ETSU celebrating Women’s History Month with a great lineup of events

The 2016 National Women’s History Month theme, “Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government,” honors women who have shaped America’s history and its future through their public service and government leadership. Although often overlooked and undervalued, collectively women have dramatically influenced our public policy and the building of viable institutions and organizations. From championing basic human rights to ensuring access and equal opportunity for all Americans, women often have led the way in establishing a stronger and more democratic country.

The ETSU campus community will celebrate Women's History Month with an outstanding lineup of special events and lectures during March 2016. The following outlines the programs slated for this month dedicated to celebrating the accomplishments of women.

Kicking off the month-long celebration, the Women’s Studies Program at East Tennessee State University is hosting a Women on Wednesdays (W.o.W.) lecture entitled “Intersection of the East and the West: Survey of the Korean Art Song in the Midst of the Western Influence.” Guest speaker is Sun-Joo “Sunny” Oh, D.M.A., (pictured left), an associate professor of voice in the department of music at ETSU.

The lecture is scheduled for Wednesday, March 2, 2016, at noon. Location is the Multicultural Center Presentation Room, D.P. Culp University Center.

Oh has given recitals throughout the eastern United States, Europe, Brazil, and her native South Korea and is in demand as a soloist with symphonies both here and abroad. Her programs feature a wide spectrum of literature which appeals to many nationalities, particularly aficionados of Baroque and Contemporary music.

This Women’s History Month Lecture is sponsored by the Women’s Studies Program and is part of the Women on Wednesdays Lecture Series (W.o.W.). For more information, contact the Women’s Studies Program at 423-439-4135. This lecture is free and open to the public.

On Wednesday, March 16, 2016, Heather Killmeyer, D.M.A., (pictured left), assistant professor of double reeds in the department of music at East Tennessee State University, presents “Dada Cabaret: Audience Engagement and Sustainability in the Digital Age.” Location for the Killmeyer lecture is the Multicultural Center Presentation Room, D.P. Culp University Center. Start time is noon.

Killmeyer's research interests include performance studies and cultivating new audiences through creative programming in non-traditional venues. She is the oboist and artistic director of Dada Cabaret, an experimental chamber ensemble blending eclectic contemporary art music with spoken narrative and elements of theatre.

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Merry Noel Miller, M.D., (pictured left), professor of psychiatry in the James H. Quillen College of Medicine, will present a Lecture and Book Signing on her recently published book entitled “Finding Your Emotional Balance: A Guide for Women.”

The Lecture and Book Signing are scheduled for Thursday, March 17, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. Location is the East Tennessee Room, D.P. Culp University Center.

Throughout the book, Miller describes psychological issues that women face during their lives, and mental disorders that are more common or have unique features for women. She describes symptoms that may occur, and offers a variety of remedies, including medical and nonmedical approaches that can help women find balance even in their most stressful times.

This Women’s History Month Special Event is sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center and the ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee. For more information, contact the Women’s Resource Center at 423-439-5772. This event is free and open to the public.
The annual Take Back the Night Candlelight Vigil – Honoring Survivors of Sexual Violence is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. Location is the Cave Patio, D.P. Culp University Center.

All students, faculty, staff, and community members are encouraged to join us to honor survivors of sexual violence and celebrate the resiliency of survivors. A brief program of music and thoughtful reflection will be followed by a reception. OASIS (Outreach and Advocacy Sexuality Information for Students) has partnered with the ETSU Counseling Center, Kappa Delta, and the Women’s Resource Center for this event.

For more information, contact Kate Emmerich, ETSU Counseling Center, or Magdaline Hatzikazakis, OASIS graduate assistant, at 423-439-4841 or email oasis@etsu.edu.

**Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®:**
The International Men’s March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence

Here they come . . . men in heels. Their mission? To crush sexual violence! **Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®** is the International Men’s March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence. OASIS (Outreach & Advocacy Sexuality Information for Students) is your campus’ sexual and relationship violence prevention program, and we are pleased to announce that this will be the 3rd annual march at ETSU! The march is set for Thursday, April 7, 2016, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Registration and shoe pick-up starts at 5:00 p.m. Location is the Cave Patio, D.P. Culp University Center.

