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Wise Women Rise!
Jayne Schuiteman, Ph.D.

The MSU Women’s Resource Center is proud to host its first leadership conference intended for staff, graduate students and faculty. The conference, entitled “Looking Through the Glass: Wise Women Rise” will bring together a diverse group of women from across campus who are interested in gaining more perspective on what it means to rise through their employment and educational experiences at MSU. The conference, which will be held October 14, 2014 from 8:15AM—12:30PM at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, will be a morning of empowering conversations that will allow women the opportunity to learn skills that recognize and push back against gender bias in its various forms in the workplace.

The featured keynote for the conference is Dr. Sonya Gunnings-Moton. She is an Assistant Dean in the MSU College of Education where she has been a voice for social justice, not only within the college, but across the MSU campus. Dr. Gunnings-Moton will focus on the challenges women face in the workplace. Says Gunnings-Moton, “Many of the biggest workplace challenges facing women revolve around gender. Females still earn less than males; voice, representation and equity for women have still not been realized, and shattering the glass ceiling seems impossible. These are the living realities for women, everyday, in the workplace. It is no wonder we question, ‘Can a balance between family and career really be attainable?’ Or ‘What will it take for me to RISE above these challenges?’”

Breakout sessions at the conference will include: Microaggressions in the Workplace, Shame Resilience, Salary Negotiations for Women and (In)Civility in the Classroom. Each session is intended to assist women in navigating the terrain of the workplace whether it is in the classroom or office.

Registration for the conference is still open and in addition to the details above, the fee includes brunch and parking in the Kellogg Center parking ramp. Additionally, the Early Bird registration fee of $39.00 has been extended through Friday, October 3rd. Questions about the conference can be directed to the MSU Women’s Resource Center at: 517-353-1635 or by e-mailing the WRC at wrc@msu.edu. You can also register for the conference online at: http://www.wrc.msu.edu under the “Events” tab. Those wishing to pay using a MSU departmental account number will find the registration form on the website as well.

We hope to see you on Tuesday, October 14th at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center for the “Looking Through the Glass: Wise Women Rise” conference. The conference will begin promptly at 8:15AM and will end at 12:30PM allowing everyone to return to the workplace feeling more empowered in their roles at MSU!

Looking Through the Glass: Wise Women Rise

Join the MSU Women’s Resource Center for a morning of empowerment and restorative discussion aimed at improving the work environment for women faculty, staff, and graduate students at Michigan State University while learning skills that recognize and push back against gender bias in its various forms and settings.

Tuesday, October 14, 2014
8:15AM—12:30PM
Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center

Keynote Speaker:
Dr. Sonya Gunnings-Moton,
Assistant Dean,
College of Education,
Michigan State University

Workshop Topics & Presenters:
Dr. Dorinda Carter Andrews—Microaggressions in the Workplace ● Ms. Lisa Laughman—Shame Resilience ● Dr. Karen Klomparens, Ms. Deb Bittner & Ms. Melissa Sortman—Salary Negotiations for Women ● Ms. Aislinn Sapp, Mr. Scott Becker & Ms. Kristine Moore—(In)Civility in the Classroom

Conference Registration:
(Includes brunch and parking in the Kellogg Center ramp)
First 30 registrants entered into gift drawing (valued at $100)

Early Bird Registration—Extended through Friday, October 3, 2014—$39.00/pp
Registration—after October 3, 2014—$55.00/pp

Register online @ http://wrc.msu.edu
Conference Registration closes Wednesday, October 8, 2014
For additional information, contact the MSU Women’s Resource Center at (517) 353-1635 or visit: http://wrc.msu.edu.
Donation Drive to Benefit the Michigan Human Trafficking Task Force
Lydia Weiss

The Michigan State University Women’s Resource Center (MSU WRC) is committed to advancing gender equity on campus and throughout the community and state of Michigan. Increasing concern has been raised about the existence of human trafficking in our state, which has inspired the MSU WRC to take action. Human trafficking has been defined as, “The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision or obtaining of a person through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage or slavery.” Additionally, the Michigan Human Trafficking Task Force states, “Human trafficking is a form of modern day slavery, [sic] that occurs on an international, national, and local scale. Whether in the smallest town, rural areas, medium sized cities, villages, big cities – there is nowhere in Michigan that has not been touched by this issue.” This human rights violation is happening within our community, often going unrecognized and unnoticed. The United Nations estimated in 2012 that “2.4 million people across the globe are victims of human trafficking at any one time.” This form of modern day slavery deeply effects the lives of women, girls and other vulnerable populations, such as “undocumented immigrants; runaway and homeless youth; victims of trauma and abuse; refugees and individuals fleeing conflict; and oppressed, marginalized, and/or impoverished groups and individuals.” It is estimated that 63% of human trafficking is sex trafficking and that 60% of all sexual exploitation victims are women and children. Due to the widespread and horrifying emotional and physical impact trafficking has on victims, it is critical to understand that this form of slavery is happening right here in the greater Lansing area.

