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"Using the Constitution"

KATHY O'DONNELL '77
President of C.G.A.

My name is Kathy O'Donnell. I'm a junior, and I'm running for president of the College Government Association. As most of you will remember, I also ran for this position last year — and, obviously, I lost. When I was running last year I said that, for personal reasons, I would not run as a junior. Those personal reasons were basically academic. I felt, at the time, that I wanted to devote my senior year just to my academic work. Well, after I lost last year I decided to spend my junior year on exchange at Williams College. I did spend the first semester of this year there and, since I was not really in too many outside activities at Williams, I devoted most of my time to my academic work. I just about went crazy! I discovered that I did not like not being involved. Consequently, I decided to return to Wheaton this semester so that I would be able to get involved in a variety of things for my senior year. So much for my personal history.

I am running for president of the C.G.A. because I honestly believe that I can do a good job in this position. I have had experience in similar capacities and feel that I am qualified for this. Having served on the student senate and a variety of other committees associated with this organization last year, I have honestly come to believe that the student government at Wheaton can be effective. However, I don't think that the C.G.A. has sufficiently examined the rights and the powers of students in the past. My first priority, if I am elected to this position, will be to investigate student rights both legally and here at Wheaton. I'm not promising any results from this investigation; but, I do think this is an area that needs to be explored and hopefully will be explored next year.

To be perfectly honest, I have no concrete plans for next year. But, I do have many new and different ideas. I want the C.G.A. to represent all the students on this campus. I want it to be an organization that gets things done. We've had a new constitution for two years now and I think it's time to go beyond dealing only with the technicalities of abiding by this constitution. I think the C.G.A. for the last two years had done an excellent job in implementing this totally new system of student government. But, I think that next year is the time to really start using this constitution — rather than merely interpreting it.



Deb Burrow, '77

TREASURER

DEBORAH BURROW '77

Treasurer of the College Government Association is a very important office. I feel, and as a present member of the Finance Committee, I am aware of the many responsibilities of the office.

A major duty of the C.G.A. treasurer and the Finance Committee is that of allocation of funds to student organizations. This funding involves a very complex and time-consuming procedure, as my experience on the Committee this year has shown. I am familiar with the procedure, and I feel that this is a necessary qualification of a candidate for treasurer. My involvement in the Finance Committee this year has also familiarized me with several aspects of C.G.A.'s current funding policies which I feel need revision. The current Finance Committee is working in conjunction with a Senate committee to investigate funding procedures at other colleges. Hopefully, this study will yield ideas which can be used in the revision of our own system. I will be working on such revision for the remainder of the year, and if I am elected treasurer, I feel I will have the knowledge necessary to carry out the new procedure most effectively.

Other duties of the treasurer include serving on a trustee committee, the Student Senate, and working with the entire C.G.A. executive council. I believe

President of CGA



Kathy O'Donnell, '77, Nancy Beth Carlson, '77



Muffy Burman, '77

Vice Pres. CGA

MUFFY BURMAN '77

Wheaton College is a very beneficial environment, intellectually and socially, if one takes advantage of her opportunities. What has become most apparent to me is the increase in apathy which has infiltrated the curriculum, social events and even extends to the Wheaton College newspaper. My main goal is to orient the student body to the existing issues so directly affecting her life at Wheaton College.

that my experience on the Senate this year, and my other work in student government (Class officer, Head resident) will prove beneficial to me in these areas.

I am excited about the potential changes in C.G.A.'s financial system, and am looking forward to being involved in 1976-77! I would greatly appreciate your vote for treasurer of the College Government Association.

CHAIRWOMAN-INTER RES. HALL COUNCIL



Cyndi Straggas, '78



Brooke Jones, '78

Secretary CGA

BROOKE JONES '78

The Secretary of CGA has an extremely demanding but rewarding job. One of her major duties is to serve as the communication link between the officers, the students, the administration, and other colleges. At all times she is involved with the major issues that confront Wheaton, and it is her job to let the students know what is happening. I would really like to become involved in all of the excitement. As President of the Sophomore Class for this year, I was able to become more involved with the internal workings of Wheaton and have been eager to take on a more demanding job. I would like to get more students involved with the CGA, and also carry on more correspondence with other colleges. I am very eager and willing to accept the responsibility involved as Secretary of CGA, and help the new President accomplish her goals for 1976-1977.



