

# Happenings\*

Minnesota Community Corrections Association

## MCCA Winter Conference Set For February

*Putting the Community in Community Corrections* is the theme of the 1985 MCCA Winter Conference to be held February 20-21 at Lyman Lodge on Lake Minnetonka.

Conference participants will examine the several "Communities" which impact Community Corrections. Workshops will include discussions of the relationship between our field and the media, women in corrections, minority communities and the role of the churches. Genesis II will present its excellent new video tape and discussion on prostitution.

Participants in last year's conference expressed great satisfaction with the facilities (and food) at Lyman Lodge, encouraging us to return to the beautiful shore of Lake Minnetonka.

Wednesday evening will be a time for relaxation and sociability. Heading the entertainment, we will again feature the song styling of **Mike McGrane** and **Randy Shimizu**. Mike and Randy provide an enjoyable evening of relaxing light rock, folk and country music and sing-along. The evening will likely also include impromptu games, including a repeat of last years' Trivial Pursuit tournament.

### Spend the Evening

For still more good times and sociability, plan to spend the evening with us at Lyman Lodge. A limited amount of bunk space is available for only eleven dollars

more, and you can hardly stay home for that. Plan to bring a sleeping bag or pay a small fee for bedding. The location of Lyman Lodge on Lake Minnetonka is ideal for those who would like to bring cross country skis, snowshoes or ice skates, or just get away from it all for a relaxing evening.

## Award Nominations Requested

The third annual Robert H. Robinson Service Award will be presented on February 21, 1985 at the luncheon of the Winter Conference. The award recognizes the excellence and commitment on the part of a "line staff" worker in the field of Community Corrections. If you know someone who you feel is deserving of this recognition, please submit her/his name and the reasons for the nomination to the MCCA office by January 11, 1985.

## Meet The Speakers

**Sam Newlund** has been a reporter with the Minneapolis Star and Tribune for twenty-four years following seven years with United Press International. His reporting has specialized in the areas of corrections, social welfare and related issues.

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## MCCA Founder To Keynote Conference



*Tom Christian*

Dr. Thomas Christian, founder and first Director of the Minnesota Community Corrections Association, will serve as keynote speaker for the annual Winter Conference on February 20, 1985. Christian is currently Director of the Community Dispute Resolution Centers Program for the State of New York.

When Tom left Minnesota at the end of 1979, he took a position as Senior Staff Associate with the National Center for State Courts and Director of the two-year Alternatives to Incarceration Project in Atlanta, Georgia. In his last letter as Director of the MCCA, Tom expressed enthusiasm for the new challenge of promoting non-prison programs in Georgia, a state with the highest record of putting people in jail and number four in putting people in prison.

This enthusiasm for challenges has been a force in Tom's professional life. Keynote con't on page 2

# MCCA, A Chance To Make A Difference

**By Tom Zoet, Chair MCCA Service and Benefits Committee**

With all of the organizations competing for Agency and individual dollars in Corrections today, people are rightfully raising the question, "What's in it for me?" Having been involved with MCCA for almost four years now, both as a PO and in my current position as a Program Director, I think that MCCA can answer that question very positively.

About four years ago, MCCA decided to change from being an organization run by paid staff to one run completely by its members. This transition was a critical one for the organization. For a time its continued existence was clearly in doubt. That it has passed through these unsettled times and grown with each passing year is a credit to the needs in the Correctional Community it has identified and served.

For Program members, MCCA offers a group insurance package which is very competitive with rates that individual programs could get on their own. This package includes life, health, dental, and disability coverage. MCCA also offers a vehi-

cle for voicing legislative concerns affecting Corrections both through its monitoring of pending bills and its participation in the hearing process. It has also been active in providing input to the DOC on matters of importance to the membership.

For individual members, MCCA offers the opportunity to participate in a variety of forums with a real direct impact on the organization, especially through its committees. Because we are small, every voice is counted. Also, there are regular training opportunities offered to members free. These have been enthusiastically received and well attended over the past several years. As part of this effort, there is a Winter Conference sponsored by MCCA which has provided an excellent opportunity for learning and exposure to a wide range of Correctional professionals.

