

# FROM THE EDITORS

**What's here?** This issue of *FC* looks at resources on many and disparate topics — including, for example, vampire fiction, French filmographies, Canadian archives, and the teaching of women's studies. In the middle of all that, we have a special themed section on **reproductive justice**, a term that, as reviewer Kristin Ryder explains on page 15, originated with Loretta Ross and other women-of-color activists in the early 1990s. Ryder is careful to point out that reproductive justice is about far more than abortion rights or access to birth control; it “encompasses both reproductive health and reproductive rights concerns, yet envelops them in a social justice and human rights framework.” Don't miss Ryder's essay review, “Long-Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC): A Reproductive Justice Concern?,” and the one by Liz Barr that precedes it, “Surveilling the Body: Reproductive Technologies and the Pregnant Body.”

**Other resources on reproductive justice:** When we were first developing this reproductive justice mini-theme, we were put in touch with scholar **Zakiya T. Luna**, now an assistant professor of sociology at the University of California, Santa Barbara, who has also been a post-doctoral fellow at UC Berkeley since 2012 and was previously a post-doc here at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. While at Berkeley, Luna was lead author of a **comprehensive essay** for the *Annual Review of Law and Social Science* (vol. 9, pp. 327–352; 2013) **about the history and aims of the reproductive justice movement**; highly recommended reading! Watch also for the publication of Luna's book manuscript, *Reproductive Justice for All: Identity, Rights, and the (Re)Making of a Movement*.

Zakiya Luna is also affiliated with BerkeleyLaw's **Center on Reproductive Rights and Justice (CRRJ)**, which has a web presence at <http://www.law.berkeley.edu/reprojustice.htm>. Check it out, especially CRRJ's searchable **Virtual Library**, which “includes resources that have helped to define and refine the reproductive justice framework, as well as those that illustrate RJ in action.”

**#Ferguson is a reproductive justice issue.** The killing of an unarmed Black teenager by police in Missouri just a few weeks ago has strong feminist and reproductive justice relevance, as some of the best online commentary is pointing out. Follow what's being written at **Crunk Feminist Collective** and at **Colorlines** (e.g., “Black Feminists Respond to Ferguson,” by Miriam Zoila Pérez); and see **Dani McClain's** “The Murder of Black Youth Is a Reproductive Justice Issue” on August 13<sup>th</sup> in *The Nation* — just for starters.

**Here at the University of Wisconsin's Gender & Women's Studies Librarian's office...** We're busy (oh, let's not say overwhelmed!), but eager to greet the new academic year and its students, participate in some great upcoming conferences (including NWSA's in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in November!), and get to the other side of the much-needed renovation of our working space in Memorial Library.

**We recently had to say goodbye** to editor Linda Fain (pictured below) when she retired and returned to her beloved Bay Area in California. For more than a decade, Linda edited and indexed *New Books on Women, Gender, & Feminism* and oversaw the expansion of our *WAVE (Women's AudioVisuals in English)* database. We're now beginning the search process for a new half-time editor for that position.

We're also busy planning future issues of *FC*. Are you a subscriber yet?

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Best wishes to retired editor Linda Fain!