Law School Dean in Washingtonian’s List of 100 Most Powerful Women

Katherine S. “Shelley” Broderick, Dean of the University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law, has been selected as one of Washingtonian Magazine's 100 Most Powerful Women. The list appears in the June issue of Washingtonian Magazine. The women included in the list range from educators, businesswoman, health care advocates and women leaders in Congress and the Bush Administration.

Washingtonian’s Lifestyle editor Leslie Milk compiled the list after talking to scores of women and men from around the region in a variety of fields. The 100 women chosen were those cited most often as wielding power and influence—and making their mark—in this town and beyond. As Milk writes, the achievements of these women "inspire young women to aim for the top."

The magazine, which covers life in the nation's capital, periodically issues lists of Washington, D.C.'s movers and shakers. The last time it featured the most influential women in Washington was in September 2001. The women were honored at a luncheon on May 24 at the Four Seasons Hotel in Georgetown. The June issue of Washingtonian became available on newsstands on May 25th.

President to Attend Seminar in Israel

University President Dr. William L. Pollard will be going abroad this weekend to participate in a seminar with other university presidents and scholars. Dr. Pollard has been invited by the Koppelman Institute on American Jewish-Israeli Relations, American Jewish Committee to participate in a seminar in Israel tailored to the interests and concerns of American university and college presidents. The seminar will encompass a first-hand experience with Israeli society, the U.S.-Israel relationship and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict with a special focus on the role of higher education and K-12 in Israeli and Palestinian societies. The itinerary includes stops in Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem.
**Solomon Recognized as “Bridge Builder”**

On May 24, 2006, Dr. Clemmie Solomon was the recipient of the Bridge Builder Award at the American Counseling Association Foundation Annual Fundraising Reception for outstanding contributions to the growth and development of the Foundation’s signature “Growing Happy and Confident Kids” program that has been established in 14 sites which includes YMCAs and elementary schools across the country. The goal is to house the program in 1000 sites in the next 3-5 years. The reception was held at the University of the District of Columbia. The program is a reading and emotional literacy program which targets students at risk. Participating sites receive reading materials and a discussion guide that helps students appreciate reading while building self-esteem and positive mental attitudes. Other recipients of the award were Angie Reese Hawkins, President of the Washington area YMCA and Ervin Reid, partner with Access America Corporation.

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**University Announces the Formation of Safety Committee**

The University of The District of Columbia’s Safety Committee will be an on-going standing committee which coordinates safety efforts affecting the University. The Committee is a vehicle for staff to raise issues concerning safety. An overview of the goals reads as follows:

- To preserve a campus environment that is conducive to the pursuit of educational goals and personal growth.
- To ensure the personal safety of all University constituencies and protection of personnel and University facilities and property.
- To support a campus culture that values and respects the diverse backgrounds of all University constituencies.
- To remain knowledgeable of emerging technologies and practices in the field of security, safety, and public health services.

Dr. Janice Borlandoe, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, Division of Student Affairs and John Thomas, Deputy Chief of Police, Department of Public Safety and Emergency Management will co-chair the committee. Members of the committee represent the various constituents of the University. Persons having an interest in serving on the committee may contact Dr. Janice Borlandoe at X45900.

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**Summer Bridge Program Back in Operation**

The UDC Summer Bridge Program is entering its fifth year of operation. The 2006 Summer Bridge Program for students, who will enter UDC in Fall 06, will begin on Monday June 19 and end on Friday July 21. This five-week program is for students who need to strengthen their academic skills in preparation for college-level work. The program will also address skill development in areas that support
successful matriculation at UDC. The first week of the program is devoted to a “Learning to Learn Camp” and weeks two through five will address strengthening academic skills. Dr. Vernise Steadman acknowledges the assistance provided by Charmaine Baynes of the PATHS program throughout the planning phases for summer 2006. Contact persons for the program are Dr. Bertha Minus, Associate Provost 274-5557 and Dr. Vernise Steadman, Math Dept Chair, 274-6151.