Libby Derrico, '77

Securing the Present for the future

NANCY BETH CARLSON '77
President of C.G.A.

The present College Government Association has been in a working existence for two years — a fact which many innocently overlook. The Constitution for C.G.A. was written during the 1973-1974 school year and was implemented in the year which followed. As in any new structure, time must be allowed to correct the system's shortcomings, improve upon various aspects of the system, and simply become more familiar with the structure as a working model.

Having served as Secretary of C.G.A. and as a member on Executive Council this past year, I have had the opportunity to view the structure, the mechanisms, the strengths, and the flaws first hand. Perhaps the singlemost strength of C.G.A. is the organization and the potential force which can be channeled through the structure. The major flaw, as I see it, is the lack of integration which has failed to take place within the structure itself. It has been the failure of the structure to work in the manner outlined by the Constitution which has been the system's own obstacle. I believe enough time has been taken correcting, improving, and becoming more familiar with the structure of C.G.A. The impetus has been started and the potential force of C.G.A. has been realized. Next year's College Government Association is crucial. The prospects are both exciting and challenging with a new Dean of Students at Wheaton and Mrs. Emerson's second year in office. It will be a year in which even more integration will be necessary.

At a time when the college is in the process of finding future directions, I feel very strongly that the College Government Association must work together with all other parts of the Wheaton Community. C.G.A. must not overlook its present structure for it is only by working within the structure of it that defined ends and goals may be achieved. Those students presently at Wheaton must be provided with the kind of organizational funding, the kind of activities, and the kind of residential hall living they desire in order that we can best help and determine the college's future. Only by securing the present can future goals be realized.



Diane McLeod, '77, Pat Sweeting, '77

Chairwoman Student Act. Council

DIANE MCLEOD '77

As a member of the Wheaton community, I find that the social activities on campus do not fulfill my needs and please turn to page 2

LIBBY DERRICO '77

Chairwoman of Inter Residence Hall Council

Having served as a senator for two years and a Head Resident for one year I feel I'm qualified for the position of Chairwoman of Inter Residence Hall Council. As Chairman I would seek to improve the channels of communications between CGA, the College Administration and Students. I also feel that the Residential Living Committee should examine the quality of Life in the Residence Halls and seek to change the current Bell Hopping System. I would like the opportunity to serve you as Chairwoman of Inter Residence Hall Council and feel confident in the potential contribution I can make in that position.

STUDENT ACT. COUNCIL

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desires. Over the past three years the activities at Wheaton have gotten further and further away from anything which is guest-oriented. The activities that are provided (mostly mixers) are not the type to which most students would like to invite friends and/or dates. Instead most students go away weekends to other schools. I feel that this need not be the situation. There is a great deal to work with at Wheaton, but things need to be coordinated. I would like to see The Student Activities Council work very closely with all the other campus organizations and dorms in coordinating and sponsoring both special weekends and individual activities. For example, why not have Fall Weekend activities provided by S.A.C. in conjunction with the four classes, or with the Drama Club, The Black Student Society, and the Junior Class? I am also in favor of modifying the Presidential Policy which does not allow any Wheaton student to be charged for a college funded activity. If the Wheaton students were charged a minimal fee, both the quality and quantity of activities on campus could be greatly improved. At the present time this policy greatly limits the activities which could be provided. I feel I am well qualified for the position of S.A.C. Chairwoman as I have been the Treasurer of the Class of 1977 for the past two years. This has left me well acquainted with how the system at Wheaton works. Most importantly, I am very enthusiastic about this position and have a lot of great ideas that I would like to share with the rest of the community. As well as putting my own ideas into action, I would naturally be very open to suggestions.

PATRICIA A. SWEETING '77

Chairman of Student Activities Council
As most of us know, one of the more important aspects of a school outside of its academic criteria is the social life on campus. It is a necessity for a school to provide activities of various types in order to maintain a decent, stimulating living environment for the students. Wheaton is

Pres. Religious Asso'n



B. J. Perry, '78

Admission Comm.



