

SOCIAL HISTORIAN WILL DISCUSS GIRLS' SELF-IMAGE

How do girls view themselves? Helpful? Independent? Thin? Fat? Attractive? Pierced? Subservient? Corseted?

Self-image for girls in America depends as much on cultural factors and social norms as they do on young women themselves. A century ago, girls may have learned domestic skills, believed they needed to put others before themselves or were to be seen, not heard. Today, girls -- influenced by the media (news, film, advertising and TV), social pressures and cultural traditions -- may believe that their success depends on physical appearance alone.

Nationally recognized author Dr. Joan Jacobs Brumberg, who wrote *The Body Project: An Intimate History of American Girls*, will visit TWU to discuss those issues -- as well as eating disorders -- during two free lectures on Thurs., March 25, in Denton. Her visit is part of activities for Women's History Month and TWU's celebration of Seneca Falls, the sesquicentennial anniversary of the women's rights movement in the United States. The general public is invited to attend. (Brumberg also is scheduled to visit the Hockaday School in Dallas.)

Brumberg's first presentation, titled "From Corsets to Body Piercing: How History and Culture Shape the Experience of American Girls," will be held at 11 a.m., CFO 204. She then will discuss "The Body As Project: Eating Disorders" with a panel that will include Dr. Trina Davis (psychology and philosophy) and others. The panel presentation will be held at 1 p.m., CFO 103. For details, call Dr. Barbara Presnall (history and government) at 8-1-2142 or 8-1-2133.

Brumberg is a social historian who writes and speaks about the history of female adolescence, using young girls' diaries as the basis for her research and analyses. Her 1988 book *Fasting Girls: The History of Anorexia Nervosa* has won a number of awards, including the Berkshire Book Prize and the John Hope Franklin Prize. *The Body Project* also incorporates diary-based information. Brumberg's scholarship and unique ability to recognize, research and convey the stories of adolescent girls has received support from the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the

Rockefeller Foundation and the Society of American Historians. She received her doctorate in history from the University of Virginia and presently is the Stephen H. Weiss Presidential Fellow and professor of history, human development and women's studies at Cornell University in New York.

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YOU'RE INVITED....

A legislative update for interested TWU faculty and staff will be presented by Dr. Beverley Byers-Pevitts (president's office) during an open forum on Wed., March 31, at 3 p.m., ACT 301. The campus community is invited to attend.

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UPDATE ON PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH

The TWU presidential search advisory committee met on Thurs., March 18, to continue its work. Copy and advertising placements are being coordinated, based on the deadlines for publications in which TWU will announce that the board of regents is seeking applications and nominations for the position of president of the university. Open forums to seek input from faculty, staff and students will be scheduled in Denton, Dallas and Houston; dates have not been announced yet. The advisory committee also approved a proposed communications plan to keep the university family up to date on the search process; *TWU Update* will include information either weekly or biweekly, and a news page on the Internet will include the same details for external audiences. (That page will be placed online within the next two weeks.) As specific objectives are met, committee members will be reassigned to other jobs. Regent Kay Williams Goodman serves as the spokesperson for the committee.

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ENTER THE WORLD OF SCI-FI THIS WEEK!

She's a "cyberpunk," a sci-fi writer and fantasy fan. She also is "Lost in Space" and an expert on "The Mummy."

Pat Cadigan -- noted science fiction author whose novels focus on near-future experiences, the interface between human minds and computers, alternate reality and more -- will share her universe with fans and

students at TWU during a free lecture on Wed., March 24. The campus community and general public are invited; her visit is sponsored by the TWU department of English, speech and foreign languages. The lecture begins at 11 a.m. in library 101.

During her visit, Cadigan will share parts of her latest novel, *Tea from an Empty Cup*, which was released last October in the United States. Two of her three previous novels -- *Synners* and *Fools* -- won the Arthur C. Clarke Award for best science fiction novel of the year in Great Britain. Hot on the heels of last year's big-screen remake of *Lost in Space*, Cadigan recently finished an original novel titled *Lost in Space: Promised Land*, due out in the American market in coming months. She has written a non-fiction book, *The Making of 'The Mummy,'* a sci-fi/horror film that will be released in theaters this spring. Detective Dore Konstantin, the main character in *Tea from an Empty Cup*, will make another appearance in a new novel currently under way.

