

The West Kootenay Status of Women Council is doing it again! In our past efforts Women and the Law has aroused a great deal of interest and also a great deal of dissatisfaction. It is a big topic and impossible to cover in a short time, so we are doing it properly this time (we hope). We are using an evening and a day (Sept. 28 & 29) and we are bringing in help from the coast as well as using our valuable local resources. Featured guests are Judge Nancy Morrison - a dynamic spokesperson for women's rights and Elizabeth Chapman - moderator of a panel on wills, estates, pension plans and income tax. The Workshop format on Saturday will allow people to choose their own areas of interest. That brings up another change - this time it will be law for PEOPLE not just women (see further details below).

Because past Status of Women events at the college have been successful Selkirk College has given us an office three days a week. We can only person this office if we can come up with a way of paying salaries. Therefore, we have applied for Secretary of State funding. We hope to do a better job of co-ordinating various women's groups and activities. (This newsletter will be a valuable tool for this so lets all make good use of it). We plan to offer a variety of courses and programs at Selkirk and where possible adapt these for travelling throughout the West Kootenays. All our plans will suffer without a source of funds. Our application has been approved at every level except the 'political' level. If you approve of our endeavours please write the Hon. Hugh Faulkner, Secretary of State, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa, Ontario, (no postage needed) and send a copy to me.

It has been a busy summer. I have enjoyed working with members of the Nelson's Women's Centre, the Nelson University Women's Club, the Nelson University Women's Club, the Slocan Valley Women's Group, the Castlegar and the Trail Status of Women Councils. Together we have come up with some exciting plans for fall and winter. I hope you enjoy the results of our labour.

In Sisterhood,
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Nelson Women's Centre Refunded

First of September our Centre received a renewal of our grant of \$6000. With this we have 2 workers, one full-time and one part-time. And enough money to carry on with our workshop at N.D.U. and planned travelling workshops.

Attention Women Interested in Working on an LIP

There will be a meeting on Tuesday, September 18 at 7:30p.m. at the Women's Centre, 490 Baker Street, Nelson in order to complete an LIP application form for a project dealing with women. So if you would like to work on a project (medical, health, art, whatever) come with your ideas about what you would like to do. If you can't come to the meeting, but are interested anyways call Vita at 352-9355.

I know that there are many talented women out there who can do a lot of things, so let us know, it might mean a job for you (even though LIP wages leave a lot to be desired) Project would also need typists and bookkeeper.