

# LUBBOCK NOW TIMES

The Newsletter of the  
National Organization for Women

In Lubbock  
July-August 1979

## *Election Night At the Movies*

The August NOW program meeting will be held August 7, Tuesday, at 7:30 at the Wesley Foundation, 2420 15th Street.

Election of officers and adoption of by-laws will begin promptly at 7:30. Both will be decided by a simple majority of current, paid members present and voting.

At 8:00 the film, "Self-Health" will be shown. We are asking a small donation (\$1) to help cover the cost of rental and postage.

"Self-Health" is the first film  
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## AUGUST CALENDAR

- 7, Tues.: NOW Program Meeting, 7:30,  
2420 15th, Wesley Foundation
- 8, Weds.: Lunch, 12:00-1:00,  
Orlando's, 24th and Q.
- 9, Thurs.: NOW Action/Business  
Meeting, 7:00-9:00, 3305 55th.
- 13, Mon.: Barbara Duke, National  
NOW Board Member from Austin,  
wants to meet NOW members:  
7:00 at Orlando's.
- 16, Thurs.: Feminist Study Group,  
7:30, 2713 94th.
- 22, Weds.: Happy Hour, 5:00, O'Malley's
- 25, Sat.: ERA Parade and Walkathon,  
Down Broadway from Ave. O to  
University (time to be announced).
- 26, Sun.: Women's Equality Day

## Women Oppressed

A chapter of the National Committee on Women's Oppression (NCWO) has been formed by a group of female law students at Texas

Tech University School of Law (TTUSL). NCWO's purpose is to focus on local issues which have legal implications for women; to find out the status of law with regard to women; to discover



areas of the law that discriminate against women; and to isolate laws which are enforced in a prejudicial manner.

NCWO is a committee of the National Lawyers' Guild, but being active in the group does not necessitate membership in the Guild.

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## ERA Walkathon

On Saturday, August 25, an ERA Walkathon and Women's Equality Day Celebration will be held in Lubbock at a time to be announced. NOW members and other individuals and organizations supporting ERA are invited to participate in the parade.

Feet, skates, skateboards, bikes, mopeds, etc, can be used to boogie down Broadway to the beat of a band! Not only will we show Lubbock that we support the ERA, but we will raise money for ratification.

You will be contacted about walking, getting pledges and participating in the fun. PLAN TO JOIN US!



## STATE COUNCIL MEETS

At the June 23 NOW State Council Meeting in Bryan, business included adoption of a budget, continuation of plans for picketing along highways leading into unratified states which border Texas, and discussion of lobbying techniques used by the State Coordinator during the legislative session. Although there was much discussion of central dues collection, no consensus was reached because not all chapters have voted on the matter.

The State Council Meeting will be held September 8, at Corpus Christi. If you wish to attend, contact either Cathie McWhorter at 795-6898 or Mary Mauel at 797-0061.



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## At the Movies

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made by women expressly for women to use as a learning guide in the exploration and celebration of their bodies. The film is based on the premise that no meaningful understanding of self or sexuality is possible without an understanding of one's body.

The film provides clear instruction in methods of self-examination for the purposes of self-discovery and preventive medical care. Breast and vaginal self-examination are demonstrated. The instruction and anatomical explanation are lucid and easy to follow.

In a group setting presentations are made in a relaxed atmosphere of warmth and caring. Feelings of anxiety and alienation when doctors perform these exams are discussed and the women share ways of dealing with them.

### Take Control

The film urges women to learn about and take control of their bodies. "Self-Health" is a beautiful, important, and satisfying film.

For those who wish to remain, a second film, "The Chicago Maternity Story", will be shown.

For more than seventy-five years, the Chicago Maternity Center delivered babies at home to thousands of mothers. In 1973, plans for an expensive new women's hospital threatened the Center's future. A group of mothers dramatically tells why the low-cost, preventive care the Center provided was worth fighting for. We see footage from a famous 1930s documentary about the Center,

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**Deadline for Next Month's**

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# Hance Shines in Abortion Debacle

On June 27, the U.S. House of Representatives voted to deny Medicaid funding for abortions, except when the life of the woman is endangered. The struggle now moves to the full Senate Appropriations Committee where a vote will be taken between the middle and end of July. The vote is evenly divided, 13-13, with Senators Byrd (D-W Va) and Chiles (D-Fla) holding the swing position.