For those participating in the “walk,” the registration fee is $5.00 and the heel rental fee is $5.00 to reserve a pair ($7.00 at the event). You are also, of course, welcome to pick out and wear your own heels! Any donations that exceed event costs are given to our publicity partner for this event, the Sexual Assault Community Service Advocate Program at Safe Passage, Johnson City’s domestic violence shelter. This is an essential resource for our campus and community, and they need the financial support!

Sponsors for this event include OASIS, Washington-Unicoi-Johnson County Medical Alliance, SACETN, Kappa Delta, RHA, and Women’s Resource Center.

For more information, contact Kate Emmerich, ETSU Counseling Center, or Magdaline Hatzikazakis, OASIS graduate assistant, at 423-439-4841 or email oasis@etsu.edu.

Some article contents for the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® adapted from the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® web site at http://www.walkamileinshoes.org/.
span was 49 years and today the average life span is 77.6 years and growing. Scientists from the University of Texas report that by the year 2050 there will be over 800,000 Americans over the age of 100 and many will be living to 150!

For more information on the Myers Women’s Health Series seminar, contact the Women’s Resource Center at 423-439-5772.

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Saluting the Women of ETSU

ETSU Staff Woman of the Year award ceremony slated for April 2016

On Wednesday, April 6, 2016, the annual ETSU Staff Woman of the Year Award Ceremony and Reception is scheduled to formally recognize the 2016 award recipient. All faculty and staff members are invited to attend this important ceremony recognizing the accomplishments of one of ETSU’s outstanding staff women.

Mrs. Laura Terry, the 2016 award recipient, serves as director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs. President Brian Noland, along with Dr. Michelle Hurley, chair of the ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee will present the award and plaque to Mrs. Terry.

Sponsors of this program are the ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee, Office of Equity and Diversity, and Women’s Resource Center. For more information, please contact the Women’s Resource Center at 423-439-5772.

On behalf of the ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee

All staff and faculty members are cordially invited to attend the ETSU Staff Woman of the Year Award Ceremony and Reception

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

4:00 p.m.

D.P. Culp University Center, Dining Room 2

A reception will follow the award presentation.

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CIVILITY WEEK 2016

Corey Dolgon, Ph.D.
presents
“In Search of One Big Union:
Folksongs and Social Movements in the U.S.”

Date: Friday, April 1, 2016
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Ball Hall Auditorium

Dolgon is a professor of sociology and director of the Office of Community-Based Learning at Stonehill College in Easton, Mass. He is an accomplished singer and performs "singing lectures" on the role of folksongs in labor organizing and other social movements.

Sponsors are Division of Cross-Disciplinary Studies and the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies Program, Department of Appalachian Studies, Department of History, Office of Multicultural Affairs, Department of Philosophy, Slocumb Galleries Student Society, Department of Sociology, Women's Studies Program, and Women's Resource Center.

A reception will be held prior to the Dolgon performance at 6:00 p.m. in the Slocumb Gallery.

This event is free and open to the public.
ETSU Women’s Resource Center
Program Schedule

For more information on the events listed contact the WRC at 423-439-5772.

MARCH – MAY 2016
PROGRAMS – Main Campus

Wednesday, March 16
LOCATION & TIME: Women’s Resource Center, Campus Center Building, room 220, noon.

Thursday, March 17
“Lecture and Book Signing with Dr. Merry Noel Miller” – A Women’s History Month Special Event. Merry Noel Miller, M.D., professor of psychiatry in the James H. Quillen College of Medicine, will present a Lecture and Book Signing on her recently published book entitled “Finding Your Emotional Balance: A Guide for Women.” Sponsored by the ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee and the Women’s Resource Center. See article pages 1-2.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, East Tennessee Room, 5:00 p.m.