Organization Background and Information

By partnering with the Michigan Human Trafficking Task Force (MHTTF), the MSU WRC hopes to bring attention to this travesty and simultaneously assist victims and survivors of human trafficking locally. The Center will be hosting a donation drive to provide essential items to survivors of trafficking in Michigan. Donations will be collected beginning Monday, October 20, 2014 through Monday, November 17, 2014 at the MSU Women’s Resource Center (332 MSU Union – 3rd Floor).

The MSU WRC views a donation drive to benefit the populations served by MHTTF as an important opportunity to engage the campus community in empowering survivors of human trafficking. This issue is a tragic human rights violation. Through a large scale donation drive, the campus community will help provide essential resources to a local population of survivors.

Donated items will be given directly to the MHTTF. The Task Force, representing over 90 agencies and members in Michigan, will act as the distributor in collaboration with those agencies serving victims directly. The mission statement of the MHTTF is “To facilitate a collaborative effort to prevent trafficking of persons within the State of Michigan, to pursue the prosecution of perpetrators, and to protect and rehabilitate trafficking victims.” This organization, housed in the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University, is dedicated to victim support and working collaboratively with local law enforcement agencies and social service organizations in order to empower victims of human trafficking.

They work within systems of the law to create best practices for prosecuting perpetrators and legally supporting survivors. They also work within social systems to educate community members and stakeholders about the importance of understanding issues of trafficking. The MHTTF is instrumental in creating anti-trafficking strategies in Michigan in an effort to reduce instances of trafficking. As such, the MSU WRC regards the MHTTF as the appropriate distributor of donations received by this proposed drive.

Items for collection:

- Gift cards of any value from stores located throughout the state of Michigan, such as Target, Meijer, etc.
- Gift cards of any value to drug stores (Walgreens, Rite Aid, CVS, etc.)
- Supplies (new and unopened) such as: aspirin, ibuprofen, mouthwash, Band-Aids, healing types of lotions, dish soap, cleaning products, beauty products, etc.

The need for gift cards is a priority for survivors of human trafficking. Jane White, Director of MHTTF, explained the benefit of donations of gift cards: “The first step in survival is to help those rebuild their lives by allowing and encouraging them to take some kinds of control back in their life, without suffering serious repercussions. It is almost shocking to observe victims first question about what the restrictions are and then stepping way back and see them freely choose items so carefully.” For survivors of trafficking, feeling like they are regaining control of their lives is the first and most important step. Receiving essential items and gift cards assists this population of survivors directly. This donation drive to benefit the MHTTF will create a broadly significant impact on the lives of people who have experienced egregious human rights violations.

Donations will be collected from Monday, October 20, 2014 through Monday, November 17, 2014 at the Women’s Resource Center (332 MSU Union – 3rd Floor).

Sources:

5Personal Correspondence with Jane White, Director of Michigan Human Trafficking Task Force. 30 June 2014.

"Advancing gender equity through education and Access to resources"

Gender Matters!

October 2014
Lauren Aitch: Keynote Speaker for the 2014 Women’s Leadership Conference

Lauren Aitch was always a basketball player. As a child, she dreamed of becoming a clothing designer because of her height and love of art. However, becoming a clothing designer would not be Lauren’s initial path. Her journey began with playing basketball at Michigan State University for five years; she was able to complete her Master’s degree in Public Relations at MSU during her time on campus. After her college career, Lauren played professional basketball for a year in Copenhagen, Denmark where she was able to make her childhood dream come to life.

Lauren immersed herself in the Danish culture in Copenhagen, the fashion capital of Scandinavia. Through the inspiration of this European fashion hub, she began designing her first line of clothing. The Lady Aitch Copenhagen Line sample collection was created and made its first runway debut at the annual Aitch Foundation Hidden Key Fashion Show, held at Spartan Stadium on the campus of MSU. This event, presented by The Aitch Foundation (founded by Lauren Aitch), is dedicated to raising funds for research into early detection devices for all cancers.