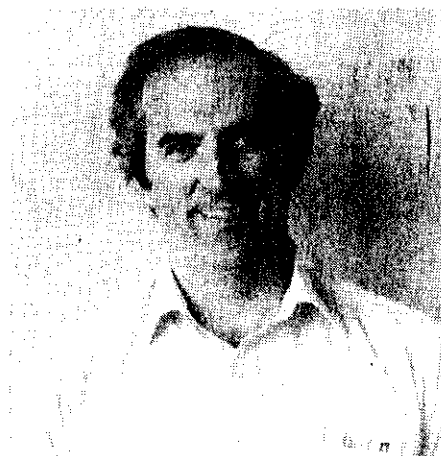
Finally, all of the above is available for an incredibly low cost. Program memberships are only \$100. Individuals can join for only \$15. If you shop around you'll find it the best deal going. Join Today!

## New MCCA Board Member

On October 10, 1984, Ray Ward was named to the MCCA Board of Directors. Ray will also be serving as coordinator of MCCA's health insurance programs. Ray comes to us with a variety of experience which includes accounting positions with Cargill Corporation and Family and Children's Services.

At the present time Ray is Office Manager/Accountant with Operation de Novo and has been employed there since February 5, 1979. Ray's duties include all aspects of assisting the Director in agency functioning. Some of Ray's duties include ordering supplies, paying bills, preparing payroll, recording financial transactions, maintaining board minutes and working on the yearly budget.

Ray's outside interests include bowling and being a member of the Parent Teacher Organization. Ray is



also an active father to two wonderful children, Melinda (age 7) and Dennis (age 4).

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sional career. In 1973, he founded Portland House, which he directed until 1976, at which time he became the full-time Director of the MCCA. In 1973, Tom received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from Michigan State University. He earlier worked as a probation counselor in Hennepin County, a parish priest in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area and director of youth recreation programs in Waverly and St. Paul.

An article in the Nov/Dec 1979 "Happenings" portrayed Tom's initiative in organizing the MCCA: "By April, 1976 it had become obvious to Tom and several other active participants in the Minnesota Metropolitan area community corrections system that the diverse programs, state agencies and others with vested interests were not communicating, were not working together, and were often even operating at cross purposes in pursuit of grant money or clients or special recognition. Tom Christian became a Vanguard of bringing these active and interested persons and programs together by initiating the Metropolitan (now Minnesota) Community Corrections Association."

As we conclude the first decade of service through the Minnesota Community Corrections Association, it is appropriate that we hear from, and honor Tom Christian.

### Startling Statistics

From *Woman Who Kill* by Ann Jones  
**Atlanta** — 60% of night calls concerned domestic disputes.

**Dade County, Florida** — During a 10-month period in 1975-76, the Florida Citizens Dispute Settlement Center handled nearly 1,000 wife-beating cases.

**Boston and Omaha** — 70% of all assault cases received in emergency rooms were women who had been beaten in their homes.

**Wayne County, Michigan** — 80% of divorce cases involved charges of abuse.

**Milwaukee** — 90% of the female clients who were using legal aid were abused by men.

The FBI estimates that a million women each year of every race and social class would be victims of wife-beating. Journalists Langley and Levy put the figures at more than 28 million.

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# We Want You To Know



**Jeff Martin**

Dear Fellow Members:

In calendar year 1984, the individual memberships in MCCA have increased by 44 percent! There are many reasons for the increase and benefits as well (keeping down the cost of training and conference participation).

We are interested in maintaining low cost events for our members and have begun a fund raising committee to help defray conference and training costs (see committee reports in this issue).

This issue of "Happenings" emphasizes our mid winter conference,

and I want to remind you that the Robert H. Robinson Award will be presented there. This award is presented for line staff excellence. We feel strongly the need to recognize the worker "in the trenches" who on a daily basis provides excellent service to clients (this includes clerical level staff also). I view it as our most prestigious award. I hope you will submit someone's name in nomination, as I'm certain you know at least one person who is deserving of the "Robbie Award."