Born in New York and raised in Massachusetts, Cadigan completed her degree at the University of Kansas in Lawrence and worked for 10 years as a writer and editor for Hallmark Cards in Kansas City. She then began writing full time and eventually moved to London in 1996, where she currently lives with her husband, Chris Fowler, and her cat, Calgary. Her first novel was titled *Mindplayers*, and she writes short fiction as well.

A frequent media guest in Great Britain, Cadigan has appeared on BBC Radio's "Four's the Nest"; "Brainstorm," a segment of BBC TV's science series *Future Fantastic*; and a Channel IV program on time travel. She's been described as the "queen of cyberpunk" by the *London Guardian* and as the "queen of modern science fiction" by BBC1 TV. Cadigan formerly was a visiting scholar attached to the Cybernetic Culture Research unit at the University of Warwick. She has spoken in the United States and Europe and continues to promote her books on both continents. During her visit to TWU, Cadigan also will speak to graduate students and spend time with TWU faculty members. For details, contact Dr. Dene Grigar (English, speech and foreign languages) at 8-1-2324.

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IT'S "SKIT-SO-PHRENIA!"

For teachers whose pupils struggle with the basics in mathematics, it's a gift. For older students who are frustrated with numbers, it's fun. For Cindy Boyd -- Walt Disney's 1995 American Teacher in Mathematics, it's a success...her approach to teaching mathematics, called "Skit-So-Phrenia!" Boyd, a high school mathematics teacher from Abilene, will be the featured speaker -- and cheerleader -- during TWU's annual Harlan C. Miller Memorial Lecture Series in Mathematics on Mon., March 29. This

year's program has a new twist...area students are invited to take a trip to TWU with their teachers to learn more about mathematics from Boyd, as she demonstrates what "Skit-So-Phrenia" is all about.

Boyd's students learn mathematics from skits and songs, which comprise the basis for her teaching method. "Cindy Boyd has had wonderful results with her students as they have learned mathematics using 'Skit-So-Phrenia,'" said Cathy Banks (Science and Mathematics Center for Women). Boyd is author of *Skit-So-Phrenia: Educational Skits Based on Mathematical Concepts*; she also received teaching honors -- the Texas Presidential State Awards -- from 1994 to 1997 and was named Outstanding Mathematics Educator in 1995 by the Texas Academy of Science.

The schedule includes the following programs: "Skit-So-Phrenia!" at 9:30 a.m., ACT 301; "I Feel a Song Coming On" at 1 p.m., ACT 301; and "Skit-So-Phrenia!: How It's Used in the Classroom" at 7 p.m., Hubbard Hall. All three lectures are free; a 6:30 p.m. dinner banquet in the south foyer of HH requires paid admission. For details or dinner reservations, call the TWU department of mathematics and computer science at 8-1-2166.

The Harlan C. Miller Memorial Lecture Series in Mathematics was established in 1982 to honor one of TWU's outstanding faculty and administrators. Miller was professor emeritus and chair of the department of mathematics until her retirement in 1966; she died in 1981. Funding for the series has been provided by the Trammel Crow Family Foundation. Miller earned her bachelor's degree from Wellesley College, her master's degree from Columbia University and her doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin; all were in mathematics. She was a faculty member at TWU from 1942-1968.

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COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The office of the president has distributed information to vice presidents, associate vice presidents, deans and departments heads, encouraging interested staff members to serve on university committees for the 1999-2000 academic year. For details, call Debbie Burgess (president's office) at 8-1-3223; *please return forms by March 26.*

The committees include: ADA; alcohol and drug education; animal care and use; BIONIC; Black History Month; campus climate/community; career/employment services; Child Development Center advisory; code of conduct review; Counseling Center advisory; Dallas SECC campaign; Denton SECC campaign; faculty/student newspaper; Family Days; food advisory board; health fair; Hispanic Heritage Month; HIV education coalition; Houston commencement; Houston SECC campaign; human subjects review; intercultural services advisory; Leman Award; Native American History Month; orientation; Redbud; scholarship/emergency loan; Student Center advisory; student health services advisory; student life advisory board; student services fee; student travel fund; teacher education council; TWU conservation/recycling; TWU general scholarship; TWU safety; TWU traffic; university benefits; Wellness Coalition; wellness services liaison; and *Who's Who*.