Every Senator must be contacted immediately by phone. Public Opinion Message, letter and personal visit. Tell your Senator that you oppose any restrictions whatsoever on a woman's right to choose an abortion, and urge him or her to vote against Medicaid restrictions that would deny low-income women the right to abortion upheld in 1973 by the U.S. Supreme Court.

## ABC-Harris Poll

The ABC-Harris Poll taken in February of 1979 indicated that 60% of Americans supported a woman's right to choose, while only 37% opposed that right. Yet the opposition has been vocal and intransigent in its campaign to deny Medicaid funding for abortions. Let your Senator know that Pro-choice voters far outnumber the opposition.

Arlie Scott  
National Vice-President  
Action

## Hance Calls NOW

It should be noted that Representative Kent Hance recently called Lubbock NOW from Washington to inform us about his vote on this abortion bill. In an effort to reduce restrictions on abortion, Hance voted for the Obey Amendment which would have allowed funds for rape or incest victims who had promptly reported the crimes to a law enforcement agency or to a public health service. The amendment also would have provided funds in cases where severe and long-lasting damage to the mother's health (as determined

by two physicians) would have resulted if the pregnancy were carried to full term. This amendment failed by a 180-241 vote.

The next vote was to delete the restrictive Hyde language from the bill. Hance voted in favor of this, but the attempt failed.

Hance needs our thanks for his efforts to tame this abortion bill, and for keeping us posted when he has cast a vote for women.

Representative Kent Hance  
1039 Longworth Building  
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Cathie McWhorter

## Optional Parenthood

The National Alliance for Optional Parenthood is an organization which seeks not only to encourage individuals to make a thoughtful decision about having children, but also to make more respectable the child-less life-style. The organization sponsors a "Non-Parent of the Year" award. This year the award will be given to two Lubbock residents, Dorice and D'Alton Meyers. The Meyers will fly to Washington, D.C. to receive the award on August 1, and to participate in a press conference set up specifically for the award recipients.



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## AT THE MOVIES

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and a moving sequence of the Center in action during a difficult home delivery.

In addition, a concrete historical analysis shows why modern medicine rejected the Center's approach in favor of high-cost, hospital-based care.

"Self-Health" is twenty-three minutes long, and "The Chicago Maternity Center Story" is sixty minutes long. Teena Brown, who worked with Kartemquin/Haymarket Films, producers of "The Chicago Maternity Center Story", will be present to answer questions.

### 1979-80 NOMINEES:

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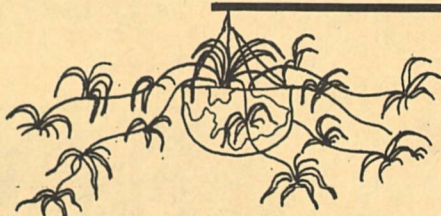
Fund-Raising:

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## TEXTBOOK REVIEW

The Textbook Review Committee, including Marge Blackburn, Jeff Gamso, Edna Gott, Karen Hodges, Marietta Morrissey, Jane Seaver, Cathie McWhorter, and Rachel Williams, spent several weeks in late May and early June reviewing high school textbooks being considered for 1979 adoption by the Texas Education Agency. The purpose of the review was two-fold: to determine whether the books were written and illustrated to provide non-sex-stereotyped roles to males and females, and whether the books were written in neuter gender. It is evident that authors and publishers of recent books are doing a much better job in these respects, but the Committee did find several books, especially those published in the early 1970s, which were bad. Bills of particulars on those books were sent to Texas NOW Education Task Force members who will testify at the hearings of the Texas Education Agency, to be held in Austin, August 13-17, 1979.

Edna Gott



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## National Committee On Women's Oppression

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The TTUSL Chapter of NCWO welcomes participation by people outside of the Law School, as well as those more directly involved with the law. Watch the NOW Times Calendar for time and place of meetings.

The local Chapter of NCWO has formulated a number of policies which cover a wide range of areas. In regard to prostitution, for example, the organization considers that as long as prostitution is illegal, all participants, including customers and pimps, ought to be prosecuted. If this were to happen, chances are good that laws covering prostitution would be changed to decriminalize or to legalize the institution.

### Violent Crime

Violence against women is another common problem which the law does little to alleviate. In cases of rape, neither marriage nor a live-in status should be a defense for the crime, nor should the victim be put on trial.

Another common violent crime committed against women is assault and battery by the husband. Here in Lubbock, a woman cannot file charges of assault and battery against her husband unless she first files for divorce. Again, the married relationship is used to

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## Garage Sale

The great NOW back-to-school garage sale needs volunteers. Sign up to help out and enjoy a day with NOW.

