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wow! campus ushers in first wellesley october weekend

For the first time, Alumnae Leadership Council (ALC), Homecoming Weekend and Family & Friends Weekend will combine into one fall event, Wellesley October Weekend – or WOW. The celebration will be held Friday through Sunday, Oct. 12-14.

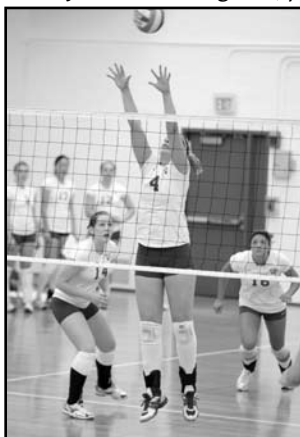
“For many years, each of these departments has separately invited alumnae, family and friends of Wellesley back to campus in October for a large-scale series of events,” said Katherine Langmaid, alumnae association. “By drawing the three events into one weekend, we recognized a great opportunity for collaboration across campus divisions that would benefit our students, our alumnae and our invited guests. In addition, we hope that by bringing these three events together, we can generate an exciting and vibrant campus experience for all constituents: students, athletes, families, friends, alumnae and guests.”

Alumnae volunteers will return to campus for information sharing, leadership training and reconnection with the ALC, an intensive training session for alumnae in leadership positions in their classes or clubs or who serve as fund-raising volunteers or admission representatives.

wellesley celebrates athletics homecoming

Volleyball, tennis, golf and lacrosse will be some of the many sports played by alumnae, students, families, friends, faculty and staff at this year’s athletics homecoming.

On Saturday, Oct. 13, the Friends of Wellesley College Athletics (FOWCA) will host a variety of games for all ages. From 10 am-2 pm, guests can stop at the soccer field and join a kickball game, pick up a Frisbee



or play volleyball. On Saturday at 10 am, the swimming and diving, lacrosse and crew teams will hold alumnae contests, including a lacrosse alumnae game on the Upper Field.

“This weekend marks a new beginning of what we hope will become a new tradition at Wellesley College: the union of our annual Alumnae Leadership Council with our Family & Friends and FOWCA Athletics Homecoming,” said Bridget Belgiovine, director of athletics. “Our planning committee has been hard at work preparing for this exciting weekend and organizing the many activities. We welcome you to participate in any and all events and engage in Blue Pride Spirit. Go Wellesley!”

On Saturday at 11 am, Wellesley field hockey will face off against WPI followed by a Seven Sisters cross country race at 11:40. A golf invitational will be held at noon, and tennis and volleyball matches will be played at 1 pm. Volleyball will also round out the day with a 3 pm match against Endicott.

For more information, call x2003 or visit www.wellesley.edu/Athletics/Homecoming/.

The annual Family and Friends Weekend is an opportunity to experience student life at Wellesley by attending classes, taking part in activities, meeting friends and enjoying the beauty of the campus. Events will include honored traditions including the distinguished faculty lecture and the sophomore tree planting, as well as film screenings, environmental campus tours and a student performance showcase. President H. Kim Bottomly will welcome friends and family to campus Saturday, Oct. 13, at 9:30 am in the Alumnae Hall Auditorium.



For more information, visit www.wellesley.edu/WOW/wow.html. See story below for more information on Homecoming.

fall open campus

Approximately 175 prospective students will attend campus tours, admission and financial aid information sessions, class visits and panel discussions during Fall Open Campus, an overnight program for high school seniors. The event, which takes place Sunday and Monday, Oct. 14-15, connects academically talented students with the college’s programs and students, faculty and staff. Attendees will also enjoy “Sundaes on Sunday,” featuring a movie and student vocal and dance ensembles.

The Office of Admission will also host several online chat dates for prospective students and two extended visit programs on the mornings of Monday, Oct. 8, and Saturday, Nov. 17, featuring tours, information sessions and student panels. For more information, call x2270 or visit www.wellesley.edu/admission/fall2007/.

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news

women must face labyrinth in the workplace, professor says

Are men simply better, more natural leaders? Are women's careers compromised by their responsibilities at home? Statistics are shocking for women who hope to succeed in the working world. Although women occupy 40% of all managerial positions in the United States, only 6% of the *Fortune* 500's top executives are female. Of those firms, just 2% have women CEOs.

While women like Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and eBay CEO Meg Whitman have gained access to high-level leadership positions, the number of top female executives still lags far behind men.

