Newsletter Date: January 11, 2010

Welcome back! On behalf of the Rainbow Resource Center, we would like wish you a wonderful 2010 and a successful spring semester!

Announcements

1. **Donuts for Diversity** will be starting up again on Friday, January 22nd from 8-11am. Donuts and conversation are free! Why not stop by?

2. Are you part of a GLBTQ or allied family? Are you home sick for that family atmosphere? If so, become a part of the RRC family and join us for *Family Night* on Thursday, January 28 from 6:30pm-8:30pm in the RRC. Family Night is a time for people to converse and interact through quality conversation and different activities such as watching movies, having game night and whatever else anyone wants to do. Soda and popcorn will be provided. The RRC is a safe, nonjudgmental place. Everyone is welcome. Hope to see you there!

3. We have made significant aesthetic changes to our center and are inviting students, faculty and staff to join us for an *open house* from 8-11am on January 29 to celebrate the new beginnings of the RRC. Refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome!

4. The RRC would like to extend our deepest sympathy for the loss of Dr. Margie Zamudio. There will be a public *Memorial Service* for Margie on January 15th at 6pm at the University of Wyoming Art Museum in the American Heritage Center (2111 Willett Drive).

Dr. Margaret “Margie” Zamudio passed away on December 25th 2009. She was 45 years old. Margie was born in Los Angeles in 1964. She attended UCLA as both an undergraduate and graduate student where she received her BA in 1989, her MA in 1991, and her PhD in 1996 in Sociology. Margie taught at the University of Colorado at Boulder from 1996-2002. Margie came to the University of Wyoming in 2002. She taught in the Sociology Department as well as the Chicano Studies and Women’s Studies program. Margie received tenure at the University of Wyoming in the Spring of 2009. Margie’s advocacy and scholarship on issues of social justice, immigration, race, class and gender provided inspiration to many of her friends, colleagues and students. Her book on Critical Race Theory in Education will be published by Routledge in late 2010.
Just before she died, Margie was researching the socio-economic forces behind the immigration of El Salvadorian women in the 1950s and 60s. Her passion and devotion for social justice and racial equality will be greatly missed at UW.

Margie loved the outdoors. The mountains around Happy Jack had a special place in Margie’s heart. Margie was an avid cross country skier and mountain biker. She also loved camping in the Medicine Bow Mountains—the North Fork of the Little Laramie in particular.

Margie is survived by her many family, friends and students who will greatly miss her intelligence, compassion, and wonderful sense of humor. Margie will be especially missed by her dog Harley.

There will be a public Memorial Service for Margie on January 15th at 6pm at the University of Wyoming Art Museum in the American Heritage Center (2111 Willett Drive, Centennial Complex University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY 82071). In lieu of flowers, well wishers are encouraged to donate to the Margie Zamudio Memorial Fund at the UniWyo Federal Credit Union in Laramie. The proceeds of this fund will create a scholarship in Margie’s name.