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NWSA News and Views

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The National Women's Studies Association, although strong "in spirit and in truth," is not immune to the reality of inflation. If NWSA is to survive, it is imperative that a large amount of cash begin to flow into the treasury immediately to cover current and ongoing operating expenses.

In order to meet this need, a $100 Fund was begun at the recent NWSA Convention. Some checks were written on the spot and others have since been received through the mail. The immediate 1981 goal of $40,000, however, is a distance away.

Motivation for contributing to NWSA is not difficult to come by. All of us who believe in the importance of getting women's studies into the curriculum, from PreK through the university, need no other incentive to support the organization. Furthermore, we all realize that NWSA, as the professional women's studies organization, has enhanced the academic respectability of the discipline. Many of us would not have academic appointments without this kind of professional credibility. Each of us who believes in the organization and/or has benefited from the existence of NWSA should be eager to come to its assistance at this time, to continue to contribute to sustain it, and to urge others as well.

Make your check payable to the NWSA $100 Fund and mail it to the NWSA National Office, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742. The names of $100 Fund contributors will be listed in a future issue of the Women's Studies Quarterly. If you do not wish your name listed, please add this information when sending your check.

All contributions to NWSA are tax-deductible. (While paying taxes is not a pleasant task, it is rather pleasant to need the luxury of a tax deduction. If you wish to send a larger amount than $100, please do not hesitate to do so.)

Thank you in advance for your contribution.

Lucy Freibert and Virginia Cyrus

From the Steering Committee

Pat Gozemba

The years since the 1977 NWSA Founding Convention in San Francisco have been challenging. As a national women's organization whose four fledgling years have been marked by increased economic depression and calculated backlash against women, NWSA must face crucial self-scrutiny as it develops strategies for survival. NWSA at this point faces serious transitional and evaluative issues as a new Coordinator is appointed, and revision of its Constitution undertaken. The Association is also addressing acute financial problems and must shift its major reliance on funding from grants and the Annual Convention to more broad-based membership support.

Obviously financial issues are key to the organization's functions. Everything to be done in the next year has to be examined in detail in terms of its financial viability. Committed women who care about feminist education and want to see NWSA continue to build a network in the community and in schools, as well as on campuses, need to rally to build our membership and raise money.

Our new National Coordinator must try to forge ahead with the same determination and visionary wisdom of Sylvia Gonzales and Elaine Reuben. She will need the support both moral and tangible of all of our members.

Unlike any other predominantly white national organization, NWSA is attempting to challenge individual and institutional racism in a committed way that examines its effects on all of society and empowers people to change. The Fourth Annual Convention, to be held at Humboldt State University, will continue to emphasize the theme of racism. The success of this work at National Conventions, however, can best be measured by the ways that its effects filter down to our regions, our workplaces, and our personal lives.

Keeping this political/philosophical/personal challenge in mind, NWSA is vigorously soliciting 1983, 1984, and 1985 Convention site proposals. The Association will consider all sites: universities, schools, hotels, community settings. Its primary consideration is a low-cost, highly accessible Convention site. The Association's strength is its great diversity, and that can be maintained only by finding ways to draw in to Conventions and membership both women who have and women who lack economic privilege.

To this end the Delegate Assembly overwhelmingly supported a proposal that NWSA, through its regional associations, establish a limited number of financial sponsorships, to meet up to 75 percent of the total Convention expenses of ethnic women of color and white women within each region to attend the 1982 Convention. Women of low or no income will be encouraged to submit requests for funding. First consideration will be given to Convention presenters; second to other members of NWSA. The following persons are among those coordinating regional efforts:

New England
Ann Hastings
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Somerville, MA 02143
Mid-Atlantic
Muriel I. Martin
University of the District of Columbia
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Southeast
Jeanette Stokes
P.O. Box 1365
Greensboro, NC 27402
New York
Nancy Osborne
RD 7, Box 268 P
Valley View Drive
Oswego, NY 13126
Pacific Southwest
Betsy Jameson
P.O. Box 8, El Rancho Station
Golden, CO 80401
Great Lakes
Bari Watkins
Program on Women, Northwestern University
617 Noyes Street
Evanston, IL 60201
North Pacific
Joan Dilley
c/o Women's Center
California State University/Long Beach
Long Beach, CA 90840
North Central
Arlene Thorn
Women's Studies
West Virginia State College
Institute, WV 25112
The preceding list includes only one person from each region, though in some regions more than one person has already volunteered to assist in the fundraising effort. We need many more volunteers. Write to your regional contact person, or directly to Wilma Beaman, Office of Special Programs, SUNY/Oswego, Oswego, NY 13126, who is coordinating these efforts.

