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Hi there, folks! Well, it is late July and for me, at least, the summer is rapidly coming to an end as summer classes wind down. But it is only a month until our Fall Term begins anew, however, and so I thought I should ask how all the various committees of the Division on Women and Crime are doing. I have been in touch with some of you over the past several months, as the work dictates, but have not actually talked to others of you since we met last November! Soon it will be November again and time for some of us to have various tasks completed!

So consider this a belated sort of mid-year check-up: How are you doing on your committee assignments? Need any help from me? Dealing with any problems I need to know about? Will you have your task completed by November? Or sooner, as is needed in some cases?

Of course, if you have completely forgotten what you signed up to do, just let me know and I will refresh your memory. I completely understand how that happens....We all have a lot of balls in the air! I just don’t want something important to the life and work of the Division to go unattended because of a communication failure.
So let me know how you are doing! Give me an update--and let me know what I need to do to help you reach your specific goals. Thanks. And enjoy what is left of the summer. I hope each of you got plenty of rest and recreation in there somewhere--or that you will do so before school starts again! Hope to hear from each of you soon! --Chris
TO: Helen Eigenberg  
FROM: Nicky Rafter  
DATE: 8 December 1997  
RE: Your memo of 11/25/97

Sorry to be so slow in answering. We are on a quarter system, and it is the end of the quarter, which means term papers and exams as well as all the usual stuff and Xmas. I haven't yet finished unpacking from San Diego.

Your draft letter to Schwendingers seems excellent. Good for you.

The members of the DWC awards committee are Drew Humphries and JoAnne Belknap. They have already drawn up a list of names for next year. humprie@crab.rutgers.edu joanne.belknap@uc.edu

Student Paper Committee: Jana Jasinski, Suman Kakar, and Michelle Miller.

Yes, I do have email, but it is not always an efficient way to reach me as (1) the students use it so heavily that I often cannot get "on"; and (2) I am often out of town (my partner lives in Vermont). But go ahead and try: nrafter@lynx.neu.edu

My home tel: 617-739-5508; home fax: 617-739-9619; NU fax: 617-373-8998.

I was sorry to learn about your difficulties at work. I didn't get all the details and am unsure of your status, but just in case it might be helpful I will enclose a copy of an email I recently received from Julie Stubbs in Sydney, Australia. She's wonderful and so is her school. You can call me for more details if you are interested. I'll be in Boston through 10 Dec and then in VT at 7802-635-1246.

Happy holidays, and many thanks for all your DWC work.
Dear Friends and Colleagues,

**** Teaching vacancy - July to November/December 1998 - Faculty of Law, University of Sydney ****

Due to a range of circumstances (staff on sabbatical/taking up research fellowships/undertaking administrative duties) we need a temporary person to teach in the criminology program in the Faculty of Law for semester 2 in 1998. In particular we are seeking a person who could teach 2 or more of the following courses:

Postgraduate - 'Crime, research and policy'; 'Juvenile justice'; 'Sentencing & punishment'

Undergraduate - 'Aboriginal people & the law'

The level of the appointment, the salary & conditions would depend on the level of experience and background of the applicant. Salary would be commensurate with University of Sydney rates. The appointment would be a temporary one for 1 semester only. Casual appointments for individual courses may also be possible.

For more information about criminology in the Faculty of Law, University of
Sydney see our homepage at:
http://www.law.usyd.edu.au/~criminology/

Please bring this to the attention of anyone who might be qualified and interested in being considered. They should send an expression of interest and a c.v. ASAP to:

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Faculty of Law
University of Sydney
173-175 Phillip St
Sydney NSW 2000
AUSTRALIA

Fax 61 2 93510200
Ph 61 2 93510351 (Julie Stubbs) or 61 2 93510239 (Dawn Koester)
Attention: N. Rafter

for: H. Eigenberg
December, 1997

Herman Schwendinger, Professor of Sociology and
Julia Schwendinger, Professor of Criminology

Dear Drs. Schwendinger:

Please accept the enclosed plaque on behalf of the American Society of Criminology's Division on Women and Crime in appreciation for and recognition of your contributions to the scholarship on women and crime. While the Division was pleased to honor your work at the Social Hour several years ago, we were remiss in providing you with a plaque to commemorate that occasion and we apologize for the delay. Unfortunately, we were unable to present it to you in person at the 1997 conference. The Division hopes that this small token of recognition will convey our level of respect for you and your work. We thank you for your contributions to the field and for the cutting edge work that you do.
TO: Claire Renzetti, by fax if I can find your number  
FROM: Nicky Rafter  
DATE: 9 December 1997  
RE: Your request for info on DWC committee assignments