The sale will be held Saturday, September 8, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at (probably) 3616 59th. We need sales staff for that day, especially for the 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. shift. For the two previous weekends we need people to clean up and price the merchandise. The night before the sale, Friday the 7th, we need people to transport merchandise from the storage point to the sale site, arrange it on display, and price last-minute donations. This will be our big fund-raising effort of 1979, so everyone, please pitch in. Telephone Alison Seidel to volunteer: 762-5442 days; 797-6593 evenings.

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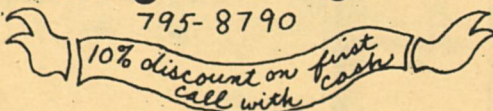
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benefit the male's "property rights."


In the area of employment, NCWO takes the position that women should receive equal pay for work of comparable value and should have equal access to the market. This ideal, of course, has not yet been made a reality. In the legal field, for instance, none of the nine Supreme Court justices is a woman; only one of the ninety-seven judges on the Court of Appeals, and ten of the 399 District Court judges are women. President Carter has the opportunity to appoint 152 judges; of the fifty-nine he has already appointed, six have been women.

### Deplorable Condition

This deplorable employment condition may improve as more women enter and graduate from law schools. At TTUSL the percentage of women in the first year class for 1978-79 totals twenty-six; this represents an increase of 6.3% over last year's class. The NCWO applauds the Law School's effort in this regard, and hopes that the ratio continues to approach the 51% in the national population.

NCWO also supports other issues vital to providing equality for women. All women, regardless of income should have the right to choose abortion as an alternative to motherhood. And the ERA needs to be passed if all women are to have equal rights.

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Alison Seidel

## No to Central Dues

At the July Action/Business Meeting it was decided that Lubbock NOW would not support central dues collection (see June NOW Times for article on central dues). But, if a majority of Texas NOW chapters vote in favor of central dues collection, the Lubbock chapter will have to participate.

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# Screenings



"Manhattan," Woody Allen's latest film, certainly is seductive. Because it makes us laugh, it weakens our critical resistance, and tears down our defenses. But, the movie's humor also builds up our reservoir of good will and expectancy, much of which is directed at Allen's anti-hero, Isaac Davis.

We may find ourselves, then, laughing, reflexively, when Davis makes unkind and categorical jokes about lesbians. Here, at best, Allen the director is ambiguous. It may be arguable whether he really intends to characterize lesbians as bad mothers when Davis asks whether his seemingly healthy son is "wearing dresses" as the result of being brought up by two lesbians. Even though these swipes at gay women are disguised as good wholesome fun, feminists may wonder. And worse, many will view the movie as being against lesbian motherhood. Is this the message Woody Allen as director is aiming for? I hope not.

In "Manhattan" Allen as director fails to provide any arresting criticism of Allen as Davis. Unfortunately it is this same Isaac Davis whom Allen uncritically presents as an adorable, lovable, harmless, cuddly male

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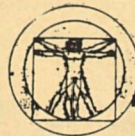
# Democratic Hearings

Dorothy McLarty, Susie Sappington and Edna Gott attended hearings of the Texas Democratic Executive Committee held at the Hilton Inn in Lubbock, on Saturday, July 14. **McLarty** noted the increase in women and minority delegates attending State Democratic conventions in recent years. She also expressed faith in the Democratic Party's ability to recapture the governorship of Texas. Edna Gott spoke on affirmative action in selection of Texas delegates to the National Democratic Convention in 1980. She suggested changes in both the TDEC plan for selecting delegates in order to ensure equal division between men and women, in accordance with National Convention rules, and in the plan for selecting minority delegates according to their percentage of the Texas population.

---Edna Gott



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 chauvinist. This description becomes clearer when we look at Davis in relation to the three women with whom he is involved, and through whom he partially defines himself. Each of these women, alas, begin and end in Davis' eyes as a pretty object. Each has one thing in common -- her beauty. Without it, we surmise, Davis would never have given them the time of day. Of course there's nothing wrong with beauty: it only becomes irritating when a man regards a woman not as an attractive human being, but as an attractive thing to be used accordingly.

Consider, for example, Davis' ex-wife Jill (Meryl Streep). She is strikingly humorless and vindictive. Davis has nothing to say to her now, and presumably, they never were friends. Further, she was bi-sexual at the time he met her, and had never been very interested in men. What, then, did he see in her? Well, as Davis explains it, she is beautiful.

