

# The Evergreen State College

HAPPENINGS FROM THE THIRD WORLD COALITION--MARCH 1984

## WONDER WOMAN by Genny Lim

Sometimes I see reflections on bits of glass on sidewalks  
I catch the glimmer of empty bottles floating out to sea  
Sometimes I stretch my arms way above my head and wonder if  
There are women along the Mekong doing the same

Sometimes I stare longingly at women who I will never know  
Generous, laughing women with wrinkled cheeks and white teeth  
Dragging along chubby, rosy-cheeked babies on fat, wobbly legs  
Sometimes I stare at Chinese grandmothers  
Getting on the 30 Stockton with shopping bags  
Japanese women tourists in European hats  
Middle-aged mothers with laundry carts  
Young wives holding hands with their husbands  
Lesbian women holding hands in coffee-houses  
Smiling debutantes with bouquets of yellow daffodils  
Silver-haired matrons with silver rhinestoned poodles  
Painted prostitutes posing along MacArthur Boulevard  
Giddy teenage girls snapping gum in fast cars  
Widows clutching bibles, crucifixes

I look at them and wonder if  
They are a part of me  
I look in their eyes and wonder if  
They share my dreams

I wonder if the woman in mink is content  
If the stockbroker's wife is afraid of growing old  
If the professor's wife is an alcoholic  
If the woman in prison is me

There are copper-tanned women in Hyannis Port playing tennis  
Women who eat with finger bowls  
There are women in factories punching time clocks  
Women tired every waking hour of the day

I wonder why there are women born with silver spoons in their mouths  
Women who have never known a day of hunger  
Women who have never changed their own bed linen  
And I wonder why there are women who must work  
Women who must clean other women's houses  
Women who must shell shrimps for pennies a day  
Women who must sew other women's clothes  
Who must cook  
Who must die  
In childbirth  
In dreams

Why must woman stand divided?  
 Building the walls that tear them down?  
 Jill-of-all-trades  
 Lover, mother, housewife, friend, breadwinner  
 Heart and spade  
 A woman is a ritual  
 A house that must accommodate  
 A house that must endure  
 Generation after generation  
 Of wind and torment, of fire and rain  
 A house with echoing rooms  
 Closets with hidden cries  
 Walls with stretch marks  
 Windows with eyes

Short, tall, skinny, fat  
 Pregnant, married, white, yellow, black, brown, red  
 Professional, working-class, aristocrat  
 Women cooking over coals in sampans  
 Women shining tiffany spoons in glass houses  
 Women stretching their arms way above the clouds  
 In Samarkand, in San Francisco  
 Along the Mekong

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

March 8 is International Women's Day. We would like to dedicate this issue in celebration of women and the contributions made by Third World women. Several activities have been planned by the Third World Women's Office and the Women's Center.

March 3: The Righteous Mothers--an exciting, empowering musical group will begin the week. The concert will start at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall. Tickets are \$4.50, more if you can, less if you can't. Free childcare provided. Sponsored by Tides of Change.

March 5: A woman from New Movement in Solidarity with Puerto Rican Independence and Socialism. The talk will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Lecture Hall 1. Free admission and childcare. Sponsored by the Third World Women's Organization and EPIC.

March 6: **SIMPLENTE JENNY**, a film featuring the voices of Latin American women and how their culture has shaped their roles. The film is free and will begin at noon in CAB 108. Sponsored by EPIC.

Heartsparkle Players (a theatre group to educate kids about sexual assault), FIST (Feminists In Self-Defense Training), and Safeplace (Rape Relief/Domestic Violence Shelter Service) will be giving presentations to children, adolescents, and adults. The event will begin at 7 p.m. in Library Lounge 2100. Free admission and childcare. Sponsored by the Parents' Center and the Women's Center.

March 7: **Potluck!** A chance to share with other women and learn about our diversity. Various women will

be sharing their personal experiences as women through poetry, dance, music, or discussion. The evening will end with songs and celebration. Kids are welcome too!

March 8: International Women's Day!!  
Vinie Burrows will perform her one-woman-show--SISTER! SISTER! A salute to all women! Performance begins at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall; \$3 students/\$4 general. Free childcare provided. Sponsored by the Third World Women's Organization, the Women's Center, and Evergreen Expressions.

Carmen Carrasca, the story of a Columbian basket maker and the changes that occur to her family and village once she becomes financially independent; noon; CAB 104.

March 9: Vinie Burrows will be presenting two workshops: A UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN and UNITY IN PEACE AND THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT. Time and place to be announced. Sponsored by the Third World Women's Organization and the Women's Center.

March 10: Wallflower Order Dance Collective and Grupo Riaz will be performing in Seattle. A van will leave TESC Library loop at 5:30 p.m. to travel to the performance. Tickets are \$7. Sign up at the Women's Center.

For more information about any of these activities, please call the Third World Women's Office at 866-6000, ext. 6006.

#### FIST

The Third World Women's Office has contracted Debbie Leung, a member of FIST, to do a series of workshops on self-defense. They are scheduled for Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the KEY Lounge, through March 7. They are free. For more information, call 866-6000, ext. 6006.

#### FAREWELL, KIM

We would like to express our fondest farewells to Kim Bingham, Third World Coalition Secretary. Her last day here was February 24, 1984. She had been here for seven years before deciding to move on to bigger and better things. Congratulations Kim, and good luck!

