The Center for Women’s Studies & Gender Research

Invite nominations for the

2015 Boyer Lecture

The Boyer Lecture is a scholarly presentation delivered by a Center for Women’s Studies & Gender Research faculty during the fall 2012 Boyer Lecture and Scholarship Awards event.

Dr. Patsy Boyer retired as Professor Emerita from the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures in Spring, 1997. After obtaining her Ph.D. in Spanish at the University of New Mexico in 1967, Dr. Boyer joined Colorado State University where she remained until her retirement. A noted specialist in Spanish Golden Age Literature, Dr. Boyer taught a course on images of women in Spanish literature and included women writers in the other courses she taught. She published numerous works in her field, particularly analyzing Hispanic literature from a feminist perspective, and her translation of the two-volume series of novellas by the seventeenth century Spanish author Maria de Zayas [Zah Yaz] made this important feminist work available to readers of English, earning Dr. Boyer international recognition and respect.

In addition to her participation as a scholar in the major associations of her discipline and on the board of national scholarly journals, Dr. Boyer was a member of the Faculty Women's Caucus and a faculty member in the Women's Interdisciplinary Studies program at Colorado State University. She wrote the Career Enhancement Grant, funded by the Southwest Institute for Research on Women, which eventually led to the Gender Integration Project, now the Women's Studies Project on Teaching, Curriculum, and Scholarship, funded by Colorado State University.

Dr. Boyer was perhaps most known for her generosity of spirit and her sense of importance of a true community of scholars. She is remembered with particular fondness by the generations of students she taught and mentored throughout her thirty years on campus. Upon her death in 2000, she left her estate largely to the Office of Women's Programs and Studies to support gender-based courses and activities and the Harriet Patsy Boyer Scholarships.

The nomination packet must include the following:

1) letter of nomination (maximum two pages, single-spaced),
2) an abstract describing the research or project nominee proposes to present (maximum two pages, single-spaced) in a 30-45 minute scholarly presentation; and
3) nominee’s curriculum vitae.

The deadline for submission of Boyer lecture nominations is June 1, by 5:00pm.

Send all submissions to elliott.housmanturrubiate@gmail.com