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The NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN in Lubbock

# coming soon

The first annual
Great NOW Who Says
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CAR WASH

Details to follow soon by telephone Get ready to work!

### Home Violence Symposium Set

A group of concerned citizens calling themselves Women's Protective Services of Lubbock invites you to participate in a symposium dealing with household violence. On October 9th, in the Garden Room of St. John's Methodist Church at 2 pm Linn Bendslev and Judy Tiedtke of Ft. Worth's Womens Haven will speak with representatives of Lubbock civic and social organizations. We hope that you will join us as we learn how another Texas city established their shelter for battered women.

Recent studies reveal that more and more women are becoming (continued on page 2)

# OCTOBER PROGRAM: COPING WITH STRESS

We are very excited to have Dr. Betty Ann Tevis of the Texas Tech Health Education Department present our program on Tuesday, October 4th. She will be talking about stress as a contemporary problem and one not restricted by sex or age.

A native of Dallas, Dr. Tevis received her Bachelors and Masters Degrees from Texas State College for Women and Doctorate from Texas Womens University, and she has taught Physical Education and Health Education at Tech for eleven years.

Many of her studies have been concerned with alcoholism and other stress syndromes, and she has brought her expertise to the public through her T.V. show, "What in Health is Going On," which is beginning its fourth year on Channel 5.

She prefers informal discussions and encourages feedback from her audience, so let's all be on hand for a very interesting and informative evening. That's Tuesday, October 4, 1977 at 7:30 p.m. at the Wesley Foundation, 2420 15th.

### NOW RETREAT

On Saturday, October 29th, from 10 a.m..to 8 p.m., a NOW retreat will be held at the Village West Apartment party house at 5401 50th (this is our tentative location). All members are encouraged to attend. We extend a special invitation to all new members who have joined NOW in the last six months and any interested persons who would like to find out more about NOW.

The retreat will be designed to be informative, challenging and fun. All members will receive a call to inform them of the details and to take reservations. We hope to see you at what promises to be an exciting event.

### Home Violence

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victims of household violence, and
that the problem cuts across social
and economic lines. In many instances when a woman suffers physical abuse, she has nowhere to turn;
she has no money, no place to go,
and is often reluctant to call the
police for fear of further angering an already enraged partner.

It is our hope that through the cooperative effort of interested groups and individuals, we can begin to ameliorate the tragic effects of this widespread social

problem.

Linn Bendslev and Judy Tiedtke have much to share with us, so please come with questions and ideas. This is your chance to be in on the groundfloor of a far-reaching social enterprise. We need your help! (NOTE: The Household Violence Task Force will act as Advisory Committee for this undertaking.)

"Childbearing was never intended by biology as a compensation for neglecting all other forms of fulfillment and achievement." p. 96, Germaine Greer The Female Eunuch

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# HELP NOW SEND MONEY

The following NOW members and friends have made a monetary pledge or donation to Lubbock NOW: Charlotte Guinn, Edna Gott, Elaine Bagley, Jane Twyman, Susie Sappington, Jayme Sokolow, Dorothy McLarty, Briggs Twyman, Judy Atcheson, Ruth Lauer, Melissa Lattimore, Elizabeth Hrncir, Joe Terry, Robin Smith, Dr. Jane Winer, Virginia Grief, Vicki Crider, Alice Broderick, Anne Daghistany-Ransdell, Nancy Barr, Nota McCullough, Barbara and Sam Ward, Marge Blackburn, Lynn Buechele, Blanche Buechele, Pat Bruno, Nancy Armes, Susan Hill, Angela Shepherd, Judy Jackson, Patt Judd, Dee McGraw, Rick Jackson, Tom Manning, Cynde West, and Sylvia Ashby.

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I am unable to make a pledge at this time, but have enclosed a contribution in the amount of Please make checks payable to Lubbock NOW and mail to Susie Sappington, 1523 24th Place, Lubbock, Texas 79405.