Linda Carli, psychology, and Alice Eagly, professor and chair of psychology at Northwestern University, explain the reasons for this disparity of women in leadership positions in their new book, *Through the Labyrinth: The Truth About How Women Become Leaders* (Harvard Business School Press, 2007).

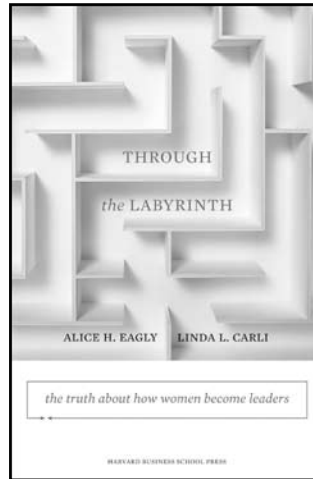
Carli will present the lecture, "Through the Labyrinth: Women Confront the Double Bind," Friday, Oct. 12, at 12:30 pm in Science Center 278.

The "glass ceiling," or the idea that women successfully climb the corporate ladder until they're blocked just below the summit, has been accepted for the last two decades as the largest obstacle to female advancement in the workplace.

The ceiling has finally shattered, Carli and Eagly say. However, women in powerful roles are still rare and the problem stems from discrimination operating at all levels, not just the top. Women aren't dealing with a ceiling, they're facing a labyrinth.

"The labyrinth conveys the idea of a complex journey that entails challenges and offers a goal worth striving for," the authors say. "Passage through a labyrinth is not simple or direct, but requires persistence, awareness of one's progress and a careful analysis of the puzzles that lie ahead."

Carli has conducted research on the effects of gender on women's leadership; group interaction, communication, and influence; and reactions to adversity. She was the co-editor of a volume of *Journal of Social Issues* that focused on women leaders. For more information, call x1513.



colleagues

in the news

anne manning, student life, has been appointed by Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick to serve on the education and technology subcommittee of the Readiness Project Leadership Council, which is charged with shaping a comprehensive 10-year strategic plan to improve the state's public education system. The subcommittees will identify specific state actions and offer cost projections and benchmarks to help carry the commonwealth forward in education over the next decade. Manning was one of more than 150 citizens to be tapped for subcommittee service. "The educators, business representatives and practitioners who have agreed to serve on these subcommittees will help bring to life the vision for a world-class, comprehensive public education system that educates and nurtures every child to the highest levels of achievement," Governor Patrick said. "I applaud their commitment to the commonwealth and am delighted to have them on the team."

joseph joyce, economics, will be one of six leading economists to explore globalization and its impact during the 44th Annual Werner Sichel Lecture-Seminar Series at Western Michigan University. Joyce will present "Global Justice: An Economist's Perspective." The series will focus on the challenges and opportunities of globalization and international development. The series' speakers will address various dimensions of globalization, including poverty, foreign aid, global justice, global financial flows and patent and knowledge spillovers to developing countries. In addition to lectures, each guest scholar will present an academic seminar for economics faculty and graduate students.

abdourahman waberi, Newhouse fellow, spoke at the University of Pennsylvania as part of the African Studies Center lecture series. He discussed his upcoming book, *Aux Etats-Unis d'Afrique! In the United States of Africa*. A chapter of his novel, which is his sixth work of fiction, was also published in the September issue of *Harper's Magazine*.

biographer speaks on ralph waldo ellison

Acclaimed biographer and literary critic Arnold Rampersad will present a lecture, "The Life of Ralph Waldo Ellison," Thursday, Oct. 11, at 4:15 pm in Collins Cinema.

Rampersad is the author of *Ralph Ellison: A Biography*, the definitive history of one of the most important American writers and cultural intellectuals of the 20th century. Ellison is widely known for his novel *Invisible Man*, which won the National Book Award in 1953.

"Arnold Rampersad is one of the most authoritative scholars on African American and American literature," said Selwyn Cudjoe, Africana studies. "He has fashioned African American biography into a finely honed art."

