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February 27, 1989

Dr. Marilyn Assheton-Smith
Women's Research Centre
11043 - 90 Avenue

Dear Marilyn,

We have recently received the good news that our application to have Professor Catharine Stimpson, Dean of Graduate Studies, visit this campus as Distinguished Visiting Professor has been successful. Dr. Stimpson will be on campus for 17 days in late March-early April 1990, under the joint sponsorship of the Department of English and the Women's Studies program. We very much appreciate your support of this application. Next fall, we will be finalizing arrangements for Dr. Stimpson's visit. Meanwhile if you would like her to be available for consultation at the Research Institute please get in touch with me at 2180 or through the English department before the end of September. Dr. Stimpson will be giving a number of public lectures while on campus as well as being available for more informal occasions.

Again, many thanks for your help in bringing this visit about.

Shirley Neuman
Professor of English
Chair, Women's Studies

cc: Dr. L. Woodbridge, Chair, Dept. of English
Dr. I. MacLaren, Dept. of English
Dr. W. Tomm, Coordinator, Women's Studies



Shirley Neuman, Women's Studies Committee

Doris Badir, Equity Office

Randi Warne, St. Stephen's

to: Cathy Bray, Women's Program, Extension

date: October 18, 1988

Ann McClellan, Law

our file:

Janina Van Der Post, Women's Secretariat

Marilyn Assheton Smith, Women's Research Institute

your file:

from Winnie Tomm, Women's Studies

Susan Jackel, Canadian Studies

subject: Women as Persons in Alberta

A year from today, October 18, 1989, will be the 60th anniversary of the Privy Council decision declaring Canadian women to be persons and therefore eligible to be appointed to the Senate. Randi Warne and I would like to see the University of Alberta commemorate this in a one-day public celebration on Wednesday, Oct. 18 next year. The main point would be to invite the general public on campus to learn more about the significance of this case, and also to reflect on the progress (or lack of same, in some areas) of Alberta women in the last 60 years.

Randi and I sketched in a framework for this one-day event, and would like your comments and suggestions. I should say that we needn't feel restrained from following up the public session with other, more scholarly events, possibly on the Thursday or Friday following. One could imagine the Centre for Constitutional Studies, for example, holding its own workshop or forum; or the Women's Program, or the Women's Research Institute. Rather, Randi and I were looking for something reasonably limited and manageable, aimed at raising awareness of the Persons Case, the Famous Five Alberta women, and the ways in which we could focus on the strategies of change, then and now.

Our preliminary thinking on the program goes like this:

Venue: Education North; sessions from 9-11:30 a.m.; a noon-hour speaker of note; session from 2-4:30; 7:30-9:30, followed by light refreshments.

Topics: (1) Overview of the significance of the Persons Case from a legal, constitutional and political point of view (Ann McClellan)

(2) biographical sketches of the Famous Five: Randi Warne on Nellie McClung, Susan Jackel on Emily Murphy, Cathy Cavanaugh on Irene Parlby, Diana Chown on Henrietta Muir Edwards, ? on Louise McKinney.

(3) Report card on Alberta Women, 1929-1989: Cathy Bray, Janina Vanderpost.

The speaker could be a current woman Senator from Alberta, or panel of same (current and/or former); or it could be Muriel Fergusson, if she is still alive: appointed to Senate in the 1950's, first woman Speaker of the Senate, lives in Fredericton, N.B. (I'd have to check into her availability, viability etc.)

The whole idea is to have something public, inexpensive, celebratory and thought-provoking. I think if we formed a formal organizing committee now, and notified University authorities of our plans, we would get good support with a minimum of hassle.

Please send you comments to me or Randi (St. Stephens) by the end of October. Then we'll call a meeting (preferably late afternoon at the Faculty Club) to set the wheels in motion.

Susan



Business and Professional Women's Club
Edmonton, Alberta

October 27, 1988

Ms. M. Assheton-Smith
Co-Chairperson
Advisory Committee on Women's
Studies
Dept. Educational Foundations
Faculty of Education
University of Alberta
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Dear Marilyn:

The Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs incorporated in 1930 and is a major player in the promotion of development of women in business, the professions and the community. The goals and objectives of Business and Professional Women's Clubs have not changed over the forty-seven years: developing the potential of women; working toward high standards of service in business, the professions, industry and public life.

Former Mayor Lawrence Decore proclaimed the week of November 14-18 1988 to be Business and Professional Women's Week. To honour Edmonton's working women the Business and Professional Women's Club is presenting Alderman, Judy Bethel who will address the issue of a career in politics.

You may wish to have a representative from your organization attend this dinner meeting. Your representative will find many women with similar interests, responsibilities and goals and will have the opportunity to participate in an informal women's business network.

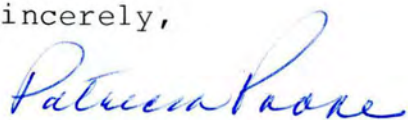
The dinner meeting will be held at the Edmonton Club, 10010-100 St.

November 17, 1988
Coctails: 5:15 p.m.
Dinner: 6:00 p.m.
Cost: \$18.00

Dinner reservations may be made until noon, Monday, November 14, 1988 by calling 437-0151. For additional information do not hesitate to call the President, Judy Shapka 487-7482 or myself, Patricia Paone 433-7688.

