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YOU GOT ME FLYING

Hello and welcome to All Together Now, Detroit's only radio show ^{written} ~~that is~~ produced, ~~written~~ and engineered entirely and collectively by women. Tonights show is a potpourri of news items, music and announcements of coming events that effect women in the Detroit area. We hope you will join us.

Loni

THEME UP

This season marks the 10 anniversary year of All Together Now. This show is the longest running feminist radio program in the United States and we at All Together now are very proud of that. This year, more than ever, it is necessary for women to speak out for their rights and for their lives. Everything that we have gained in the past ten years is slowly being taken away from us through budget cuts, attempts at constitutional amendements^that will legally rule our reproductive rights and the fear of change that many of those ⁱⁿ ~~is~~ power have exhibited in ever increasing numbers. ~~In Detroit,~~ ~~women have a former from which to speak chance to use a radio show from which to call attention to many things that are going on that we have to power to change.~~ The fight will continue until all women are considered equal under the law and in the eyes of society.

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According to the United States Census Bureau, women plan on having fewer children than are necessary to replace the population. A study entitled "Fertility of American Women" found that, on the average, 1,000 women ages 18 to 44 anticipated having 2,059 children. Since not all children survive, it is generally considered that every 1,000 women need to have 2,100 children to keep the population constant. The study found that women who failed to finish high school had the highest birth rate while the lowest was among those with five or more years of college. More than one third of births last year were to women in the labor force.

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In Michigan, two Michigan State University professors predicted that this fall's kindergarten class will be the smallest in thirty years. Professors Stanley Hecker and Frederick Ignaovich based their prediction in part on Michigan's birthrate of 131,000 children in 1976, compared to 208,000 in the peak year of 1957. They said such changes as contraception, feminism, rising divorce rates, abortion and inflation have helped reduce the birthrate here.

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In York, Pennsylvania, women have called for the resignation of Theodore P. Jefferson Jr., temporary chief of the York City Human Relations Commission. Action was taken after Jefferson's comments opposing the drafting of women appeared in the York Daily Record, "In a modern-day society we need to be thinking about disarmament," he is quoted as saying, "I'm in favor of anything that will prevent the taking up of arms, the continuation of war. To take it a step further, in all society you will find that animals are first concerned about preventing harm to their breeding stock." end quote.

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In a study conducted in Georgia by the Federal Center for Disease Control it was found that childbirth is far more dangerous than generally believed. and this may be the eleventh leading cause of death of women 15 through 44 years of age. This supports earlier findings that deaths associated with pregnancy and childbirth may be 50 per cent higher than currently reported. The other leading causes of death in this age group--in order of frequency--are accidents, cancer, heart disease, suicide, homicide, stroke, cirrhosis, influenza-pneumonia, diabetes and congenital anomalies. K

Because of the growing concern over the problem the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and the Center for Disease Control will undertake a co-operative study this year to determine and identify the major causes of maternal deaths and see if they can be prevented. Some of the causes of maternal deaths have included improper use of local anesthesia during delivery and the fact that pregnancy can aggravate other conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure.

One of the main goals of the study is to put the risk from childbirth into perspective with the risk of dying from contraceptive practices and abortions. Childbirth still carries the biggest risk as compared to these other procedures.

A four-year study conducted by San Francisco General Hospital's Alternative Birth Center has found no significant statistical difference in mortality rates, complications or birth rates between babies delivered by midwives as opposed to babies delivered by doctors. The midwives in the study it should be noted, were nurse midwives working in the Alternative Birth Center with available doctor back up.. T

In a study conducted by the Boston University Medical School it was found that women who were long time users of ~~a~~ birth control ~~h~~ pills stilll faced double or tr_ple the usual risk of heart attack ~~af~~ nine years after they stoppped taking the pill. The risk of heart attack accelerates as women reach middle age and beyond and the new findings mean this danger is higher still if the women once took the pill for several years. Despite the long term ~~a~~ effects that are currently being studied, heart attacks are relatively rare among young and middle age women. To date, there ~~has~~ has not been enough data determine if the threat continues past ten years.

