**WGRI Distinguished Professor Award Dr. E. (Eddy) Helen Berry**

A reception will be held Tuesday, March 28th at 3:30 in ENGR 101. Please join us to honor Eddy Berry and hear about her research. Eddy’s presentation is entitled, “When Commitment Means You Should Be Committed to an Asylum: Being a Professor, Researcher, Daughter, Wife, and Mom.”

Eddy Berry (more formally, E. Helen Berry), Professor of Sociology, has been at Utah State University since 1984. She came to USU from a NICHD Post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Michigan Population Studies Center after receiving her Ph.D. in sociology with a minor in geography at The Ohio State University. Dr. Berry's specialty areas are in demography and human ecology, with specific focus on rural population change. Her current research focuses on Hispanics, non-Hispanic blacks and non-Hispanic whites as they move into and out of metropolitan and non-metropolitan places. She is particularly interested in the ways that the characteristics of the rural and urban places interact with the characteristics of migrants.

Dr. Berry currently serves as the assistant department head in Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology and has chaired the USU Institutional Review Board for Human Participants in research, the Athletic Council, and co-directed WGRI. She is the 2003 Rural Sociological Society Recipient of the Award for Excellence in Instruction and 1998 USU Robin's Award Faculty Advisor of the Year. She teaches courses in demography, social statistics, and occasionally urban sociology or methods, at both the graduate and undergraduate levels.

One of her proudest accomplishments at USU occurred in 1984. As a brand new assistant professor, she joined with a group of women, some of whom were interested in

*(Left: Eddy with her family Caitlin, Jon, and Stan Laughlin)*
in gender studies, others of whom were women researchers interested in connecting with other women researchers. These women first gathered in Eddy’s living room and became the initial members of WGRI, founding the group in order to promote research about gender and to promote research and creative accomplishments by women.

**The nomination letter describing Dr. Berry’s qualifications states:**

Dr. Berry has established a solid research program with colleagues in her department and at other universities and has an outstanding publication record in refereed, scholarly journals as well as innumerable (54!) research presentations at professional meetings or other professional venues. Several articles and many of the presentations were co-authored/presented with graduate students and those graduate students have gone on to occupy important academic and government agency positions, in Utah and elsewhere around the country, and in Korea. In fact, Dr. Berry spent last summer (2005) in Korea as a visiting professor at Korea University Institute of International Education where she had the opportunity to re-establish relationships with Korean colleagues and establish new relationships with colleagues from other American universities.

Dr. Berry has been the recipient of many grants and awards, both external and internal. She has twice been a Top Prof for Mortar Board and twice the SSWA Advisor of the Year. Over the years, Dr. Berry’s research has been funded by a wide variety of agencies including the US Department of Agriculture, the Utah Agricultural Experiment Station, WGRI, and the College of HASS.

Dr. Berry’s longstanding service with the IRB at Utah State has developed into national prominence. She has represented the Social Sciences on national IRB panels on more than one occasion. In 2002 Dr. Berry wrote the *USU Handbook for Protection for Human Subjects* (with True Rubal) and it was later incorporated into the *NIH Recommendations on Best Practices*. Despite the fact that she is no longer a member of IRB at USU, Dr. Berry is still the go-to guy when Utah State needs effective representation at the national level.

Here is just a sample of Dr. Berry’s professional service: at the university, Dr. Berry is always available to consult or simply chat with colleagues from across campus. She chairs or has served on an unbelievable 25 Tenure and Promotion, Promotion, or Post-Tenure Review Committees. Dr. Berry has six years of service as ombudsperson for the College of HASS, chaired search committees, and served as external and internal reviewer for a wide variety of purposes (e.g. NSF USU Success Grant Advisory Board, Expanding Your Horizon, HASS Small Grant Awards). Dr. Berry was member then chair of IRB (1994-2003), member then chair of Athletic Council (1996-2001), and is a founding member of WGRI. She has a long history of service to the Rural Sociological Society as well as Planned Parenthood of both Cache County and Utah. A new responsibility for Dr. Berry is as Coordinator for Institutional Integrity for the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

It is with great pleasure that we award the WGRI Distinguished Professor Award to Dr. E. (Eddy) Helen Berry.
Upcoming Events

Feb. 15  WGS scholarship applications due.  Alison Comish Throne Scholarship ($1000) will be awarded to an undergraduate WGS student earning a minor or area studies certificate. Application information and scholarship criteria available at: http://www.usu.edu/womenstu/web/thorne.htm

Pam Riley Student Travel Award ($500) will be awarded to a WGS student conducting research on gender issues to support the student’s research. Application information and scholarship criteria available at: http://www.usu.edu/womenstu/web/prsta.htm

“Women Who Dug (Up) History”
February 28, 2006, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Alumni House

Professor Francis B. Titchener, History and Classics, is the speaker for our opening event and reception to celebrate Women’s History month.

