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DULUTH--You might call an orientation leader a seven day "foster parent."

There are 40 such orientation leaders on the UMD campus this week, students who voluntarily are making it easier for UMD freshmen to get registered for fall quarter classes (which open Sept. 28). Perhaps more important, the 800 plus UMD freshmen need some one person to help them get a pleasant, planned introduction into college life. Brains of the program is the Office of Student Personnel Services directed by Dr. C. W. Wood and his staff of experts.

The 40 orientation leaders came from throughout northern Minnesota, Canada and Duluth. Many of them gave up an extra week of employment at home in order to spend that time being extensively trained as to how to get the freshmen better acquainted, how to explain campus regulations, where to find "the Humanities building," "my adviser," "my dormitory," "the football field," "the bookstore" and so on.

Each upperclass orientation leader is in charge of a group of about 20 freshmen and throughout this week is shepherding the same boys and girls through the sometimes mystifying paths of registration. And those same orientation leaders are standing by at the evening social activities to make sure the frosh are having fun and not thinking too much about home and the friends they left behind.

Upperclassmen taking part in the orientation program are:

Duluth---Jean Askeland, Judy Christopherson, Marylaine Davis, Thomas Gerardy,
Al Halfaker, Robert Hann, Brian Isaacson, Carol Jeronimus, Beverly Keating
Nora Kelly, Marion Kyrola, Jim Leborious, Mary Lukkonen, Jean Magee, Fern
Mahnke, Geraldine Niva, Robert Ritchie, Russ Schoumaker, Harold Segal,
Bob Strom, Nick Whelihan,

Aitkin--Bonnie Anderson; Angora--Judy Jarvinen; Chisholm--Esther
Korpi; Cronwell--Patricia Hugdahl; Floodwood--Inez Laine and Lillian
Luoma; Hibbing--Bill Zaic; Ironton--Ramona Johnson; Kelly Lake--Anita
Wippler; Longville--Reta Carpenter; Moose Lake--Sandra Gunderson;
Proctor--Karen DeFoe; Rush City--Kim Keiser; Tofte--Dorothy Erickson;
Two Harbors--Judy Anderson and Nancy Ericksen;

Out-of-state: Ironwood, Michigan--Jan Gregory; Fort William,
Ontario--Gary Snow.