

BULLETIN

No. 1 JANUARY 1975

Y. W. C. A.

RESOURCE CENTRE

COMITE NATIONALE D'ACTION SUR LA SITUATION DE LA FEMME DU CANADA
NATIONAL ACTION COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN
112 AVENUE ROAD TORONTO M5R 2G9 (416) 922 3246

In order to strengthen the communications link between member organizations and subscribers, the National Action Committee will be issuing ten Bulletins in the coming year. These will be in addition to five issues of STATUS OF WOMEN NEWS and will report current events, International Women's Year projects and activities and suggest areas for action on the implementation of recommendations of the 1970 Royal Commission on the Status of Women. Readers are urged to place the NAC Bulletin on their mailing and press lists in order that we may be kept up to date on your activities and special projects for 1975. The Address is NAC Bulletin, 121 Avenue Road, Toronto M5R 2G3.

The Provinces

The Manitoba Action Committee with the help of Secretary of State funding, hired three students for a summer project called Outreach Manitoba. The main idea of this project was to travel to rural Manitoba to inform people about the Manitoba Action Committee on the Status of Women and its objectives.

The areas of interest ranged from equal pay for equal work to concerns about the rights for disabled women. One topic that came up constantly in the farming areas, was that of Mrs. Murdoch and the position of the woman on the farm. Women and men who farmed both expressed indignation and surprise at the Supreme Court ruling.

The total number of women that we talked to and/or gave pamphlets to was approximately eight hundred. The corresponding number of men was three hundred and fifty. In general the response we got was good. People that we met were interested and concerned about the Status of Women.

Margaret Lane, MACSW,
447 Webb Place,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.
R3B 2P2

VANCOUVER STATUS OF WOMEN "WOMAN ALIVE" - IN COLOUR!

Our weekly television programme is now well into its second series. Topics have been Prostitution, Men in the Women's Movement, Abortion, Women in Suburban Areas, Rape, and Dr. Henry Morgentaler.

If you are interested in working on any future programmes or have ideas, please call Glinda Sutherland at 736-3746.

KINESIS, VSW Newspaper.

Federal Council

The full Executive Committee met with Hon. Marc Lalonde for the first time in November. Requesting (again) that immediate action be taken toward

creation of a Human Rights Commission, the Executive asked particularly that the ACSW be able to make representation to the parliamentary committee considering the legislation when it has been tabled in the House. The Executive noted that it continues to be impressed with the fact that M. Lalonde is an excellent Minister.

LANDMARK MEETING

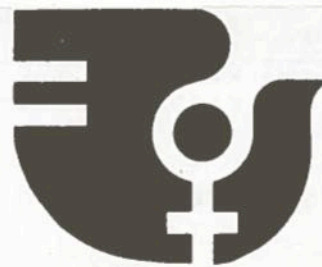
The provincial chairpersons from the Ontario and Quebec councils met with Katie Cooke, chairperson of ACSW, 29 November, consulting the Saskatchewan chairperson by telephone, to set the agenda for the first joint meeting of Status of Women Councils. Such matters as CPP changes, manpower training schemes, day care, marital property rights will come under consideration. If any new provincial councils are officially set up before the meeting, they will be invited. The meeting will be held 30 January in Toronto.

PVI

Le bill Omnibus est encore en premiere lecture devant la Chambre.

Le bill du plan des pensions du Canada (C-22) a ete sanctionne.

Mary Pearson, CCSF recherchiste-auxiliaire, travaille actuellement a la recherche de base au sujet de la planification familiale et du controle des naissances.



I. W. Y. '75

From the IWY SECRETARIAT NEWSLETTER
NO. 4

As mentioned in previous Newsletters, funds will be available for projects relating to International Women's Year. The IWY Secretariat is not in itself a funding agency; as an

information centre we will make sur-
 that you get the information you
 need to help you with your requests
 for funds. But keep in mind that
 the supply of funds available is
 definitely limited. It will not be
 possible for federal departments to
 fund each and every project, no
 matter how worthy. There are many
 ideas that can be carried out
 inexpensively, or at no cost. Before
 applying for funds, consider the
 many projects that you may be able
 to carry out using your own resources
 Provided all the regular criteria
 are met, projects whose effect on
 the status of women will continue
 after International Women's Year will
 have the greatest chance of success.

To receive this Newsletter, write to:
 IWY Secretariat, Privy Council Office
 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A3.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

We have two possible projects for IWY
 which we in Yellowknife are working
 on:

1. Involves sending two women on a
 tour of NWT settlements a. to give
 information re women (law, jobs,
 education, etc.) and support to any
 efforts they are making; b. fact-
 finding feedback on future needs.
2. Send two women or two groups of
 two on tour of north from other
 northern countries- Lapland,
 Siberia, etc.
 (They might be combined.)

Terry Padgham

SUBSCRIPTION FORM

I wish to subscribe to STATUS OF WOMEN NEWS. \$3.00 fee enclosed

MEMBERSHIP

INDIVIDUALS registered with NAC who subscribe to the purposes of NAC and who
 make a contribution of at least \$3.00 per year.

**NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL STATUS OF WOMEN
 COMMITTEES**, who register with NAC and are supportive of its purposes and contribute an
 annual administration fee of \$10.00 or more.

"INTEREST - ORIENTED" GROUPS whose objects are the improvement of the status of
 women; who are supportive of NAC and its objectives; and who contribute financially to NAC
 through at least three STATUS OF WOMEN NEWS subscriptions.

Please send _____ copies of NAC promotional leaflet.

Contribution in support of NAC's purposes and communications service \$ _____

Please circle appropriate category:

- a Individual
- b National Organizations, Provincial and Territorial
 Status of Women Committees
- c Interest - Oriented Groups whose major purpose is
 the improvement of the status of women

Name		Address		
City	Province	Postal Code	Telephone	
Organization and total membership				Date

Women's Information Centre,
 165 Spadina Avenue,
 Suite 27,
 Toronto 2B, Ont.
 2 COPIES

WG



Calendar

The Second Annual Conference on
 Canadian Women and the Law will
 be held at the University of
 Manitoba, January 30 to February
 2, 1975. Contact Reeva Tessler,
 Faculty of Law, Robson Hall,
 University of Manitoba, Winnipeg
 R3T 2N2.

The second annual Montreal National
 Lesbian Conference will take place
 January, 1975.

As last year, we will be having
 workshops and discussion. We will
 also provide entertainment with one
 lesbian feminist band and one folk
 rock group. Films and video tapes
 will be available for continuous
 showing, so you can attend workshops
 and not miss anything.

Leslie Orchard,
 Women's Information
 and Referral Centre,
 3595 St. Urbain Street,
 Montreal, Quebec.

"Human Dignity and the Experience
 of Woman" is the theme for a film
 festival and a lecture series
 being held in Kingston at Queen's
 University January 10 to 15, 1975.
 Juliet Mitchell, Doris Anderson,
 and Elizabeth Hardwick are the
 lecturers. For further
 information contact Brenda Zanin
 at (613) 547-2880.

SENDER:
 National Action Committee Status of Women
 121 Avenue Road, Toronto M5R 2G9 Ontario