*Jeff Martin*  
 MCCA President

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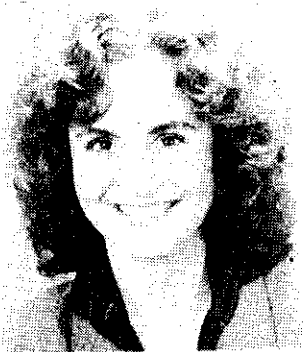
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**Cordelia Anderson** is the Director of Illusion Theater's Sexual Abuse Prevention Program, Cordelia also instructs and conducts therapy sessions for female prostitutes and victims of childhood sexual abuse at Genesis II. Before joining Illusion Theater she was employed for three years in the Hennepin County Attorney's Office where she specialized in working with child victims.



There she coordinated the original Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Project and developed TOUCH with Illusion theater. She has an M.A. in Human Development and Bachelor of Elected Studies and a Criminal Justice Certificate from the University of Minnesota. Ms. Anderson has developed and published materials in the area of Child Sexual Abuse Prevention and has designed and conducted over 1000 training sessions in the areas of sexuality, sexual abuse and abuse prevention.

**James Bransford** has, for over nine years, worked as an Intervention Specialist with the Metropolitan Institute on Black Chemical Abuse (MIBCA). His advocacy for corrections clients has been state-wide, working with the state, federal and municipal courts. A former offender with ten years of sobriety, Jim has received training at Johnson Institute, St. Mary's Hospital and the Rutgers University School of Alcoholism.

**Steve Thornton** is the Community Corrections Administrator for Dodge, Fillmore and Olmstead counties.

**Janet Clark** is Currently the Director of Planning for Female Offenders for the Minnesota Department of Corrections. During her ten years in the Minnesota House of Representatives (1974-1984) she displayed her keen interest in social justice and the welfare of the state's citizens. Ms. Clark served as chair of the House Criminal Justice Division, the Social Services Subcommittees and the Teenage Pregnancy Study Committee, and as a member of the Health and Welfare, Education and Judiciary Committees.



With a degree in elementary education and additional credits in psychology and law, Ms. Clark was a Teacher in the Minneapolis Schools from 1963 to 1970 and chaired the School-Community Human Relations Committee from 1968 to 1970.

**Richard Devlin** has been the Olmstead County Administrator for eleven years. During the transition of the former Rochester State Hospital into Federal Prison Hospital, he worked closely with the County Board of Commissioners for the planning for the use of the hospital facilities.

**Carol Kamper** has been a member of the Olmstead County Board of Commissioners since 1977. She was Chair of the Board during the early phase of the planning for the hospital facility.

**The Rev. Mary Carolyn Dorfman** is the Chaplain at the Minnesota Corrections Facility for Women at Shakopee. A graduate of the United Theological Seminary in New Brighton, she is an Ordained Presbyterian minister.

**Helen Trickey** has been a criminal justice counselor at Gensis II for Women for 4½ years. she is involved in parole planning for inmates of Sandstone, Stillwater and Shakopee. Ms. Trickey has conducted several workshops on adult Female prostitution and in 1984 was a presentator at the National Conference on Child Victimization in Washington, D.C.



**John Pecheco**, Executive Director of Centro Cultural Chicano, has been involved in various areas of the Criminal Justice System for a number of years. He was a Program Worker for the Urban Coalition for three years in the areas of Criminal and Juvenile Justice. He worked four years as a legal advocate with the City Inc. and four years in various capacities with Portland House. At present, in addition to his duties with Central Cultural Chicano, John is a member of the Governor's Task force on Juvenile Justice, on the Mayor's Hispanic Advisory Committee and a member of the Equal Justice Task Force for Hennepin County.

**Ken Hill**, Counseling supervisor at Anishinabe Longhouse, has been associated with the Longhouse since 1976. He has been working in the Indian Community in the area of Chemical Dependency and Corrections for the past ten years. Hill, an enrolled member of the Sisseton Souix Tribe, feels his major strength is in the area of cultural teaching. He has put this strength to work in his position as a Minority Trainer with the Department of Corrections Training Academy with which he's worked for the past four years.

# Conferees Will Elect MCCA Board Members

During the business meeting at the Winter Conference, on February 21, elections will be held for members of the MCCA Board of Directors. Three of the current members, Tom Zoet, Gail Wik and Richard Williams, will not be seeking re-election and three other incumbents will be running again. We are offering the list of nominees for your consideration at the Conference.

