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Sept. 7, 1988

Ms. Sarah Hall,
Columbus, OH 43212

Dear Sarah:

Two positions are presently open in the Women and Crime Division: Vice-President and Secretary. The office of Vice-President includes being responsible for the Division Newsletter.

Nominations were taken from the floor for both of these positions at the Annual Division meeting in Montreal, Nov. 12, 1987. The following were nominated for the position of Vice-President: Kathy Daly, Christine Rasche, Virginia Morris, and Laura Fishman. The following were nominated for Secretary: Ira Silverman and Claurice Feinman.

Since then however, all but Christine Rasche have declined the nomination for Vice-President, and both of the nominees for Secretary also declined the nomination. Kathy Daly and Virginia Morris however, both graciously offered to run for Secretary instead of Vice-President.

The final ballot therefore looks as follows:

Vice-President: Christine Rasche -------
Secretary: Kathy Daly -------
          Virginia Morris -------

The ballots should be postmarked by Oct. 22, in order to be counted before the meeting. (Or before if you must.)

Thank you,

[Signature]
Sept 7.

Dear Sarah,

Thanks for your help.

Please include the explanations of the nominations from the floor and subsequent declarations on the ballot. Ira decided not to run, so we have Kathy & Virginia for secretary instead.

My C/O phone is 408-924-2945

And 415-948-9362.

Thanks,

[Signature]
Sarah Hall
American Society of Criminology
1314 Kinnear Road, Suite 212
Columbus OH 43212

Dear Sarah,

Enclosed is my registration form and money for the 1988 meeting. Also enclosed is a blurb about me for the Division of Women and Crime nomination for Secretary. Inger Sagatun asked me to forward a bio blurb to you, although I had no clear sense of what it should contain. If it's too long, too short, or whatever, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Daly
Associate Professor
Candidate for Secretary

It would be an honor to serve as Secretary of the Women's Division of the ASC, and a challenge to participate in moving the Division forward after more than a decade of solid achievement. As a former Executive Counselor and Chair of the Nominations Committee, I am familiar with the efforts that have been made in the past to establish our credibility as a professional organization and as a resource for people working in gender studies and for women working in the full range of criminological research. We must continue to increase our membership, strengthen our voice within the ASC and the profession at large, and provide support for and recognition of research by and about women. As a member of the Student Affairs Committee of the ASC, I will also be able to enlarge the Division's interaction with the students who will be our new colleagues, one of the Secretary's mandates. As Secretary, I will also be committed to making information about the Division readily accessible to members and the ASC at large both through the Division newsletter and The Criminologist.
Kathleen Dalv is an Associate Professor of Sociology at Yale University, where she is also an active member of the Women's Studies Program. Twenty years ago she graduated from Katharine Gibbs School, where she learned to take shorthand and type fast; such skills can be put to good use as Secretary for the Division of Women and Crime. A member of the Division for three years, she has served on the ASC program committee for the 1987 and 1988 annual meetings, and is on the editorial boards of Criminology and Women and Criminal Justice.
Kathy Daly

- Associate Professor, Yale, 2002-present
- Assistant Professor, Yale, 1994-2002


Guest: Merry M. Nash

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DIVISION ON WOMEN AND CRIME

1988-1989 ELECTION BALLOT

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DIVISION ON WOMEN AND CRIME

VIRGINIA B. MORRIS

B.A., Beaver College, M.A. and Ph.D., Columbia University. Associate Professor of English, John Jay College of Criminal Justice. Area of research is women criminals in fiction and the relationship of fiction and crime theory. Has been active in ACJS and ASC since 1976. Was the chair of the Awards Committee of ACJS and the Professional Development Committee. Two years Executive Counselor of the Women's Division of ASC. Member, ASC Student Affairs Committee, 1988-1989.

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As an officer for the Division, my goals would be to nurture and strengthen feminist analyses of gender crime and justice and to build alliances among those working on the intersections of class, race and gender in their work. I would like to see Division members use the annual meeting more actively and creatively; for example, through sessions on works-in-progress, pedagogy (as Merry Morash is doing this year), different positions on policy questions, or differences among us in terms of the emphases we give to gender, race, etc. in our research.

The current membership of the Division is over 150 and growing. Although these numbers are indicative of the Division's success, I suspect an identity crises on the horizon: what do we stand for? What are our purposes? Who are we? If we want to maintain strength through diversity, discussion and dialogue on these issues are essential.
VICE CHAIR

DIVISION ON WOMEN AND CRIME

CHRISTINE E. RASCHE

Christine E. Rasche is Associate Professor of Criminal Justice and Director of Criminal Justice Programs at the University of North Florida. She received her Doctorate in Sociology from Washington University in St. Louis in 1972, after which she became a charter faculty member at UNF in the year it opened. She was specifically charged with developing the Criminal Justice programs for the University; under her leadership over the last 15 years the school has developed successful baccalaureate and masters level degree programs in the field. During this time she has also served in a variety of other campus leadership roles, including as President of the Faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences, Vice-Chair of the prestigious University Planning Committee, and last year as Chair of the Department of Sociology and Political Science. She has also served as the chairperson of a number of community boards and was Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Association of Criminal Justice Educators. She was a charter member of the Executive Board of the Division on Women and Crime, and this past year assumed responsibility for producing the Division's first brochure. She has done research and published primarily in the area of women and crime.

