ORGANIZATION FOR CAMPUS WOMEN (OCW)

The Organization for Campus Women (OCW) is an organization for ALL persons affiliated with UW-L: faculty, classified, academic staff and students. The objectives of OCW are to promote equal opportunity for all women, serve as a vehicle for communication among women at UW-L and to collaborate with other local, state and national organizations concerned with improving the status of women.

OCW has an elected board, called the Steering Committee, which coordinates the overall organization. This is comprised of two classified, faculty, and academic staff representatives as well as chairs of the various committees.

The 1992-93 Steering Committee:

President: Judy Pace, Faculty-Physical Education
President-elect: Mary Rivard, Academic Staff-Student Activities Centers
Secretary: Karen Fenci, Classified-Athletics
Treasurer: Connie Marker, Academic Staff-Murphy Library

Academic Staff Representatives: Ruth Kurinsky, Residence Life
Faculty Representatives: Sandra Flake, AL&S Cecelia Manrique, Political Science
Classified Staff Representatives: Barbara Pedretti, Student Activities & Centers

(Second position is open at this time)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Honors/Scholarship/ Fundraising: Sandy Sechrest, Faculty-Murphy Library
Social/Program: Penny Tiedt, Academic Staff-Continuing Education
Membership/Elections: Mary Beth Vahala, Academic Staff-Student Activities & Centers
Symposium: Karla Stanek, Academic Staff-Career Services
Sue Willey, Faculty-Management
Governance & Recruitment:
Mary Gayle Pifer, Faculty-
Foreign Language

Newsletter:
Kennonette Brueggeman, Academic Staff-
Financial Aid

Caroline Norelius, Academic Staff-
Alumni/Development

Issues of Equity:
(still open at this time)

HOW CAN YOU BECOME INVOLVED??

Membership in OCW requires only an
annual $5.00 dues payment which helps
support programming efforts. Committee
service is also encouraged though not
required. If you can make the time and
have an interest in being a part of a
committee, filling one of the vacant
positions, or just becoming a member,
please indicate your interest on the
attached membership form and return it
to Mary Beth Vahala in the Student
Activities Office.

SOCIALS

The beginning of the year OCW Fall Social
was a great success. Thanks goes to
Penny Tiedt, Social/Programming Chair,
for organizing this event. Those in
attendance were able to meet the Steering
Committee as well as other women on
campus. These types of socials are a good
way to become acquainted with others
outside your divisions and units in an
informal setting.

CAMPUS PROGRAMS

C.A.R.E. Week was held during the week
Week (Create Attitudes for a Rape-Free
Environment), presentations, workshops
and activities were done to bring
awareness to our community about the
violence of sexual assault and to promote
healthy relationships. Throughout the
week there were visual displays of
artwork and writing in the Port O'Call
Lounge in Cartwright Center as well as a
"Wall of Ribbons" to recognize those who
have been sexually assaulted. Some of
the highlights during the week included a
concert by Holly Near, victims/survivors
sharing their stories, and a "Take Back the
Night" rally/march.

C.A.R.E. WEEK was sponsored by:
Counseling and Testing Center, Office of
Residence Life, Student Activities and
Centers, Women's Studies, and the
Student Development Division.

FEMINIST PRESENTATION ON CAMPUS:

Feminist, philosopher and curriculum
specialist Elizabeth Kamarack Minnich
visited La Crosse on Friday, October 30th.
She spoke on "Transforming Knowledge:
Women and Education" at a noon salad
lunch at Michael's Restaurant. She also
gave a free lecture on "Opening up the
Curriculum" at 3 PM in Main Hall
Auditorium.

Minnich is the author of "Transforming
Knowledge," which won the ninth annual
Frederic W. Ness Book Award of the
Association of American Colleges. She is a
professor at the Union Graduate School.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 11, 1992, OCW Dinner/Theater.
Dinner in the Ward Room in Cartwright
Center followed by the production of
"Agnes of God" in the Toland Theater in
the Fine Arts Center. More information
and reservations may be obtained from
the Alumni Office at 785-8489.