Lauren’s career shift from athlete to fashion designer was not her leaving something that she loved, which was basketball, but it was more about transforming how athletes, professionals, women and men of these next generations show their greatness through style and class. Lauren believes this is a transformation from a vehicle God has blessed her with, to a seasoned niche to help others feel beautiful in their own skin!

The theme of this year’s Women’s Leadership Conference is “Leading Against All Odds.” In commemoration of Project 60/50, a campus and community-wide celebration of the 60th anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education and the 50th anniversary of the passage of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Aitch’s keynote speech will address the ways she overcame adversity to achieve her personal greatness and persevered as a leader in her community. We are delighted that Ms. Aitch will be returning to campus to inspire the next generation of leaders.

**“MONEY ISN’T A DESTINATION**
It’s how you reach one.”

**A TIAA-CREF Financial Essentials Workshop**

Postcards From the Future:
A Woman’s Guide to Financially Ever After

For women within fifteen years of retirement.

Whether retirement is a distant dream or right around the corner, preparing for it should be a goal number one. Ideal for those within 15 years of retirement. Learn what you can do to help make your retirement dream come true on schedule.

TIAA-CREF’s workshop leaders will share retirement strategies that work:

- Uncover the retirement challenges that women face
- Identify your “retirement number” - how much you’ll need and when
- Define the simple steps to getting your finances on track to reach your financial goals
- Learn the unique characteristics of retirement plans from 403(b) to IRAs—and which works best for you

**Join us on Wednesday, October 8, 2014**

12:00N—1:30PM (Lunch Provided)
MSU Union, Lake Huron Room (3rd Floor)

Join us as we share experiences, develop new investing skills, and bring retirement into focus.

**FREE WORKSHOP and lunch will be provided!** Arrive early to sign in and get lunch!

**Save your spot today!**

RSVP by calling 1-800-732-8353
Monday—Friday, 8:00AM—8:00PM (EST)
Or go to www.tiaa-cref.org/schedulenow

Feel free to invite a colleague who’ll enjoy this workshop!

Co-sponsored with TIAA-CREF Financial Services, MSU Family Resource Center, MSU Human Resources, The Women’s Advisory Committee for Support Staff, and the MSU Women’s Resource Center.

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**“MONEY DOESN’T GROW ON TREES**
But its roots are in good decisions.”

**A TIAA-CREF Financial Essentials Workshop**

Start to Finish: The Early Career Woman’s Guide to Financial Wisdom

Learn how you can make your future flourish.

Join this workshop to gain financial knowledge to get started on the right foot. You’ve worked hard for your career, but it’s not the ultimate goal—it’s how you get there! Start caring for your financial well-being now. It’s never too early to begin saving, and the sooner you do, the happier you’ll be down the road.

TIAA-CREF’s workshop leaders will share financial strategies that work:

- Understand your income and your outflow, and how to balance them to your advantage
- Identify your key expenses and learn how to management them more effectively
- Discover how saving a little now can help you earn a lot more later on
- Make a plan for your finances and your financial future

**Join us on Wednesday, October 8, 2014**

4:00PM—5:30PM
MSU Union, Lake Huron Room (3rd Floor)

Join us as we make a fresh start, develop new financial skills and take a step toward a better future.

**FREE WORKSHOP and refreshments will be provided!** Save your spot today!

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Thursday, October 9, 2014: Thriving by 35: Budgeting 101. 6:00PM—7:00PM, MSU Federal Credit Union – Farm Lane Branch, 4825 E. Mt. Hope Road, East Lansing, MI. Learn budgeting basics and how to reach your desired financial goals without creating new debt. Learn skills for budgeting in the face of student debt, car loans, and a new mortgage. Presented by GreenPath. To RSVP, sign up at MSUFCU.org, e-mail pday@msufcu.org or phone 517.664.7725. Co-sponsored by MSUFCU and MSU Women’s Resource Center.