Jane Patashnick, '78, Katie Franks, '77, Cackie Scott, '77

JANELYN PATASHNICK '78

Chairwoman of the Admission Committee
Wheaton stands today as an individual woman's college maintaining itself by the continuous flow of new ideas. It is the individual that we seek.

KATIE FRANKS '77

Chairman: Student Admission Committee

My name is Katie Franks. I am running for the position of Chairwoman of the Student Admission Committee. Next year will be my fourth year at Wheaton. Throughout my first three years here I have seen many changes and have developed a sense of pride through becoming part of an excellent women's college. I have been actively involved in the Wheaton community through the Head Resident program. I have served as an assistant Head Resident for two years. This position has kept me aware of new developments on campus, and it has also given me insights to the problems of new students. Over January break I worked in the Admission office and was exposed to the various phases of the admission process and familiarized with procedures

no exception. Student activities are an integral part of life at Wheaton. It is necessary that Wheaton have an active functioning Student Activities Council to provide the events which we need and want. In order to do so, the SAC must have an interested community, committee members who are willing to work, and a chairwoman who is committed to provide the best within the confines of the available resources.

I would like to emphasize the importance of available resources. This says that SAC cannot work miracles. With the cost of groups being as high as they are, and the budget of Wheaton being what it is, there are certain limitations on what we can afford. There are also problems concerning how large an audience can be accommodated; so that if there is an event in which everyone wished to participate, where do we hold it? And last, but not least, the audience participation. A number of times this year there have been events planned and the attendance and interest of students has been very poor. Part of this was due to lack of proper information and publicity given to students by SAC. This can be avoided in the future. However, there also appears to be a "big name syndrome" among some students. It was very common to hear someone say they were not going to attend a concert or lecture because they had never heard of the guest artist. But if you hadn't heard the artist, how do you know whether you will like them or not? Not everyone starts at the top — practically every group has had their one nighters in sleazy clubs and college tours. We as students must be open to new experiences and trust that the SAC will provide activities which will be worth participating in.

I would like to provide those activities as Chairwoman of Student Activities Council. In working with class representatives, members of the sub-committees and the college community as a whole, I believe we can improve the effectiveness and the image of SAC, thereby improving the quantity and quality of events on campus. SAC is too important a committee to be allowed to give less than it's capable of. It can and it must work.



Ginny Cotton, '78

**Chairwoman
Financial Aid
Committee**

GINNY COTTON '77

As a member of the Financial Aid Committee and the Financial Aid Policy Committee during this past year, I have found that communication between the Financial Aid Director and students is very much lacking; not only between the director and the student body as a whole, but between the director and the members of the Financial Aid Committee.

If elected chairwoman, I see as my major goal the recognition of the Student Financial Aid Committee by the Financial Aid Director. Many changes have been made in the awarding of financial aid for this upcoming year. The students on the committee should have been informed of these impending changes while they were still in the discussion stages and not after these changes had already been made.

The Financial Aid Committee should instigate student interest and concern in financial aid allocation through communication to the Wheaton Community. This communication can only be realized if the Student Financial Aid Committee is recognized and becomes an informed working partner with the Financial Aid Director.

in the office.

Through the exposure that I have had, along with my own feelings about Wheaton, I feel I am qualified for the position of Chairwoman, and I hope to present a clear picture, to prospective students, of what life within the Wheaton community is like. I hope to get members of the committee involved in giving prospective students information on Wheaton and talking more with these students and their parents about Wheaton.

**Chairwoman
Judicial Board**



Nancy Tobi Jacobson, '77, Stefani Filak, '77

NANCY TOBI JACOBSON '77

If I had to choose one word to sum up my goal for the 76-77 Judicial Board, it would be AWARENESS. It is essential for everyone in this community to realize their responsibilities here. However, it is not fair to assume that upon arrival every student is aware of what is expected of them. This problem has been essentially alleviated by the incorporation of an Honor System orientation into the freshman orientation period. Provided everyone attends, we can assume to be working from a common ground point, i.e. We are all AWARE of what is expected of us. This is the key to a cohesive community, one in which respect is shown by all. It happens too many times when a student finds herself in trouble simply because she was unaware of 'how it should have been done'. It is for this reason that spreading this awareness should be of primary concern.

