

Recent Publications

Women's rights are the focus of three new publications recently issued by the Center for Women's Global Leadership. *Without Reservations: The Beijing Tribunal on Accountability for Women's Human Rights*, edited by Niamh Reilly, surveys more than twenty testimonies given at the Global Tribunal on Accountability for Women's Human Rights at Huairou, China, in September 1995. *The Indivisibility of Human Rights: A Continuing Dialogue*, edited by Susana Fried, presents an overview of the 1994 Women's Global Leadership Institute, focusing on debates and strategies concerning human rights and violence against women, as well as issues concerning women's role in decision-making processes. *Gender Violence: A Human Rights and Development Issue*, by Charlotte Bunch and Roxana Carillo, provides a critical analysis of women's human rights and the development of a human rights agenda incorporating women's perspectives and experiences. For further information, contact the Center for Women's Global Leadership, 27 Clifton Ave., New Brunswick, NJ, 08903, USA. Their e-mail address is cwgl@igc.apc.org.

"Advancing Reproductive Rights Beyond Cairo and Beijing", by Rebecca J. Cook and Mahmoud F. Fathalla, in *International Family Planning Perspectives* (Vol. 22, No. 3), September 1996, pp. 115-121.

"Islam and Human Rights" is the topic of a special issue of *Interights Bulletin*, the publication of the International Centre for the Legal Protection of Human Rights. Articles include "Islamic Law and Human Rights Today," by Dr. Abdullahi A. An-Naim and "The Arab Charter on Human Rights: A Comment" by Mona Rishmawi. For more information, contact Interights, Lancaster House, 33 Islington High Street, London N19LH, United Kingdom.

Politics, Gender and the Islamic Past: The Legacy of 'A'isha Bint Abi Baker, by D.A. Spellberg. New York: Columbia University Press, 1994.

Gender and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: The Politics of Women's Resistance, by Simona Sharoni. Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1995.

Contemporary Coptic Nuns, by Pieternella van Doorn-Harder. Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 1995.

The Sisters of Men: Lebanese Women in History, a book

by Dr. Shereen Khairallah, has recently been published by the Institute for Women's Studies in the Arab World. This book is an important contribution to the historical analysis of Arab women's role in decision-making processes. For more information or to order copies, contact IWSAW through the New York office of the Lebanese American University, 475 Riverside Dr., Room 1846, New York, NY 10115.

Conferences

"Front-line Feminisms: Women, War, and Resistance" is the title of a conference to be held at the University of California-Riverside, January 16-18, 1997. Participants will discuss the forging of new forms of feminism in the context of militarized situations throughout the world. The conference hopes to link feminist activists and grass-roots organizers with scholars and policy-makers engaged in theorizing conflict and promoting cooperation. Featured participants will include women from the Balkans, the Middle East, Central America, South Asia, Africa and the United States. All scholars and activists interested in attending are invited to send their mailing and/or e-mail addresses to the organizers for inclusion on the mailing list. For more information, contact: Piya Chatterjee and Marguerite Waller, Department of Women's Studies, University of California-Riverside, Riverside, CA 92521. e-mail: mwaller@ucr.acu.edu.

Call for Papers

SIGNS: Journal of Women in Culture and Society, seeks submissions for a special issue on Feminisms and Youth Culture slated for publication in Spring, 1998. For the purpose of this special issue, "youth" indicates persons aged thirteen to thirty, in contemporary or historical cultures. The editors welcome submissions that are 1) based on independent or collaborative research conducted by, about, or within youth communities, and 2) textual analyses of popular culture produced by youth. This special issue might include articles that address relevant youth topics such as varying meanings and functions of feminisms, strategies employed to transform traditional organizations, issues of health care, sexual autonomy and sexuality. Please submit five copies of prospective articles no later than 31 January 1997, to: *SIGNS*, Feminisms and Youth Cultures, Box 354345, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195-4345, USA.