



National Commission on the Observance of International Women's Year
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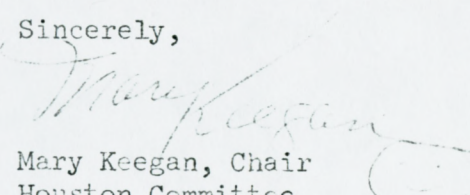
Thank you for showing your interest in the International Women's Year Conference which will be held at the Albert Thomas Convention Center, Houston, Texas, November 18-21, 1977. I am enclosing a packet of information which should answer many of your questions. You will notice there are many on-going, outstanding activities which I am certain will be of great interest to you and in which you would like to participate.

Registration will begin November 18 from 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.; November 19 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and November 20 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration fee is \$5.00 and will include the official program and your participation in all activities. There will also be free admission to the exhibits. Any other expenses incurred will be at your own discretion.

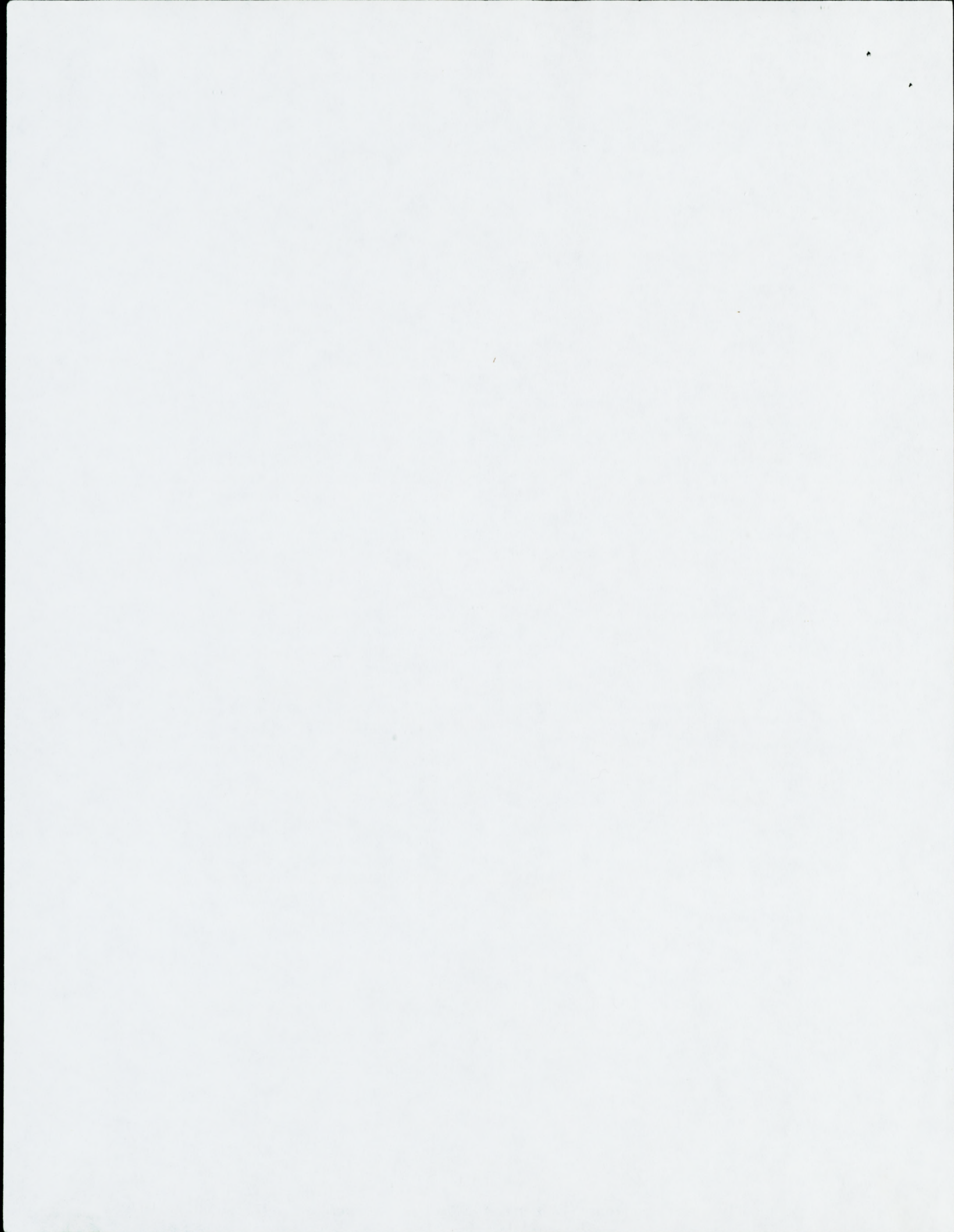
Observer passes to the five plenary sessions are available on a very limited scale and will be given out at each session on a first come first serve basis. We wish that it might be otherwise; however, with the volume of people planning to attend the Conference, it would be impossible.

Looking forward to seeing you in November. Should you have any further questions, please feel free to call our office. Phone: (713) 226-5108.

Sincerely,


Mary Keegan, Chair
Houston Committee

Enclosure - As Stated



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR

WALK A CELEBRITY MILE!

