@garnet.acns.fsu.edu  
Subject: Re: Fwd:newsletter (fwd)

Thinking over my earlier message, I realize I forgot to mention a few things that might clear up misunderstandings.

First, not only did I not dismiss you, I didn't even try to replace you. All I was trying to do with last week's listserv message was to find

an alternative method of communicating with the DWC members. My request for applications for a new newsletter editor referred to the term starting after November 1999, when my term (and yours) ends. If you want to apply for another term, that would be fine; we would welcome your application. Moreover, if you want to publish an issue before the November 1999 meetings, that is also fine. I assumed you wouldn't be publishing another issue because I hadn't heard from you, but you should have a lot of material, and so go ahead if you want to. Just let me know what to expect so I can circulate information by email if there won't be a regular issue.

As illness kept you from attending last year's annual meeting, you didn't hear the expressions of thanks from DWC members for your efforts on behalf of the Division. We were delighted you volunteered to serve as newsletter editor in the first place and very much appreciated the 3 issues that appeared in the previous year. We were also grateful for your interest in and support of the DWC. It was just because we understood that producing the newsletter is an important and difficult job that we voted in extra funds for you to hire an assistant. That stipend was an expression of appreciation.

In the next few days I will be writing a formal letter of thanks to you from the Division for your efforts on our behalf. If, after reading this, you decide that you would like me to send copies to your dean or anyone else, send me their names and addresses.

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I do feel there may have been miscommunications and want to clear them up. Let me know if you'd like to discuss this further.

Best wishes, Nicky

----- Forwarded message -----  
Date: Mon, 30 Aug 1999 09:03:22 -0900 (PDT)  
From: nicole rafter <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
To: sbushbas@garnet.acns.fsu.edu  
Subject: Re: Fwd:newsletter (fwd)

Dear Stephanie:

I was troubled by your recent message, accusing me of unprofessional and thoughtless behavior in connection with the DWC newsletter. I did not unceremoniously fire you. I have been sending you newsletter material all year, and have repeatedly sent you email messages asking you to explain why no issues appeared this year. (One example, a message of 7 June, is appended below.) The messages were not returned, so I knew you were getting them; yet you did not respond. Nor did you return the phone call messages that I repeatedly left on your office telephone machine.

I had no choice but to go forward and substitute for you. I did so after consulting with a number of members of the DWC.

Yes, life does happen, as you observe, and difficult circumstances beset us all. I have done what I could to be helpful to you, including arranging a stipend for a graduate student assistant and sending you material. I also had others send you material. If you had a problem in handling the newsletter, I would have been very glad to be able to help you or to seek a substitute. But hearing nothing at all from you tied my hands, and at the end, I decided that I had no choice but to seek an alternative.

My understanding is that you are trying to finish your dissertation. I didn't understand that when you volunteered to be newsletter editor or when I you agreed to serve a second year. I know from personal experience that it is very difficult to be teaching fulltime and also completing a major research project. If you could not also handle the newsletter, that is understandable. But I hope you in turn can understand why I had to take steps to get DWC members back in communication with one another.

Nicky

----- Forwarded message -----

Date: Mon, 7 Jun 1999 15:44:01 -0900 (PDT)  
From: nicky <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
To: sbushbas@garnet.acns.fsu.edu  
Subject: Re: Fwd:newsletter

Did you get this message (below)? I need to know what is happening with the Division's newsletter. Thanks, Nicky

----- Forwarded message -----  
Date: Wed, 5 May 1999 08:24:28 -0900 (PDT)  
From: nicky <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
To: Stephanie Bush-Baskette <sbushbas@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>  
Subject: Re: Fwd: New Books (fwd)

Dear Stephanie: I still haven't gotten a newsletter? Did they go out? if so, can I get a copy?

Thanks a lot, Nicky

On Tue, 16 Mar 1999, Stephanie Bush-Baskette wrote:

> Hi Nicky,  
> Your e-mail did not include all of Sheigla's message but I believe I  
> recieved it with the mass e-mail. I have already included for the next  
> issue which will hopefully be out in the next couple of weeks.  
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> Hope all is well,  
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> Stephanie  
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> At 10:25 AM 3/15/99 -0800, you wrote:  
> >Sorry, Sheigla; I gave you only part of Stephanie's email address. Nicky  
> >  
> >----- Forwarded message -----  
> >Date: Mon, 15 Mar 1999 10:23:25 -0800 (PST)  
> >From: nicky <raftern@badger.jsc.vsc.edu>  
> >To: Sheigla@aol.com  
> >Cc: sbushbas@garnet.acns  
> >Subject: Re: Fwd: New Books  
> >  
> >Hi. If you'd like to place the announcement in the DWC newsletter, send  
> >it to the newsletter editory, Stephanie Bush-Baskette. You can find her  
> >email address above. Best, Nicky Rafter (Chair)  
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> >On Mon, 8 Mar 1999 Sheigla@aol.com wrote:  
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> Stephanie R. Bush-Baskette  
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> Director, Juvenile Justice Role Model Development Program  
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