Frances Titchener has taught at USU since 1987. She co-directs the Classics program in which she teaches all levels of Latin and Greek language, as well as history courses on Ancient Greece and Rome, Celtic Europe, and Ancient Western Civilization. She was named the Teacher of the Year for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences for 1994. In 1995, she was selected the CASE Professor of the Year for the State of Utah by the Carnegie Foundation, and she received the national Teaching Excellence Award (university level) from the American Philological Society in 1999.

Professor Titchener will discuss pioneering women archaeologists. There’s a lot we don’t know about these women, as Professor Titchener explains:

"Long before Indiana Jones, there were glamorous archaeologists like Howard Carter, who captured the world's imagination by discovering King Tut’s un plundered tomb, or Heinrich Schliemann, who excavated Troy and Mycenae. But in Breaking Ground: Pioneering Women Archaeologists (Ann Arbor, 2004), we learn that Jane Dieulafoy helped excavate the royal palace of Xerxes at Susa (1884-86), and "it was a woman novelist and traveler, Amelia Blanford Edwards, who founded, in London, the first academic chair of Egyptology”. Learn more about these and other brave pioneering women archaeologists, and their amazing lives.”

March 1  
Room 315  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS  
USU Student Center,

Financial Aid Applications for the 06-07 school year will be available March 1, 2006 and the deadline to turn in applications will be April 28, 2006. These scholarships are for Reentry level men and women students with a 2.5 GPA and a five year gap some point in their education at some point. For information call the Women’s Center at 797-1728.
March 20-24  NATIONAL WOMEN HISTORY MONTH DISPLAYS 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
USU Taggart Student Center, International Lounge

March 20  WGRI Brown Bag Lunch 12:00-1:00 Center Colony Room, TSC

Show Me The Money: How to Obtain External Research Funding for Your Research

Come hear a panel of USU women faculty discuss how they have successfully obtained external funding for their research. The panel will also share "lessons learned" from their experiences with grantsmanship and answer your questions.

March 21  SPEAK OUT 4 WOMEN Noon - 1 p.m.   USU Student Center, Sunburst Lounge

Every 4 minutes, a woman will step to the mike and Speak Out 4 Women. Come and listen to what’s on women’s minds. It may be a story from their life, reflections about a mentor, a song, poetry, politics or a thank you. Information will be available on how to earn a minor or certificate in Women and Gender Studies. Sponsored by Women and Gender Studies and Women’s Center. For information call 797-1728.

March 22  CUT FROM DIFFERENT CLOTH: Burgas & Beliefs 11:30 -12:30
USU Student Center, Sunburst Lounge

A documentary about the lives of women in Afghanistan today. It is a compelling story of the post-Taliban culture and the traditions that continue to limit the freedom of Afghan women. Seen through the eyes of a 27 year-old American woman living with an Afghan family, this film illustrates the difficulties and dilemmas Afghan women face as they strive for rights guaranteed to them by the new constitution. Sponsored by the Women’s Center. For information call 797-1728.


April 1  WGRI Travel Awards While there is no specific due date for applications for travel awards, funds unused by assistant professors are available for tenured faculty after April 1. See http://www.usu.edu/gender/awards.html for details.

APRIL  CELL PHONES & SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

During Sexual Assault Awareness Month donate discarded, useable cell phones for people who need access to 911. Drop off phones at the Women’s Center in the USU Student Center, Room 315. Phones will be given to CAPSA.

April 4  HONORING WOMEN OVER 65 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 7 P.M.
USU Student Center, Ball Room
The USU Women’s Center Advisory Board honors selected Cache Valley women for their achievements and outstanding contributions. An inspiring evening of role models and local history. For information, call 797-1728.

WGRI Spring Social
Who: All tenured and tenure-track female faculty and female research professors at Utah State University.
When: Tuesday, April 4, 2006 Noon-1:30
Where: The USU Alumni Center
Theme: Finding Balance
What: Inspiring speakers, a great luncheon, and the best company in town.

