

## **New News – January 2006**

### **Faculty Update**

**Adrienne Asch** has indeed gone off to Yeshiva University. This year we are extremely grateful and excited to have Charlene Galarneau from Tufts University teaching as her replacement. A religion and bioethics scholar, she is teaching three courses for us: *Feminist Bioethics, Women, Reproduction and Health*, and *Gender, Justice and Health Policy*.

### **Events Update**

Just to give you a sense of what we are doing on the campus:

**"Laura Murphy: Life of a Lobbyist."** **Laura Murphy '76** has had a distinguished career as a lobbyist on women's and civil rights, as a legislative assistant to two members of Congress, and most recently as the first woman and African American director of the ACLU's National Washington DC Legislative Office. She received the ACLU of Massachusetts Bill of Rights Award on October 18th and we were able to co-sponsor her speaking on October 17th at the college with Student Government's Committee for Political and Legislative Action and Ethos.

**"Documenting Lives in Sex Work:** a series of films, roundtable discussion and workshops.

The films "Born into Brothels" and "Tales of the Night Fairies" have brought the world of sex work into the public eye. "Born into Brothels" won the 2004 Academy Award for Documentaries. On October 25, 26, 27 we presented a number of screenings of the films, discussions with the filmmakers, and a workshop on documentary filmmaking. On November 2nd, the program turned toward the issue of Women in US Military Camp Towns in South Korea with the showing of two films, "Camp Arirang" and "Mamasang: Remember Me This Way." Again, the filmmakers were here and discussions chaired by Women's Studies faculty member **Sealing Cheng**.

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### **"The Work of Donna Haraway"**

**Ramona Fernandez**, Associate Professor in American Cultures at Michigan State University, discussed the work of feminist scholar Donna Haraway whom I sure many of you have read (or tried to read). Professor Fernandez was on campus during the week of December 5th.

### **"Social Amnesia and the Civil Rights Movement"**

Our annual Domna Stanton lecture this year will be lead by two alumnae, **Callie Crossley** and **Diane McWhorter**. Crossley is an award winning television producer/media commentator best known for her on-going appearance on WGBH's "Greater Boston" program and her role as a producer of the "Eyes on the Prize" the video history of the civil rights movement. McWhorter, a New York based writer, won the 2002 Pulitzer Prize for her book, Carry Me Home, on the history of the civil rights movement in Birmingham. This event will be on **March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006**.

You are all welcome to any or all events. Please email Margie Burke, [mburke@wellesley.edu](mailto:mburke@wellesley.edu) for details.