
SUMMER FUN TIME -- OCSW ANNUAL PICNIC

Our annual picnic is set for June 23
(Thursday) at the home of Brigid
O'Reilly, 16 Carling Avenue, 6:30 to
10:00 p.m.

We are planning a purely social event.
No one will be asked to do any work!

If you do come, please contribute to
the food and drink. Those whose sur-
names begin with A-F, bring appetizers
or salad; G-M, a main course; N-R,
dessert, and S-Z, wine.

Do come out for this purely social event and bring a friend who would like
to join OCSW.

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AT LAST! THE DROP-OUT PROVISION

In last month's budget Ontario
Treasurer, Frank Miller, announced
this province will no longer veto the
Drop Out Provision to the Canada Pen-
sion Plan. The provision, first
introduced by the federal government
in 1977, allows those who drop out
of the labour force to raise children
under 7 to include those child-rear-
ing years when adding up their pen-
sionable years for CPP payments.

Ontario had prevented all women in
the CPP from taking advantage of this
change to the plan through its veto.

Many groups lobbied the Ontario
government to change their attitude,
including the OCSW. That they now
have done so is cause for celebra-
tion! (The OCSW has written to
Miller lauding this decision.)

To get to Brigid's: (a) by TTC--
take the subway to Ossington. Exit
at the Ossington end of the plat-
form. Cross Ossington, go through
the parking lot, turn left and no.
16 is the fourth house up; (b) by
car--Carling is one street east of
Ossington and runs one way north
from Bloor. There is a parking lot
at the foot of Carling if you can't
find a spot on the street.

PENSIONS NEWS

The OCSW Sub-Committee on Pensions
has submitted its report on our
behalf to the Parliamentary Task
Force on Pension Reform and has
appealed for a hearing when the TF
meets in Toronto. Deadline for
submissions by groups or individuals
is June 30. (Hearings are not
granted upon request; the Task Force
retains the right to selection. The
Newsletter will let you know next
time whether or not we were asked to
appear.)

UNIVERSITY DEDICATED TO WOMEN NEEDS
CONTRIBUTIONS

Mount Saint Vincent University,
Halifax, founded originally by the
Sisters of Charity to provide oppor-
tunities for higher education for

women, needs your contribution. The Mount is asking every woman in Canada to donate \$1 to support scholarships and bursaries for deserving women of all ages and to fund neglected areas of research into women's issues. Many of the Mount's students are mature women returning to full-time study from homemaking or making career changes. Women of all ages make up approximately 80% of the Mount's student body.

Send contributions to: Development Office, Mount Saint Vincent University, 166 Bedford Highway, Halifax, N.S., B3M 2J6. Receipts will be issued for gifts of \$5 or more.

NEW DIRECTOR APPOINTED

Glenna Carr has been appointed as Executive Director of the new Ontario Women's Directorate. Ms. Carr has been active for many years in the cause for equal opportunity for women. Her appointment is part of an initiative by the new Ontario Minister responsible for women's issues, in an attempt to improve employment opportunities for women in the province.

NEW MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR STATUS OF WOMEN

In Ontario the Honourable Robert Welch, Q.C., has assumed cabinet

responsibility for the Status of Women. The OCSW has written already to congratulate him and to ask for an interview appointment--after 5:30 p.m. Daytime visits are not possible for working women, as we are sure he is aware.

BRING A FRIEND TO OCSW

Enclosed with this Newsletter you will find a brochure describing the Ontario Committee on the Status of Women. Please pass it along to a friend who is not already a member and ask her to join us. In our own quiet little way we continue to work away on behalf of women in Ontario and the organization needs more members to strengthen this effort.

The last page of this issue of the Newsletter is a membership renewal form. Please fill it out and return it to OCSW with your cheque. Remember, our minimal fee barely covers the cost of producing and mailing the Newsletter!

And note the last line of the form. Money is not the only way to contribute to OCSW.

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HAVE A HAPPY,
RESTFUL SUMMER!

(This issue was produced by Audrey Orr, Brigid O'Reilly, and Carol Sutton.)

Time to Renew Membership

(If a green dot appears on your mailing label, you need not renew.)

MEMBERSHIP IN THE OCSW

The Ontario Committee on the Status of Women is a Toronto-based voluntary organization formed in 1971 by women wishing to see the implementation of those recommendations of the Royal Commission of the Status of Women which fall under provincial jurisdiction.

The Committee holds eight general meetings a year. Projects are carried out by sub-committees working on specific issues. Past activities have included taking briefs to government and educating the public on women's issues through press contacts and public meetings. A newsletter is published six times a year.

Membership Fees The OCSW covers costs solely through fees paid by each member and the occasional voluntary donation. Membership is \$10.00 a year and \$7.00 for seniors and students. The membership year runs from June to June.

Group Members These members have the option of exchanging newsletters in lieu of paid membership.

Out of Toronto Members Members, group and individual, who wish to receive newsletters only may do so for a reduced fee of \$5.00 per year.

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PARTICULAR ISSUES OF INTEREST TO ME/US

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of Equal Value _____ of Rights _____ Women & Aging _____

Health _____ Education _____ Other (please specify) _____

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