Nowell Honored for Ten Years Collaborative Service

Behera Presents Paper at World Environmental Congress

Dr. Pradeep Behera from the Department of Engineering, Architecture & Aerospace, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, presented a research paper entitled “Application of Analytical Runoff Quality Models for TMDL Analysis” in the World Environmental & Water Resources Congress 2006 which held at Omaha, Nebraska May 21-25, 2006. Dr. Behera has also been included into the National Probabilistic Approaches Committee of Environmental & Water Research Institute (EWRI) of American Society of Civil Engineering. EWRI has
various National Committees for each of the fields related to Environment and Water to provide solutions and directions.

**Flowers Selected for Cyberinfrastructure Summer Institute**

Dr. Angelyn Flowers, Professor of Criminal Justice (Department of Urban Affairs, Social Science, and Social work) is among a handful of scholars selected from around the nation to attend the "Cyberinfrastructure Summer Institute for Humanists, Artists, and Social Scientists" at the University of California campus in San Diego this July.

**ASSISTANTS WANTED**

**DO YOU HAVE PREVIOUS EXPERINCE OR THE DESIRE TO WORK IN SPORTS INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION?**

If your answer to this is yes, then you should consider working as a student or faculty/staff assistant with the UDC Sports Information Office this coming school year (2006-07). Previous experience is preferred, but we will train serious applicants.

The following positions are available for part-time assistants:

- Clock Operators
- Firebird Mascot
- Game Attendants
- Game Annunciators
- Linesmen
- Scorekeepers
- Spotters
- Statisticians
- Writer/Editor

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Institute for Human Service Delivery hosts Workshop

On June 14, 2006 the Institute for Human Service Delivery of the School of Business and Public Administration partnered with the D.C. Department of Human Services Income Maintenance Administration (DHS/IMA) to host a well-received full-day workshop entitled “Partnership and Capacity Building Technical Assistance Workshop”. Nearly 75 participants representing more than 50 District-based community non-profit organizations who receive funding from DHS were in attendance. Ms. Kate Jesberg, Interim Director of DHS, Ms. Sharon Cooper-Deloatch, Acting Administrator for IMA and Ms. Ellen M. Wells, Deputy Administrator for IMA gave greetings along with Dr. E. Gail Anderson Holness, Director for UDC Office of Community Outreach and Involvement and Marion Smith from UDC Enrollment Services. Dr. Antonia H. Nowell, Director of the Institute for Human Service Delivery made a presentation – Orchestrating Success – that addressed strategies for successful project implementation. During the luncheon, the Director of DHS, Ms. Kate Jesberg awarded Dr. Nowell a Certificate of Appreciation for ten years of successful collaboration with the DHS/IMA.

Coping and Caring Film Series continues on UDC Cable

On Monday May 28th, UDC Cable TV is continuing to air a nine-week series of emotionally powerful documentaries about caring for the elderly, the sick, the disabled, the loved, and about living with pain, loss and illness. Coping and Caring: A Film Series airs on Monday evenings at 9:00 pm. and repeats on Wednesdays and Fridays on Comcast Channel 98 and RCN Channel 19. Upcoming films in the series include:

June 19, 21, 23, 2006 - Tiger’s Apprentice (1998: 56.40 mins.) - San Francisco resident M. Trinh Nguyen, the director, travels to the Mekong Delta in Vietnam to investigate a traditional medicine master (who is also one of her great-uncles) and to examine the status of “ancestral-transfer” medicine in a rapidly changing Viet Nam. As the medicine master is in short supply of willing and qualified students, Trinh finds her documentation shifting to an unwitting apprenticeship. For the World Health Organization’s on traditional medicine.