Friday, October 10, 2014: Lost Girls: An Unsolved American Mystery. 3:00PM—5:00PM, 303 International Center. Lost Girls delivers a haunting and humanizing account of the true-life search for a serial killer still at large on Long Island, in a compelling tale of unsolved murder and internet prostitution. Presented by Robert Kolker who presents the first detailed look at the shadow world of escorts in the Internet age, where making a living is easier than ever and the dangers remain all too real. Co-sponsored by the Center for Gender in Global Context and MSU Women’s Resource Center.

Tuesday, October 14, 2014: Looking through the Glass: Wise Women Rise. 8:15AM—12:30PM, Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, Centennial Rooms (219 South Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI 48824). Cost and deadline. Register @ http://wrc.msu.edu under “Events” tab. If questions, please contact the MSU Women’s Resource Center via telephone (517-353-1635) or email (wrc@msu.edu). Sponsored by the MSU Women’s Resource Center.

Wednesday, October 15, 2014: Men’s Health, Wellness & Fitness EXPO. 11:30AM—1:30PM, Main Lounge & Concourse (1st Floor), MSU Union Building. Everyone welcome! Sponsored by the MSU Women’s Resource Center and the WRC Men’s Advisory Council.

Saturday, October 18, 2014: Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk. 9:30AM—12:00N, Downtown Lansing. Kick-off at 9:30AM from the Capitol building with the walk beginning at 11:00AM. Visit: www.cancer.org/stridesonline for more details. Email: wrc@msu.edu if you are interested in joining the MSU Women’s Resource Center team!!

Monday, October 20, 2014—Monday, November 17, 2014: Support Local Survivors of Human Trafficking – Donation Drive. Help the MSU Women’s Resource Center support local survivors of human trafficking. All donations will be given to the Michigan Human Trafficking Task Force for distribution to Michigan based shelters, anti-trafficking organizations and survivors. Items being collected include: Gift cards of any value from stores located throughout the state of Michigan, such as Target, Mejier, etc.; gift cards of any value to drug stores (Walgreens, Rite Aid, CVS, etc.; supplies (new and unopened) such as: aspirin, ibuprofen, mouthwash, Band-Aids, healing types of lotions, dish soap, cleaning products, beauty products, etc. Donations can be delivered to the MSU Women’s Resource Center, 49 Abbot Road, 322 Union Building, East Lansing, MI.


Tuesday, October 21, 2014: Understanding Your Credit Report & Score. 6:00PM—7:00PM, MSU Federal Credit Union – Farm Lane Branch, 4825 E. Mt. Hope Road, East Lansing, MI. Understand why your credit score is important and what factors may impact your score. Presented by MSUFCU. To RSVP, sign up at MSUFCU.org, e-mail pday@msufcu.org or phone 517.664.7725. Co-sponsored by MSUFCU and MSU Women’s Resource Center.

Wednesday, October 22, 2014: Feedback as a Gift. Choose one of two sessions (8:30AM—10:00AM OR 3:30PM—5:00PM), N476 North Business College Complex. Providing feedback is an essential part of any leadership position. As women, we can sometimes experience frustration when giving or receiving feedback. If done properly, feedback can result in productive changes. If done poorly, feedback can burn bridges and build resentment. Brought to you by the Women’s Networking Association. Dr. Tina Riley, HR Executive Education, School of Human Resources and Labor Relations, will provide techniques for giving feedback as a gift that will benefit the receiver, manager and entire organization.

Friday, October 24, 2014: Deadline for “Inspirational Woman of the Year” Award Nominations. For additional information and nomination materials, visit: http://wrc.msu.edu under the “Announcements” page.
Monday, October 27, 2014: Sex Sells... But at What Cost? A Free Screening of America the Beautiful 3. 6:30PM—10:00PM, Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center Auditorium (219 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI). Beneath the glossy, perfect images presented in pop culture there are more desperate stakes at hand. In America the Beautiful 3, award-winning director Darryl Roberts reveals the shocking extent to which America’s youth is exposed to sexual content at an increasingly early age. In the documentary, Roberts follows individuals and families with personal stories related to sexuality, relationships, pornography, assault, trauma, eating disorders, and body image issues. This film features interviews with MSU students. Join us for an evening with Darryl Roberts and a panel of experts for this pre-release screening event. Sponsored by: MSU Sexual Assault Program, MSU Women’s Resource Center, Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, Office of the University Physician, Student Health Services, Center for Gender in Global Context.

Women’s Networking Association

*Fall Semester @ A Glance*
FREE and open to all! RSVP required.
Please call (517) 353-1635 or email wrc@msu.edu (with “Networking” in the subject line).