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Anti-Abortion leaders are openly pessimistic about the ~~x~~ fate of constitutional amendments outlawing abortions. Anti-abortion leaders were dismayed at President Reagan's early decision to de-emphasize social issues in favor of economic ones. The biggest blow of all was his nomination of Sandra Day O'Connor to the United States Supreme Court whose past voting record on abortion in the Arizona legislature was decidedly pro-abortion. With ~~xxx~~ hearings scheduled in October by the Senate Judiciary Committee's subcommittee on the Constitution, anti-abortion leaders have been meeting with allies such as Sen. Orrin G. Hatch, R-Utah, in an attempt to unify the various anti-abortion groups. In a memorandum circulated among anti-abortions leaders it was stated, "It is not secret that in spite of better than expected results in the 1980 elections, many of the most ~~x xxxxxx~~ experienced right to lifers are far less optimistic about the possibility of passing and ratifying the ideal amendment in the foreseeable future than they care to admit in public. Some privately speak of 20-30 years being necessary to end abortion." end quote

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President Reagan has nominated Dr. C. Everett Koop, a pediatric surgeon and prominent abortion foe, to be the U.S. surgeon general. This nomination comes only after two laws were changed to accomodate his age. Koop is past the Public Health Service Corps' mandatory retirement age of 64. The barrier was removed during the budget reconciliation process when a rider changing the requirements was tacked on the the budget reconciliation bill.

Koop has been the target of over whelming citiðism. His lack of experience in public health lead the American Public Health Associatðon and other groups to speak out against his nomination. In the letter that the American Public Health Association sent out as part of their campaign against his nomination it is stated.

"For ~~the~~ the first time in over a century, the American Public Health associattion has spoken out against the nomination of a specific candidate for the position of Surgeon General. We believe an individual aspiring to such ~~maximamixmaxixx~~ national public health leader ship must be well supplied with an understanding of public health principles adn a mstery of public health methods which together give an essential background for an effective approach to, and solution of, public health problems. Dr koop lacks these professional qualifieations."

Among those organizations that oppose Dr. Koops' nomination are
The American Public Health Association
The United Conference of City Health Workers
The american Nurses Association
The United Mine ~~xxx~~ Workers

The United Steel Workers of America

The International Ladies Garment Workers

The American Federation of State Sounty and Miniciple Wrokers

The Service Employees Union

The Association o f Teachers of Preventative Medicine

Women and Health Roundtable

The National Gay Health Coalition

B'nai B'rith Women

Planned Parenthood

Center for Science in the Public Interest

Women's Health Network

National Organization for Women

And Also the Following newspapers have opposed the Nomination

The New York times

The Los Angeles Times

The Boston Globe

The Washington Star

The Philadelphia Bulletin

The Louisville Times

The Sacremento Bee

The Philedelphia Inquirer

You can do something to stop the nomination of Dr, C, Everett Koop whose anti-abortion and anti-woman sentiments could directly affect you if he is ratified, by writing members of the Senate Labor and Human ~~Resources~~ Resources Committee on which Michigan Senator Donald W. Reigle is a member. Let you opinion be heard write to The Honorable Donlad W. Riegle

United States Senate, Washington, D.C 20510

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In Greece, ~~where women~~ ^{who} have been shown to be more socially and economically discriminated against than ~~than~~ their counterparts in any other Western country, have mobilized to ~~the~~ ^{an} extent that will make them a determining factor in this month's elections. Awareness of women's numbers and political clout ~~have~~ ^{has} led the political parties to respond ~~to~~ the demands of the National Council of Women for the inclusion of a far larger number of women than usual as candidates in the elections.. About 250 female candidates, ~~about~~ roughly 10 percent of the total, are running this time in comparison with 103 in the last general election in 1977 and 16 in the 1958 election. Most will represent left-wing parties, reflecting the idea that their underprivileged position stems ~~at least~~ partly from rightist governments.

In Greece there are no women ~~governors or~~ executive directors in the large state-owned banks or public corporations. The first woman judge was appointed in 1959, and women now make up 17 percent of the total judiciary but none are in the top echelons of the courts. Among the more than 200,000 public employees, women hold less than 1 percent of the highest posts but hold 61 percent of the lower jobs. There have been no appointments of women as secretaries general of ministries and none as municipal prefects, and there have been only a half a dozen women mayors. By law women are forbidden participation in councils of the Greek Orthodox church, and few women ~~find~~ ^{find} their way to the top of labor union.

Virginia Tsouderos, a Harvard-educated member of parliament and a prominent women's rights activist, attributes the situation to the heavily patriarchal nature of Greek society, the traditionalist influence of the church and a social outlook that values a woman according to her subservience and housework abilities. She also points ~~out~~ to the discriminating nature of the legal system, for Greece is the last European nation to maintain laws based on Roman-Byzantine law. It was reaction to these laws that brought women to mobilize. The rallying point was the family law bill to put into effect equality of the sexes, as specified for the first time in the Constitution enacted in 1975.

