

CEIA PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

On **August 18, 2005**, the Women's Center for Ethics in Action (CEIA) will sponsor a **Celebration of 'Women of Letters'** from **5 – 7 p.m.** at the Parker Pavilion, Westbrook College Campus, University of New England, 716 Stevens Avenue, Portland, Maine.

Seven women authors will discuss how they came to be writers, what their influences and visions have been, and why they chose the topics they did. Each author will discuss her work for 10 minutes, and there will be a period of questions and answers following the presentations. Books will be available for sale.

Authors include **Martha Burk** (*Cult of Power: Sex Discrimination in Corporate America and What Can Be Done About It*); **Susan Cahill** (*Growing Up Female; Wise Women; Women in Fiction; QPB Anthology of Women's Writing; Writing Women's Lives*); Arvonne Fraser (*Developing Power: How Women Transformed International Development*); **Swanee Hunt** (*This Was Not Our War: Bosnian Women Reclaiming the Peace*); **Marjorie Lightman** (*Crossing Borders: A Report from the WREI Working Group on Women and Immigration; Biographical Dictionary of Ancient Greek and Roman Women*); **Kay Mills** (*Changing Channels: the Civil Rights Case That Transformed Television; A Place in the News: From the Women's Pages to the Front Page; This Little Light of Mine: The Life of Fannie Lou Hamer; From Pocahontas to Power Suits: Everything You Need to Know About Women's History in America*); **Marylouise Oates** (*Making Peace*, and with Senator Barbara Mikulski, *Capitol Offense, Capitol Venture*).

The Women's Center for Ethics in Action is a public policy center devoted to the promotion of women leaders and a society of race, gender and ethnic equality. On this occasion these women authors are dealing with subjects as diverse as ancient Greek and Roman women, women's spiritual writings and the importance of literature, war and peace, immigration and international development, the media, and the persistence of discrimination in corporate America. Their insights constitute a roadmap for a healthy planet and wise conduct at home and abroad. **The authors will be available for press interviews at 4 p.m. on the day of this Celebration**, and their books will be available for sale. **This event is open to the public. Refreshments will be served, and there is no charge for admission.**

A buffet dinner with informal conversation among authors, CEIA Board members and guests will held at the home of Anne B. Zill, President of CEIA, following the Celebration at 150 Coyle Street, Portland. A tax exempt donation of \$25 will be charged. **For further information, 207-232-6365.**