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“Crucial Accountability” - Wednesday, November 19, 2014
Choose one of two sessions (8:30AM—10:00AM or 3:30PM—5:00PM), N476 North Business College Complex. It is often difficult to maneuver through difficult situations in the workplace, especially as women. Gain skills in problem resolution, improving relationships and increasing accountability, Presented by Jeff Magnuson, Executive Development Center Manager, James B. Henry Center.

“Negotiation for Women” - Wednesday, December 17, 2014
Choose one of two sessions (8:30AM—10:00AM or 3:30PM—5:00PM), N476 North Business College Complex. It is common for women to feel intimidated by negotiating salaries and benefits. This session will help alleviate those fears and empower participants to negotiate like a pro. Presented by Dr. Jennifer Dunn, Assistant Professor, MSU Department of Management.

The mission of the Women’s Networking Association (WNA) is to connect professional women across campus through meaningful and empowering relationships. Providing an opportunity for women to network and support one another is an essential step for building women’s leadership at Michigan State University and in the Greater Lansing community.

Women in Higher Education

-Upcoming Conferences-

8th European Conference on Gender Equality in Higher Education Building Futures—Equality Challenges in Higher Education: Encouraging Theory and Practise Dialogues
September 3—5, 2014
http://gender2014.conf.tuwien.ac.at/call_for_abstracts/

National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators (NACWAA)
October 12—14, 2014
http://www.nacwaa.org/national-convention/reg-fees-scholarships

Women in Educational Leadership Conference—28th Women in Educational Leadership Conference
October 12—13, 2014
http://cehs.unl.edu/edad/partnerships/welc.shtml

Society of Women Engineers
October 24—25, 2014
http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/index.php/learning/conferences#activePanels_0,3

The Way Up XXVIII Conference
Women in Higher Education: Charting Your Course For Leadership Success
November 6—7, 2014
http://www.wayup-iowa.org/2014-conference

National Women’s Studies Association—Feminism Unbound:
Imagining a Feminist Future
November 13—16, 2014
http://www.nwsa.org/conference/

AAUW National Convention
June 18—21, 2015
http://convention.aauw.org

Source: For conference details, visit http://www.wihe.com/listConf.jsp

October is ... Domestic Violence Awareness Month. If you or someone you know is in a violent situation, please refer to the following resources:

MSU Safe Place:  Call for support, information or referrals. 24-hour Help Line at (517) 355-1100. Website: safeplace.msu.edu, e-mail: noabuse@msu.edu.

MSU Counseling Center: (517) 355-8270. Website: http://www.counseling.msu.edu/

Eve, Inc. (End Violent Encounters): Crisis Line (517) 372-5572. Website: www.eveinc.org

The Listening Ear’s Crisis Hotline: 24-hour Crisis Line (517) 337-1717. Website: www.theear.org/

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-(800)-799-SAFE

October 2014
Men's Health, Wellness, & Fitness EXPO!

Wednesday, October 15, 2014
11:30 AM—1:30 PM
MSU Union—Main Lounge (1st Floor)
What Women Want to Know—What Men Need to Know
For Women & Men
who care about the Men in their lives.

Grand Prize Drawings:
2 Football Tickets to MSU vs. Rutgers!!!!!!

- Information
- Presentations
- Demonstrations
- Prizes
- Giveaways
- And more . . .

Meet and Take a Picture with SPARTY!

Join Sparty from 11:30AM—12:30PM

Your Support is Appreciated!
Want to support young women leaders? Want to influence the future? Become a Friend of WILD!

The Women’s Initiative for Leadership Development (WILD) Committee is looking for supporters to provide scholarships for students to attend the MSU Women’s Leadership Conference. To become a Friend of WILD, supporters can sponsor the registration fee for a student. The cost is $20.00 per attendee and you can sponsor as many students as you like. All Friend of WILD sponsors will be recognized in the conference book and will know they’ve made a positive impact in the life of a young woman!

Checks should be made payable to MSU and can be sent to:
MSU Women’s Resource Center
49 Abbot Road, 332 MSU Union
East Lansing, MI 48824-1029
ATTN: Friends of WILD

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact conference advisor Lydia Weiss at weisslyd@msu.edu. We thank you in advance for your support!