April 25 Promotion Celebration
WGRI and ADVANCE will be celebrating the promotion and/or tenure of women faculty in 2005-2006. We'll be celebrating with good food & drink and a toast. Please check the WGRI or ADVANCE (http://websites.usu.edu/advance) websites as the time gets closer for more details.

April 28 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DEADLINE 4:30 P.M.
Women’s Center, USU Student Center, Room 315.

We Welcome You…
Siew Sun Wong is a new Assistant Professor at the Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences. She has strong attachments to Utah State University (USU). Before she becomes a faculty member, she completed her B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. in Nutrition and Food Sciences at USU. Her research interests include dietary assessment methods, nutrition education, and diet-disease epidemiology. She also serves as the State Director for the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP, a federal program that provides free nutrition education to low-income families and youth) and as a Nutrition Specialist at Extension.

Good News

Jean M. Lown, Ph.D. was selected as the Researcher of the Year for the Department of Family, Consumer, & Human Development.
Christine Hult, Ronda Callister, and Kim Sullivan published an article in Liberal Education journal (Summer/Fall 2005): “Is There a Global Warming Toward Women in Academia?”
http://www.aacu.org/liberaleducation/le-sufa05/le-sufa05perspective.cfm

In November, 2005, Artemis Preeshl presented a lecture-performance with six students at the Italian Cultural Center in Salt Lake City. This month, she directed the new play, Sail Past Molokai, about faith in the face of isolation from Jan. 18-29 in New York. It featured /Aloha Oe/ taught by Mauliola Olds-Aspeland, Hawaiian choreographer of a full-length program on Lili'uokalani. USU Designer Bruce Duerden designed lights. USU alumna Becky Dawson stage-managed.

Peggy Petzelka and Susan Mannon have a forthcoming article in Gender & Society entitled: "Keepin’ This Little Town Going: Gender and Volunteerism in Rural America." They presented this study last spring at a WGRI brownbag and would like to thank everyone for their feedback and support.

**Best Practices**

Simplify
Deleyne Wentz, Merrill-Cazier Library, suggests a way to tame your email in-box using Bill Jensen's tips from The Simplicity Survival Handbook.

1. "If BOTH the Subject and the Sender fail to create this reaction: I HAVE to read or at least scan this today. DO NOT open or scan the message. Hit Delete immediately.

2. Scan the remaining messages for two bits of information: *Action you must take. *Date or deadline for that action, within the next 2 or 3 weeks. If the messages do not contain an action and a short-term date, delete them.

Document your struggles
Vicki Allan writes: My mother just turned 80. To celebrate her life, my sister and I have tried to pull together her life history. It is amazing to me how little material we have to pull from. She hasn’t kept a journal. Pictures haven’t been well cared for or aren’t in her possession. Because I want my children (and perhaps associates) to learn something from what I’ve experienced, I’ve developed the following scheme. I’ve made it a practice to save my “interesting” emails in a series of files for each year. Then at the end of each year, I use my email record to create a “Book of Lectures” for my kids. In the books, I tell them about life experiences and what I’ve learned from them. Sometimes I have to change the names to protect privacy. As you may expect, some of my kids barely skim the book, but others read and reread the passages and even share them with friends experiencing problems. I always feel that some mistake I’ve made isn’t in vain – if I can I least serve as a good example of what NOT to do. ☺

Train your replacement
Vicki Allan writes: I read somewhere that if you want to move up in a company, you should train your replacement so you won’t be stuck in a job due to the fact that you are the only one who can do it. I am preparing to go on sabbatical in August. As I prepare to be gone for a year, I’ve looked around at several of the jobs I do (schedule the tutor room, supervise a student group, direct WGRI).
I have been looking around for my replacements. Even though I will be here for several more months, finding others to share the load is a great way of simplifying my life! I find myself asking, “Am I really the only person who can do this?” We do need a new director for WGRI, so if you are interested, send me email! To apply for the director position, all you need to do is send a vita and a cover letter explaining your interesting WGRI to Vicki.Allan@usu.edu by March 10th. For more information, see http://www.usu.edu/gender/directorRole.html.

Bitter or Better
Siew Sun writes: "Bitter" or "Better" is just one-letter different: "i" and "e". When we face uneasy circumstances, if we focus on "I" (ourselves), then we will most likely end up feeling bitter. On the other hand, if we focus on "E" (each other), we will most likely learn to become a better person even in the most bitter situation!

