

WOMEN'S VU

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MOON/SUN SYMBOLIZE WOMEN'S WEEK

The moon in the Women's Week logo is closely associated with women's spirituality, cycles, and the relationship in early worship of goddesses and heavenly bodies. As Adrienne Rich wrote, "Sometimes the moon is herself female, represented by a goddess like Selene, Artemis, Luna. . .".

When we consulted our resident expert, Susan Wiltshire of the Classics Department, we found the link between moon and sun. Apollo and Artemis were twins in Greek mythology. Artemis was goddess of the hunt, closely associated with the cycle of seasons. She is represented by the moon. Apollo is represented by the sun, one of the greatest stars. Thus, our logo becomes an androgynous symbol of the mythological combination.

Susan Wiltshire also gets credit for suggesting the Latin motto we chose for this year's celebration of women: *Luce et refulge*. It means "Shine and reflect." We hope that all participants will discover how they "shine" and, for a long time to come, will reflect on the meaning of Women's Week.

Pam Johnson

Speeches Highlight Week

Speeches by two prominent women, Sheila Tobias and Margaret ("Midge") Costanza, will highlight this year's Women's Week. Tobias, well-known author, historian and lecturer, will speak at the kick-off dinner, Sunday, March 18, 7:30 at the Branscomb Rec Room. Currently teaching a course on Women and Public Policy at Vanderbilt, Tobias has done extensive research in the areas of education and women's concerns. Her

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Women's Week Begins March 18

Women's Week 1979 will begin on Sunday, March 18 and end on Saturday, March 24. For the past few weeks the coordinators have been scheduling speakers and symposia designed to be informative and enjoyable for both men and women.

The opening activity for the week is a dinner on Sunday night in Branscomb Rec Room with guest speaker Sheila Tobias. The kickoff dinner will begin at 7:30. Tickets will be sold prior to the dinner and at the door.

MONDAY

On Monday a week-long series of forums will begin on various facets of the financial world. From 12:00 - 1:30 in 205 Sarratt various local women will speak on the stock market, insurance, accounting, and banking. These informal brown-bag lunches are open to anyone, as are most of the events during the week.

At 4:00, Barbara Wallston, a psychologist at Peabody College, will speak on role models. Wallston has recently begun research on role models and what the long-term effects of role models or the lack of role models are on women after they graduate.

Don Swenholt, director of the Vanderbilt Prison Project, has scheduled a trip out to the women's prison. Transportation will be provided and all interested in going out to see what life is like for women prisoners should meet at the Office of University Ministry at 6:30 on Monday evening.

TUESDAY

A crafts demonstration will be held on Tuesday in 203 Sarratt. Margee Campbell and other crafts workers from Hillsboro Village shops will display their crafts.

A seminar entitled "What is Feminism?" is tentatively scheduled for 3:00 on Tuesday. Peg Neuhauser, director of

the Women's Resource Center at the YWCA is coordinating the seminar. Neuhauser wants the program to be focused on student oriented issues; therefore, anyone interested in participating in the organization of this seminar or contributing ideas should contact Pam Johnson.

Midge Costanza, former Assistant to the President for Public Liaison, will speak Tuesday night, 8:00, in Underwood Auditorium.

WEDNESDAY

The Women's Concerns Committee will sponsor a seminar on employment discrimination on Wednesday, 11:30 to 1:00, in 118 Sarratt. They will be bringing in women with complaints or lawsuits against the university to speak on their personal experiences.

At 3:30, Kim Shafer, SGA President, and several other women campus leaders will conduct a seminar in 203 Sarratt. They will talk about their experiences as campus leaders and define the roles of women on campus as leaders of organizations and activities.

Wednesday night will be one of the busier nights of the week. Sara Hampshire will be at Sarratt from 7:00 - 9:00 to make a presentation on contraception. Helene Schwartz, a trial lawyer, will speak in Underwood Auditorium on Wednesday night at 7:00 about what it was like to be a woman lawyer when the field was more male-dominated than it is now.

Student artists and writers will perform in the Good Woman from 9:30-11:30. There is still open time for anyone who wants to perform or display artwork. Contact Linda Morgan, 322-8283, for more information.

