

CCSW Highlights

UIC 2009 Woman of the Year - Rebecca Gordon



Chancellor Paula Allen-Mears joins in honoring Rebecca Gordon as UIC's 2009 Woman of the Year

The Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Women honored Rebecca Gordon, director of UIC's Women's Leadership and Resource Center, as it's 2009 Woman of the Year at a recent luncheon.

Gordon, who joined UIC in 1991, has served as director of the Women's Leadership and Resource Center (formerly the Office of Women's Affairs) since 1994. She believes that UIC should be a place where women feel confident and empowered. Read more...



AP Speed Networking Event

The CCSW AP subcommittee hosted a speed networking event on March 4. The aim of the event was to bring together APs interested in meeting their colleagues on campus, have a few minutes of one-on-one discussion to learn about what other APs are doing on campus, and make new connections. Approximately 22 APs participated in this speed networking. The event was organized by the members of the CCSW AP subcommittee, Tanya Jachimiak and Jacquelyn Jancius, co-chair. The CCSW would like to thank the Molecular Biology Resource Building for the use of the space to host the event. This event was co-sponsored by the Academic Professional Advisory Committee (APAC).



Comments from participants:

"Thank you for hosting the event!!!! This is so badly needed at our university. We don't get enough opportunity to get out and meet others. It was fun and offered an excellent opportunity to meet new people."

"Something positive I got out of the networking was learning about UIC programs/services that I didn't even know existed! I would definitely recommend this to a co-worker and would attend again, if given the opportunity."

"I have worked for UIC for almost 20 years including serving on the CCSW. Your group has done more in the last two years than all the groups together during the last 10 years. This event was awesome! It was fun, I learned things and it motivated to be more participatory here at UIC."

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"The economy has been tough on my unit and this event helped me recharge my spirits."

"Would you recommend this event to a co-worker? Absolutely! I was a teeny bit worried that I would not find anything to talk about, or that it might feel awkward, instead I found a wealth of talented UIC people that were fun to talk to."

"I attended the event because I want to be more engaged in the UIC community and thought it would be fun to meet other UIC people...and it was!"



"I just wanted to thank you once again for organizing this speed networking event. It was so much fun and really great to meet so many diverse colleagues from across campus. Everyone I met at the event was saying how happy they were that something like this was organized. I wish we could do something like this on a regular basis!"

CCSW AP Survey

The Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Women - Academic Professionals (CCSW-AP) subcommittee is seeking input for our ongoing series of brown bag workshops and seminars for APs (both men and women). We would like your input to learn about topics of interest to you. If you would like to provide input, please complete the survey available at: <https://illinois.edu/sb/sec/8339182>

The survey will be available until April 9, 2010. Responses to the survey are anonymous, and will only be used by the CCSW-AP subcommittee for planning purposes.

We would like to thank Kris Zimmerman, a member of the CCSW-AP subcommittee, for spearheading the execution and the organization of the survey.

Upcoming Events

Call for Nominations for the 2010 UIC Mentor of the Year Award

Wednesday, March 31, 2010

Since the first mentor program launched in 1998 for support staff, the Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Women has expanded the initiative to include academic professionals and faculty interested in administration. The faculty and staff at UIC have taken personal interest in helping women develop and build relationships, share experiences and problem solving approaches, enhance focus on personal and professional development, advance as academicians in administration, facilitate an understanding of the university culture and values, and be a catalyst for positive and proactive change.

For more information, go to http://www.uic.edu/depts/ccsw/activity/Mentor_nominations_10.pdf.