**Rod Johnson** (Incumbent Board Member) has been Director of Wilder Community Action Program (CAP) since May, 1980. He served as Assistant Director of Bremer House from July, 1976 to October, 1980.

**Dennis Avery** is a Director of the Hennepin County Parole Services Division.

**Jeff Martin** (Incumbent Board Member) has been the Community Corrections Act Administrator for the Minnesota Department of Corrections since 1981, prior to which he served as the Corrections Program and Policy Monitor for the Department of Corrections.

**Laura Sissala** is currently Program Director at REM-Lyndale, Inc. She is also a member of the MCCA Newsletter Committee as well as serving on the Membership Committee of M.C.A.

**Tim Peterson** is an Adult Probation/Parole Agent with Ramsey County Community Corrections.

**Mark Guillemette** is a probation officer for Ramsey County Community Corrections.

**Barb Emer** is the Program Director of 180 Degrees, Inc., a half-way house for male ex-offenders. Barb joined 180 Degrees in 1976, as a counselor.

**Jon Penton** (Incumbent Board Member) has been Executive Director of Project Remand in Ramsey County since 1982.

**John Richardson** is a Corrections Agent for Adult Probation in Arrowhead Regional Corrections in Duluth.

**Craig Vos** is the Director of Portland House in Minneapolis, where he has worked since January 1983.

**Terry Krick** is the Program Director at ReEntry Services, Inc.

## CAP Domestic Program Expands

By Rod Johnson

The Wilder Community Assistance Program developed its domestic abuse service in early 1982 with the encouragement and assistance of Ramsey County Community Corrections Department. Since starting its first groups for men and women in April 1982, counseling has been provided to over 450 clients. The program has also provided crisis intervention counseling information and referral, legal advocacy and assessments for several hundred additional men, women and children in the area of family violence who have called for assistance.

Until now, the majority of the program focus has been directed at providing therapeutic and educational services to adult male perpetrators and adult female victims in individual, group and couple counseling. The program's experience in working with this problem has indicated a need to address family violence from a more comprehensive and preventative approach. To maximize the program's

impact, more preventative activities will be blended with existing programming.

From a primary prevention point of view, the children in families where spouse abuse occurs are a high risk group to:

- 1) be abused by their parents, and
- 2) as adults, they are more likely to become involved in abusive relationships and abuse their children.

To respond to the needs of these children, the Community Assistance Program will be offering counseling services for children of its domestic abuse clients and also offering a new parenting program. Funding for these services have been made available by additional funding from CAP's parent organization, the Wilder Foundation, and grants from the St. Paul Foundation and the H.B. Fuller Company. The new programming is projected to begin in early 1985.

For further information about domestic abuse programming at CAP, contact Mike McGrane at 221-0048.

A new position will be opened as of January 1, 1985 at Genesis II for Women, Inc. The new position is described as follows:

**Business Manager:** Non-profit social service agency desires responsible person with minimum 3-5 years experience in financial management, i.e., budget preparation, financial statements and general ledger account analysis.

Personnel and office management skills necessary. *No calls please.*

**Mail resumes to:**

Alyce Rodda  
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# Hennepin County Chemical Services Changes Name, Focus

The Chemical Health Division is the new name of the aggregate of Hennepin County operated and contracted alcohol and other drug use services headquartered at 1800 Chicago Avenue. According to agency director, Chuck Heinecke, the name has been changed twice in the Division's 15 year history. In the 60s, the Office of Alcoholics and Inebriety services were primarily directed to chronic gamma pattern drinkers. In the 70s, increased polydrug use, earlier intervention and contracting of special population services led to the adoption of the World Health Organization label Chemical Dependency Division. The recent change is intended to recognize that the response to the question of alcohol and drug use is more complex than simply abstinence vs. use. Mr. Heinecke believes the concept of Chemical Health is best described in the 1983 Minnesota Prevention Resource Center publication, titled "The Religious Community and Chemical Health". The reference describes Chemical Health as "a state of spiritual, emotional and social well-being that exists as a result of a lifestyle which includes responsible decisions about chemical use or nonuse."

Mr. Heinecke adds that his agency will continue to provide chemical dependency assessment and traditional treatment. The new name is an effort to more accurately describe the scope and the charge of the current and future service system.