On June 2, the Delegate Assembly voted to continue the process of constitutional revision for another year. Given the serious financial problems of the Association, discussion should focus on such questions as: Are regions really our best organizational units? How can our mission of grassroots organizing best be fulfilled? What should the size of the Coordinating Council and Steering Committee be? What should the length of term of office be? How can we finance participation in the governance structure for women of low income? Sustained discussions of potential constitutional revision will be going on within the various constituent organizations.

Barbara Gerber, Dean of Professional Studies, 611 Culkin Hall, SUNY/Oswego, Oswego, NY 13126, is convener of the Constitutional Review Task Force. Members who wish to join this task force or to issue papers sharing their concerns should write to her by December 1981.

Recommendations and resolutions were distributed to the Delegate Assembly on June 2 and discussed at the speakout that evening. At the opening of the Delegate Assembly session the next day, originally scheduled for continued discussion of constitutional revision and for deliberation about the twenty recommendations and resolutions, the regular order of business was suspended in order to discuss NWSA's financial crisis and the upcoming Humboldt Convention. This hard-working, tough-minded, sisterly focusing on vital issues facing NWSA offered hope for the organization's future.

The responsibility for acting upon the twenty pending recommendations and resolutions was given to the Coordinating Council by the Delegate Assembly. A summary of the Council's actions taken June 4-5 on the various resolutions and recommendations follows below. The full text of resolutions and recommendations is available from the National Office. Expanded reports on the actions are available from CC members.

We are grateful to the many women who served on the Coordinating Council this year. We owe a special debt to Kay Townes, Associate Dean for Research, Graduate Studies, and Continuing Education at the Capitol Campus of Pennsylvania State University, who has been a CC member since 1978, for the past two years on the Steering Committee, and who took on the special responsibility of conducting the search for the National Coordinator. Her commitment to NWSA serves as a model for all of us.

Keep in mind that the future and the very existence of NWSA depend on all of us. NWSA needs you and all of the others whom you can draw in as members. Let's rival the zeal of the evangelical right with our own goal of making the country safe for feminist education.

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3. A resolution (New York region) that future NWSA Convention sites be selected with top priority given to the availability of free housing in a large local women's community and to accessibility to public transportation; and further. that registration fees conform to a sliding scale by which all membership fees are multiplied by two to derive the registration fee, except for the highest paid membership category, whose registration fee would be derived by multiplying by three.

   Referred to the National Office/Steering Committee for consideration in 1983 and future Convention site selection.

4. A recommendation (New York region) that NWSA send telegrams to SUNY/Buffalo President Ketzer, Vice-President Rossberg, and the Buffalo Evening News, expressing: support for the maintenance of the SUNY/Buffalo Women's Studies Program; objection to the $17,000 cut levied over the past year and support for the restoration of the minimum base budget of $38,000; support for the retention of three faculty positions in American Studies/Women's Studies for the 1981-82 academic year; and
concern that a criterion for selection of the new Chief Executive Officer of Women's Studies College be demonstrated experience and background in developing networks between university and community women.

Adopted, and referred to the National Office for action.

A resolution (New York region) that NWSA adopt a position regarding terrorism against Blacks in America, and that each region commit itself to: writing letters and sending mail-o-grams to congresspeople; writing articles for local newspapers; utilizing public television and radio stations to express views regarding this matter; writing and requesting information regarding the legal process taken by city, county, and state officials as it relates to these killings; and holding community meetings for the purpose of discussing why these killings must be viewed as terrorism.

Adopted, and referred to regional CC representatives for appropriate action.

A recommendation (North Pacific region, Pacific Southwest region, and Student Caucus) that NWSA communicate to the Chancellor, President, Academic Vice-President, Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, and Women's Studies Steering Committee of California State University at Sacramento its condemnation of actions taken by the Dean to dissolve the democratic structure of the governing board of the Women's Studies Program; and urge the reconstitution of the previous Women's Studies board at CSUS.

Adopted, and referred to the National Office for action.

A resolution (Community College Caucus) that in the proposed new constitution of NWSA, the Community College Caucus continue to be recognized under the category of underrepresented points of view within NWSA.