### RAPE AND AMERICAN JUSTICE

### California

(AP: July 22, 1977) A woman thumbing a ride in a metropolitan area should be prepared for sexual advances by any man who picks her up, a California appeals court has warned in reversing a rape conviction.

"The lone female hitchhiker in the absence of an emergency situation, as a practical matter, advises all who pass by that she is willing to enter the vehicle with anyone who stops and in so doing advertises she has less concern for the consequences than the average female," wrote Justice Lynn D. Compton in a unanimous ruling by the 2nd District Court of Appeals.

"Under such circumstances it would not be unreasonable for a man in the position of defendant here to believe that the female would consent to sexual relations," he added.

### Lubbock

(AJ, August 6, 1977) Cruz Tijerina Jr., the 19-year-old deaf-mute who was convicted of rape by a jury June 30, Friday was assessed a 10-year probated penitentiary sentence.

As a condition of the probation, 137th Dist. Judge Robert C. Wright ordered that the deaf-mute spend 30 days in the county jail. He also ordered him to make immediate application to enroll in a school for the deaf and told him to attend an accredited vocational school to learn a trade.

The probated sentence was assessed over the vigorous arguments of state prosecutor Tom Cannon, who said Tijerina should be imprisoned for an extended number of years.

Meanwhile, defense attorneys Jack Martin and James Edwards gave notice they would appeal the case. The terms of the probation will go into effect if the appeal is dropped or denied.

### Wisconsin

MADISON, Wisconsin (New York Times, September 8, 1977) Moria Krueger, strongly supported by local feminists, defeated Judge Archie Simonson of Dane County today in Wisconsin's first judicial recall election.

With 125 of 137 precincts reporting, Ms. Krueger, the only woman in the six-person race, had 23,445 votes to Mr. Simonson's 16,092.

The Simonson recall election had drawn national attention after the judge suggested from the bench that a teen-age boy was reacting "normally" to sexual permissiveness when he participated in a sexual assault rape in a high school stairwell.

The judge had said in the campaign that his comments were rhetorical and he did not personally believe Madison's sexually permissive climate or provocative women's clothing was a natural reaction.

## Bookshelf

Moffat, M. J. and Charlotte Painter, eds. Revelations: Diaries of Women. 1974. Selections from diaries, primarily of famous 19th and 20th century women, showing their passions, ambitions, and insights. (submitted by Betsy Tenenbaum)

Spacks, Patricia Meyer. The Female Imagination. 1972. A really important study of themes that recur over and over in women's writings. Spacks tries to answer the question: "Is there a difference in the female and male imagination?" (submitted by Betsy Tenenbaum)

The Media Task Force is continuing its efforts in the perpetual battle against the too-frequent insipid image of women on radio, TV,

and in print.

We met with local TV stations after our spring monitoring of local news and talk shows and the sexism revealed by our suvey was so blatant that the stations refused to believe that our results were accurate.

We are beginning a fall monitoring of local news and talk shows with the help of Dr. Dennis Harp's 5331 telecommunications class at Texas Tech and will meet with the stations later this fall to discuss the results of our second monitoring. Any member who would like to help with the survey, which will involve monitoring only one show per week, should contact Susan "Hill at 747-7757, or 742-3661 at

Unfortunately, NBC, CBS, and ABC have not offered to fly us to N.Y. for meetings, but we are not letting them off lightly. We are monitoring advertising and programing on TV, as well as radio, and also the ever-popular Lübbock Avalanche Journal.

Responsibilities for the monitoring will rotate among the members on a monthly basis. The most offensive and positive ads will be shared at the monthly task force meetings. We will all write letters to the networks, advertisers, and ad agencies to respond with cheers or

jeers, as the case may be.

We are requesting the membership to help us by noting any program or ad which is demeaning to women, or an inspiration to equality. Information should include the date, time, station (or newspaper or magazine issue), name of product, and brief description of the content of the message. The message may be relayed to Susan Hill or Cecilia Beckham, who will see that a letter is sent in response.