June 26, 28, 30, 2006 - Losing Layla (2002: 50.40mins) - What started as a film about a mother and father’s differing responses to the impending birth of their child became, instead, one of the most heartbreaking depictions of a mothers grief for her dead baby ever shown on television. Through Losing Layla we saw not just the death of Layla but perhaps, the death of every child, and not just the grief of Vanessa Gorman, but the universal grieving of all mothers for a lost child.’ The Australian Women’s Weekly.

July 3, 5, 7, 2006 - Carved from the Heart_ (1998: 30mins) - Stan Marsden, a Tsimshian wood carver, loses his son to a cocaine overdose. Grieving, he decides to create a totem pole in his son's memory and invites the town of Craig, Alaska, to help. The project grows and becomes a
communal effort bringing the town together both Native and non-Native, young and old.

**Malaria: Killer Number One (OCHA)**

(19.43) - A presentation of Ethiopia’s malaria crisis by the United Nation’s office for the coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. Malaria kills an estimated three million people every year – mostly in Africa. It is the number one killer in many countries south of the Sahara. Ethiopia is among the places hardest hit. Extreme poverty, lack of health care and population pressures help the disease spread like wildfire. New cures, preventative action and massive intervention by international agencies are bringing a glimmer of hope.

**Who is Disabled? (8 mins 44 secs)** - A short film that challenges the notion that those who are handicapped are disabled and the stigma that many associate with it. In Ghana, children with intellectual disability are labeled as cursed from the gods and considered useless, so parents are often ashamed of them.

**July 10, 12, 14, 2006 - Spit It Out (2004; 55 mins.)** - A funny and poignant portrait of Jeff Shames' successful efforts to come to terms with his stutter and his family's legacy of denial. Jeff's father is intolerant of and rageful towards his son's imperfections, while his mother never discusses her own childhood stutter. As a teenager, Jeff turns to alcohol and drugs to mask his shame, and eventually marries an alcoholic who interacts with the outside world for him. After his wife gets sober, Jeff discovers the stuttering self-help community and embarks on a healing journey of sobriety, self-acceptance and forgiveness.

**July 17, 19, 21, 2006 - Leper: Life Beyond Stigma: (2002; 23 mins.)** - An intimate glimpse into a community of lepers in a remote village in Nepal. Villagers speak of how, after much struggle and hardship, they build new lives for themselves, recreating family and community in the context of this disease. Their poignant and revealing stories offer heartfelt reflections on societal fears and aversions to sickness, bodily differences, and death.

**July 24, 26, 28, 2006 - ‘G’ Methamphetamine on the Navajo Nation: (2005: 58 mins.)** - Through interviews, this film examines the effect of crystal Methamphetamine use on the Navajo Nation and exposes us to the shattered lives of those affected by this highly addictive drug.
Walk for Literacy Seeks Volunteers, Walkers

The State Education Office at the University of the District of Columbia has is looking for assistance with their support of the Nation’s Capital Walk for Literacy scheduled for this September.

VOLUNTEER NOW! - Learn valuable event marketing & production skills – Be a part of Street Teams (distribute flyers in strategic locations), a Media Assistant (follow-up calls to media), or part of Rally Teams (provide support and motivation to walking teams for literacy). TO VOLUNTEER: 866-832-2289 or walkforliteracy@gmail.com. The Nation’s Capital Walk for Literacy Needs Walkers! Join us on Saturday, September 23, 2006 at Tech World Plaza (9th & K Street, NW), Check-in Begins @ 8 a.m. – Walk Starts @ 9 a.m. – Go to signmeup.com/53273 to register now! Students $10.

Final Thoughts

The UDC Spark is your publication. It can only be effective if you make contributions. If there is something happening in your department that everyone else should know about, then tell us. As always, we ask that you please submit items of interest in text format by e-mail only to mandrews@udc.edu by noon on every other Thursday. PLEASE – NO FLIERS – text paragraphs in Times Roman 12 (black) only. We always welcome photos and appropriate clip art.