Referred to the Constitutional Review Task Force.

A recommendation (Lesbian Caucus) that the CC reconsider its ruling on the constitutionality of 1980 Delegate Assembly resolutions 6A and 6B calling for lesbian housing and lesbian-only workshops.

Withdrawn.

A resolution (Kathi George and Catharine R. Stimpson) that NWSA condemn the current efforts to censor feminist materials and to keep students and citizens from having free access to such publications as Ms. Magazine and Our Bodies, Ourselves in schools and libraries.

Adopted.

A resolution (Third World Caucus) that planning for and solicitation of papers, panels, and workshop presentations for future NWSA regional and national Conventions reflect the commitment of both the Third World Caucus and NWSA to dealing with the realities of Third World lesbians.

Adopted, and referred to regional and national Convention Coordinators for appropriate action.

A recommendation (Third World Caucus) that NWSA (a) have a workshop at its 1982 Convention on "Imperialism and the Third World" and (b) that it send telegrams to the Secretary of State, Chairman of the Senate Committee for Foreign Affairs, and Speaker of the House of Representatives to read: "The NWSA goes on record as deploiring the racist and imperialistic international policies of the U.S. in Chile, India, the Philippines, Lebanon, South Africa, Guatemala, El Salvador, and around the world, and the continued economic blockade of Cuba."

(a) Referred to the Convention Coordinators; (b) referred to the National Office for action.

A recommendation (Third World Caucus) that NWSA encourage the participation of community women in future NWSA Conventions through solicitation of panels, papers, and presentations from community organizations.

Adopted, and referred to the Convention Coordinators and the National Office.

A recommendation (Third World Caucus) that the Women's Studies Quarterly reserve at least one page to be used by the Third World Caucus.

Existing policy that each issue of the Women's Studies Quarterly will represent the interests of Third World women.

A recommendation (Third World Caucus) that NWSA develop with Third World women a grant for a service learning project to deal with including women of color in women's studies and the other disciplines.

Adopted, and referred to the National Office for action.


The Storrs meeting of the Task Force opened with a brief report by outgoing Chair Thompson outlining the history of the Task Force and its activities to date. Annette Kolodny described her five-year battle against the University of New Hampshire, where she had charged the English Department with both sex discrimination and anti-Semitism. (Al-
though her suit was victoriously settled out of court, Kolodny nonetheless made vivid the harrowing experience of finding herself isolated on her home campus and an object for continuing rumor and gossip.) Mary Carol Smith, denied a renewal of her contract in the Religion Department of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, told of winning a landmark injunction against the school—which prevented her from being fired—but then acknowledged that she and her lawyer had made a tactical error when they requested a jury trial. Smith’s suit lost in trial and again, later, in appeal. Nonetheless, she explained, she did not consider herself a “loser,” because the experience opened her eyes to the inherent sexism of the institution “loser,” because the experience opened her eyes to the inherent sexism of the institution and, at the same time, strengthened her commitment to women’s studies. (Professor Smith now teaches at Vassar.) The last speaker, Joan Roberts, summarized her struggle against the University of Wisconsin, noting that, “When men fight women, there are no rules.” (Professor Roberts now teaches at Syracuse University.)

Several themes echoed through each of the presentations. All three women emphasized the exorbitant personal cost, both financial and emotional, involved in fighting discriminatory policies in institutions of higher education. Only Roberts enjoyed financial support from her union, while Kolodny and Smith found themselves increasingly in debt. Furthermore, as Roberts commented, the hostility leveled against women who dare to fight is internalized by them. For each of these women, the grievance procedures and the filing of suits were accompanied by emotional stress and serious physical illness.

All agreed on the necessity for support networks. Kolodny explained that her $2,500 gift to the NWSA Task Force could not be touched until it had been matched by an equivalent amount. “The costs of this kind of litigation are staggering,” she said, “and therefore we must try to raise amounts large enough to make even a small difference.” To these ends, the Task Force has committed itself to three activities:

1. Fund raising. The Task Force is asking women who give guest lectures or readings to donate one lecture or reading fee a year to its litigation support fund. A list of speakers will be made available by NWSA to women’s studies programs and others. The guest lecturer will, of course, enjoy a tax-deductible contribution when she donates her fee to the Task Force, as will all others who make contributions. (Interested individuals should send checks made out to “NWSA Task Force on Discrimination” to the National Office.)

