Welcome!

On behalf of the OCW Steering Committee, welcome to UW-L’s 2006/2007 academic year!

Thank you for taking a moment to read our newsletter; as this year’s OCW president, I look forward to meeting you and discussing this organization’s goals and activities as well as hearing your thoughts about women’s issues on campus.

OCW is pleased to start the year’s activities by sponsoring a food drive to help stock Helping Our Own’s new food pantry for students. Additionally, Third Thursday’s brown bag programs offer the chance for you to meet with others on campus for fun, friendly, and informative programs. With holidays approaching, plan on an opportunity to relax with colleagues, enjoy music, snacks, and door prizes at OCW’s annual Holiday Social!

In the spring, OCW is holding a coloring book and crayon drive for children at the New Horizons Shelter and Women’s Center, continuing Third Thursday’s programs, sponsoring the annual Spring Symposium, and awarding the Jean L. Foss & Norene A. Smith OCW Scholarship. Then we will end the year with a picnic for campus women and their families.

OCW Membership for October 2006 through September 2007 is $10 for faculty and staff, $8 for LTEs, and $5 for graduate students – your dues support OCW service and social activities! All members are encouraged to attend OCW events, Steering Committee meetings, and to volunteer for a committee position.

Currently, the Steering Committee is searching for a faculty representative. No experience is necessary, and the voices of women from all classifications are welcome and heard! Won’t you join us?

If you have any questions, or have ideas about OCW’s activities, please let us know.

Have a great year!

Best wishes,
Galadriel Chilton
OCW Steering Committee President 2006/2007

Join Us!

Please consider joining this organization to meet other women on campus! The current membership is $10 for faculty and staff, $8 for LTEs, and $5 for graduate students. To join, complete a registration form and mail your registration fee to Diane Dobbs, 144 Graff Main Hall.

- Printable membership form (MS Word document)
- Online membership form

YWCA Tribute to Outstanding Women

The YWCA will be honoring two UW-La Crosse women at their 24th Annual Tribute to Outstanding Women of the Coulee Region. The Outstanding Achievement Awards are given in recognition of the individual’s high level of personal or professional accomplishment and contribution to life in the Coulee Region Community.
Becky Yoshizumi was selected for the Support category and Ronda Knox, Education category. This event takes place on November 9, 2006 at the South Hall Ballroom, La Crosse Center with activities starting at 5:30 p.m. For more information about this event, contact Sharie at 5-6951 or Susan at 5-8487. Individual tickets may be purchased at the YWCA.

OCW Scholarship Recipients

On Monday, April 24, in Valhalla, Cartwright Center, five deserving UW-La Crosse women were awarded Jean L. Foss and Norene A. Smith OCW Scholarships at the annual UW-L Student Scholarship and Award Reception. Winners and amount of the scholarship received were:

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Food Drive for UW-L Pantry

The food drive for the UW-L Food Pantry continues until the end of October. Please bring non perishable food items to any of the locations listed below:

- Cartwright Center Information Counter
- Across from the Murphy Library circulation desk
- Provost's Office/Human Resources, Graff Main Hall
- 1st floor, Wilder Hall
- 2nd floor, Wing Technology Center

Refer questions about the food drive to Galadriel Chilton, chilton.gala@uwlox.edu; 785-8738. For additional information about "Helping Our Own," contact the Involvement Center at 223 Cartwright Center, 785-6600 or 223bcart@uwlox.edu

OCW's Third Thursdays

OCW is hosting Third Thursdays in October and November. Please take time out of your busy schedule to attend! Information is listed below for October and November.

**Thursday, October 19**
Brown Bag Lunch – *What’s for Dinner*
Recipe Exchange
12 pm – 1 pm
Port O’ Call Lounge – Cartwright Center, Gunning Addition

**Thursday, November 16**
Brown Bag Lunch – *Fostering Women in Leadership*
Speaker: Jodi Vandenberg-Dave
12:30 – 1:30pm (please note time change)
Port O’ Call Lounge – Cartwright Center, Gunning Addition

Holiday Social

Thursday, December 7, 2006
11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Mark your calendars! The OCW Holiday Social is planned for Thursday, December 7 from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm in Port O’Call, Cartwright Center. Bring a brown bag lunch and socialize with other campus women. Entertainment, light treats and refreshments will be offered.

Upcoming Events

Listed below are events that you may enjoy that are on our campus or in the community. Check them out.

**Thursday, November 2** – CAB, **Recycled Percussion** (Fall Concert), 7 pm, Valhalla, Cartwright Center. Tickets can be purchased for this event at the Cartwright Center Information Counter from 8 am – 8 pm, Monday-Friday.

**Wednesday, November 8** – CAB, **Natalie Jeremijenko**, Lecture, 7 pm – Graff Main Auditorium. Tickets can be purchased for this event at the Cartwright Center Information Counter from 8 am – 8 pm, Monday-Friday.

**Sunday, November 19** – CAB, **Ahn Trio (Modern Classical Ensemble)**, 7 pm, Valhalla, Cartwright Center. Tickets can be purchased for this event at the Cartwright Center Information Counter from 8 am – 8 pm, Monday-Friday.

Recommended Websites

**OCW**  
http://www.uwlax.edu/ocw

**College & University Work/Family Association (CUWFA)**  
http://www.cuwfa.org

**Department of Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies**  
http://www.uwlax.edu/womensstudies

**UW-L Employee Assistance**  
http://www.uwlax.edu/hr/print.phspp/employee_assistance_program.htm

**UW-L Work-Life**  
http://www.uwlax.edu/work-life/

**UW System Administration Status of Women**  
http://www.uwsa.edu/acadaff/status/home.htm

**Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership**  
http://www.wwhel.org

If you have any information that you would want to have included in our future newsletters, please contact: Bev Kratt, kratt.beve@uwlax.edu, 42 Cartwright, 785-8892.