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We never know the worth of water till the well is dry.

Thomas Fuller, GNOMOLOGIA, 5451

September 16, 1977

APPOINTED... Provost Curtis McCray announced this week two temporary appointments. Dick Vorwerk has been appointed Acting Dean of Student Affairs and Services. While Dick serves in this capacity the search for a permanent Dean of Student Affairs and Services will be reopened. Hector Ortiz has been named Interim Director of Community Services. Hector will continue to serve as Director of Human Services Resource Center.

WANTED... The GSU modules for the Fall '77 Trimester most frequently requested by registering students were:

- BPS 3350A Organ. Admin.
- BPS 3350A Organ. Admin.
- EAS 3140A Alcoh: Integ.
- EAS 3140A Alcoh: Integ.
- Commun. Skills
- Commun. Skills
- 3820B Mgrl. Acctg.
- 3820B Mgrl. Acctg.
- 5460A Prsnl. Mgmt.
- 5460A Prsnl. Mgmt.
- CCS 6950A Physiol. Sys. II
- CCS 6950A Physiol. Sys. II
- CCHL 5770A Chmbr. Music
- CCHL 5770A Chmbr. Music
- 5400A Research Method.
- 5400A Research Method.
- 5400A Research Method.
- 5400A Research Method.
- 5950A Lab-InprsnlGrowth
- 5950A Lab-InprsnlGrowth
- 6535A Existential Wrtr
- 6535A Existential Wrtr
- 6580A Cnslng/psycother.
- 6580A Cnslng/psycother.
- 7740B Women/Amer. Hist.
- 7740B Women/Amer. Hist.
- 7740B Women/Amer. Hist.
- 7740B Women/Amer. Hist.
- 8550A Intnatl. Politics
- 8550A Intnatl. Politics
- World Implications
- World Implications

INAUGURATION NEWS...

REMINDER

All who wish to march in the Academic Procession during the President's Inauguration ceremony on October 7th , and who need to order academic robes, are reminded to do so by FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd. Orders may be placed in the Bookstore.

WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Four University Professors have been chosen by an Inauguration subcommittee to read their papers during the Academic Convocation on Oct. 7. The Convocation will be held at 9:30 A.M. in the Science Lecture Hall. The GSU faculty was invited to submit their responses to Daniel Bell's article, "The Revolution of Rising Entitlements," published in Fortune (April '75). Bell contends that the American political system is endangered by the "rising entitlements' claims on government to implement an array of newly defined and vastly expanded social rights." The four winners, named in the order of their appearance on the program (for programmatic balance) are:

- John Rohr--"Entitlement: Its Brighter Side"
- Daniel Bernd--"Of Projectors and Levelers: Daniel Bell's Wheatless Argument"
- Roberta Bear--"Who Speaks for the Children?"
- Hugh Rank--"I Suppose You Shouldn't Say Anything Bad"

SPEAKER NAMED

Allan W. Ostar of Washington, D.C., will deliver the principal address at the inauguration of Dr. Leo Goodman-Halamuth II as second president of GSU Friday, October 7. Dr. Ostar has been executive director of the National Association of State Colleges & Universities for 11 years.
GSU CLASSIFIED...Vacant Civil Service Job
Classifications as of September 13, 1977:
3/7 Work Program Participant CS
3/31 Irregular Bus Driver B&PO
6/22 Work Program Participant LRC
7/25 Police Officer I DPS
8/1 Administrative Clerk FA
8/2 Duplication Operator II CD
8/10 Computer Programmer II C&IS
8/10 Secretary III Transcribing CS
8/15 Personnel Officer II PER
8/15 Accounting Clerk III LRC
8/22 Admissions/Records Officer I A/R
8/24 Police Officer I DPS
9/8 Secretary IV Steno UR
9/9 Program Advisor LRC
9/9 Mail Messenger BO
9/9 Library Clerk III LRC

Applications and information available in Personnel/Testing, Ext. 2310, 2320.

POSITIONS OPEN...GSU University Professor of Nursing in College of Environmental and Applied Sciences: developing, implementing and supervising courses for graduate nursing students. Ph.D. required. Application deadline is September 30, 1977.

Research Associate: (six month beginning Oct. 1) Degree, communication and organizational skills, familiarity with GSU (admission & Records, University Relations, academic programs) required. Deadline Sept. 20. Contact Dean of Special Programs and Instructional Services (LRC).

Illinois Board of Higher Education - The BHE is currently seeking candidates for three position vacancies: Associate Director for Data Systems, Research Associate for Community Service and Continuing Education, and Computer Programmer for Data Systems. The Research Associate for Community Service and Continuing Education position will be located in the Chicago office. Application deadline: Oct. 1. For further info on above positions contact Placement Office, 534-0818 if you wish to donate items (tax deductible)...

Get well wishes to SHARON FILKINS (UR Student Asst. for FAZE I) recuperating at home...Sympathy to the family of TIM SALMEN (LRC) who passed away recently...and to the family of JANE GIDEON, former community professor at GSU who died Sept. 8...Congratulations to BILL (BPO) and Deborah GREGORY on the birth of their son Travis born Sept. 6...Congratulations to BETTY LEVING on the recent marriage of her daughter Elyse to Bob Martin of San Diego, California...