2. Support contacts for women in grievance or litigation. The Task Force wishes to compile a list of women across the country who have already been through a grievance procedure or a discrimination complaint or suit against an institution of higher education. These “seasoned” women could then provide advice based on experience and support to others involved in that process, helping them to feel less alone.

3. Letter campaign network. In many instances, a letter campaign can be an effective tactic for persuading an institution to settle a grievance and avoid a trial. Letters from interested academics all over the country notify a school that it is being watched, and most institutions do not welcome public scrutiny in such matters. Knowing this, the Task Force seeks to compile a list of women in different disciplines who would be willing, when contacted, to write letters—and to get others in their area to write letters as well. Such letter campaigns would be initiated only at the express request and under the direction of a litigant or her lawyer.

One question directed to the panel in Storrs concerned the Task Force’s ability to aid students involved in sexual harassment suits. Kolodny responded by explaining that, to begin with, the Task Force would concentrate on faculty women fighting sex discrimination. “In future years, however, as our resources expand,” she continued, “the Task Force should properly branch out and attempt to do more. But until we have a firm financial base, and a clear commitment from a number of volunteers, we can’t expend resources we don’t have.” Kolodny said she looked forward to the Task Force growing year by year.

If you are willing to donate a guest lecture fee, serve as a support contact, or write letters, please send your name and address to the new Chair of the Task Force: Annis Pratt, 1056 Larchlea, Birmingham, MI 48009. If you are volunteering for the support network, please include a brief summary of your relevant experience. If volunteering guest lecture fees, please indicate your topics and possible lecture titles.

Women’s Studies Program Administrators Form Caucus

Barbara Hillyer Davis

Every morning at Storrs, a group of sixty women met for breakfast at seven and an intense hour afterwards. The Women’s Studies Program Administrators’ Network had intended these early morning meetings as a time for unstructured discussions about common concerns; instead, before the NWSA Convention was over, the Network had become a caucus, with a much clearer and more formal understanding of one concern: our relationship to the National Women’s Studies Association.

Prior to the Convention’s opening session, Network members spent two hours getting acquainted, introducing their programs, and describing successes and problems. We learned something about our diversity as well as about our similarities. Our budgets range from zero to $160,000, with most at the lower end of the scale. We are from colleges, universities, and community colleges, from large and small institutions and programs, funded and unfunded. Three of our best-established and better-funded programs face heavy budget cuts and debilitating reductions in personnel. All of us perceive our work as highly vulnerable to pressures from both the patriarchal educational system and the women’s community.

At the first breakfast meeting we addressed the immediate issue of the Association’s inability to continue supporting the mailings of Network Notes, the informal publication initiated at the 1980 meeting and distributed to all women’s studies programs by the National Office; this discussion raised our consciousness about the high degree of interdependence between our programs and the Association. (We saw ourselves as responsible for the survival of an Association which we need for our survival.)

We agreed to maintain the Network Notes, supporting the 1981-82 mailings from four of our program budgets, but making it clear that they come from the Association and are a benefit of membership; thus, we would charge a subscription fee to programs (and others) who are not 1982 group members of the Association. We committed ourselves to increasing the number of group and individual
members, and to working more closely with and within the Association to be sure that its policies recognize the vital relationship of women's studies programs to its continued existence.

A subcommittee charged with finding appropriate ways to express our concerns within the Association's structure found that under the present and proposed future constitutions, the best way was to become a caucus and then to request official recognition and representation on the Coordinating Council. The recommendation we developed to the Delegate Assembly was formed out of an interesting amalgam of frustration and responsibility. It said, in part: "Women's Studies Administrators are in a mediating, often difficult position, attempting to maintain and develop feminist education in patriarchal institutions. Because of our feminist commitment, many programs and the careers of individual women scholars are in jeopardy. . . . We are in positions which are especially vulnerable to pressure from patriarchal institutions. We need the support of NWSA to maintain our feminist commitment under these circumstances."

It went on to describe the ways in which program administrators have supported NWSA and provided "an institutional forum for feminism." Introducing "feminist concepts to many people who would not otherwise have considered them" and supporting feminists "who provide theory, research, and curriculum in support of the Women's Movement," and called for caucus recognition and representation. Arriving at the particular form in which this request was made unified and clarified the goals of this key constituency of NWSA.

