

### Mission

The purpose of the Women's Center is to serve the unique needs of the College's female students, staff and community members by providing a safe physical location that offers the following: consultation/referral to counseling, support/discussion groups, workshops, gender-specific resources, networking opportunities and county referral, outreach programming, celebrations, and speakers on women's and gender issues. Emergency financial services and the Smart Choices workshop series are offered to CLC students only.

The Center supports special populations including single mothers, returning female students, displaced homemakers, nontraditional career seekers, victims of rape/sexual abuse and domestic violence, women in cultural transition, and gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender/queer individuals. While the Center focuses on services geared toward the CLC female population, its doors are open both to women and men. Several events throughout the academic year and summer session invite a diverse audience. Both women and men have been integral in the development of the Center.

### A Collaborative Effort

The Women's Center collaborates with other College departments, groups, and clubs as well as with community organizations and businesses on a regular basis in order to make available an extensive set of services and programs. In particular, the Center will 'share' Counseling staff who have expertise in personal/crisis counseling for women, utilize advocates from local women's organizations and refer students to county support services.

### Resource Area

Ideal for classroom use, for research and referral, The Resource Area houses gender-specific books, journals, newspaper articles, and audio visuals. Most materials are a combination of purchases through a CLC Foundation Grant and donations made by CLC community members. Materials are can be checked out for two weeks at a time. There is a fee for late returns.



*As a woman I have no country,  
As a woman I want no country,  
As a woman my country is the world.*  
Virginia Wolf. Three Guineas

### Women's Center Staff:

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**Spring - 2008**

**Room B212/B213**

**In B210 Student Services Center**

**Hours:**

**Mon, Tues, Wed**

**9:00 am to 4:30pm**

**Thurs**

**9:00 am to 8:00pm**

**Friday**

**9:00 am to 12:00pm**

## Reclaiming Eve:

### A Feminist Discussion Group

Reclaiming Eve is a forum for informal discussion on gender topics ranging from pregnancy to politics. This lively group is open to female and male students, faculty and staff. This group is facilitated by CLC faculty Teresa Aguinaldo and Brian Smith. Everyone is welcome to join us. Starting February 6, 2008

### The Giving Tree

Cosponsored by AAWCC and Women's Center, this program is for students and their families who are in need of assistance beyond what financial aid and local organizations can provide. Please contact the Women's Center for information about donations of goods; however, we have limited storage so please discuss any donations with us prior to dropping them off. Donations of material goods must meet the needs of our clients.

### Emergency Fund

The Emergency Fund exists to assist CLC students and their families who are economically disadvantaged. The fund covers financial emergencies with tuition/books, child care, utilities, work/school transportation, and basic living necessities. Monies are obtained solely through donations from the community. See the Coordinator for more information about applying for or donating funds.

## Smart Choices for Student Success

In an effort to provide our clients with the tools for success, we offer a year-round workshop series that addresses issues relevant to our students' lives at school, at home and in the workplace.

Topics covered include: household budgeting, health care, domestic violence, child support enforcement and auto repair. These workshops are designed to be Informative and helpful, offering resources, strategies and contacts that can assist our clients while at CLC and beyond. Program rewards possible. Drop by the Women's Center to enroll now!

### Women's Center Spring Events

- Reclaiming Eve— Wednesdays 12:00 to 1:00pm  
Start date: February 6th, 2008
- Women's History Month— March 2008, with events co-sponsored by AAWCC-CLC, YWCA Lake County, and A Safe Place/Lake County Crisis Center

Due to new scheduling,  
there will be no  
**Gender Conference  
2008**  
Look forward to  
**Gender Conference  
2009**  
"Gender and Spirituality"