Parliament did not ratify the bill before recessing for the elections, but the

legal changes already accept^{ed} by the government include the abolition of the marriage dowry and of provisions naming the father as the head of the family. Following guidelines adopted by the 21-nation Council of Europe, the bill establishes equality between parents in family decision making and abolishes such provisions as those requiring a woman to have her husband's authorization to travel abroad with the children ~~or~~ or to ~~not~~ establish a private business. ~~See~~ "All Together Now" will give a full report of the election results as soon as possible.

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In Italy from now on, a ~~x~~ man who kills his wife's lover or his daughter's seducer should face a long prison sentence. He will no longer be able to invoke Article 587 of the ~~xxx~~ countries penal code which specified a prison sentence of only three to seven years for a so-called crime of passion.

Article 587 ~~xx~~ was ~~xx~~ passed in 1930 when fascist dictator Benito Mussolini--a ~~xxx~~ notorious womanizer in his ~~x~~ own right--was ruling Italy. The article says that "whoever causes the death of a spouse, daughter or sister when discovering an illegal carnal relationship and in a state of anger prompted by the affront to his or his families honor shall be punished by a prison sentence of from three to seven years."

Undersecretary Giuseppe Gargani of the Justice Ministry said, "The law was out of date. It was based on a moral and genocidal idea which is no longer in keeping with the collective conscience of the Italian people."

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Pioneer Women, Voices from the Kansas Frontier by Joanna L. Stratton is a collection of memoirs of women who helped to settle the Kansas frontier between 1854 and ~~19~~ 1890.

It was during this time that families left ~~the~~ the known comforts of back East to build homes in the Great American Desert. Joanna Strattons great grandmother, Lilla Day Monroe came to Kansas in 1884 and watched the frontier grow into a thriving state. As she watched she felt that it ~~is~~ was her duty to ask women around the state to write down their experiences and remember what their lives were like on the frontier. By the mid 1920's, aside from being the first woman to practice law before the Kansas State Supreme Court and being a suffragest leader, lilla Day Monroe was working full time chronicling women's lives in Kansas. By 1925, she had collected over 800 reminiscences from all over the ~~xxx~~ state.

In her forward ~~to~~ to the book, stratton mentions that her ~~xxx~~ great grandmothers work was rather limited in its scope: She writes:

"Topically this history is confined to the subjects and the experiences these women ~~is~~ considered appropriate for publication. Although the authors were ~~is~~ very frank about the trials and the hardships of homeseteadng they often avoided the more private and uncomfortable facets of their everyday lives...Intimate topics such as pregnancy, childbirth and death were addressed only in the euphemisms of the time while love and sex were avoided altogether."

Lilla Day monroes work was unfortuneatly concentrated only on the white women who traveled west. There is no mention made of the working class women, the barmaids and the prostitutes, the native american women, or any other of the lower classes. What types of hardships they faced are unrecorded.

Even so, the book is still a remarkable look at just how hard and lonely pioneer life could be. There are accounts of women being left alone for so long that the relentless prairie wind drove them mad and accounts of the joy of seeing a tree for the first time in years. There are also numerous accounts of how women coped with their solitude. One woman, when feeling particularly alone would go out into the ~~field~~ fields where her sheep would be grazing and just lay in the grass among the sheep for companionship.

Frontier life was always hard but here, for the first time, the women who endured and survived this life tell about it in their own words with no intention of altering or glorifying their accomplishments. This unique look at America's past, told by women, is well worth the time spent.

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~~Pioneer~~ Pioneer Women, Voices from the Kansas Frontier by Joanna L. Stratton

~~is~~ is published by Simon and Schuster New York New York.

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On July 13, 1981, just six days after the nomination of Sandra O'Connor to the United States Supreme Court, President Reagan chose sculptress Elizabeth Jones to fill the prestigious post of chief sculptor-engraver at the U.S. Mint. Jones has been confirmed by the senate banking committee and awaits approval from the Congress, which will ~~xxxx~~ probably be forthcoming.

Elizabeth Jones is widely regarded ~~xxxxxxx~~ as one of the leading medalists in ~~xxxx~~ the world and has won high honors for her work. In 1972 she became the first woman to receive the Sculptor of the year ~~xx~~ award from the American Numismatic Association and in 1978 the National Sculpture Society named her as recipient of its Louis Bennet Award. One of her most intriguing creations was a 1975 medal portraying feminist leader Gloria Steinem as ^{Ceres} Ceres, the goddess of agriculture. That was a part of a series of special medals issued by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

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Is your campus or work group looking for a good definition of sexual harassment? The President's National Advisory Council on Womens Education (which was started by jimmy carter and Not Ronald Reagan) recommended to the civil rights office of the Department of Education that sexual harassment be identified in five catagories ~~xxx~~ or degrees which are:

Crude or suggestive remarks directed at a student~~s~~ because of her (or his) gender

sexual proposition advances

solicitation of sexual activity by promise of reward

coercion or sex by threat of punishment

sexual crimes and misdemeanors.