In the process, we explored and revealed some ironies about ourselves. Because our work involves so much mediating and conciliating, we found it almost impossible to conduct a sustained discussion of anger. Because we are trained by our positions to be extremely cautious about language, we had great difficulty agreeing on a name for ourselves: some of us have fought for the title "director" to assure the very existence of our programs; others have fought for "coordinator" to reassure the feminist community; both will lose hard-won ground by assuming the other name; some use both names, and risk losing necessary support for each usage. "Administrator" describes our work but is suspect to faculty women. Both "caucus" and "anger" made many of us uncomfortable, for both feminist (the terms are often used for "traditionally oppressed groups") and patriarchal reasons (they suggest unseemly political and emotional breaches of "objectivity"). Attention to our own needs, even when these are for the survival of feminist education in our institutions, seems "selfish" in light of our usual role of reconciling faculty, administrative, student, and community priorities.

Nevertheless, we agreed that we are a caucus, an underrepresented group, and that we need recognition and representation in NWSA. We then proceeded to other decisions.

We drafted a resolution of appreciation for the work of Mariam K. Chamberlain on behalf of women's education and specifically women's studies. As program administrators we have been especially aware of—and grateful for—Chamberlain's commitment and achievements on behalf of women, and were pleased to make these feelings known as the first official act of our caucus.

Because of our great concern about the precarious financial condition of the Association and its serious administrative problems, we agreed to work for a reduction in size of the Coordinating Council. (Accordingly, we have asked for only one representative for ourselves on the Council, and for corresponding reductions in other representation.)

We passed resolutions expressing concern

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**We salute Mariam K. Chamberlain**

**Resolution On the Occasion of the Third Annual National Women's Studies Association Convention at Storrs, Connecticut**

**June 1, 1981**

Whereas . . . none of the major United States foundations had supported the nascent women's studies movement in American colleges and universities until she turned her attention to these issues in 1970. . . .

Whereas . . . The Ford Foundation under her leadership brought the issue of women's studies to the attention of educators around the world. . . .

Whereas . . . under her leadership $3.5 million was expended on: postdoctoral fellowships in women's studies; women's research centers; the Founding Convention of this organization; women and science and mathematics projects; support for international women attending U.S. meetings . . .

Whereas . . . other foundations and agencies of the Federal Government were inspired to support women's education, women's research, and women's studies as a result of her leadership. . . .

We participating members in the National Women's Studies Association hereby give all thanks and honor to Dr. Mariam K. Chamberlain, economist, foundation executive, and educational leader.

And we pledge ourselves to bring to the attention of all other educational organizations of which we are members the achievements and commitment of this woman to women's education.
about proposed budget cuts for the women’s studies programs at the University of Illinois/Chicago Circle and at SUNY/Buffalo. We also agreed to develop procedures for supporting caucus members in tenure, promotion, and program reviews, in coordination with the NWSA Task Force on Defense of Women’s Studies Personnel.

To further the development of a strong, responsible working relationship to NWSA, we elected a steering committee to coordinate our communication and contributions during the coming year. This group currently includes Phyllis Palmer, George Washington University, and Muriel Martin, University of the District of Columbia, as the designated Council representative and alternate, respectively; Sandra Coyner, Kansas State University, Editor, Network Notes; Marlene Longe- necker, Ohio State University, Coordinator for 1982 Convention sessions on program administration; Beth Reed, Great Lakes Colleges Association; Irene Brown, University of Connecticut.

We parted with some frustration and regret because we never did have time, in our sessions, for the important discussions needed on the problems of administration and the strategies for solving them: but we parted also with satisfaction as we formed a vigorous working relationship to the Association which will sustain us as we work to sustain NWSA.

Barbara Hillyer Davis is Director of the Women’s Studies Program at the University of Oklahoma.

NWSA in the Chicago Area

Kathy Amato von-Hemert

Within two weeks of the NWSA Convention at Storrs, the Chicago Area Women’s Studies Association coordinators, representing five women’s studies programs, gathered at the University of Illinois/Chicago Circle campus to begin organizing NWSA membership and fundraising drives. Program directors from Northeastern Illinois University, Loyola University, and Northwestern University had already distributed mailings to their colleagues urging them to join NWSA and/or support it with donations.

CAWSA is currently developing a directory of women’s studies courses, programs, and people in the Chicago area, to be available by the end of the summer, in order to assist students and faculty in their planning and progress. Also afoot are plans for a citywide fall conference that will be cosponsored by numerous women’s studies organizations and coincide with the exhibition of Judy Chicago’s Dinner Party.