Michigan Women’s Hall of Fame Awards Dinner & Induction Ceremony
Thursday, October 30, 2014

Contemporary Inductees:
Dr. MaryLee Davis
Jeanne Findlater
Dorothy A. Johnson
Julie Krone
Barbara Roberts Mason
Marylou Olivardez Mason
Andra M. Rush
Mary Ellen Sheets

For more information, and to register, visit:
Michiganwomenshalloffame.org

Helpful Websites for Men's Health:
- Driveforfive.com
- Prostate.com
- Men.webmd.com
- Isitlowt.com
- www.diabetes.com
- Menshealthnetwork.com
- Ismh.org/en
- nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/menshealth
- Menshealthnetwork.org

#iAspire Grant Contest
The #iAspire Grant Contest provides up to $5,000 in funding to support students working to address sexual violence on their campus (issues including assault, relationship abuse, and harassment). Funds can be used in a variety of ways, including creating educational resources (such as fliers and brochures) on campus, to hosting a workshop, to funding a club or campus organization, to creating an event. Students are asked to outline their vision for how they would use the funds in their application.

The grant is sponsored by The Robin McGraw Revelation Foundation in collaboration with Pivot and Students of the World. You can learn more about the grant, sponsors, and application at http://www.studentsofttheworld.org/iaspire/. Applications are open through October 31, 2014.
Join the WRC Team in the Fight!

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

Date: Saturday, October 18, 2014
Location: Michigan Capitol, Downtown Lansing
Time: Registration - 9:30AM; Walk - 11:00AM

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer is a noncompetitive 3 mile walk to help raise awareness and funds to help the American Cancer Society’s fight against breast cancer. The MSU Women’s Resource Center is proud to once again participate in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, and we extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join our team. Each team member is responsible for collecting at least $50.00 in donations for the team. To join the MSU WRC Making Strides Team:

1. Visit: www.cancer.org/stridesonline
2. Click on the appropriate state (Michigan)
3. Click on 2014 Making Strides of Lansing
4. Click on the “Sign-Up” button on the right side of the page
5. Select “Join a Team” button
6. Scroll down list of teams and select “MSU Women’s Resource Center 2014”
7. Click “Next” button
8. Fill in your information for event registration!

We hope that you will join the MSU Women’s Resource Center Team, as a walker and/or contributor. Together, we can help ensure progress toward the fight against breast cancer and continue to save more lives. Also, look for the Cans for the Cure bins around campus to recycle your empty, refundable soda cans and bottles. All proceeds go the American Cancer Society to aid in the fight against breast cancer. For more information, contact the MSU WRC at (517) 353-1635 (M-F, 8:00AM-5:00PM) or via e-mail (wrc@msu.edu).

Show your support by choosing Gwen's Bagels. Gwen’s Bagels are baked by the MSU Bakers to celebrate survivors and the memory of breast cancer victims like baker Rita Lyon’s mother Gwen, who died of breast cancer in 1972. Gwen's Bagels are pink and ribbon shaped with dried cranberries and each and every bagel is hand made and baked fresh daily by Rita.

Available for delivery from October 1—31, 2014

$6.50 per half dozen

($1.00 for every order will be donated to the American Cancer Society).

2014 MSU Women’s Leadership Conference
“Leading Against All Odds”

Do you have a skill, interest or passion that would benefit the leaders of tomorrow? If so, please consider submitting a program proposal for the 2014 MSU Women's Leadership Conference! We are looking for MSU faculty, staff, students, community leaders and MSU alumni to present a variety of workshops that will empower our undergraduate and graduate students to pursue their leadership potential.

The 12th annual MSU Women’s Leadership Conference is scheduled for Sunday, November 16, 2014 at the MSU Union. This year’s conference theme is “Leading Against All Odds”. The conference attracts over 250 people, and last year offered 20 educational workshops in addition to many other features. We are also excited to announce that Lauren Aitch is this year’s keynote speaker. Ms. Aitch is a former MSU Women’s Basketball player, local fashion entrepreneur and Founder of The Aitch Foundation, which raises funds for research into early detection devices for all cancers.

If you would like to submit a program proposal, there are two ways to do so; online at: http://goo.gl/AsvyZ7 or you can obtain a hard copy at the MSU Women’s Resource Center, 332 Union Building. The deadline to submit a proposal is Thursday, October 16, 2014 and presenters will be selected and notified by Friday, October 24, 2014.