STEPHANI FILAK '77

Judicial Board

Presenting an Honor Code System to the students exemplifies the integrity with which Wheaton views its students. This consideration on the part of the faculty and administration is very important to me; to such an extent, that I wished to give my time and ability to support the Honor Code through the Judicial Board. It was this thought that made me decide to run for Junior representative of the Board last year and it is the same thought with which I run for Judicial Board chairwoman this year. I respect the Honor Code and appreciate the respect Wheaton gives to me by offering the students this responsibility.

Working on the board for a year has made me realize the importance of keeping the Board at the calibre that it has been in the past. I feel that I have the qualifications for this job; a strong sense of honesty and responsibility and the time and work which I am prepared to give.



Deb Bedard, '78

**Chairwoman of
The Health Center**

DEB BEDARD '78

I feel that the Student Health Service Committee can provide an important service of tapping the voiced complaints of the student body into positive feedback for improving the health care of the campus. It is my personal belief that the full potentials of this committee have not been utilized by the campus. Making the student body aware of the committee and its functions and how to use them are my primary objectives.

CAKIE SCOTT '77
Admission Committee

In the past, the Admissions Committee has been primarily concerned with accommodating prospective students on various visiting days. This year we also wrote welcome letters to Accepted Early Decision Candidates, began compiling briefs on each academic department, and

**Chairwoman
Academic Council**



Kathy Hughes, '77, Nancy Clayberger, '77

KATHY HUGHES '77

In attempting to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of the Chairwoman of the Academic Council, the direction I will pursue is one of increased freedom and responsibility for every individual student so that she may design an educational program suited to her personal needs and interests. With this goal in mind, I have two immediate objectives, first, to increase student involvement in all academic decision-making processes, with more active participation in tenure decisions as one example. Of critical importance here is the need for effective communications between students and faculty.

My second objective is to expand the range of opportunities available to Wheaton students both within the Wheaton community and beyond the boundaries of the college campus. Within the faculty alone lies a wealth of relatively untouched knowledge. Colloquia sponsored by more individual departments would provide opportunities for students to gain increased exposure to faculty research and experiences. Expansion of current career exploration internship and accredited field work programs, and investigation of further possibilities for exchanges with surrounding institutions will also increase the diversity of choices open to students, hence, increase freedom in planning a personally fulfilling academic experience.

Among my activities at Wheaton, I feel three in particular offer strong qualifications for the position of Academic Committee Chairwoman. My positions on Inter-Residence Hall Council as Assistant Head Resident, editor of the Student Handbook, and my involvement with the Psychology Club have enabled me to work with faculty, students, and administrators, serving as a liaison as well as representative in each case. In addition, I have had considerable experience as an organizer, and I have maintained Dean's List standing throughout my freshman, sophomore, and junior years. I look forward to working with you towards the development of new and innovative programs in the coming year.

NANCY CLAYBERGER '77

Academic Council Chairwoman

Working on the Student Academic Council this year has made me realize what a vital part of the college this organization can and should be. Anne Williams, as this year's chairwoman, has given Academic Council the push it needs and I hope to continue and develop the growth of this committee. There is potential for greater student involvement in many academic areas of this college which we must continue to explore. I hope to provide a strong leadership both in my capacity as Academic Council Chairwoman and as a member of Executive Council.

started the Admissions Aids program, as well as circulating a few questionnaires.

I would like to make the committee more dynamic and organized. Some affirmative active must be taken in conjunction with the Black Student Society for recruiting and keeping more minority students on campus. I'd also like to see some committee members interviewing prospective students thus lightening the load for the professional staff. My experience with the committee has been as the Junior Class Representative for '75-'76 and I am currently organizing the Admissions Aids program.

**VOTE
March 2nd**

Trustee Committee Goals of the College



Cackie Scott, '77, Libby Derrico, '77

Trustee Committee Institutional Priorities



Pat Sweeting, '77

President Athletic Association



Diane Ouellette, '77



Mary Beth DeLise, '78

Trustee Committee Educational Programs



Cheryl Malloy, '78



Pam Strader, '77
MARY BETH DeLISE '78
Senator-at-Large

Students here at Wheaton have an enormous amount of power to change existing policies at Wheaton if they choose. Yet so many students are unaware of how effective they can be as a collective group. My goal, as a Senator-at-Large, is to make people aware of the power they have and urge them to voice their opinions so that the Senate can work to best fulfill the students' needs. I feel I can best serve the students by listening to them and acting accordingly within the means of the Senate.