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REMINDER: LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE SET THIS WEEK

TWU's second annual Women Student's Leadership Conference, titled "Women Advancing through Leadership," will be held March 26 and 27. The schedule features a number of sessions on leadership topics, plus keynote speaker Dr. Yvonne Thornton, a physician who was the first African-American woman in the United States to become board-certified in high-risk obstetrics and the first African-American woman accepted as a member of the New York Obstetrical Society. She is the author of the best-seller *The Ditchdigger's Daughter*. Cost to attend for students is \$25 per person; for faculty, staff and the general community, \$30; for Friday evening activities only, \$15; for the Saturday luncheon only, \$20; for presenters and volunteers, \$5. Add \$5 to the registration fee after March 19. For details, call the TWU Center for Student Development at 8-1-3626.

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TWU EARNS MORE ACTF HONORS

Members of the Kennedy Center national selection team who reviewed plays for the American College Theater Festival's 1998-99 competition have recognized four TWU students and the entire cast of *Waiting for the Parade* for their work this year. "A stack of parchment certificates for *Waiting for the Parade*, signed by John Lion on behalf of the Kennedy Center's national selection team who attended our regional performance, arrived last week," said Charles Harrill (performing arts, drama), who directed the award-winning production. "I am very proud of our students' accomplishments and this national recognition."

Honorable Mention Awards go to: Eric Cope for outstanding lighting design; Patrick Watson for outstanding scene design; Gladys Keeton (performing arts, dance) and Andee Scott for outstanding choreography; and Helen Dewey Reikofski for outstanding performance. The entire cast of *Waiting for the Parade* received recognition for outstanding performance ensemble.

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NEED A JOB? TRY TWU'S HOTLINE FROM CAREER SERVICES....

The TWU office of career services now offers a "new and improved" job hotline for all students in

Denton, Dallas and Houston -- one that provides details about part-time and full-time, federal and non-federal, degree-required and not-required positions available in-state and beyond Texas. A number of companies is represented, and students can access the hotline 24 hours a day through local Denton, Dallas and Houston telephone numbers.

Students can hear a listing of jobs that are available in many geographic areas, as well as positions for specific fields or in any degree major area. Different levels of menus allow students to access a variety of jobs; they won't be forced to hang up and make separate calls for each category listing. Date-sensitive information about career days or other events also will be advertised through the menu.

Through collaborative efforts among TWU staff members in career services and information technology services, the voice mail menu that was created now allows students from all campuses to access the jobs hotline more quickly and easily. For details, call Sue Cook (career services) or other staff members at 8-1-2950.

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PIONEER PROJECT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The TWU Center for Research on Women's Health needs volunteers from among the university's faculty and staff to participate in the Pioneer Project, a longitudinal study -- the only one of its kind nationally -- that seeks to improve the health status of girls and women, using interdisciplinary intervention strategies to target all ages.

Healthy women ages 18 to 60 are needed for the ongoing research study; participants will be asked to complete questionnaires and other evaluations that will include exercise stress testing and bone density tests. "The purpose of the Pioneer Project is to gather information on the physical, social and mental health status of women in Texas," explained Deborah Buswell (kinesiology). To participate in TWU's Pioneer Project or to receive more information, call Nancy Candelaria (Center for Research on Women's Health) at 8-1-2792 or visit DGL 117 in Denton.

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NEWSBRIEFS

Information and news about activities, programs or TWU people may be sent to Ann Hatch (public information), editor, either through campus mail or by e-mail to s_hatch@twu.edu. The weekly deadline to receive information is Tuesday at 5 p.m. for the following week. Student

information for the "People" section is not published unless it is submitted by or in conjunction with a faculty member and that faculty member's related activities.

A legislative update for interested TWU faculty and staff will be presented by Dr. Beverley Byers-Pevitts (president's office) during an open forum on Wed., March 31, at 3 p.m., ACT 301. The campus community is invited to attend.

Send changes in dates and information for events, programs and other activities to the office of public information so that *TWU Update* and master calendar information will reflect the correct details.

Reminder: TWU's distinguished rhetoricians lecture series continues on Tues., March 30, at 7:30 p.m., ACT 6, with Wayne Booth on "Rhetoric of Religion and Ethics."