Friday, April 1
“In Search of One Big Union: Folksongs and Social Movements in the U.S.” – A Civility Week Special Event. Corey Dolgon, Ph.D., professor of sociology and director of the Office of Community-Based Learning at Stonehill College in Easton, Mass., performs a ‘singing lecture’ on the role of folksongs in labor organizing and other social movements. Sponsors are Division of Cross-Disciplinary Studies and the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies Program, Department of Appalachian Studies, Department of History, Office of Multicultural Affairs, Department of Philosophy, Slocumb Galleries Student Society, Department of Sociology, Women’s Studies Program, and Women’s Resource Center. See article page 3.
LOCATION & TIME: Ball Hall Auditorium, 7:00 p.m. (A reception is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. in the Slocumb Galleries.)

Tuesday, April 5
TAKE BACK THE NIGHT Candlelight Vigil - Honoring Survivors of Sexual Violence. A brief program of music and thoughtful reflection that celebrates the resiliency of survivors. OASIS (Outreach and Advocacy Sexuality Information for Students) has partnered with the ETSU Counseling Center, Kappa Delta, and the Women’s Resource Center for this event. See article page 2.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, Cave Patio, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 6
ETSU Staff Woman of the Year Award Ceremony and Reception – A Special Event Program. All faculty and staff members are invited to attend this award ceremony recognizing the accomplishments of one of ETSU’s extraordinary staff women. Sponsored by the ETSU Commission for Women Standing Committee, Office of Equity and Diversity, and Women’s Resource Center. See article page 3.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, Dining Room 2, 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 7
Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®. The 3rd annual International Men’s March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence on the ETSU campus. Please Note: The registration fee is $5.00 and the heel rental fee is $5.00 to reserve a pair ($7.00 at the event). Sponsors are OASIS, Washington-Unicoi-Johnson County Medical Alliance, SACETN, Kappa Delta, RHA, and Women’s Resource Center. See article page 2.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, Cave Patio, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
REGISTRATION and SHOE PICK-UP: Starts at 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 12
“How to Stay Young the First 100 Years” – A Women’s Health Series Lunch Break Seminar. Rebecca Myers, B.S., practice representative with Jones Chiropractic Clinic, is guest speaker. Myers’ seminar addresses – If we are going to live for 100 years, we need that long life to be a QUALITY long life! We don’t merely want to be able to exist on this planet – we want to be able to live and work and play on this planet. Sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center. See article pages 2-3.
LOCATION & TIME: D.P. Culp University Center, Meeting Room 6, noon.

Wednesday, April 20
Book Review Group. Participants will meet to discuss the seventh mother by Sherri Wood Emmons. New readers welcome.
LOCATION & TIME: Women’s Resource Center, Campus Center Building, room 220, noon.

Wednesday, May 18
LOCATION & TIME: Women’s Resource Center, Campus Center Building, room 220, noon.

ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
March 2: Delanna Reed
An assistant professor in the ETSU Storytelling Program, Reed will present “A Round Peg in a Square Hole: Lesbian Teachers Fitting In.” Location: Campus Center Building, room 205. Time: 7:00 p.m.

March 18: Ash-Lee Woodard Henderson
An ETSU graduate, Henderson is a member and organizer with Concerned Citizens for Justice and a board member of the Highlander Education and Research Center. Henderson will present “Project South.” Location: East Tennessee Room, D.P. Culp University Center. Time: 7:00 p.m.

April 8: Rachel Garringer
A youth advocate, artist, writer, and collector of oral histories, Garringer will present “Country Queers.” Garringer’s first published work is “Vultures.” She is currently a graduate student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill studying folklore. Location: Ball Hall Auditorium. Time: 7:00 p.m.

April 14: Jeff Mann
An associate professor of creative writing at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Va., Mann will present “Loving Mountains Loving Men.” Location: East Tennessee Room, D.P. Culp University Center. Time: 7:00 p.m.

Presented by the Women’s Studies Program in collaboration with the Department of Literature and Language, Honors College, Department of Appalachian Studies, Office of Equity and Diversity, and Women’s Resource Center. For more information, contact the Women’s Studies Program at 423-439-4135.

All of the above lectures are free and open to the public.

CLOSINGS

Spring Break is March 7-11, 2016. Classes are not in session; administrative offices remain open.

ETSU will be closed Monday, May 30, 2016, in observance of Memorial Day.