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THURSDAY

The Women's Center will hold an Open House from 11:00-3:00 on Thursday. Kathryn Smith from Career Planning and Placement Service will speak on women in small business in 205 Sarratt from 12:00-2:00. At 3:00, Sanford Dornbush, a Stanford University sociologist, will lead a seminar entitled "Assessment of Women Faculty." Dr. Dornbush will deal with the issue of women faculty on campus and their functions as role models for women students. At 4:30 Judith Younger will speak on divorce from a legal perspective. Ms. Younger is sponsored by women law students. This meeting will be held in Underwood Auditorium.

Scarritt College is holding a conference on "Battered Women" from 2:00-5:00 on Thursday and all day Friday and Saturday. Registration is required, and a small fee will be charged for participation in this workshop, which is designed for people who work with battered women and want to be better able to understand them.

A Career Life Workshop will be from 5:00-8:00 Thursday evening. CPPS, Panhellenic, and the Psychological Counseling Center have been working in conjunction with the coordinators of Women's Week to prepare two 1½ hour sessions for the workshop. The first half, led by Ilene Peiser, will be on methods of self-assessment. The second half of the program will be a panel discussion devoted to the issues facing women as they decide what direction they want their lives to go.

TKELS, ACLU, and Planned Parenthood are sponsoring a film on abortion at 7:00 on Thursday night. The film "Politics of Abortion" will be followed by a workshop led by Terry Bartlett from Planned Parenthood during which the issue of abortion will be discussed.

A videotape of the conference on the future of the women's movement, held in New York recently, will be shown at 8:00 on Thursday in 118 Sarratt. "Women's Movement: Forum on the Future" is sponsored by the Foundation for Matriarchy.

Ann Romaine, a blues and jazz singer from Nashville will appear in the Different Drummer, with her five piece band. Admission is free and the show begins at 9:30.

FRIDAY

From 2:00-5:00 on Friday, Sara Hampshire will return to talk about gynecology in 203 Sarratt. This workshop will be primarily an information question-and-answer session.

Friday evening, Judy and Jeff, a husband and wife singing team, will perform in the Different Drummer. This couple writes their own music and most of their songs are about the changing roles of men and women.

SATURDAY

The Afro American Association is sponsoring Dean Jewell Cobb on Saturday. Also Saturday, Barbara Dornbush will give a demonstration of her unique artistic style at the art gallery. Saturday, however, according to coordinator Pam Johnson, is basically intended to be a play day; a day of festivities to end the week.

Certain events other than those previously mentioned will continue throughout the week. There will be a display of art work by women in 123 and 124 Sarratt and a library display in the fourth stack of the JUL. Room 123 in Sarratt has been reserved for Women's Week every day from 9:00-9:00. It will function as a combination coffee shop, headquarters, hang-out, and information center for all.

All men and women are encouraged to participate. Women's Week is, as Pam Johnson says, "the only time of the year we can deal openly with issues we face every day" so we should all take advantage of the opportunity to learn more about ourselves and others in an informal and enjoyable environment.

Donna Riven

SEXUAL ABUSE CENTER WILL TRAIN VOLUNTEERS

The Rape and Sexual Abuse Center is seeking volunteer counselors to assist victims of rape and sexual abuse. A volunteer training workshop will be held on the weekend of March 30 - April 1. Interested persons should contact the Rape and Sexual Abuse Center at 327-1110.

to the Women's VU Staff

February 15, 1979

Editorial Staff, Women's VU
E-2 West Side Row

Dear Friends,

As coordinators of Women's Week we would like to clarify a statement which appeared in an article in the February issue of Women's VU. In the front page article it was stated: "The coordinators stress that Women's Week '79 is not a promotion for radical, feminist or lesbian issues." This is not entirely true.

Women's Week is a time for feminist issues. Granted, we are aware that not all participants in Women's Week consider themselves feminists but rather represent multiple and wide ranging interests. The Week's purposes are defined as follows:

- a) to build community through the bringing together of women on campus (faculty, staff, administration, graduate and undergraduate students) for support, communication, and mutual enjoyment.
- b) to disseminate information about and for women.
- c) to raise consciousness for the campus community as a whole about women's issues.
- d) to encourage and foster awareness of a pluralism of issues related to women provided in a variety of contexts.
- e) to recognize and celebrate the contributions of women as individual and unique.
- f) to highlight the changing role of women in society and its effect on males and females in all sectors of life (family, law, career, etc.)
- g) to expose men and women on campus to accomplished female role models.
- h) to allow the opportunity for women students to develop leadership and responsibility in the context of organizing and planning Women's Week.