Chuck Heinecke assumed the Division Director position in July, 1983. Since the Residential Treatment Program was discontinued nearly three years ago, several other changes have taken place at 1800. An Outpatient Day Treatment Service replaced the 2nd floor residential program. The third floor continues to house the Alcohol Receiving Center which includes a Chronic Case Management Unit working

solely with A.R.C. recidivists. This year an Adult Social Services C.D. unit moved from the Government Center to offices on the first floor south wing. Both the 1st floor south wing Methadone Clinic and the north wing Monitored Antabuse Program have expanded in response to increased service demands. Outpatient Treatment Services offered on the 1st floor north wing include the Evening Primary Program, the ABC Day Program, and the Passage Adolescent Program.

Application for all services offered at 1800, with the exception of detoxification, are handled by the 1st floor A.I.D. unit.

A.I.D. continues to provide assessment and referral to all programs operated on-site as well as to contracted and private community-based treatment services. For additional information about any of the Chemical Health Division Services you may call A.I.D. at 347-6141.

## Intervention For Domestic Violence

By Mia Olsen

*(This is the second of a two-part article on the systems of intervention on domestic violence in the Minneapolis area. This article discusses the Minneapolis Intervention Project and its role in coordinating this intervention.)*

The Domestic Abuse Project organized the Minneapolis Intervention Project to coordinate the responses of the police, the criminal justice system and social services agencies to domestic violence. The purpose of the project was to insure a consistent and effective intervention in order to deter further violence. In addition, it was to see the community develop a consistent intervention with abusers that will protect victims and take the responsibility for initiating action away from the victim.

This model of coordinating intervention systems was first established in Duluth, MN in 1980. In the Metro area similar models were established in Dakota County and Hopkins.

On September 4, 1984 the Minneapolis Intervention Project established this model of intervention in domestic violence cases in Hennepin County for the first time. This project does not serve the entire Minneapolis area but the 3rd and 5th precincts. The hope is to expand the geographic boundaries in the future. The coordination of intervention systems by MIP works in the following ways:

### Advocate Intervention

When a probable cause domestic assault occurs—the police will arrest the assailant. The officer will also advise the victim that an advocate volunteer will arrive. Even if an arrest does not occur, the police officer is required to file a report and a volunteer advocate will phone the victim the next day. The police officer then calls a dispatcher through Y.E.S. (Youth Emergency Services), who contacts a two-person volunteer advocate team to visit the victim.

This team explains to the victim services available to insure her safety, and to provide transportation for her, if needed, to a shelter as well as support her through the court process.

### The Criminal Justice System

Volunteer (M.I.P.) advocates assist the prosecuting attorney by supporting and informing victims throughout the court process, gathering victim information as needed for prosecution and getting input from the victim regarding the effects of sentencing on her safety. Probation officers have also agreed to recommend mandatory participation of their clients in treatment programs for violent behavior as a condition of their probation. The M.I.P. staff monitors the participation of the assailant in therapy.

In addition, M.I.P. requests that Municipal Court Judges and referees, when appropriate, pro-  
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# MCCA Committees Active Joint Task Force

As the guard changes a report is required. This report addresses the ongoing concerns of the Joint Task Force of professional organizations in the corrections and criminal justice area. Minnesota Community Corrections Association, Minnesota Women in Criminal Justice, Minnesota Association of County Probation Officers, Minnesota Corrections Association and Minnesota Association of Restitution Service continue to be concerned with the direction of correctional policy and the greater community toward community corrections programming partly in consideration of the McManus ten year Community Corrections Act Summary Report and the rights and concerns of our communities crime victims.

Although the two concerns may appear diametrically opposed, the Task Force continues to be concerned with continuity of service by the system to its inmates, clients and victims. The task force with this in mind met with Representative Paul Ogren, Minnesota Legislator from Aitkin on December 10th to continue open dialogue on the subject.

Although the representative is not on the house criminal justice subcommittee, he has been ongoing in his search for an effective way to serve the system and constituent needs. We are encouraged by the legislators initiatives.