JOIN

Gold Medalists Wilma Rudolph & Donna de Varona
and

Billie Jean King	Bella Abzug
Gloria Steinem	Sissy Farenthold
Liz Carpenter	Judy Carter
Lt. Gov. Bill & Diana Hobby	

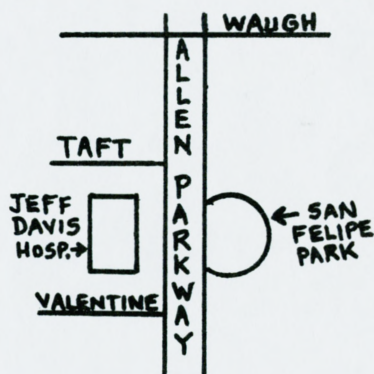
AND TAKE PART IN THE LAST MILE OF

I.W.Y. TORCH RELAY

PARTICIPATE

in the official opening of the

FIRST NATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



WALK BEGINS AT SAN FELIPE
PARK ON ALLEN PARKWAY 11:30 AM
FRIDAY, NOV. 18.

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T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE - \$5.00

Over 2000 runners - homemakers, students, senior citizens, farm workers, professionals, men and women - have passed the torch 2,610 miles across 14 states.

JOIN US

for more information call:

Pat Kery (713) 226-4581

NOTE: There will also be a 3 mile walk. If you are interested, call Pat.

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NATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
 NOVEMBER 18-21, 1977
 HOUSTON, TEXAS
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 GENERAL

Registration

Delegates, Alternates
 Delegates-at-Large

Hyatt Regency Hotel
 Friday, November 18, 9am-12 midnight
 Saturday, November 19, 7am-1pm

Official Observers &
 Guests

West Hall, Albert Thomas Convention
 Bagby & Capitol Streets
 Friday, November 18, 1pm-9pm
 Saturday, November 19, 8am-5pm
 Sunday, November 20, 8am-5pm

General Public (Observers)

East Hall, Albert Thomas Center
 Smith & Capitol Streets
 Friday, November 18, 1pm-9pm
 Saturday, November 19, 8am-5pm
 Sunday, November 20, 8am-5pm

PLENARY SCHEDULE
 Coliseum

Saturday ¹⁹
 November ~~18~~, 9:30am

Opening Ceremonies

Welcome: Mayor Hofheinz
 Bella Abzug, Presiding
 Officer, IWY

Speakers: Barbara Jordan,
 Congresswoman
 Helvi Sipila, United Nations

Rules & Credential Reports

12:30pm

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2:00pm

Remarks: Jill Ruckelshaus, former
 Presiding Officer, IWY

Plan of Action: Presentation & voting

5:00pm

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8:30pm

Remarks: Margaret Heckler,
 Congresswoman
 Patsy Mink, Assistant
 Secretary of State, Bureau
 of Oceans & International
 Environmental and Scientific
 Affairs

Plan of Action, continued.

11:30pm

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Sunday ²⁰
 November ~~19~~, 10:00am

Music Hall, Peace and Disarmament
 Hearings

Patricia Schroeder, Congresswoman
 Yvonne B. Burke, Congresswoman

1:00pm

Remarks: Carmen Votaw, IWY
 Commissioner
 Cecilia Preciado Burciaga,
 IWY Commissioner

5:00pm

Plan of Action, continued.
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Monday

November 21, 9:30pm
12:30pm

Implementation of Plan of Action
Adjourn

BRIEFING FROM THE TOP
Albert Thomas Center
9:30-5:30pm, November, 19-20

More than 30 lecturers have been selected to speak and answer questions posed by registrants during the two-day series. Speakers include:

Barbara Blum, Deputy Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency
Donna Shalala, Assistant Secretary for Policy & Development, HUD
Esther Peterson, Special Assistant to the President
Patricia Wald, Assistant Attorney General, Justice
Alexis Herman, Director Women's Bureau, Department of Labor
Bernadine Denning, Director Office of Revenue Sharing
Carol T. Foreman, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, Food & Consumer
Marife Hernandez, Chief of Protocol of the U.S., New York
Midge Costanza, Assistant to the President

SENECA FALLS SOUTH
Albert Thomas Center
9am-10:30pm, November 19-20

Seneca Falls South will be an area where Conference-goers can relax and enjoy, listen and learn, celebrate, ventilate and appreciate.

Saturday: Seneca Falls Where It All Began; Self-Defense
Folk Singing, Seneca Soapbox; Black Ensemble
Sunday: Poetry; Seneca Soapbox; Tai Chi & Yoga; Ballet Folklorika
Space Dance Theatre; Music, Music, Music

Scheduled Artists Include:

Margie Adams, California-songwriter, pianist, singer
Cryer & Ford, New York, singing and instrumentality
200 Year Sojourn through fashion, women of New Mexico
Maggie Savage & Jude Fogelquist-guitar & song

SUCCESS STORIES & SKILL CLINICS
Albert Thomas Center
Saturday, 9:30-4:30pm
12noon-4:30pm, Sunday

Eight how-to success stories and 15 skills clinics will be conducted during the two days. A partial listing includes:

Diane Muniz, Los Angeles, Bilingual 24-hour service to rape victims
Jeanne Hunt, Ann Arbor, MI Counseling & Referral, women of skilled trades
The Other Side of Archie Bunker
How to Get Your Point Across, Jean O'Grady, AFL-CIO, Maria Portalatin UFT
Marriage, Separation & Divorce, Roxanne Barton Conlin, Iowa
How to Market Volunteer Skills and Experiences, Marilyn Bryant, Minn.
How to Communicate Effectively, Janet Elsea, Arizona