It is clear that Women's Week designed to involve as many interested people as possible. We also feel strongly that this is a long awaited opportunity to

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Panhellenic President Describes Sororities' Work

Vanderbilt Greek women have always shown involvement in service projects for charities, but this year portrays an even greater participation of sorority women and their support of a wide variety of worthy causes. Each sorority gives aid to at least two charitable organizations, and through many amazingly creative projects, the women are able to contribute substantial funds and aid to the group of their choice. As well as donations of money, the women give large amounts of time away from campus activities. Many projects require weeks of planning and working with the Nashville community in addition to time spent in actual participation of an event. In some cases, the sorority's time proves even more valuable than money. Projects involving visits to nursing homes or children's hospitals are so appreciated.

Greek women have been very resourceful in creating unusual projects that prove profitable. These projects include craft shows, a country fair, spaghetti dinners, an original musical production, fashion shows, a tennis tournament, a Christmas play, a cabaret-nightclub show, and many others. The list of sponsored causes is almost as varied. Some of the organizations that the money aids include American Cancer Society; Arthritis Foundation; Bill Wilkerson Speech and Hearing Center; Nashville Red Cross Camps; Crippled Children's Hospital in Richmond, Virginia; Middle Tennessee Diabetic Association; Muscular Dystrophy, as well as scholarships awarded to Vanderbilt undergraduate women.

Betsy Koonce

N.O.W. To Meet

The Nashville chapter of the National Organization for Women will meet March 15 at 7:30 P.M. in the Youth Building of Belmont United Methodist Church (the building across from the Acklen Avenue Post Office on Acklen at 20th Avenue South). On the agenda are plans for the NOW State Convention on March 24-25 at the Music City Rodeway Inn, and task force reports on abortion rights, ERA, sexism and racism, consciousness raising, and Men for ERA. Everyone is welcome. For further information, call 832-6883.

BLACK CULTURAL MONTH

SCHEDULED FOR MARCH

March 17-18 marks the beginning of Afro-American month at Vanderbilt. Scheduled for the last three weekends in March, the renamed Black Arts Festival will bring a variety of cultural and social activities to the Vanderbilt campus.

A seminar on "Religion and the Student" is scheduled for the weekend of March 17-18; March 24 will see an education seminar on careers for high school and college students, and on March 25 a panel discussion with Vanderbilt President Emmett B. Fields

and Dr. Lloyd Elam of Meharry College is scheduled. The last weekend, March 30-April 1, will finalize the festivities with an outdoor jazz concert, a banquet and speaker, and a semi-formal dance for all Afro Association members.

All three weekends are open to everyone. Black Cultural Month seeks to encompass a broad perspective and attempts to appeal to the entire campus community. Everyone is encouraged to attend programs to help make the month of cultural awareness successful.

Lisa Weston

Speeches

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recent book, *Overcoming Math Anxiety*, is an outgrowth of a program of the same name. Tobias has developed clinics in Washington, D.C. to help women and men of all ages improve what she has termed their "math mental health." In particular, she deals with the special problems women face in this area.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Radcliffe College, Tobias also received degrees and honors from Columbia University. She has served as Associate Provost of Wesleyan University in Connecticut, was a member of the Carter-Mondale Task Force on Education, an Advisory Board Member of the Project on Mental Health Services on Women at Harvard University. She is a member of the AAUW Task Force for Women's Equity and is on the board of the NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund. A stimulating speaker, Tobias promises a dynamic start for Women's Week.

Costanza will speak on Tuesday night, March 20, 8:00 p.m., at Underwood Auditorium. The first woman to hold the title of Assistant to the President for Public Liaison, Costanza was the highest ranking woman on the White House staff. She describes her position as "the White House connection to the people." Feeling negative pressure from the Carter administration regarding her outspokenness on controversial issues, Costanza resigned last fall. Despite this decision, she remains on friendly terms with the President.

Prior to becoming a White House aid, Costanza served as Executive Committee Member in the 22nd Ward in Rochester, New York, for six years. In 1964, she managed the senatorial campaign for Robert F. Kennedy in Monroe County. The first woman elected to the Rochester City Council, Costanza was then appointed Vice Mayor. In 1974 she campaigned for Jimmy Carter, serving as co-chairperson of his New York State campaign. Particularly noted for her lively sense of humor, Costanza's lecture should be informative and entertaining.