"THE NEEDS OF YOUNG CHILDREN"...will be discussed in three panel reports on Sat., Sept. 17, 9:30 - 12 Noon in Rm B2501. Students in the module, Survey of Early Childhood Education Programs will present results of their library research & discussion groups studying needs which must be addressed in early ed programs. Category of young Children studied are: disadvantaged pre-schoolers, exceptional pre-schoolers, and pre-schoolers for whom English is a second language. An invitation to attend has been extended to all HLD faculty and students.

COMMUNICATION AND ALIENATION IN AN OPEN LEARNING ENVIRONMENT...will be discussed by Walt Ostermann in a faculty research seminar Sept. 28, 2:30 p.m. in Engbretson Hall. Ostermann is University Professor of Communication Science in HLD. The presentation is free and open to the public. Tulsi Saral is chairman of the university seminar/lecture series.
HE IS NOT SHE

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Teaching Units

Giving careful thought to the topic of a unit, its organization, and the examples and questions to be used will help prevent sexist treatment. For example,

Fiction and poetry units should include materials by and about both women and men. If an obviously sexist piece is included, the discussion questions should bring out this fact.

A unit on classics should be accompanied by questions that promote discussion of the treatment of women and why their image differs from that of men.

Activities should not be segregated by sex; e.g., girls may build stage sets, boys may sew costumes.

Units on usage and spelling should include examples that promote nontraditional views of male and female roles.

Examples

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<th>Original</th>
<th>Modified</th>
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<td>Jill carefully stitched the hem in her new dress.</td>
<td>Jill balanced carefully as she reached for the next branch of the old tree.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Eddie quietly crept up the back stairs.</td>
<td>Eddie quietly cradled the sick kitten.</td>
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<td>After passing the exam, the steel mill made Tom an apprentice rigger. (misplaced modifier)</td>
<td>After graduating from college, Macpherson and Associates hired Nancy as an apprentice architect. (misplaced modifier)</td>
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Research

1. Careful consideration should be given to the methodology and content of research to ensure that it carries no sexist implications. (This does not deny the legitimacy of research designed, for example, to study sex differences in the performance of certain skills. Researchers are encouraged to consult the American Psychological Association Guidelines for Nonsexist Use of Language listed in the bibliography.)

2. The sample population should be carefully defined. If both males and females are included, references to individual subjects in the report of the research should not assume that they are male only.

3. The examples used for case studies should be balanced in numbers of male and female subjects if both sexes were involved in the study.

Reference Books (Bibliographies, Indexes, Style Manuals, Teacher’s Guides)

Reference books can be implicitly sexist through their organization and content—what is left out can be as telling as what is included. If the subject has been studied primarily by men, a special attempt should be made to discover whether women have also made significant contributions.

Journal Articles

1. Articles which contain sexist language but are otherwise acceptable for publication should be returned to the author with a letter of explanation, perhaps encouraging the author to rewrite the article and suggesting that she or he consult these Guidelines. Alternately, the editor may choose to edit such articles to eliminate sexist language.

2. Instructions to prospective authors in the front matter of the journal should include a notice to the effect that

In keeping with the Guidelines for Nonsexist Use of Language in NCTE Publications, the editor reserves the right to edit all articles which contain sexist language.

Conclusion

Important as language is, improving it is to little purpose if underlying assumptions and traditional omissions continue. The Committee on the Role and Image of Women in the Council and the Profession works to ensure equal treatment of women and girls as students, teachers, administrators, and Council staff. If women never enter the author’s world, it little avails a journal or book editor to scrupulously eliminate “man . . . he” references. However, when authors or editors do find it necessary to use selections that contain sexist language or sexist attitudes, the attitudes should be discussed in the introduction, in a headnote, or in some other appropriate place.

The dramatic changes in language now taking place pose a special challenge to NCTE members and staff. Whether the members work as teachers, authors, or editors, they not only help shape students’ language patterns but are also viewed by the public as custodians of what is “correct” in the language. The very newness of these changes in our language offers English teachers a unique opportunity. Under their guidance, eliminating sexism can bring a new vitality to the English language.

Reprints of the Guidelines are available from NCTE, 1111 Kenyon Rd., Urbana, IL 61801 (1-15 copies free; more than 15, 6¢ each prepaid). Ask for Stock No. 19719.
SATURDAY, September 17
SUNDAY, September 18
MONDAY, September 19
TUESDAY, September 20
1:00 P.M. & 6:30 P.M. Movie "Car Wash" (EH)

WEDNESDAY, September 21
9:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M. Civil Service Affairs Subcommittee (D1120)
12:00 Noon Theology for Lunch (D1120)

THURSDAY, September 22
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon EAS Faculty Assembly (A1102)

FRIDAY, September 23

SATURDAY, September 24

SUNDAY, September 25

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