STATEMENT: The Vice Chairperson of the Division has two important duties as outlined in the Division Constitution: (1) substitute for the Chair when necessary; and (2) be responsible for the creation, publication and dissemination of the Division Newsletter. Of these two, I believe that the second poses the greatest challenge at this time: a vibrant, interesting and professional newsletter can be an invaluable tool in accomplishing many of the things we all envision for this Division. In fact, a really top-notch newsletter which facilitates networking, fosters ideas and provides useful professional information can be a reason in itself for joining an organization. Especially at this stage in the Division's existence, it is crucial to have both excellent communication among our far-flung members and effective messages about our organization to the outside. Nanci Wilson is to be credited for producing our newsletter under difficult conditions these past several years; I have produced two different newsletters for other organizations in the past and I know how arduous the task can be. But the prospect of developing the current newsletter into the kind of vehicle the Division needs for its future growth and fulfillment interests and excites me. I would be proud to serve the Division in this capacity.
Please reply to:

To: Division on Women and Crime Members
From: Division Executive Board

This year, the Division is conducting its second formal election under the constitution. Enclosed are the following materials:

1) Ballot for officers.

2) Biographical information for candidates.

Please complete the ballot for officers and return in the enclosed self-addressed envelope which must be postmarked by June 30, 1986.

We encourage all Division members to participate in this election and to attend the annual Division Business Meeting at the ASC conference in Atlanta, Georgia, October 29-November 1.
Division on Women and Crime
American Society of Criminology

BALLOT

DIVISION ON WOMEN AND CRIME

1989 Election

FOR DIVISION CHAIRPERSON (Vote for One)

Meda Chesney-Lind .......................  
Anna F. Kuhl .............................  

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NOVEMBER 6, 1989
MEDA CHESNEY-LIND


STATEMENT: The Division on Women and Crime has emerged as a major force within The American Society of Criminology. We can be justly proud of the Division’s work to see that long overdue recognition be given to the contributions of women scholars in our field. We have also played a major role in assuring women’s representation in key positions within the Society. The Division has also attempted to support its own members and, thereby, reduce the feelings of isolation that many women criminologists feel. Through its newsletters and related publications, the Division has documented our teaching and research activities and kept us in touch. We need to do more in this area. We must make sure that students and newer members feel welcome, and we must seek ways to involve them directly in our activities. We should especially seek to encourage diversity in our membership; to do this, I think we must listen to the advice of current members who are women of color in a structured and formal way.

We also need to broaden the Division’s influence on public opinion and policy. As one who has been coordinating the effort to build a speakers bureau among our members, there are numerous issues on which our members can speak intelligently. As the number of women in prison continues to climb, as the problems of sexual harassment and date rape appear on our own campuses, and as wife battering continues to haunt contemporary family life, we must explore ways to interpret these issues to a broader constituency. We need to seek forums where they exist and create them where they do not. Our expertise on these matters can provide an urgently needed and fresh perspective. Finally, my experience in a multi-cultural setting has convinced me that the Division must broaden its presence in the emerging international community of scholars interested in women and crime. The interchange with scholars from other cultures and nations will continue to challenge our notions of what is possible within our field and our communities
FOR DIVISION CHAIRPERSON

ANNA F. KUHL

Anna F. Kuhl is currently a Professor in the Department of Correctional Services at Eastern Kentucky University. She has just completed a Postdoctoral Fellowship with the California Attorney General's Office (1988-89). Prior to that, she was at San Jose State University in the Administration of Justice Department for eight years. Professor Kuhl received her Ph.D. in Psychology/Sociology from Washington State University in 1981. Her dissertation and current research activities focus on spousal abuse, spousal homicide, and female offenders. She is currently Chairperson of the Division on Women and Crime and has served as Secretary of the Division as well as being a Charter member of the Division. She is also a member in similar divisions in other national organizations.

STATEMENT: It is an honor to be asked to consider a second term as Chairperson of the Division. As a Charter member, I have seen the Division grow from a "group of us" to a large meeting with Divisional status, I have seen us move from a few papers specific to women to panels throughout the annual meeting such that it sometimes is difficult to "choose" which are most important to us. In 1987, I focused on the following items: (1) a journal and/or monograph series; (2) a curriculum guide devoted to the topic of women and crime; (3) an increase in the utility of the newsletter; (4) exploration of the feasibility of regional meetings. It is exciting to report that the curriculum guide developed by Merry Morash for the Division has been well received and widely distributed; and the Newsletter, under the editorship of Chris Rasche, has increased its scope and utility. The recent development of a new journal on women and crime edited by Clarice Feinman led the Division to believe it was more important to support this journal through submission of articles, members being willing to serve this journal in various capacities, and by subscription than to develop a competing journal.

In the next two years, I see the Division making significant decisions specific to its future goals. We have by-law recommendations to consider, consideration of a mid-year meeting for the Executive Board, involvement in similar divisions of other national organizations and most importantly -- where do we, as a Division, want to be in five years? How do we envision the Division continuing to work within the framework of the Society? Do we, as a Division, want to take a proactive stance on items and issues? How do we want to increase our networking among both graduate students and faculty? What role should we take in the active promotion of women as officers in the Society? These are just a few of the decisions I foresee the Division making in the next two years. I believe the role of Chairperson of the Division is to facilitate the decision-making process and to act as liaison with both the Executive Board and the Society as a whole. It would be a pleasure to chair the Division in this exciting and changing atmosphere.
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