#### THIRD WORLD WOMEN SUPPORT GROUP

The Third World Women's Office and the Third World Peer Support Office will be having a drop-in hour to begin a Third World Women support group on Mondays at 4 p.m. in L-3236. For more information, call 866-6000, ext. 6284 or 6006. Child-care will be provided by the Parent Resource Center.

#### NWIC

The Co-coordinators of the NWIC would like to announce their new hours and meeting times.

Les Rhoads--Wednesday 9:30-4 p.m.  
Friday 9:30-4 p.m.

Vince Brunn--Tuesday 1-4 p.m.  
Wednesday 1-4 p.m.  
Thursday 9-4 p.m.  
Friday 9-4 p.m.

Meetings--Wednesdays at 4:15 p.m. in L-3220.

#### PINE RIDGE RELIEF FUND

The NWIC is putting out a last call for contributions of warm clothing for the Pine Ridge Reservation. Drop off any donations at L-3220.

#### PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH

The selection process for a new President has been narrowed down to six finalists, all of whom have been invited for an interview. Interviews have been scheduled over a two-day period, and time has been allotted for open interviews with the TESC community. It is important that your

input into this process be included. If you have the time, spend a few minutes and check out who the candidates are and leave your impressions with Betty Beeman, Coordinator for the Presidential Search.

The candidates coming in March are:

Murry De Pillars	March 2
Joan Wadlow	March 6
Patrick Callan	March 9
Thomas Feld	March 13

The interviews are scheduled for noon in CAB 104.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Listed below are the scholarships currently available. Applications for each of the awards are due April 15 in the Financial Aid Office.

Ethel MacPhail--\$1,000--Full-time junior or senior woman studying in a business management related field; financial need.

Edith Draham--\$1,000--Students who can demonstrate ability in fiction writing; financial need.

Jean Skov Memorial--\$500--Full-time women students studying pre-1798 literature.

Carlton Morris Cooley--\$500--Senior demonstrating excellence in writing the English language, with equivalent of 48 credits in English and participation in college governance.

Shauna May Memorial--\$450--Full-time students who have distinguished contributions to community, academic excellence, or other demonstrated talent.

Charles J. McCann--\$250--Full-time senior who has completed at least one full year at Evergreen; financial need.

Ward Bowden Memorial--\$250--Full-time student in journalism or political science; financial need.

Roger F. Camp Memorial--\$150--Full-time sophomore; exceptional financial need.

Clairol Loving Care Scholarship--\$200-\$1,000--Academic, vocational, or para-professional courses. Criteria--must be 30 years or older, U.S. citizen, financial assistance, official acceptance into an accredited program in the U.S., within 24 months of completing program of study, and a definite plan to use the training. Scholarship does not cover doctoral or post-doctoral studies (except to complete law or medical school) or correspondence courses.

Details on each of these are available in Library 1218.

### ETHNOGRAPHY OF NEZ PERCE

The Park Service is seeking a study on the ethnography of the Nez Perce Indians and their relation with the Spalding Mission in Spalding, Idaho. The study is to begin in the summer of 1984 and end by the summer of 1985. No deadline was specified. Applications are available in the Development Office, L-3103, or write: National Park Service, 2001-6th Avenue, Room 1920, Seattle, WA 98121.

### CALENDAR

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| 3/2,6,9,13 | Presidential Candidates<br>Open Interviews with Students<br>Noon, CAB 104 |
| 3          | SELF-RIGHTEOUS MOTHERS Concert<br>8 p.m., Recital Hall                    |
| 5          | SIMPLEMENTE JENNY Film<br>Noon, CAB 110, FREE                             |
| 6          | DOMESTIC VIOLENCE Discussion<br>7 p.m., Library Lounge 2100, FREE         |
| 6,13,20    | Third World Day of Absence Mtgs.<br>Noon, L-3205                          |
| 7          | Potluck for Third World Women<br>Call ext. 6006 for location and time.    |
| 7,14,21    | Third World Coalition Mtgs.<br>1 p.m., L-3205                             |
| 8          | Vinie Burrows, SISTER! SISTER!<br>8 p.m., Recital Hall                    |

CALENDAR (continued)

- 3/8 Carmen Carrasca  
Noon, CAB 104
- 9 Vinie Burrows, A UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN  
and UNITY IN PEACE AND THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT  
Time and place to be announced.
- 14 All-Campus Academic Fair  
3-6:30 p.m., Library Lobby

AND WHEN YOU LEAVE, TAKE YOUR PICTURES WITH YOU By Jo Carrillo

Our white sisters  
radical friends  
love to own pictures of us  
sitting at a factory machine  
wielding a machete  
in our bright bandanas  
holding brown yellow black red children  
reading books from literacy campaigns  
holding machine guns bayonets bombs knives  
Our white sisters  
radical friends  
should think  
again.

Our white sisters  
radical friends  
love to own pictures of us  
walking to the fields in hot sun  
with straw hat on head if brown  
bandana if black  
in bright embroidered shirts  
holding brown yellow black red children  
reading books from literacy campaigns  
smiling.  
Our white sisters radical friends  
should think again.  
No one smiles  
at the beginning of a day spent  
digging for souvenir chunks of uranium  
of cleaning up after  
our white sisters  
radical friends

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AND WHEN YOU LEAVE, TAKE YOUR PICTURES WITH YOU (Continued)

And when our white sisters  
radical friends see us  
in the flesh  
not as a picture they own,  
they are not quite as sure  
if  
they like us as much.  
We're not as happy as we look  
on  
their  
wall.

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