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WOMEN'S LOBBY '81 ALLIANCE FORMS TO MONITOR LEGISLATION

Several Houston organizations have joined forces to form WOMEN'S LOBBY '81 ALLIANCE for the purpose of monitoring legislation of concern to men and women who wish to preserve and further rights of women and other oppressed groups. Organizations which have been represented at the meetings which formed WOMEN'S LOBBY '81 ALLIANCE have included Houston Area NOW, Bay Area NOW, Harris County Women's Political Caucus, Gay Political Caucus, and Texas Abortion Rights Action League. Information will be passed along from lobbyists in Austin to the Alliance Council to the Legislative Chairs of participating organizations, who will see that the information is passed along to all the members of each organization, so they can take action on an individual basis by calling, writing, or visiting their legislators.

A workshop will be held on Saturday, January 24, at the First Unitarian Church, from 9-3. Speakers will inform participants about the issues the Alliance will be monitoring, and give tips on how to lobby effectively. The issues which will be monitored include ERA, Reproductive rights, Lesbian/Gay Rights, and the implementation of the amendment passed Nov. 4 concerning married couples' property rights. Enclosed in this issue is some valuable information on plugging into the network. Please read and respond quickly.



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CALENDAR FOR JANUARY, 1981---MAY WE HAVE A PROSPEROUS YEAR!

January 1--New Year's Day--No meetings

January 6--Press Conference of WOMEN'S LOBBY '81 ALLIANCE
10:00 am, Press Club, 2016 Main

January 8--HANOW Committee Meetings, 7:00 pm, and HANOW Action Meeting, 8:00 pm, World Trade Center Bldg, 1520 Texas Ave.; everyone invited.

January 10--Texas NOW State Council Meeting, World Trade Center Bldg. 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

January 15--HANOW Rap session, Margi Tufts house, 7714 Renwick, 7:30 pm, 960-2893

January 17--HANOW Reproductive Rights workshop, World Trade Center Bldg. Call Aileen, 524-0439, or Yvonne, 664-4282 for more information.

January 24--Women's Lobby '81 Workshop, First Unitarian Church, call Jan, 445-2220 for further information.

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IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS, please let us know. Deborah Bell is in charge of circulation; notify her at meetings.

LLOYD BENTSEN NEEDS YOUR REASSURANCE that his position with us on Reproductive Rights is the right one. He has been targeted by the self-proclaimed "Moral Majority" for defeat. Write him at 240 Russell Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510

REMEMBER TO SEND YOUR RENEWAL DUES DIRECTLY TO NATIONAL NOW, not to your local treasurer. This saves your treasurer extra work. Texas is now a Central Dues Collection state.

AT THIS WRITING, TEXAS NOW COORDINATOR PHYLLIS TUCKER IS CALLING for a boycott of Lewis & Coker stores, which are offering a raise of over \$3.00 to meatcutters, and a salary lowering of \$3.00 per hour to meat wrappers, all women. The meat wrappers are taking their case to EEOC. Watch for further info.

TEXAS NOW HAS FORMED A NEW TASK FORCE, WOMEN AND RELIGION. Headed by Sandy Warren, this task force hopes to meet after State Council January 10.

DEBBIE TATE HAS OFFERED TO EDIT BROADSIDE/HERIZONS, thus taking a GREAT BURDEN off the present editor. (Just kidding, Debbie, it's really a breeze!) Debbie will need everyone's cooperation and help in her new endeavor. Debbie is a member of the Northwest Chapter of NOW. I have enjoyed being editor of BROADSIDE/HERIZONS tremendously; I love to write, and will continue to do so. I especially want to thank Gail Hilliard, who has taught me so much, and who, along with her partner, Michelle Pujols, has put so much into BROADSIDE/HERIZONS. *Jan*

LATE FLASHES!!!



C-R ORIENTATION

Those interested in participating in C-R groups this spring should attend the C-R Orientation workshop to be held January 22, 1981, (Thursday) at 7:30 pm. The location is 6200 West Bellfort, Apt. 232; for further information, call Debra Dubose at 729-9185, 988-1844, or 528-2817.

Susan B. Anthony

REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS WORKSHOP

The January 17 workshop will be from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Please bring a sack lunch.

The workshop will consist of five parts:

1. History of abortion rights.
2. What is an abortion?
3. Consciousness-raising--"Speakout"
4. How does our legislature work?
5. What can we do to preserve reproductive rights?

The workshop will be held at the World Trade Center Bldg., 1520 Texas Avenue.

When the legislature is in session... no one's liberty is safe

If you are a Texas woman who is interested in preserving the rights you already have... freedom of choice...the Texas Equal Rights Amendment... and if you are concerned about the threats to our freedom voiced by the new conservatives... and if you are worried about the newly-elected legislators' promises to rescind the ERA, to prohibit all freedom of choice... you need to be informed... we may lose more this year than ever before.

- Equal Rights Amendment
- Pro-Choice Rights
- Insurance Reform
- Child Care
- Rape Law Reform
- Equal Employment
- Domestic Violence
- Credit
- Education
- Displaced Homemakers
- Minority Women
- Older Women
- Repeal of
- Discriminatory Sexual Preference Laws

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NOTE TO NOW MEMBERS: If we want to take advantage of the group rates, please call Jan Stevens, 445-2220, as soon as possible. We want to start receiving the lobby report as soon as it is available, so if you want to subscribe, please call now.

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 the Time...**

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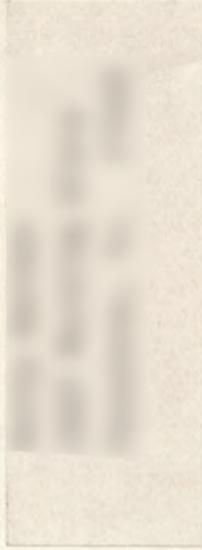
THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

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SECTION 2: The Congress shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.

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