Everyone's entitled to a mistake,  
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## Clements Hits Homemakers

In June, Governor Clements exercised his budgetary powers at the expense of Texas women. He eliminated the Displaced Homemakers' Program when he cut its funds out of the budget presented to him by the legislature. Citing duplication of services as his reason, the Governor said that existing agencies such as the Department of Human Resources, the Texas Employment Commission and the Texas Rehabilitation Commission already offered service to displaced homemakers.

From the Fort Worth NOW Newsletter.  
 Submitted by Cathie McWhorter

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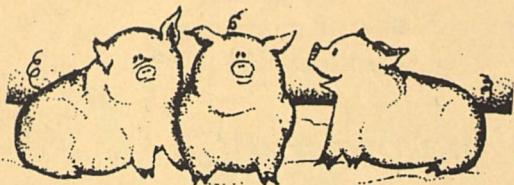
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# HOGWASH

Robert and Dorothy DeBolt, the parents of 20 children, find keeping three 18 year-old daughters out of all six bathrooms at the same time often is a bigger challenge than the physical and emotional handicaps of most of their adopted children.

From the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, June 23, 1979. Submitted by Cathie McWhorter.



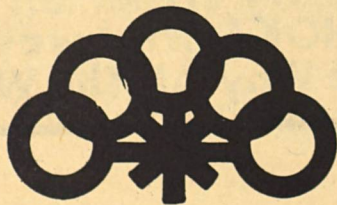
San Francisco -- Rosemary Belson, a 22 year-old rookie cab driver who was raped at gunpoint in her cab, has been fired by her boss for not screening her customers carefully enough.

From Fort Worth NOW Newsletter. Submitted by Cathie McWhorter.

## Where Have You Gone Joe DiMaggio?

Ted Williams, a former baseball star with the Boston Red Sox, had this to say about women: "All women are pains in the ass. If you couldn't fuck 'em, they wouldn't be worth a thing in the world. Women have had too much to say for too long. This women's lib is a crock o'shit."

From Kiss It Goodbye by Shelby Whitfield. Submitted by James W. Harper.



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for Davis to choose a healthy, whole woman. Instead, he finds a seventeen year-old, still in high school. Granted, Tracy (Mariel Hemingway) is nice, stable, rich and fairly intelligent. Happily, she is sexually pliant and sometimes insatiable. That, together with her tabula rasa consciousness, makes for the perfect Playboy fantasy fodder. And then, too, Tracy is described several times as being "gorgeous" and "beautiful."

Finally, there is Mary Wilke (Diane Keaton). The one female character in the film who might have been attractive, interesting and sane, is only attractive. Mary is one of those independent, intellectual career witches who, in the best male chauvinist mythology, must suffer for her liberation. Hence, we are not surprised to find that she is nervous, self-defeating, and as she puts it, "troubled." Further, she is a tad frigid.

Interestingly, unlike Streep and Hemingway's portrayals as lesbian and nymph, respectively, Keaton's journalist is totally improbable. Thus, we can't take seriously Davis' concern for intellectual progress.

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And because she is otherwise so confused, it is hard for us to see how their two personalities can constructively mesh for long. They don't. But, fortunately, there is the bottom line--her beauty. Even Mary finds it necessary to remind us more than once: "Look, I'm a beautiful woman," as if that were a talisman against the world, against fate.

Each of these women, then, appeals to Isaac almost exclusively because of her looks. In the world of "Manhattan" a woman's beauty provided the occasion for a powerful knee-jerk socio-sexual stimulus. Although occasionally the movie's humor works against the grain of this sexist perspective, either undermining it or apologizing for it, for the most part, the sexist orientation holds sway.

Betsy Tenenbaum

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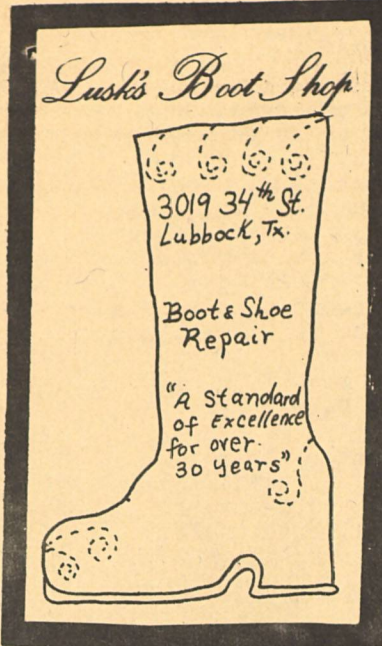
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