The Minnesota Media Resource Booklet developed by the Task Force was recently distributed to

member representatives of agencies and organizations on the Task Force. The booklet was compiled to aid with media concerns and fundraising efforts of its membership. The booklet is available for the cost of printing to other correctional agencies or organizations by request. If interested contact Carole Smith at 772-1820.

I would like to take this time to thank Gail Wik, staff member from Freedom House, former member of the Joint Task Force who has recently resigned. Your insight has already begun to show its light. Your direction will be missed.

Rochelle Graves  
Member Joint Task Force  
MCCA Board of Directors

## A Message From The Chair

A message from the chair. Not the electric chair, but certainly as "hot"! Stimulating would probably be a better word to describe this year's MCCA training. Next year will even surpass this year's achievements. To tantalize you, the committee has allowed me to disclose only a taste of what's to come: resistive clients, sexuality, abuse, addiction, report writing and stress. Now doesn't that get you salivating!

I would like to thank all of you for your participation in the workshops. The presentors themselves said it makes their job easier if somebody shows up. I would also like to thank the members of the training committee who have worked so hard at putting this all together. You might like to thank them too, so I will give you their names; Donna Smythe, Monica Taylor, Rick Ricker, Jean Thorten and Nancy Williams. And we must give a special thanks to Mary Swedahl of Wilder CAP for all of her assistance. In making the Wednesday morning workshops an enormous success. See you next year.

Mike McGrane  
Training Committee

## Membership and Nominating Committee

Our committee's purpose is to find new ways to make MCCA membership more valuable and to increase the size of our membership. We aren't trying to increase our numbers to set records, but we know that the more members we have the easier it is to keep the cost of our ongoing training down. Larger numbers also enable us to continue to present an inexpensive (not cheap) mid-winter conference.

In calendar year 1984, MCCA membership has increased by 44 percent—largely due to an excellent conference, the monthly training program and the ongoing high quality of the "Happenings."

Some of this committee's plans for the future are to: increase interest among students in the field of corrections; make our organization better known among non-metro professionals and the staff of correctional institutions; use an upcoming issue of the "Happenings" to highlight the work of line staff probation/parole officers.

We need help from members to work with us on this committee. If you are interested, call Jeff Martin at 296-1891.

## Fund Raising Committee

To be able to continue to offer high quality training on a monthly basis to our membership and to keep the cost of the MCCA Mid-Winter Conference low, we need to initiate some fund raising activities.

Our committee has been meeting to plan such activities, which this year will be part of the conference. We are thinking of short-term projects such as a raffle, an auction, and the sale of T-shirts and caps with the MCCA logo on them. We can use two or three more members to join us in the developmental and implementation stages. If you can spare a few hours a month, please call the Fund Raising Committee Chair, Candy Clausen, at 475-4200.



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nounce sentence and stay executions with the condition of mandatory participation in treatment programs for violent behavior. If the assailant does not complete treatment or commits another offense, judges are asked to execute the stayed sentence.

### Social Services

When an assailant is court ordered for treatment for violent behavior, the Minneapolis Intervention Project makes referrals to four participating agencies that guarantee slots for their clients as well as making other referrals. The four programs utilized are:  
**Domestic Abuse Project**

Domestic Relations—Hennepin County Court Services  
The Indian Health Board  
The Division of Indian Work

Here the assailant is expected to participate in therapy for 12 weeks. A release of information is obtained from the assailant to monitor how he is doing in the program and to inform the probation officer of any violations of his probation.

It is the goal of the Minneapolis Intervention Project that with the full participation of all intervention systems around the issue of domestic violence (police, courts and social services) that an end to domestic violence can be closer.

The opinions expressed in the Happenings are those of the contributing writers.

Readers are encouraged to respond to the content of this newsletter and to write on topics of interest to its readers. The staff reserves the right to edit submitted articles. Copy deadline is the 25th of odd-numbered months. **Members of the newsletter committee are:**

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- Laura Sissala**  
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- Karole Williams, Board Liason**

*The "Happenings" staff wishes you Seasons Greetings and a very happy and successful 1985. From left: Dale Fisher, Karole Williams, Ed Miller, Mia Olsen, Laura Sissala.*



*We would also like to thank the men in the print shop at MCF-STW for their help and assistance in putting out this newsletter.*

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