Take Care of Yourself First
Notice that the flight attendant always tells parents to put their oxygen masks on first, and then on their children? That's because if you don't take care of yourself first, you won't be able to take care of anyone else. Contact the wellness center on campus. They have great equipment and helpful personnel. http://www.usu.edu/wellness/

The Tri Council…

Women’s Center for Life Long Learning
On June 8, 1974 Betty Ford, former First Lady, cut the ribbon to officially open the Utah State University Women's Center for Lifelong Learning. The Women's Center serves as an advocate for women, educating campus and community constituencies on the changing status of women and gender-based issues through a variety of programs and activities. We provide services and opportunities for all women and men. The Center serves both a specific function within the Student Services Division and as a more tangible expression of Utah State University's commitment to an inclusive and equitable campus community.

The Reentry Student office is also located at the Women's Center and serves primarily those who are returning to school after a gap in their education.

Stop by and see us. Give us a call or email us. We look forward to meeting you. You'll find the Women's Center can provide you information, assistance, and referral concerning the opportunities and resources available on campus and in the community.

Janet L. Osborne, Director
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Email: womencen@cc.usu.edu
Taggart Student Center, Room 315
Women & Gender Studies (319D TSC).
http://www.usu.edu/womenstu/

**Director**, Brenda Cooper (JCOM): bcooper@cc.usu.edu, 797-3253, 319C Animal Science Bldg. http://www.usu.edu/journalism/faculty/cooper/

If you are interested in pursuing an area certificate or minor in the program please examine course requirements (http://www.usu.edu/womenstu/) and register in the program by following the email links to WGS co-directors and intern and sending your name and email address for our files. Or come see one of the Assistant Fellows in their office in the Women's Center (TSC 315E).

**WGS Steering Committee—2005-2006**
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**Women & Gender Studies Spring Deadlines**

**Faculty Course Incentive Grants:** WGS continues to offer $500 course incentive grants to faculty interested in developing and teaching a new course for WGS. Our course incentive grants have been very helpful in expanding course offerings for the WGS minor and area studies certificate. We are especially interested in attracting incentive grant applications from faculty in all of the colleges and departments across campus, as we continue to work on providing our students a wider, more diverse range of courses.

If you have a new course you’d like to be considered for a grant, please send your proposal and syllabus to Brenda by e-mail attachment (bcooper@cc.usu.edu) or campus mail (UMC 4605). Additional information about criteria for WGS courses is available on-line: http://www.usu.edu/womenstu/Pages/Criteria.htm

**Women & Gender Studies Course Offerings: Fall 2006**

**WGS 1010: Introduction to Women & Gender Studies.** T/R, 10:30-11:45.
Brenda Cooper

**WGS 4900: Directed Study. 1-3 credit hours.** Instructor Permission.
Brenda Cooper

**ENGL 3030: Women, Madness, & Culture: Beyond The Yellow Wallpaper.**
W, 4:30-7:00. Paige Smitten.

**ENGL 3620: Contemporary Native American Literature.** T/R 9:00-10:15.
Jan Roush

**HIST 4550: Women & Gender in the United States, T/R, 1:30-2:45.**
Jennifer Ritterhouse
FYI: The 2005-2006 Women & Gender Studies minor and area studies certificate requirement sheet (our former “Green Sheet”) is now online and can be viewed at: http://www.usu.edu/ats/majorsheets/05-06/Women&Gend05.pdf

**June 15-18, 2006.** The 27th annual conference of the National Women’s Studies Association conference will be held in Oakland, Calif. The conference theme is “Locating Women’s Studies: Formations of Power and Resistance.” Rebecca Walker, co-founder of the Third Wave Foundation, will be the keynote speaker. Additional conference information is available on-line at: http://www.nwsaconference.org.

**WGRI: Women and Gender Research Institute**

The Women and Gender Research Institute (WGRI) was formed in 1984 to foster research by women, to assist departments in recruiting and retaining women faculty, and to encourage research on gender issues by men and women. See the website http://www.usu.edu/gender/ for information about receiving funding to support travel to conferences and research in your specialty area.

Our goal of involving women in research reflects the University's land-grant commitment to egalitarian education. Nationally as well as locally, women tend to be academically isolated and underrepresented in certain disciplines. Involvement in a research community means political and intellectual empowerment for many women.

Funding for WGRI is provided by the Vice President for Research and the Provost's offices.

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