DEBBIE GODDARD '78
Senator-at-Large

I am not running for Senator-at-Large with any specific ideas, plans or complaints in mind; rather, my candidacy is motivated by a desire to become more directly involved in my school. While Wheaton has yet to realize her full potential, her student body has yet to realize the full potential of those opportunities which Wheaton presently does offer. Therefore, my general goals, as Senator, would be to 1) help expand and strengthen the opportunities and activities Wheaton presently offers its student body; and, 2) to hopefully stimulate greater student interest and participation in Wheaton's present and future academic, cultural, and social opportunities.

Trustee Committee Campus Life



Susan Mills, '77, Susan Davies, '77

SUSAN MILLS '77

I am running for this position, because I feel that I can offer a wide range of views concerning campus life, as my experience in the past has shown. As a freshman I was a member of dorm council as a resident assistant. I also was involved with the Russian Club. As a sophomore, I was a senator and worked with the Admission Committee. My involvement with the Russian Club was as President. I was an active participant in the Outing Club. This year as a junior I hold the position of Chairwoman of the Admission Committee. I am a student member of the Admission Policy committee, which selected the four interns for the Admission Office. I am presently serving on the Planning Committee for the Open House for Accepted Students. This year I also served as the junior class representative to the Student Activities Council, where I saw first hand the problems of organizing activities on campus for the student body.

Over the past three years I have been involved with campus jobs and many various aspects of dorm life. As a student representative to the Campus Life Committee, I hope that I can bring in some new and exciting ideas, to make this campus more active. I have seen tremendous changes over the last three years and hope to see them continue in the same positive direction next year.

SUSAN MERRITT DAVIES '77

The Campus Life Trustees Committee enables the four major sectors of the Wheaton College community (trustees, students, faculty and administration) to discuss what has happened and is happening on the Wheaton campus. As a member of this committee this year, I strongly believe that the faculty, administration and trustees should be well aware of students opinions and needs. Next year, I would like to see more discussion between the members of the committee rather than being informed about new programs at the college. Increased interaction would provide all members with additional insight into student life, campus life and Park Hall life. I feel that my experience on the committee this year would be beneficial for next year.

**VOTE
March 2nd**

Senator - At - Large



Susan Mills, '77, Patti Kingston, '77, Debbie Goddard, '78

SUSAN MILLS
Senator-at-Large

As a senator I hope that I can represent varying views of the campus body concerning new legislation. I would like to see the Senate become a more active and viable part of student government. In order for the Senate to reach this goal it must have innovative ideas from the students, stressing the positive aspects of college life. In order to understand my qualifications for this position, please see my statement concerning the Trustee's Campus Life Committee.

PATTI KINGSTON '77
Senator-at-Large

I have several reasons for wanting to represent the student body as a Senator-at-Large. Wheaton has a student run government. The students must participate in order for it to operate effectively. For Wheaton to develop to its fullest potential your ideas and interests must be considered and acted upon. I am enthusiastic about becoming involved in the activities of the college. By working with you and hearing your ideas we can all become involved in improving Wheaton.

Senator-At-Large



Bethany Holmes, '79

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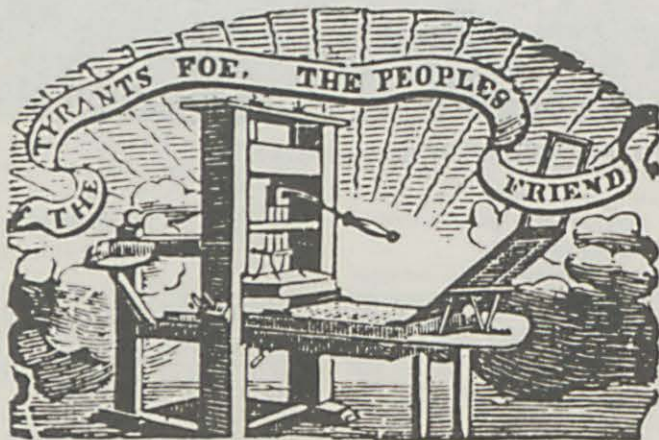
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