The 2001 OCW Symposium will be held Thursday, April 5th in Cartwright. The Symposium Committee thanks the nearly 100 individuals who submitted a survey. The committee will use the following results to plan this year’s event:

Top three topics:
- Living Healthier and Longer
- Financial Planning
- Family-Friendly Work and Lifestyles

Biggest motivator for attendance:
- Topics

The majority of respondents expressed a preference for a half-day symposium with lunch and shorter sessions on a wide variety of topics.

February is Black History Month. Here are some activities the Black Students Union will be hosting in February:

- **Feb. 5 Black History Bowl.** Ward Room, Cartwright Center, 6:00 p.m.
- **Feb. 6 Hip Hop Culture I.** Time and place to be announced.
- **Feb. 7 Brown Bag.** "Images and Media" by Rob Ward. OMSS Center, Room 243, Graff Main Hall, 1-3 p.m.
- **Feb. 12 Slam-Open Mic.** Cellar, Cartwright Center, 6:00 p.m.
- **Feb. 13 Malcolm X & Martin Luther King, Jr. Debate.** Port O'Call, Cartwright Center, 6:00 p.m.
- **Feb. 17 Jazzpagne Valhalla, Cartwright Center, time to be announced.**
- **Feb. 19 Brown Bag.** "Campus Assessment" by Rob Ward & Justin Davis. OMSS Center, Room 243, Graff Main Hall, 1-3 p.m.
- **Feb. 20 Hip hop Culture II.** Valhalla B, Cartwright Center, 6 p.m.
- **Feb. 21 Tribute to African-Americans.** Valhalla, Cartwright Center, 6-8 p.m.
- **Feb. 26 African/Caribbean Dance.** Time and place to be announced.
- **Feb. 28 Brown Bag.** "Student Involvement" by Justin Davis. OMSS Center, Room 243, Graff Main Hall, 4-6 p.m.

If you have any questions, please direct them to Antoiwana Williams, BSU Advisor, 785-8835.

"You can stand tall without standing on someone. You can be a victor without having victims."

--Harriet Woods
Jean L. Foss & Norene A. Smith OCW Scholarship

Please note March 1 deadline for applying!

The application deadline for the 2001-02 Jean Foss & Norene Smith OCW scholarship is March 1, 2001. Please send the word out and encourage all eligible students to apply. The 2000-01 OCW Scholarship recipient was Haydee Malis. The amount of the award was $1,800. Further details about the scholarship are available at the OCW web page -- http://www.uwlax.edu/ocw

This scholarship was established in 1985 by the UW-L Organization for Campus Women to assist non-traditional women students. Requirements for this scholarship are as follows: The applicant must complete the application form designed by OCW. The recipient must be female and 25 years of age or older and must be enrolled (in good standing) or accepted for UW-L admission. Financial need will be considered as a factor.

Completed packets should be returned to the UW-L Foundation Office on or before March 1, 2001. A completed packet includes the OCW application, a copy of the applicant's UW-L transcript (including the fall semester) from the Records and Registration Office, and two letters of recommendation on department stationery. The scholarship is administered by the UW-La Crosse Foundation, Inc. It is awarded annually, in the spring, and is paid to the student for the following academic year in two equal installments.

The application form can be accessed at the Foundation web page: http://www.foundation.uwlax.edu/schapplication.html

Contact Person: Barbara Katrana,
Scholarship Coordinator,
UW-L Foundation

Y TRIBUTE RECIPIENT REFLECTS ON HONOR

Dianne Morrison was one of the recipients nominated from UW-L and honored at the YWCA Tribute to Outstanding Women, held in October. Following are some excerpts from her speech in which she shared her thoughts on accepting this tribute:

Thanks to the OCW from the University for nominating me for this prestigious award. It is truly both an honor and a humbling experience to be nominated by one's peers....

In thinking of a few words to say this evening, I came across a quote over the weekend in a book, "A Short Guide to a Happy Life," written by Anna Quindlen, which summarizes what I think, but briefer and much more eloquently than I could do.... "Knowledge of our own mortality is the greatest gift God ever gives us because unless you know the clock is ticking, it is so easy to waste our days, our lives."

I guess I first faced my own mortality some 16 years ago. That was scary. But since then I do live each day to the fullest. That doesn't mean I live each day as if it would be the last, but it does, at least for me, mean that I work very hard, but I also play very hard. There just isn't enough time to do anything "halfway."

Many years ago now I attended a woman's conference and I apologize to the presenter (can't remember her name) but she used an expression that often comes to mind—If you always do what you have always done, you will get what you have always gotten.
So, as I look to the many young women, I ask you to “not do what you have always done”—but to try different things. How???

Education—get all you can—it is something no one can ever take away from you and the value only increases, as the prices of other things drop. We are never too old to learn.

Commitment/Passion—Love what you do and do what you love. When it isn’t fun anymore, don’t continue to do it. Be happy with who you are and what you do.

Options—keep them open—when you have the education and you have the commitment, you have lots of options. We all have options, some more than others. One of those options is: what will I be when I grow up?

For me, I think I will ask that question until the day I die. Maybe that’s why my mom says, my tombstone will read: “and she really did live life to its fullest.”

I do and I enjoy every minute of it.

Thanks.

- Dianne Morrison

“Just don’t give up trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is love and inspiration, I don’t think you can go wrong.”
--Ella Fitzgerald

ORGANIZATION FOR CAMPUS WOMEN
University of Wisconsin - La Crosse
2000-2001 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: 

Department:

Campus Address: 

Campus Phone:

Membership Area (circle): Academic Staff Classified Staff Faculty Graduate Student Other (describe)

Enclosed is $5.00 for OCW dues, September 1, 2000 – August 31, 2001. Please make checks payable to OCW. Dues are used for printing, refreshments, and program support.

I would like to contribute to the OCW Scholarship Fund. Please make check payable to UW-La Crosse Foundation. The scholarship is awarded annually to a non-traditional female student.

I would like to see OCW do the following:
OCW Steering Committee meetings are open meetings, and you are welcome to attend. Please bring your ideas, thoughts and suggestions, or, if you prefer, let any steering committee members know if you have issues or ideas to share with OCW.

*Schedule for remaining Steering Committee meetings in 2000/2001 academic year:*
  February 14, 2001. 12:30 p.m. Room 263, Cartwright Center.
  April 11, 2001. 12:30 p.m. Room 263, Cartwright Center.
  May 9, 2001. 12:30 p.m. Room 263, Cartwright Center.

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I am interested in serving on the following committee(s):

____ Honors/Scholarship/Fundraising - plans and organizes fundraising events to benefit the scholarship fund

____ Membership/Elections - recruits and maintains records on members, also recruits persons to serve on the steering committee

____ Newsletter/Directory - edits and distributes the OCW Newsletter

____ Social Program - plans and coordinates social/programs held throughout the year

____ Symposia - plans and coordinates the annual spring symposia open to all persons on campus

____ YWCA Tribute - solicits, nominates, and assists with application process for the YWCA *Tribute to Outstanding Women*

____ OCW Web Page - contributes to the design and content of the OCW web site

Please send completed form and check(s) to: Kathi Beane, 147 Graff Main Hall.