

NDSU Women's Week 2008 | March 10-14

main events

Monday, March 10 | Noon, Arikara Room

IDEAL LEADERSHIP: MINORITY WOMEN IN HIGHER EDUCATION

A panel of speakers will share their experiences, challenges they face and their strategies for thriving as students, teachers and administrators in higher education. Panelists include Kalpana Katti, professor in civil engineering; Denise Lajimodiere, assistant professor in the School of Education; Evie Myers, chief diversity officer in Office of Equity and Diversity; and Karla Thoennes, associate director of Residence Life.

Tuesday, March 11 | 12:30 p.m., Arikara Room

WOMEN'S SEXUAL HEALTH: PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

From Margaret Sanger to Gardasil, this session will look at changes in the approach to sexual health. The focus will be on emerging STD/STIs and their treatment as well as what's new in reproductive health.

Speaker: Carol M. Grimm, health protection and promotion director for Fargo Cass Public Health

| 2:30 p.m., Room of Nations

Film and Discussion:

OUR HOUSE

A Very Real Documentary About Kids of Gay & Lesbian Parents

In the film *Our House*, director Meema Spadola interviews sons and daughters in gay and lesbian families to highlight the diversity that exists within these families. The families live in rural and urban areas. We will watch several segments from the film that focus on lesbian families and after viewing the movie there will be a discussion.

Speaker: Dr. Christi McGeorge, assistant professor in child development and family science

| 4:30-6 p.m., Reineke Gallery | Art Reception

"DEFINE IDEAL" ART EXHIBIT

This exhibit recognizes alumna artists and encourages beginning student artists to keep pursuing their talents. The public can meet some of the featured artists during the reception. Mediums will include oil painting, drawing, photography, collage and clay among others. The exhibit runs March 10-25. A percentage of proceeds from sales will go to the Rape & Abuse Crisis Center of Fargo Moorhead.

| 7 p.m., Century Theater

ON BECOMING A WOMAN AND OTHER LIES

Kristin Kitko, singer/songwriter/humorist

Kristin Kitko is gaining much attention with her music and performances. The Chicago Tribune claims that Kristin Kitko can light up the room with her "disarming sense of humor" and "considerable talent." Her musical skit *On Becoming a Woman and Other Lies* has brought down the house from Florida to Chicago and beyond. www.kitko.org

Wednesday, March 12 | Noon, Arikara Room

DEFINING IDEAL BY GETTING REAL

Reality is not ideal and never can be. However, we all can strive to make reality more ideal and to achieve in a non-ideal world. Ellen-Earl Chaffee, president of Valley City State University, will share stories from her professional journey and invite discussion about how to narrow the gap between reality and the ideal.

| 1 p.m., Room of Nations

NDSU PANHELLENIC MENTOR APPRECIATION

Women of the NDSU Panhellenic/Greek community will host a dessert reception honoring inspirational women from the NDSU faculty, staff or community who have impacted their personal and professional lives in a dynamic way.

Wednesday, March 12 / cont. | 7 p.m., Century Theater

Film:

SHUT UP AND SING

On stage at a 2003 London concert, Natalie Maines, lead singer of the Dixie Chicks, spoke out about her beliefs on the impending invasion of Iraq and the U.S. president. It was an off-the-cuff remark typical of the lead singer's temperament. Natalie, and fellow Dixie Chicks Martie Maguire and Emily Robison, thought little of it. But history and this film demonstrate that at this heightened moment of political polarization in the United States, many people did care, and empowered this simple, yet loaded remark to carry serious and long-standing ramifications. The documentary shows the band from their peak of popularity as the national-anthem-singing darlings of country music and top-selling female recording artists of all time, through the now infamous anti-Bush comment, and on through the days, months and years of mayhem. The film also follows their lives and careers through the writing and recording of their first album since "the incident," making music, birthing babies, bonding, death threats and laughter.

Thursday, March 13 | 12:30 p.m., Arikara Room

HORIZONTAL VIOLENCE: GIRL BULLYING GROWN UP

This workshop will present the definition of Horizontal Violence, how to recognize it in the workplace, and how to stop it. Horizontal Violence in the workplace can have a devastating effect on women as individuals, and on the organization. Most current research is being done in the area of nursing. The phenomenon is currently being researched and studied in the educational leadership field.

Speaker: Denise Lajimodiere, assistant professor in the School of Education

| 2 p.m., Room of Nations

Film Discussion:

SHUT UP AND SING

Join us for a meaningful discussion of the Women's Week documentary, "Shut Up and Sing."

Credit Options:

Students can earn one credit by participating in Women's Studies (WS) 491 Seminar/Women's Week Awareness #9540, which is open to all women and men, regardless of major. Expectations for credit include participation in selected activities throughout the week as well as other assignments prearranged with the instructor, Erienne Fawcett. Contact her at Erienne.Fawcett@ndsu.edu for more information.

| 8 p.m., Ballroom

"RAINING JANE" CONCERT

Raining Jane is an independent, eclectic rock-folk band based in Los Angeles. Mai Bloomfield, Becky Gebhardt, Chaska Potter and Mona Tavakoli joined forces in 1999 and soon developed a loyal fan base out of UCLA's music scene. While Raining Jane's music is rooted in rock and folk, songs are further shaped by funk, hip-hop and world music influences. www.rainingjane.com

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Friday, March 14 | Noon, Arikara Room

STARVING TO BE IDEAL: EATING DISORDERS

Trish Tallakson, a licensed professional counselor and the owner and founder of Clarity Counseling Center, will be giving a presentation on body image issues facing women in today's society. Trish will explore some of the feelings associated with negative body image that affect women.

other events

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CLOTHESLINE PROJECT

The Clothesline Project is a program started in 1990 in Cape Cod, Mass., addressing the issue of violence against women. The project is a vehicle for women affected by violence to express their emotions by decorating shirts, which are hung on a clothesline and viewed by others as testimony to the problem of violence against women. Attendees may simply read the shirts or create their own. The project will call attention to violence against women in the Fargo-Moorhead area.

March 28

V-DAY

V-Day is a global movement to stop violence against women and girls. This year marks the 10th anniversary of V-Day, inspired by feminist playwright Eve Ensler's award-winning play, "The Vagina Monologues." To celebrate V-Day at NDSU, Women's Studies will sponsor a student production of "The Vagina Monologues" and other related events. Look for more details to follow.