



# Embodied Consciousness, Informed Choices:

## *Critical Perspectives On the Menstrual Cycle*

**June 2-4, 2011**

**Chatham University, Pittsburgh, PA**



The 2011 meeting of the Society for Menstrual Cycle Research will be held at the in Pittsburgh's East End at the Woodland Road campus of Chatham University. This is a multidisciplinary conference for scholars, health care providers, counselors, public policy advocates, writers, students, teachers artists, and others interested in girls' and women's health across the lifespan as it relates to the menstrual cycle.

This year's conference theme is "Embodied Consciousness, Informed Choices: Critical Perspectives on the Menstrual Cycle".

Conference highlights include a **keynote speech by Dr. Sharra Vostral**, Associate Professor of Gender and Women's Studies and History at the University of Illinois, and author of *Under Wraps: A History of Menstrual Hygiene Technology* (2008). Dr. Vostral's current research centers on the innovation of Rely tampons and the emergence of Toxic Shock Syndrome.

In additon, **two plenary panels** are scheduled: 1) stigma associated with menstruation, broadly considered, and 2) sustainable menstrual management in both developing and developed countries.

**Other conference events** include a poster session and welcoming reception early Thursday evening, and on Friday night, a banquet and entertainment.

*For more information about the Society for Menstrual Cycle Research, please visit [www.menstruationresearch.org](http://www.menstruationresearch.org)*

*For more information about the 2011 conference, including registration details, please visit <http://menstruationresearch.org/2011conference/index.php/2011pittsburgh/SMCR2011> or contact Dr. Peggy Stubbs, conference coordinator at [mstubbs@chatham.edu](mailto:mstubbs@chatham.edu)*