Rampersad is the Sara Hart Kimball Professor in the Humanities at Stanford University. His other books include *The Art and Imagination of W.E.B. DuBois*; *The Life of Langston Hughes*; *Days of Grace: A Memoir*, co-authored with Arthur Ashe; and *Jackie Robinson: A Biography*. He has written for *The New York Times Book Review*, *The New Republic* and *The Washington Post*, and is an elected member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Philosophical Society. For more information, call x2563.

calendar

monday october 8

no classes. Fall break.
administrative holiday.

tuesday october 9

no classes. Fall break.
soccer vs. Babson. 4 pm, Sports Center. Info: x2900.

wednesday october 10

cws application deadlines. Preliminary applications for Churchill, Goldwater, and Truman Scholarships. Info: x2356.
chinese table. Noon, Davis living room. Sponsor: Chinese Students' Association. Info: CSAMail@wellesley.edu.
german table. 12:30 pm, Tower private dining room. Sponsor: German. Info: x2584.
cws info session. "Tufts University Eliot-Pearson Dept. of Child Development." 12:30 pm, PNE 239. Info: x2356.
talk-back session. In conjunction with *Global Feminisms* exhibit. Speakers: Wini Wood, writing, and Eve Zimmerman, East Asian languages and literatures. 4:30 pm, DMCC. Info: x2034. (See story, page 4.)
info session. "School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London." 4:30 pm, GRH 428. Sponsor: International Study. Info: x2320.
gathering. Unitarian Universalist worship circle. 6 pm, interim chapel, 2nd floor, Schneider. Info: x3484.
intramural kickball. 6-7:30 pm, PE/Rec. Field. Sponsor: Athletics. Info: x2016.
dinner lecture. "A Journey Back to the 17th Century: Exploring the Life and Times of Composer Antonia Bembo." Speaker: Claire Fontijn, music. 6 pm, College Club. Info, reservations: x2700.
volleyball vs. Wheaton. 7 pm, Sports Center. Info: x2900.

thursday october 11

meeting. "Meditation." 12:30-1:30 pm, Schneider Loft meditation space. Sponsor: Religious Life. Info: 2793.
spanish table. 12:30 pm, Tower private dining hall. Info: x3571.
president's open office hour. 12:30-1:30, GRH 350. Info: x2243.
wcw luncheon seminar. "Squeeze Play: Why Title IX Is Not Enough." Speakers: Laura Pappano and Eileen McDonagh, WCW. 12:30 pm, Cheever House. Info: x2500.
lecture. "The Life of Ralph Waldo Ellison." Speaker: Arnold Rampersad, humanities, Stanford. 4:15 pm, Collins Cinema. Info: x2563. (See story, page 2.)
lecture. "The Crystalline Organization of the Visual Cortex." Speaker: David Hubel, neurobiology emeritus, Harvard. Lecture, 5 pm, SCI 277; reception, 6 pm, Sage Lounge. Sponsor: Neuroscience. Info:

save the date!

10/19: "Bridging the Cultural Divide." Stand-up comic Bill Santiago. 7-9 pm, Jewett auditorium. Sponsor: Mezcla. Info: Mezclamail@wellesley.edu.

10/18: Cornille Lecture in the Humanities. "Herodotus and Aesop, or the Socio-Politics of Greek Prose." Speaker: Leslie Kirk, Cornille visiting professor. 4-7:30 pm, Library Lecture Room. Sponsor: Newhouse Center. Info: x2698.

10/20: Falling Leaves Medieval Festival. 10 am-4 pm, Campus Center lawn. Sponsor: Felding Medieval Society. Info: FeldingMedievalmail@wellesley.edu.

10/24: Campus Sustainability Day Webcast. Noon-1:30 pm, Collins Cinema. Sponsor: President's Office. Info: x2239.

x3048.

esl tutoring. 6-8 pm, PLTC small conference room. By appointment. Info, appointments: x2480.

info session. "Travel Talk Series: Science Abroad." 7 pm, LWC 210. Sponsor: International Study. Info: x2320.

meeting. Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. 7-9 pm, Wang 415. Info: x4335.

friday october 12

wellesley october weekend. Family and Friends Weekend 2007. Sponsor: Student Activities. Info: x2672. (See story, page 1.)
lecture. "Through the Labyrinth: Women Confront the Double Bind." Speaker: Linda Carli, psychology. 12:30-1:30 pm, SCI 278. Sponsor: Psychology. Info: x1513. (See story, page 2.)
cws info session. "Management Basics." 12:30 pm, PNE Atrium. Info: x2356.
cws info session. "Applying for the Gates Scholarship." 12:30 pm, LWC 413. Info: x2356.
open tower hours. 2-4 pm, Galenstone Tower. Sponsor: Guild of Carillonners. Info: x4384.
cws career café. 2-3:30 pm, CWS Library (GRH 442). Info: x2356.
bible study. 7 pm, Wang 415. Sponsor: Asian Baptist Students Koinonia. Info: mkhoo@wellesley.edu.

