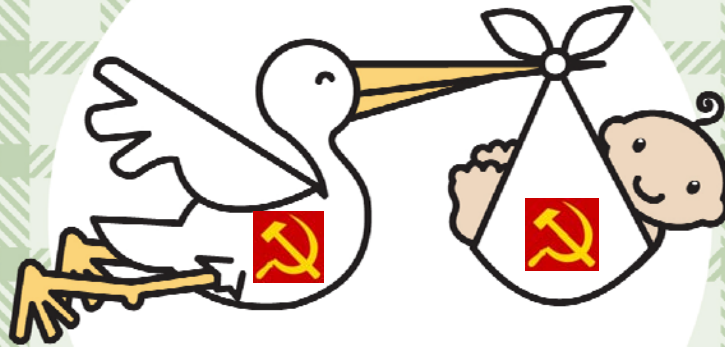


UI History of Medicine Society
UI Council on the Status of Women
&
Iowa Women's Archives
Invite you to hear:

Paula Michaels, PhD
Associate Professor, Department of History, University of Iowa

Speak on:



***Comrades in the Labor Room:
The International Story of the Lamaze Method,
1950-80***

Wednesday, March 10th, 2010

The Lamaze method's preparatory lessons, patterned breathing, and conscious relaxation became an integral part of American birth in the 1960s and 1970s, when the natural childbirth movement flourished. But, despite our familiarity with the Lamaze method, few know of its origins in the Soviet Union, the role of the French Communist Party in its promotion, and the deliberate efforts undertaken amid the Cold War to obscure these leftist ties in order to make the method palatable to Americans.

4:30 Reception in Iowa Women's Archives (3rd floor, south, UI Main Library)

**5:15 Janet Schlapkohl "There's This Thing Called Lamaze"
≈ a monologue and song about giving birth in the 1970s ≈**

5:30-6:30 Paula Michaels' presentation in Iowa Women's Archives

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