### Media Task Force Report: Monitoring the Media

We all wonder at times whether our efforts for the movement are ever truly productive, and then, occasionally, a wonderful bit of reinforcement arrives. This month's reinforcement came when Channel 13 responded to our frequent requests for a women's program at a viewing time convenient for working people. The show will be aired on Saturdays and will be hosted by Cindy Sennetti. She has contacted Elaine about program topic suggestions. Channel 13 deserves congratulations for this program, so try to write a note of compliment to W.F. Detournillon, Station Manager, KLBK-TV, 7400 Univers-

The next meeting of the Media Task Force will be on Monday, October 9, at Cecilia's -- 1514 29th Pl. #4, at 7:00. This is a wine-tasting party, and all are invited to bring a bottle of wine and a chunk of cheese. New

members are welcome!

### -- Susan Hill Media Cheers & Jeers

Cheers go to Exxon for its "Exxon Energy Course for Women" series. which has been running in national magazines this year. The full-page advertisements feature mini-articles about women in energy, such as Arlene Bush. Ms. Bush began her career as a roustabout and is now responsible for monitoring oil separation equipment in Florida.

In the August Action Meeting, a proposal to run advertisements in the Lubbock A-J was approved. The ads will be aimed at increasing membership. bettering public relations, seeking donations, and advertising program meetings. Watch for them and let us know how they are received.

### **HOGWASH**

There very few contributions to HOGWASH this month. It may be things are going well and sexism is fading,

but we somehow doubt it.

Remember HOGWASH is a column dedicated to those chauvinists whose pigheadedness prevents them from thinking before they speak. Send contributions to Pam Brink 2123 17th. 79401.

By burning their bras in a protest of discrimination, womenfolk accomplished little because less than three in a hundred were helped by the move, fashion-wise or appearance-wise.

So what gives womenfolk the notion that other measures of liberation will work any better

than the bra bit?

Personally, I'm all in favor of equal rights for womenfolk but why make a mountain out of a molehill over the issues? If the manuever works it works. If it doesn't it doesn't. It's as simple as this! (Ace Lambert).

Letter to the Editor in the Avalanche Journal, September 20, 1977, submitted by Jim Brink

"It ever has been since time began, And ever will be, till time lose breath, That love is a word-no more--to man,/And love to woman is life or death." (Ella Wheeler Wilcox: "Blind")...

The Avalanche Journal, September 9, 1977, submitted by Susan Hill

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A University of Michigan study has found that the typical employed man spends 11 percent of each paid working day at nonwork activities, while the average woman spends just 8 percent, away from assigned tasks. Women expend 112 percent more effort than men during the time each is working.

### **NOW Business**

The Household Violence Task Force will meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at the Wesley Foundation, 2420 15th, at 7:30 p.m.

The National IWY Convention will be held November 18-21st in Houston. Please come along and watch the drama. How often do you have the opportunity to participate in making National policy on your home court? Many of us plan to fly (\$65.00 roundtrip) on Friday. There are possibilities for staying with NOW members in Houston or reserving hotel rooms en masse. Contact Elaine Bagley by phone or come to the October Program Meeting ready to sign up.

Every week, starting Saturday, October 1, 1977 at 5:30 p.m., Channel 13 will have a thirty minute program on working women. Watch for it. The October 1 program will be an interview with Elaine Bagley on women in the work force and as homemakers.

Please mark your NOW Call List to reflect the following changes of address: Deanna Fitzgerald, 3004 S. Van Buren, Amarillo, Texas 79109, and Anita Hunter, 2216 24th. Lubbock, Texas 79411.

Lubbock NOW welcomes the following new members. Please clip and attach to your NOW Call List:

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Simone Gordon 5104 19th St. Lubbock, 79407

Newsletter Only: Mary Lou Cassidy 3115 35th, #14 Lubbock, 79413

### NOW JOIN NOW

MEMBERSHIP FORM: Please fill out and return to Susie Sappington, 1523 24th Place, Lubbock Texas 79405.

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	(such as some retirees, and some students, etc.)		
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