Kathy Amato von-Hemert is one of the Student Caucus representatives to the Coordinating Council.

FEMINIST CONNECTIONS THROUGHOUT EDUCATION

Come to Arcata for four full days of workshops, panels and discussions on topics such as:

- Cooperation between academic institutions and the community
- Combating racism
- Creating coalitions within the Women’s Movement
- Education by, for, and in the community
- Multicultural, non-sexist education
- Integration of Women’s Studies into the whole curriculum
- Special programs for Women’s Studies Program Leaders
- Recent research and theory on feminist education in the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences
- Women using technology rather than being used by it
- Math confidence/competence and computer literacy
- Feminist connections to grassroots activities
- Feminist responses to the New Right
- Life-long learning for women
- Women and the aging process
- Reacting to and creating change through publications and the media
- Grant writing

Plus: Concerts • Theatre • Art • Caucus and regional meetings • Film showings • Athletic facilities • Formal and informal meetings of affiliated groups • Large exhibition and sales area • Free childcare or low cost daycamp • Tours of the redwoods and other Northern California attractions.

NWSA NEWS AND VIEWS

Humboldt dormitories among the redwoods.
October 3, 1981
Midwest Regional Conference, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls; in conjunction with Iowa Women's Studies Association 1981 meeting. Contact Liz Beu, MWNWSA, 400 Randolph, Lincoln, NE 68510.

October 9-11, 1981
North Pacific Regional Conference, "Women's Studies and the Politics of Interconnection," San Francisco State University. Contact Darlene Gardetto, Women's Studies, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA 94132.

October 16-18, 1981
South Central Regional Conference, "Explore Power and Energy," University of Texas at Austin. Contact Melissa Hield, PO Box 7953, Austin TX 78712.

October 17, 1981
New York Regional Women's Studies Day. For information about sub/regional activities contact Cris Miccio, Women's Studies, SUNY/New Paltz, New Paltz, NY 12562, or Barbara Gerber, Dean of Professional Studies, SUNY/Oswego, Oswego, NY 13126.

October 17, 1981

November 7, 1981
South Central Regional Conference, "Explore Power and Energy," University of New Mexico Statewide Women's Studies Conference, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces. Contact Joan M. Jensen, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM 88003.

June 16-20, 1982
Fourth Annual NWSA Convention, “Feminist Connections Through Education,” Humboldt State University, Arcata, California. Initial proposals are due November 1, 1981. Contact Phyllis Chinn and Rosalind Ribnick, Women's Studies, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA 95521.

Conference Program, listing more than 250 sessions and events presented at Storrs $5.00
Tote Bags, white with conference logo $7.00
T-shirts, with conference logo $7.00
(red, white, blue, yellow; S-XL; French cut and regular; indicate if you will accept substitute selection, since supplies are limited)
Send check and request to NWSA, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742; allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

NWSA CALENDAR

1982 MEMBERSHIP FORM

The National Women's Studies Association, founded to further the social, political, and professional development of women's studies throughout the country, consists of individuals, academic and community-based programs, institutions, organizations, and projects interested or involved in feminist education. Membership is for the calendar year, January 1-December 31, and includes a subscription (4 issues) to the Women's Studies Quarterly. An increase in National Women's Studies Association dues will go into effect for 1982, to reflect the real and rising costs of doing the necessary work of NWSA. Dues have been established on the following scale for 1982:

*New members who join now for 1982 at the 1982 rate will receive the bonus of membership in NWSA for the remainder of 1981, including the Fall and Winter issues of the Women's Studies Quarterly with information about NWSA's 1981 and 1982 Conventions."

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Address ____________________
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Area(s) of special interest or expertise ______________________

Check to receive information about one or more of NWSA's national caucuses:
□ Community College □ Lesbian □ PreK-12 □ Staff
□ Student □ Third World

(Your affiliation will be reported to the appropriate NWSA regional organization.)

International members, please add $5.00 to the appropriate dues amount for postage.

Send this form with check made payable to the National Women's Studies Association to: NATIONAL WOMEN'S STUDIES ASSOCIATION, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742.

No person/group shall be excluded from membership because of inability to pay. A Dues Waiver Request is available on request from the National Office. Those who can contribute in addition to dues will help to sustain this policy.

NWSA's 1981 and 1982 Convention Packages:

Conference Logo (red, white, blue, yellow; S-XL; French cut and regular) $7.00
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