Texas Sen. Jane Nelson has shared information that Sprint is offering four \$25,000 scholarships for students pursuing advanced degrees in political science, public policy or related fields. Applicants must have a 3.5 grade point average in undergraduate school; must be entering graduate school for the first time in fall 1999; and must pursue the areas of study mentioned above. Awards will be based on scholastic achievements, a written statement by the applicant, a two-page policy paper, community/school involvement and two letters of recommendation. Applications may be requested through June 11 and must be submitted by June 23, 1999. Awards for the Sprint and National Conference of State Legislators Woman's Network Graduate Scholarship will be announced at the National Conference of State Legislators during the group's annual meeting in Indianapolis in July. For details, call Nelson's office at (972) 724-0066.

The TWU Institute of Health Sciences Dallas Center will hold its annual service and retirement program on Wed., April 7, FPH 277. TWU will honor all retirees during a special dinner in Denton on Thurs., April 29, in Hubbard Hall.

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NEWSBRIEFS, continued

Reminder: Members of the Photographic Artists Coalition, a TWU student organization, will exhibit their photographic works through March 26 in the Student Gallery of the Fine Arts Building. Graduate and undergraduate students alike have chosen to display their works, which range from color and black-and-white photographs to digital imaging and mixed media pieces. The exhibit is free and open to the public, weekdays, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For details, call visual arts at 8-1-2530.

Reminder: The department of business and economics will offer a "Fast Track" course this spring titled

"Practical Management Skills" -- one of six courses needed for students seeking a certificate in management from TWU. Taught by adjunct faculty member Dr. Connie Sitterly, the class will be held on three weekends -- Fridays and Saturdays -- from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Denton. The dates are March 26 and 27, April 9 and 10, and April 16 and 17. The class is offered for the first time this spring; interested persons should contact the department at 8-1-2111 or call Sitterly at (817) 737-2893. Members of the class must be currently enrolled students at TWU.

The TWU Institute of Health Sciences Houston Center was one of seven Texas Medical Center organizations that co-sponsored a two-day program titled "Research Integrity: A Professional, Ethical and Social Obligation" on March 11 and 12 in Houston. The March 11 program focused on the ethical social contract among researchers from a professional view, and the March 12 sessions explored the ethical social contract with society from the public's point of view.

The fifth annual American Heart Association's Women and Heart Health luncheon will be presented in association with the TWU department of kinesiology and the Kinesiology Club on April 21 at 11:30 a.m. in Hubbard Hall. The cost to attend is \$20 per person, and the keynote speaker will be cardiologist Dr. Shirley Williams. The luncheon provides an opportunity to share information with women about their health (especially cardiovascular disease) and to fund additional educational activities. For details, call (940) 566-4900.

A workshop dealing with enhancing graduate student recruitment will be held on Wed., April 7, in Houston from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., MGJ 718. Co-sponsored by the office of enrollment management and the Graduate School, both workshops will enable participants to discuss strategies and methods for recruiting graduate students to TWU's programs. The workshop is open to deans, chairs, faculty and others. For details, call Juanita Duenez-Lazo (enrollment management) at 8-1-3024.

Reminder: Occupational therapy students will be recognized for their research efforts during the seventh annual "Celebration of Scholarship," sponsored by Pi Theta Epsilon. The program, which will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sat., March 27, will feature invited scholar Dr. Kathlyn Reed (OT, Houston), a visiting professor at TWU. Scheduled at the TWU Institute of Health Sciences Dallas Center-Presbyterian, attendees may earn CEUs as they exchange information about their scholarly activities. Registration is \$25 per person. All TWU OT students are admitted free to sessions and courses. Lunch will be available for an additional \$6. For details, call Reggie Campbell (OT, Dallas) at 8-3-2409 or e-mail her at DF_Campbell@twu.edu.

The TWU/UNT chapter of Phi Delta Kappa has invited Denton County fifth- and sixth-graders to attend its annual Young People's University at TWU on Sat., March 27. The free program will be held in MCL from 8 a.m. to noon; for details, call Staci Moore at (940) 458-5297.

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Dr. Elizabeth Protas (Physical Therapy, Houston) will discuss "Performance-Based Risk Screening for Community Dwelling Residents" on Thurs., March 25, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., ACT 301. The program, presented by the Texas chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine and the TWU department of kinesiology, is free and open to the campus community and general public. For details, call Dr. Vic Benzra (kinesiology) at 8-1-2597.

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UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Please submit "People" items (faculty and staff only) to Ann Hatch in public information by campus mail or by e-mail to s_hatch@twu.edu! Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.).