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Sincerely,



Patricia Paone
Correspondence Secretary

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Director
Women's Program and Resource Centre
Faculty of Extension

A one-year term academic position beginning January 1, 1989 with the possibility of renewal. Salary range: \$31,000-\$37,000.

Nature of Duties: Develop and direct a wide range of university-level non-credit courses, conferences and public forums in the areas of applied women's studies, issues of relevance to women, and personal development for women. Supervise the Women's Resource Centre. Undertake social animation, advocacy, consultation and research relevant to women's learning and to issues of importance to women. Obtain grants to support activities and services.

Qualifications Required: Masters or Doctorate in Women's Studies, Adult Education, Community Development or other related disciplines. Demonstrated commitment and experience in providing innovative educational opportunities for women. Experience in social animation and research preferred. Familiarity with women's organizations in Alberta an asset.

Forward letter of application, curriculum vitae and names and addresses of three references by November 18, 1988 to Dr. D. Foth, Dean, Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, T6G 2G4.

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is central to the research."

- if otherwise, researcher may do
interviewing.

→ teach skills to 4 to do their own projects
i.e. in the lab + some contact.

4 "researcher" - coordinate + administrative position
or 1 major piece of work (I also admin)
but contribute to others also

Core Collective - 6-8 incl staff

→ get there thru research comm work -
get invited to join the collective

Word processing + database ; Kaypro II - CP/M.

Collaboration -

Monica Walker

11³⁰ - 1^{pm} @ the Women
Bldg
9930-106 St.
Basement

Copy MacTie onto 800K disk & put systemsfile on it too

>Message: 970251, Reply to: 969816, 24 lines

>Posted: 12:05am MDT, Wed Oct 14/87

>To: user ID=ACWS

>From: Marilyn Islay Assheton-Smith

>Leslie, you need MacTie. Do you have it? Then there are certain settings
>that must be established for it to run on your gandalf. Have they been
>set? i.e. can you sign on in MacTie? If the answer is yes you do
>exactly this:

- >1. Save your Word document using the text Format categories. It will
>give you a list and you "save with line breaks". You will need to give
>this document a name, such as minutes, and save it in the same folder as
>your MacTie document. That is important.
 - >2. Sign on to MTS
 - >3. Create an MTS file which might be called minutes also; it does not matter.
 - >4. Go to the File menu and select "send".
 - >5. It should show you a list of files in your MacTie folder; be sure the
>one you want to send is selected.
 - >6. It will also give you a blank line for, I think it is called, the host file
>In that line write in the name of the MTS file.
 - >7. Select send (I think; it might be okay at this point).
- >The programme will advise you that it is sending a given Mac file to the
>specified MTS file and will advise you when the transfer is complete.
>If it says something about truncating the send did not work; otherwise it will
>have worked I think.
>The only rule is your Mac file name must be a single word without spaces or
>colons or any such thing.
>If you have old MacTie you won't find that send and receive item on the File
>menu; then I will give you new MacTie...

>Message: 969816, 6 lines

>Posted: 3:43pm MDT, Tue Oct 13/87

>To: Marilyn Islay Assheton-Smith

>From: user ID=ACWS

>Marilyn; the minutes are done. Can you tell me,

Leslie note Spt 28

Leslie, Rosemary and I met tonight and discussed the agenda and name problems. I am sending the agenda as a separate note to you, but I will also send a printed copy just in case my uploading does not work.

Rosemary and I decided we better not preempt the naming process. (We really like the posters; they are very good. Is that your talent?) We would like the heading

Vice-President's (Academic) deleted and replaced by
University of Alberta

and

after Coordinating Committee, in parentheses the following
(A Committee for Women's Research)

Not brilliant, but it makes the point for the moment and delays giving us a name until everyone has a change to have a say again. (I will also talk to people at the meeting I am going to in Hull about words like women's and feminist for fund-raising and other implications).

Also, can you call Vangie Bergum to see if Anne Wheeler has confirmed a date? I will call Fran Hare again and if you do not hear from me that date is fine.

I hope that is all the things I really needed to do before going east. Could you please get the agenda out by Friday? Also, the film Series notices might go with them... they really gave me a lift! (So did Rosemary, we had a great talk. Unfortunatelay Rebecca was ill and could not come but it was nice to meet with Rosemary.)

Maybe if you are talking to Cathy (how can you not be?) you would check with her on what she thought of asking Sandy to do some of the organizing work for that Oct 22 meeting. I will need to ask other committee members too of course. I assumed people did not like the idea a lot because no one said anything; Rosemary assumed it would proceed because no one said anything! I have not said anything to Sandy and she might be totally unwilling but she owes Extension some money and maybe we could "pay" her through Extension and reduce that bill a little bit.

Also, I thought the ideal thing for Debbie's idea about sponsoring the women in philosophy group would be to have all the women's studies groups

collaborate on the sponsoring i.e. the Arts Committee, the Reseach Centre (and the Coordinating Committee? Not sure), the Extension Women's Programme and maybe WISEST. I think it would be superb for all of us on the campus if we could get together that way, even if we did not do a lot of work as I mentioned to Debbie. Maybe Cath could test the idea with Deb, because they may prefer something less grandiose and they may have other ideas about important sponsors...my proposal meets some real "coordinating" needs but it may not meet theirs. (I will suggest it at our meeting, so if Cath knows where Deb and Lynda stand it would be helpful).

I think that is it.