The MSU Women's Leadership Conference is coordinated by the Women's Initiative for Leadership Development (WILD), a committee of student and staff volunteers. The conference is sponsored by the Department of Student Life, the University Activities Board and the MSU Women's Resource Center.

We hope you'll consider sharing your knowledge and experiences and being involved with the 2014 MSU Women's Leadership Conference!
**Domestic Violence Candlelight Vigil**

We invite you to gather with us at 6:30PM on October 2nd at the Michigan Women’s Historical Center and Hall of Fame, 213 W Malcolm X St., Lansing, MI 48933, for a Candlelight Vigil in remembrance and honor of victims and survivors of domestic violence.

The purpose of the candlelight vigil is to provide an opportunity for all members of the Greater Lansing community to come together to honor those who have lost their lives, offer support to survivors of abuse and take a stand against domestic violence. The theme for this year’s event is Remember My Name.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month, observed in October, is a time for communities to unite to remember those who have lost their live as a result of abuse, celebrate those who have survived, connect with those who work to end violence and raise public awareness about domestic violence in our communities.

The Candlelight Vigil is a collaboration between EVE (End Violent Encounters), CARE (Capital Area Response Effort), MSU Safe Place, The Lansing Police Department, SIREN/Eaton Shelter, and The Women’s Center of Greater Lansing

For more information, please contact Caroline Nelsen, Volunteer & Follow Up Advocacy Coordinator, CARE (Capital Area Response Effort) at (517) 483-6828, Alyssa Baumann, Volunteer & Advocacy Coordinator, MSU Safe Place at (517) 432-9570, or Rachel Berzack, Community Relations Coordinator, EVE, at (517) 372-5976.

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**SAVE THE DATE**

3rd ANNUAL MSU CONFERENCE ON WOMEN’S HEALTH RESEARCH

**Monday, October 6, 2014**

8:00AM—4:00PM

Check-In & Continental Breakfast 7:30—8:00AM

Kellogg Center—Big Ten Rooms B & C

Join us for an opportunity to highlight MSU’s research and to network with MSU investigators working on women’s health.

Registration is FREE at http://www.epi.msu.edu/bircwh/.

Registration closes on Tuesday, September 23, 2014.

Sponsored by: MSU Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women’s Health (BIRCWH) Program.

Co-sponsored by: MSU Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Biology; MSU Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen); MSU Reproductive and Developmental Sciences Program (RDSP).

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**CALL FOR POSTERS**

3rd Annual MSU Conference on Women’s Health Research

**Monday, October 6, 2014**

We invite you and members of your research team to submit an abstract for the poster presentation session of the 3rd Annual MSU Conference on Women’s Health Research. This event is designed to showcase the diverse array of research in women’s health conducted by MSU and provide a venue for research networking across MSU campuses.

Posters can be from any work presented in the past year or work not yet presented. We encourage posters from faculty, post-doctoral fellows, and graduate students with research topics related to women’s health (this includes work that investigates differences in responses between sexes). To present a poster, please submit an abstract (~300 words), with your name, position, college, and email address to: bircwh@epi.msu.edu.

The conference can accommodate up to 100 posters. Poster presentations will be accepted in the order submitted until all available poster slots are filled. No abstracts will be accepted after September 15, 2014.

For additional information, visit: http://www.epi.msu.edu/bircwh/
The Michigan State University
Women’s Resource Center
Cordially invites you to

A Conversation
With the President

Dr. Lou Anna K. Simon

Monday, November 10, 2014
3:00PM—4:30PM

MSU Union—Ballroom (2nd Floor)

Watch for the November issue of “Wisdom, Words & Women” for additional details.
Chocolate & Conversations

Tuesday, October 21, 2014, 332 Union Building
(MSU Women’s Resource Center)
11:30AM—1:30PM

Celebrate “Love Your Body Day” with the MSU Women’s Resource Center & Olin Health Center

Join us for delicious treats, thought-provoking conversations & a much deserved break for self-love! Feel free to stop by the Women’s Resource Center anytime between 11:30AM—1:30PM to enjoy a day of indulgence!

Everyone welcome. Bring a friend.

Many of us do not take the time to take a break and let ourselves enjoy the “sweeter” things in life. So, this serves as your opportunity to do just that!

RSVP to MSU Women’s Resource Center by email wrc@msu.edu or phone 517-353-1635.

Women's Resource Center
“Advancing gender equity through education and access to resources”
GENDER MATTERS!
HOT OFF THE PRESS!

