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Greetings

Welcome to the third issue of the Center for Women's Leadership's (CWGL) quarterly online newsletter. CWGL has been involved in various initiatives that continue to move women's human rights forward. In early August, CWGL delegates participated in the XVI International AIDS Conference in Toronto, Canada where scientists, health care providers, political leaders, NGOs, and people living with HIV/AIDS came together to discuss their knowledge and research. CWGL co-hosted a strategic conversation with the Harvard Program on International Health and Human Rights which focused on the connections between gender based violence and HIV/AIDS. For more information on the meeting, [click here](#).

As many of you know, this year will mark the 16th anniversary of the [16 Days campaign](#). We have recently completed the Take Action Kit and it is now available online. If you would like to request a hard copy of the kit please email cwgl@igc.org. For more information [browse the CWGL website](#) and learn more about our activities. We look forward to receiving your comments and feedback!

Best wishes,

Center for Women's Global Leadership

Program Highlights	News
<p>CWGL's Archives Available</p> <p>CWGL's archives are currently available through Special Collections and University Archives in the Rutgers University Library, based in New Brunswick, NJ. Since CWGL's founding in 1989 the Center has fostered women's leadership in the area of human rights through women's global leadership institutes, strategic planning activities, international mobilization campaigns, United Nations monitoring, global education endeavors, publications, and a resource center. For those interested in CWGL's past activities and significant involvement in UN world conferences, you can access files by contacting Special Collections. Please allow 1-2 days notice before your visit. Click here for more information.</p> <p>Strategic Conversation on Women's Leadership Development</p> <p>CWGL will convene a Strategic Conversation on the future of women's human rights leadership development from October 24-29, 2006. Approximately 17 women's human rights activists from around the world will participate in the meeting to discuss multi-generational issues of leadership development. During this time, CWGL will also host a public discussion on October 26th to present an international perspective on the history and future of women's human rights leadership, and how US policy affects women's right globally.</p> <p>Visiting Global Associate</p> <p>CWGL welcomes this year's Visiting Global Associate, Bene Madunagu, a prominent feminist activist and the general coordinator for Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN). Ms. Madunagu will participate in the week-long Strategic Conversation on Women's Leadership Development, beginning October 24th and she will be staying at Rutgers through November 6th.</p> <p>UN Reform: Strengthening Women's Rights!</p> <p>CWGL and WEDO have been closely following UN reform and the outcomes of the Secretary General's High Level Panel on Coherence. The panel appears to have reached an agreement, called the "Oslo Consensus," that includes strengthening the gender architecture at the UN into a stronger, better resourced, and higher level women's entity as one of their recommendations. The report will stick to generalities as the details will be decided upon at a later date by the General Assembly and the SG. The report will be formally presented to the current SG, Kofi Annan, in early November who will transmit the Report with his recommendations to the GA. Once we get more specific information on the report, and plans for the GA, we will report on developing strategies to support the recommendations.</p> <p>CWGL also participated in the September session of the Human Rights Council in Geneva. For more information on our UN work, please visit our website.</p>	<p>New Report: Strengthening Resistance: Confronting Violence Against Women and HIV/AIDS <i>Strengthening Resistance</i> focuses on the intersections of the social, political and public health crisis of violence against women and HIV/AIDS. Click here for ordering information.</p> <p>Secretary– General's in-depth study on violence against women After much anticipation, the SG's report is now available online. Click here to read CWGL and HRW's press release regarding the study.</p> <p>Good luck, Sara! We would like to announce that Sara Nordstrom, our 16 Days Campaign Coordinator, has left CWGL to begin graduate school. We wish her the best of luck with this new endeavor. CWGL is currently in the midst of a hiring process and will announce the new coordinator soon.</p>
	<p>16 Days Campaign</p> <p>November 25 - December 10, 2006 The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence is a global campaign that highlights the links between violence against women and human rights. This year's theme is <i>Celebrate 16 Years of 16 Days: Advance Human Rights, End Violence Against Women</i> and will celebrate the work of campaign activists and the historic impact of the movement as well as re-focus attention on violence against women as a human rights violation. Click here for the theme announcement and Take Action Kit!</p>

Women's Global Leadership Institute (WGLI)

This section of the newsletter will inform our supporters of leadership development updates and share important news of WGLI graduates from the first Institute in 1991 to the most recent in 2002. We would greatly appreciate hearing from WGLI graduates. Updates can be sent to cwgl@igc.org.

We would like to congratulate **Alejandra Sardá**, a 1998 WGLI graduate, on her new organizations, Mulabi, a Latin American Working Group on Sexual Rights, and Translingua, a Feminist and Multigendered Translation Business.

We also applaud **Bisi Adeleye-Fayemi**, a 1994 WGLI graduate, whose organization, the African Women's Development Fund, launched [the 13 Campaign](#), based in Accra, Ghana. The campaign will mobilize resources for African women to fight HIV/AIDS.

1991 WGLI graduate **Everjoice Win**, is working on a campaign linking Violence Against Women and HIV/AIDS. The global campaign launch will be in March 2007. CWGL is a co-sponsor and Action Aid International will serve as the campaign's secretariat.

Upcoming Events	Contribute!
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• October 26, 2006 (4:30-7pm): CWGL Public Event on Women's Human Rights at Ruth Dill Johnson Crockett building, 161 Ryders Lane, New Brunswick, New Jersey.• November 29, 2006 (7pm): Charlotte Bunch will speak on Gender, Bodily Integrity, and Human Rights, as part of the Rutgers Global Initiative's Human Rights Speaker Series, Douglass Campus, New Brunswick, New Jersey• December 2006: 16 days event, New York Click here for a complete list of upcoming events.	<p>CWGL needs your support to continue our work for women's human rights. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to fund our efforts.</p> <p>To support CWGL, please click here.</p>
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The Center for Women's Global Leadership develops and facilitates women's leadership for women's human rights and social justice worldwide. It was founded as a project of Douglass College in 1989 and is a unit of the [Institute for Women's Leadership \(IWL\)](#)—a consortium of six women's programs at Rutgers University created to study and promote how and why women lead, and to develop programs that prepare women of all ages to lead effectively.



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