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Upcoming Events (continued)

UIC WoRD Club Meeting - "Women Lead the Way: Your Guide to Stepping into Leadership and Changing the World" Discussion

Thursday, April 1, 2010

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Room 507, DHSP, 1640 W. Roosevelt Road

Join the WoRD and spread the WoRD! WoRD (Women's Reading and Discussion) Book Club at UIC will host first in-person meeting on Thursday, April 1 2010 from 12 to 1 pm on west campus, in room 507 DHSP Building on 1640 W. Roosevelt Road to discuss its first book "Women Lead the Way: Your Guide to Stepping into Leadership and Changing the World" by Linda Tarr-Whelan (<http://www.lindatarrwhelan.com/>). DHSP (Disability, Health, and Social Policy) Building is located on Roosevelt road, between Ashland and Paulina Streets. A list of topics for discussion will be sent to the members on the last week of March and members will be encouraged to bring their own questions to the meeting if they are not on the list. We also welcome any suggestions or feedback from the club participants about the club's management, its written guidelines and announcements. The club members contributed to the selection of the location by casting their vote in a poll that ran from February 24 to March 14.

On Monday March 15, we started taking suggestions for books for future WoRD Club discussions. We are planning to meet approximately 4 times per year, and would like to choose our next book shortly after the April 1 meeting - with a plan to meet again in July. If you have suggestions for books for the WoRD Club to read, feel free to share them at our website until Monday April 5. When making your suggestions, please include the title, author of the book, whether you read the book or not, and a brief explanation of why you think the book would be a good one to read for the WoRD Club.

On April 5, we will create a poll with suggested books, so WoRD Club members can choose the next book. The poll will run until Sunday April 11 and the new book will be announced on the week of April 12.

As a reminder we welcome all book enthusiasts, anyone from UIC community who are interested in reading books and being part of stimulating discussions on these topics. Word Club was founded for the purpose of reading and discussing books related to employment, and professional/personal growth and development, particularly as they relate to women.

To join the WoRD Club, please visit: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WoRDclub4UIC/> and click on "Join This Group!" or contact Yesim Anter (yanter1@uic.edu) or Kris Zimmerman (kzimme3@uic.edu).

The WoRD Club is housed by CCSW-AP subcommittee and club meetings are designated as official Chancellor's Status Committee meetings, and are thereby considered approved for employee participation.

The UIC Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Women Academic Professionals Subcommittee introduces:

WoRD

Women's Reading and Discussion Club for UIC

The WoRD (Women's Reading and Discussion) Club was created by the UIC Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Women (CCSW) Academic Professionals (AP) Subcommittee for the purpose of reading and discussing books related to employment and professional/personal growth and development, particularly as they relate to women.

The WoRD Club plans to host in-person meetings to discuss selected readings, as well as provide an on-line discussion space (using Yahoo Groups: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WoRDclub4UIC/>) to chat about readings, network, discuss relevant issues, and suggest and vote for future WoRD Club books.

The WoRD Club invites all interested UIC employees and students. To join us, visit: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WoRDclub4UIC/> and click on "Join This Group!" If you have questions, contact Yesim Anter at yanter1@uic.edu or Kris Zimmerman at kzimme3@uic.edu.

The first in-person WoRD Club meeting is scheduled for: Thursday, April 1, 2010 from 12-1 p.m.

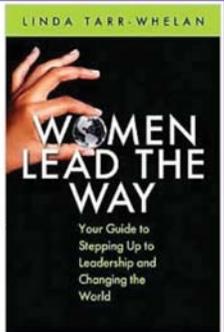
Location: To be announced

Reading selection: *Women Lead the Way: Your Guide to Stepping Up to Leadership and Changing the World* by Linda Tarr-Whelan.

Women Lead the Way:

- Offers practical steps for women to bring their passion, brains, and background to the power tables and make life better for themselves, their company or organization and global society.
- Combines compelling research, international experience, and fascinating personal stories with solid advice.

Linda Tarr-Whelan has extensive background as a business woman, a government official, a nonprofit leader, and a nurse. For more information, visit <http://www.lindatarrwhelan.com>.



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MyCareer Website Discussion

Tuesday, April 6, 2010

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: TBA

Please join us for a discussion with Kim Morris Lee, Ph.D., University of Illinois Human Resources Director of Organizational Effectiveness on the MyCareer website for professional development. Dr. Morris Lee will discuss the concept of professional development with the objective of:

- 1) Sharing information about the MyCareer website;
- 2) Gathering information from committee members about immediate training and development needs to be more effective in current jobs; and
- 3) Discussing committee member's perspectives on long-term training and professional development programs required to support career advancement at UIC.