Looking Through the Glass: Wise Women Rise

Join the MSU Women’s Resource Center for a morning of empowerment and restorative discussion aimed at improving the work environment for women faculty, staff and graduate students at Michigan State University while learning skills that recognize and push back against gender bias in its various forms and settings.

Tuesday, October 14, 2014, 8:15AM—12:30PM
Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center—Centennial Rooms
(219 S Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI)

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Sonya Gunnings-Moton, Assistant Dean, MSU College of Education.

Workshops: Microaggression in the Workplace ■ Shame Resilience ■ Salary Negotiations for Women ■ (In) Civility in the Classroom.

Registration Fee (includes brunch and parking in the Kellogg ramp): Early bird registration—$39 per person (Ends October 3rd); $55 per person after September 22. **First 30 registrants entered into a gift drawing (valued at $100)**

Questions, contact the MSU Women’s Resource Center at: 517-353-1635 or wrc@msu.edu.

REGISTER @: http://wrc.msu.edu under “Events” tab.

Online registration closes Wednesday, October 8, 2014.

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the WRC at 517-353-1635. Requests will be honored whenever possible.
HOT OFF THE PRESS!

Creating Connections to Combat Human Trafficking: Global to Local Perspectives

Saturday, November 15  9:00am-5:00pm
Snyder/Phillips Hall, MSU, East Lansing, MI

Registration Deadline: October 15
www.combathumantraffickingconf.com/
www.facebook.com/combathumantraffickingconf

A wide array of community organizations and Michigan State University departments have partnered to create a day of awareness that will foster community action in the fight against Human Trafficking. Human Trafficking is a form of modern day slavery where people are recruited through the use of force, fraud or coercion for the purposes of forced labor, sexual exploitation, or both. It is one of the largest and fastest-growing criminal enterprises in the world, directly affecting as many as 27 million women, children, and men in the United States and worldwide. The creation of connections across organizations and institutions is vital to combating fundamental practices that allow for the trafficking of human beings. This conference seeks to:

- Raise awareness about current human trafficking issues
- Highlight anti-trafficking organizational initiatives
- Provide a forum for further education about the realities of trafficking
- Inspire active engagement to tackle human trafficking in our communities

Conference events will include keynote presentations by Bridgette Carr, Andy Soper, Jane White, and a representative from the United Nations, with special breakout sessions featuring the work of local and mid-Michigan non-profits and service groups. A full schedule of events is available at the website. This conference is free and open to the public and will include lunch at the Snyder/Phillips Gallery. Registration is required, and can be completed through the website (link to eventbrite).

Special Pre-Conference Event:
Documentary Screening and Discussion of Not My Life
www.notmylifedvd.com/

Friday, November 14  5:00-7:00pm  Snyder/Phillips Hall Theatre
This event is free and open to the public and does not require advance registration.

Special thanks to the following organizations for their efforts in coordinating the CHT14 Conference:
ZCMCA (Zonta Club of the Michigan Capitol Area), GLUNA (Greater Lansing United Nations Association), GenCen (Center for Gender in Global Context) at MSU, AAUW (American Association of University Women), and members of the Michigan Human Trafficking Taskforce

October 2014
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COMMUNITY CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

REMEMBER MY NAME

Honoring victims & celebrating survivors of domestic violence

WITH SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR THE LIVES OF
Christine Keith  Isaac Miller  Kristin Batdorf, DC

FEATURING MUSICAL GUESTS
The Kegels

AT THE MICHIGAN WOMEN’S HISTORICAL CENTER & HALL OF FAME
Thursday, October 2 at 6:30 PM

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FEATURING:
Sharon Love
Founder, One Love Foundation
Katie Hood
CEO, One Love Foundation

AND FROM MSU:
Val O’Brien
MSU Police
Erica Schmittdiel
MSU Safe Place

MONDAY, NOV 3, 2014
6:30PM – 8PM
303 INTERNATIONAL CENTER, MSU

‘BE ONE FOR CHANGE’
Conversation with Sharon Love and The One Love Foundation
on Preventing Relationship Violence on College Campuses

Sharon Love founded the One Love Foundation after her daughter was brutally murdered by her college boyfriend. Hear how One Love is working to end relationship violence on college campuses, and how we can all be part of this important change!

For more details on the event check out MSU Safe Place Facebook page:
https://www.facebook.com/MSUSafePlace

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