Judy Kasey

to the Women's VU Staff

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deal with the spectrum of issues that fall under a heading of "feminism." We must recognize, therefore, that lesbianism and radical elements of feminism are issues to be dealt with in the context of such an event. What we as coordinators maintain and continue to stress is that Women's Week is what the women at Vanderbilt want it to be. We applaud the coverage that the week is already receiving and for this reason feel it important to clear up any misunderstandings there may be regarding the purposes or intent of Women's Week, 1979.

Sincerely,

Pam Johnson
Linda Morgan
Emily Minor

Spring Sports Schedule Forming

As basketball and swimming come to a close, tennis, track, and field have only begun. Emily Harsh, Assistant Director of Athletics and head of Women's Athletics, is quite excited about the near completion of another successful season for both teams and believes the spring sports to be an excellent opportunity for another winning season.

The season has just been completed for the Women's Swimming and Diving Team. The last tournament topped the year with a victory over the University of Evansville.

The Women's Tennis Team has played in only two tournaments so far this year. The first tournament was played against the Nashville women's All-Star team on February 11. Vanderbilt won by a score of 6-3. The following Friday, the team beat Clemson by a score of 6-3. The Clemson team was ranked 4th in the nation at the opening of the season.

1979 VANDERBILT WOMEN'S TENNIS SCHEDULE

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| Mar. 16 | Fri. | Southwestern Louisiana | Nashville | 2:15 PM |
| Mar. 17 | Sat. | Mary Baldwin College | Nashville | 9:00 AM |
| Mar. 17 | Sat. | Southwestern at Memphis | Nashville | 2:00 PM |
| Mar. 23 | Fri. | Tennessee | Nashville | 2:00 PM |
| Mar. 24 | Sat. | Michigan | Nashville | 2:00 PM |
| Mar. 25 | Sun. | Indiana State | Nashville | 9:00 AM |
| Mar. 26 | Mon. | Iowa | Nashville | 2:15 PM |
| Mar. 30 | Fri. | Columbia State | Nashville | 2:30 PM |
| Apr. 5 | Thu. | Southern Collegiates | Columbus, MS | All Day |
| 7 | Sat. | | | |
| Apr. 10 | Tue. | Tennessee Tech | Cookeville | |
| Apr. 13 | Fri. | Austin Peay | Nashville | 2:15 PM |
| Apr. 14 | Sat. | Western Kentucky | Nashville | 9:00 AM |
| Apr. 14 | Sat. | East Tennessee State | Nashville | 2:00 PM |
| Apr. 18 | Wed. | Middle Tennessee State | Nashville | 2:15 PM |
| May 1 | Tue. | Memphis State | Nashville | 2:00 PM |
| May 2 | Wed. | Tennessee State Tournament | Murfreesboro | All Day |
| 5 | Sat. | | | |
| May 9 | Wed. | Regionals | Clemson, SC | |
| 12 | Sat. | | | |

Jim Fuqua has been named the new coach of the Women's Track and Field Team. Fuqua, a member of the Vanderbilt Track Team while attending college here, had previously worked as an assistant to J.B. Nation, the coach of the Vanderbilt Men's Track and Field team.

SERVICES REGISTRY BEGINS SLOWLY

The Women's Center efforts to compile a list of persons to work as baby-sitters, or to provide other personal services for members of the university community, are moving slowly. More inquiries have come to the Women's Center from those who desire to use the services than from those who want to provide the services. To date, only three application forms have been completed and are on file.

A number of students who asked to register were referred to the Career Planning and Placement Office, which handles all student employment. Only spouses or children of Vanderbilt employees or students should sign up with the Women's Center. We would like to encourage any of these who want some part-time or occasional employment, to fill out an application form and get on our Registry. Stop by the Women's Center to pick up an application, or telephone us at 4843, and we will send one to you. There has also been a delay in the state Department of Human Services revised directory of child care centers in Davidson County. We hope to have more information by the April issue.

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Nancy A. Ransom

 "... the daughters of educated men have always done their thinking from hand to mouth; not under green lamps at study tables in the cloisters of secluded colleges. They have thought while they stirred the pot, while they rocked the cradle."

Virginia Woolf, *Three Guineas*, p. 114

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