For more information, please contact Jacquelyn Jancius (jancius@uic.edu) or Yesim Anter (yanter1@uic.edu).



BIRCWH Women's Health Research Day

Wednesday, April 14, 2010

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

College of Medicine Research Building, 909 S Wolcott Ave

The UIC BIRCWH Program will be hosting the BIRCWH Women's Health Research Day featuring a keynote speech by Dr. Carole Heilman, Director of the Division of Microbiology & Infectious Diseases at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, a panel presentation from BIRCWH scholars and the distribution of the 2010 UIC Women's Health Research Directory. For more information about the event or entering your research in the 2010 UIC Women's Health Research Directory, please visit <http://www.uic.edu/orgs/womenshealth/bircwh>.



Women's Leadership Symposium - "Being. Believing. Betterment. - Women B3"

Thursday, June 10, 2010

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Illinois Room, Student Center East

The symposium is an all-day conference consisting of a series of workshops that address career and workplace issues, work/life balance, financial, spiritual and physical well-being, self exploration, and empowerment. Motivational speakers, raffle prizes, and great networking opportunities are also offered. Keep an eye out for more information as the symposium approaches!

Questions? Contact the Office of Women's Affairs at 312.413.1025 or owa@uic.edu.

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The Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Women (CCSW) Academic Professional (AP) subcommittee is seeking a new co-chair

The position has a 2-year term commitment. The co-chair works in collaboration with the senior co-chair. The co-chair will also be nominated to be a member of the CCSW, in addition to the AP subcommittee. The subcommittee co-chairs have the following duties which are shared and typically alternated between co-chairs:

- Organize subcommittee monthly meetings
- Prepare subcommittee meeting agenda and minutes
- Lead subcommittee meetings and discussions
- Promote committee membership and involvement of subcommittee members
- Assist with organizing events and initiatives of the subcommittee (and will likely host at least one event organized by the CCSW AP subcommittee)
- Maintain the subcommittee budget, expense reporting, funding requests
- Maintain subcommittee archives, website, email list
- Prepare the Annual Report on the subcommittee that is presented to the CCSW
- Maintain or assist in maintaining the CCSW AP LinkedIn website in collaboration with another CCSW AP subcommittee member
- Act as a CCSW AP liaison at UIC meetings concerning APs

If you have questions or are interested in becoming the co-chair, or if you would like to nominate someone for the position, please contact Jacquelyn Jancius (jancius@uic.edu) or Yesim Anter (yanter1@uic.edu). For more information on our subcommittee activities, mission and meeting minutes, please visit our website, <http://www.uic.edu/depts/ccsw/committee/AP.html>

Participants from Rockford and Peoria Wanted

If you are interested in participating CCSW meetings and events, please contact Karen Peters (Rockford) at kpeters@uic.edu, or Angela Prazza at prazza@uic.edu.

Subcommittee Meetings and Contacts

Academic Professionals

04-20-10 12:00PM - 1:00PM Room 2214 SES
Jacquelyn Jancius (jancius@uic.edu) or Yesim Anter (yanter1@uic.edu)

Communications

04-29-10 1:00PM - 2:00PM 310 AOB
Connie Ping (hpings@uic.edu) or Sarah Yu (sarahyu@uic.edu)

Faculty Concerns

04-09-10 11:00AM - 12:00PM East Campus, 1650 UH
05-07-10 11:00AM - 12:00PM West Campus, CRWG, 5th Floor
Stacie Geller (sgeller@uic.edu) or Donna Baptiste (dbaptiste@psych.uic.edu)

Minority Women Concerns

Stephanie Jefferson (srjeffer@uic.edu), Tyra Oliver (tdoliver@uic.edu), or Katherine Battee-Freeman (kathy@uic.edu)

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