saturday october 13

eid al-fitr. (Ramadan ends). Islamic tradition.
wellesley october weekend. (See 10/12 listing.)
class. "Plant FBI (For Budding Investigators)." For

children grades 3-5. 9:30-11:30 am, Greenhouse Visitors Center. Cost per six-class series (9/29, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/17): \$120 for Friends of Horticulture members and college community; \$150 for others. Sponsor: Friends of Horticulture. Info: x3504.

swimming. Alumnae scrimmage, 10 am, Sports Center. Info: x2900.

field hockey vs. WPI. 11 am, Sports Center. Info: x2900.

tennis vs. MIT. 1 pm, Sports Center. Info: x2900.

concert. "Friends and Family Weekend Concert." Performers: Choir, chamber singers, glee club, orchestra, chamber music ensemble. 2 pm, Jewett Auditorium. Sponsor: Music. Info: x2028.

haunted haus. 30-minute tours of Shakespeare's creepiest scenes. 4-6 pm, Shakespeare House. Sponsor: Shakespeare society. Info: x3192.

concert. "The Geri Allen Trio." 8 pm, Jewett Auditorium. Sponsor: Music. Info: x2028.

sunday october 14

wellesley october weekend. (See 10/12 listing.)
fall open campus. For prospective students and parents. Sponsor: Admission. Info: x2270. (See story, page 1.)
worship service. 7 pm, Schneider chapel. Sponsor: Protestant Christian Chaplaincy. Info: x2655.
gathering. Darshana. 11 am, meditation room, Schneider Center. Sponsor: Hindu Students. Info: x2794.

monday october 15

fall open campus. (See 10/14 listing.)
meeting. "Meditation." 12:30 pm (See 10/11 listing.)
italian table. 12:30 pm, Tower private dining hall. Sponsor: Italian. Info: x2616.
cws info session. "Quinnipiac University School of Law." 12:30 pm, PNE 231. Info: x2356.
senate meeting. 6 pm, Academic Council Room, Green Hall, 4th floor. Info: sanand@wellesley.edu.
esl tutoring. (See 10/11 listing.)
lecture. "Bring on the Heat: Climate Change Series." Speaker: Richard Lindzen, Meteorology, MIT. 7 pm, PNE Atrium. Info: WEEDmail@wellesley.edu.

ongoing

exhibition. *Transfigured Texts*. Special Collections, 4th floor, Clapp Library. Through 11/07. Info: x2129.
exhibition. U.S. Constitution Display. Celebrate U.S. Constitution Week by learning how the Constitution was conceived, debated and passed. Read about relevant Supreme Court decisions and answer Constitution trivia questions. Clapp Library, 2nd floor. Through October. Info: x3426.
exhibition. *Patterns in Nature*. Multi-media art works by Judith Greenberg. Greenhouse Visitor Center. Sponsor: Friends of Horticulture. Through 11/15. Info: x3094.

don't miss ...

wellesley professors host discussions on 'global feminisms'

Eve Zimmerman, East Asian languages and literatures, said she couldn't resist talking about a photograph and video by Hiroko Okada that humorously depict male pregnancy when one of her students told her that a guest at the opening thought the Japanese men were really pregnant.

"I like this piece because it sparks discussion about gender and the body, but also about how Asia is perceived as somehow more technologically advanced and yet still very distant from North America," Zimmerman said. "There is a lovely moment in the video when the pregnant man, dressed in a shapeless mumu, wearily climbs the stairs at a train station. I felt deeply for him at that moment, his hand on the banisters, dragging his heavy belly up toward the train. I want to ask: Why is that image moving? Where did this piece come from?"

Starting this week, the Davis Museum and Cultural Center will host "Talk-Back Sessions," informal discussions that will provide an opportunity to share thoughts about individual pieces of work and the *Global Feminisms* exhibition as a whole. The first session, featuring comments by Zimmerman and Wini Wood, writing program, will take place Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 4:30 pm in the DMCC.

When discussing the exhibit, Wood said faculty realized that many viewers would have strong reactions to the works and would want to talk about those reactions on the spot. "Talk-Back Sessions" offer that opportunity.

"When I toured the exhibit during the opening on Sept. 19th, I enjoyed being part of the large crowd and noting people's responses to particular objects," Wood said. "These are quite unlike the reactions one often observes in an art museum, where it is possible to maintain a distance between oneself and the work."

The next two sessions will be held Thursday, Oct. 18, at 4 pm and Wednesday, Nov. 7, at 7:45 pm. For more information, call x2034.

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