The Swiss Defence Minister has been prodded by outraged women in that country to reprimand several Swiss Army officers for a number of recent sexual offenses ranging from the use of pornographic pictures of women for targets on the shooting range to a coded radio reporting system that was used to rate waitresses at various Swiss hostelryes. The Defense Minister is reported to deplore such "tasteless antics against the dignity of women."

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It has been asked "if husbands are more intelligent than their wives, does is not follow that men are more intelligent than women? That doesn't seem to be the case, it seems that men prefer to marry down and women tend to marry up, but they don't always do that. Some authorities claim the catagory with the highest intelligence is unmarried women."

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An East Lansing Michigan man got a suprising reaction when he whistled at a passing woman. Police officer Len Wells presented 18 year old Scott Marks with a court summons for "offensive whistling" and violating East Lansing's noise ordinance. "The woman was obviously offended by it," Wells commented. "We have a lot of walkers and joggers on the street..." it just occurred to me that the ordinance should be enforced." If Marks is convicted of exceeding acceptable noise limits, he faces a \$25 fine; the offensive whistling charge carries a penalty of maximum \$100 fine or 90 days in jail.

The Chinese custom of drowning baby girls at birth is apparently still going on. Authorities outside of China had believed the practice had ~~fade~~ faded away after the Communists gained power in 1949. However, an official family planning document ~~by~~ by the Chinese government says otherwise.

The document says that the continuation of the custom shows that many Chinese--~~and~~ apparently in rural ~~as~~ areas--still value male children more than female children because of the lingering idea that boys will be more useful workers. There is no estimate given of how many female children are killed each year.

In some countries, the rhino horn and just about anything made from or with a rhino horn symbolizes manhood. Reports have indicated that some men in the middle east have spent as much as \$13,000 for a dagger made ~~xx~~ from this animal. With prices like that, the rhino is in big trouble which only leaves us to wonder, what's going to happen when the rhinos disappear?

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In a report released by the Michigan Project on Equal education Rights (PEER) which is a local civil rights group, it was found that in the Detroit Public School System that

Women held only 24% of executive staff jobs as of June 1980 although they comprised 72.5 percent of the teachers in the system. The balance was the worst in downtown administrative positions.

Teachers continue to channel boys and girls into courses ~~xxx~~ stereotyped "male" and "female". Eight Vocational education courses--all with higher earning potential--had all male enrollments: body and fender work; auto specialization; power plant; blueprint reading; sheet metal; refrigeration; apprentice guidance and industrial education.

That only one out of every four students last year at the Washington Career Center, the school's primary vocation center for mentally retarded students were women.

That the ~~xx~~ schools continue to use text books which shortchange ~~xx~~ the contributions of women particularly in history.

Similar studies conducted in 14 other cities statewide including Jackson, Big Rapids, Bloomfield Hills and Midland, ~~a~~ found that none of the districts was in full compliance with federal anti-discrimination laws

For people interest in a publication whose primary subject is the ending of stereotyping education and equal education of the sexes, there is a magazine that is put out by the Organization for Equal Education of the Sexes, Inc. which is a none profit, tax-exempt corporation formed to produce, publish and disseminate information and materials in support of equal education of the sexes. The Magazine is called ~~T&S~~ TABS

and is available by writing to:

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In case you haven't ~~xx~~ heard, the Equal Rights Amendment ~~only~~ has less than ~~about~~ a year to go before ~~the~~ time is up for this particular amendment.

If it is not ratified by ~~x~~ three more states by June 30, 198²~~2~~ we will have lost all chance to be duly recognized by United States law as persons. If you would like to help you can become and ~~EXXERA~~ missionary by contacting

National Organization for Women

425 Thirteenth Street N.W.

Washington D.C. 20004

Or (202) 347-2279

In case ~~x~~ you have forgotten or really don't know what the exact wording of the Equal Rights Amendment is here it is:

"Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex."

MUSCI BREAD AND ROSES

Tonights's show was written, researched and announced by Tony Swanger and
Kate Clugston with special editor's Susan Orbach and Jan McKae.

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The show was produced by Kate Clugston and Engigneered by Jan McKae

The theme is Holly Near's You got me Flying

With additional music by:

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Planned Parenthood
Laura Dean

Women's Justice Center
13th National Conference on Woman and the law

Continuum Center Speak up without talking ~~at~~ ~~to~~ back

Continuum center Fro daughters only

Cris williamson

Sweet honey on the rock