Dr. **Joanette McGadney** (Nursing, Dallas) recently was named the University of Miami School of Nursing's 1998 Alumna of Distinction.

Dr. **Stanley Ivie** (educational leadership) recently published two articles: "Ausubel's Learning Theory -- An Approach to Teaching Higher Level Thinking" in the fall issue of the *High School Journal*; and "Vygotsky -- The Wedding of Marxism and Psychology" in the spring issue of *Vital Scholasticae*.

Ann Hatch (public information) attended the annual meeting of the national public information officers advisory committee for the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in Washington, D. C., on March 19. Hatch has served as a member of the committee for five years.

Dr. **Al White** (communication sciences and disorders) and Dr. **Jean Pyfer** (Health Sciences) presented a paper titled "The Department -- Not the Faculty -- as a Unit of Analysis" at the Chair Academy's international conference in Long Beach, Calif., recently.

Staff members for the TWU Health Professions Outreach Project traveled to Tyler, Texas, on Sat., Feb. 27, for the Region 7 and 8 science teachers convention. Dr. **Barbara Cramer** (HPOP) presented information about the Health Careers Summer Institute. HPOP graduate **Nora Morales** and four TWU Chemistry Club members -- **Tu Dao**, **Dan Nguyen**, **Kathy Canseco** and **Duc Huynh** -- presented a chemistry magic show. Cramer and **Marcia Blair** staffed an HPOP exhibit, too.

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THIS WEEK AT TWU: MARCH 22 - 28, 1999

March 8-26

- Visual arts: works by TWU's Photographic Artists Coalition (color and black-and-white photography), free, Student Gallery, Arts Building, weekdays, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

March 22-25

- Blagg-Huey Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

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CALENDAR, *continued*

Mon., March 22

- Classes resume.
- USA leadership speaker: "How I Used My College Education to Be Successful," SC 105, 4 p.m.
- Wellness services: triathlon begins; sign-up for golf scramble begins.
- Tennis: Pioneers vs. North Central Texas College, away.

Tues., March 23

- Softball: Pioneers vs. Fort Hays State, PH, 3 p.m.

Wed., March 24

- Wellness services: deadline to sign up for soccer.
- Brown bag seminar: "Don't Let Stress Stress You Out," CFO 106, 12:10-12:50 p.m.
- HR: "Time Management and Organization," ACT 501, 9 a.m.-noon.
- Sci-fi fun: free program with author Pat Cadigan, library 101, 11 a.m.
- Softball: Pioneers vs. Southeastern Oklahoma State, away.

March 25-26

- TWU board of regents meeting, Austin.

Thurs., March 25

- Intercultural services: African-American drama *Step*, MCL aud., 8 p.m.
- Final tuition/fees installment and housing/meals installment due.
- Brown bag seminar: "Don't Let Stress Stress You Out," CFO 106, 12:10-12:50 p.m.
- HR: "Equal Employment Opportunity," Houston, MGJ 928, 9 a.m.-noon.
- Seneca Falls: Dr. Joan Jacobs Brumberg on "From Corsets to Body Piercing: How History and Culture Shape the Experience of American Girls," CFO 204, 11 a.m.; and "The Body As Project: Eating Disorders" with panelists, CFO 103, 1 p.m.
- Program: "Performance-Based Risk Screening for Community Dwelling Residents" by Dr. Elizabeth Protas, ACT 301, 6:30 p.m.

March 26-27

- Women Student's Leadership Conference: Friday -- awards banquet and opening session, with entertainment; Saturday -- concurrent sessions on leadership topics and other areas, plus lunch and keynote speaker Dr. Yvonne Thornton; for information, call student development at 8-1-3626.

March 26-28

- Continuing education: conflict resolution workshop, Stoddard Hall.

Fri., March 26

- Blagg-Huey Library open 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Biology seminar: "Bacterial Response to UV-Antarctic Exposure" by Dr. Robert Miller (Stillwater, Okla.), free, CFO 205, 3-4 p.m.
- Tennis: Pioneers vs. Midwestern State, tennis courts, 3 p.m.
- HR: "Managing Change," library 101, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
- HR: "Resolving Disputes in the Workplace," Dallas-Parkland, FPH faculty conference room, 2nd floor, 1-4 p.m.

Sat., March 27

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Gymnastics: Pioneers vs. Southern Utah University, PH, 7 p.m.

Sun., March 28

- Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.

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