Here's what I've got:

**nominations comm.**  
Carole Thompson, Chinita Heard--co-chairs

**Outreach, USA**  
Roz Muraskin, Elin Waring, Suman Kakar

**outreach/ international**

zero; seemed to be no interest

**program comm.** (and n.b., Chris Rasche is head of gender panels for next yr's ASC program)  
Nancy Wonders and Mona Daner will stay on  
Kim Cook: author-meets-critic session  
Tammy Anderson  
Helen Eigenberg

**student affairs**  
Barbara Perry, Nancy Jurik

**DWC awards**  
Patricia Davin, Elin Waring

**ASC Awards/ Fellows**  
JoAnne Belknap, Drew Humphries, with Barbara Price serving as liaison with ASC

**DWC student paper award comm.**  
Jana Jasinski, Suman Kakar, Michelle Miller

**WEB page**  
Mary Ann Zager and Carrie Nilles; also Brenda Sims?

**Archives**  
Julie Cowgill, Nicky Rafter

**Newsletter**  
Sue Carter Collins, Melvina Sumpter, and Stephanie Booth-Basquetté

**long-range planning comm.**  
Lynne Goodstein, Brenda Miller--will stay on as co-chairs
Task force on women in prison
Nancy Hirschinger: chair
Shirley Williams, Suman Kakar, Barbara Price, Roz Muraskin, Shirley Williams, Stephanie Booth-Basquette, Melvina Sumpter, Brooke Bedrick, and Martha Sweezy

Special events/social hour
Michelle Miller and Barb McMorris: co-chairs
Claire Renzetti will talk to Sage about underwriting

Task force on professional women in criminology
Becky Block, Alan Brown, Anne Reed, Vivian Lord, Winnie Reed, Brenda Miller, Sue Carter Collins, Esther Rister, Shelby Lunning, and Patricia Kirby

Publicity comm.
Barbara Price, Barbara McMorris, Barbara Perry, Roz Muraskin

Ideas: make buttons to wear at the meetings, have same colors for Tshirts. Make sign or banner for booth (professional designed: $250-300, but we could have it through the centuries, asking Chris Eskridge to bring it to meetings)

15th anniversary (which I figure to be 1999-2000)
Debra Stanley, April Pattavina, and Susan Krumholz

Fundraising comm.
Co-chairs: Claire Renzetti and Shirley Williams
also: Nancy Hirchsinger (sp?), Tammy Anderson (will do fun run with tshirts), Joanne Ar dovini-Brooker, Alan Brown, Kathleen Gale, Karen Maschke

Claire: What about a calendar with monthly pix of famous female criminals?

Liaison with Div Peo Color
Nicky Rafter and Evelyn Gilbert
TO: Sarah Hall, by fax to [Redacted]
FROM: Nicole Rafter, Chair, Division on Women and Crime
DATE: 13 December 1997
RE: Information I need

Could I bother you for some information that I need to organize the DWC for the coming year? I'm working in Vermont and will be here through 18 December. If you could get this information to me before the 18th, I could complete the work on my mailings before the holidays. My fax number here is c/o Hahn, 802-635-1238.

If you can't get the information to me before Dec. 18, then please fax it to my Brookline fax machine: 617-739-9619--or simply mail it to me at Northeastern.

Thanks in advance for your help. Here's the information I need:

1. Who are the other DWC officers and what are their terms? Who are the most recently elected ASC officers?

2. Which DWC offices are open for elections this coming year?

3. Could you send me a copy of the DWC Constitution, as amended?

4. How many members does the Division currently have?

5. What date was the Division formally founded? (We need this information to plan for the 15th anniversary.)

6. Is it OK for the DWC to set up its own web page, so long as we have a link to the ASC's web page? Who is in charge of the ASC's web page?

7. For the purposes of arranging to archive our historical documents, do you have files pertaining to our past, and if so, do you need to keep them there or could they be relocated to an archive? If the latter, about how much material do you have (archivists think in cubic feet)? Does the ASC as a whole have plans to archive its materials?

8. I'm writing a 5-page document to committee members; it will need to go out to about 30 people in all. When done, can I send this to you for duplication and mailing, or should I go through Northeastern?

9. Who are the officers of the Division on People of Color?

10. Do you have an email address, and if so, could I have it?

Thank you in advance for your help. I'm sorry to bother you with all this, but you are the one who know it all! Happy holidays.