

MONTGOMERY COUNTY NOW TIMES

Feminism is the radical notion that women are people.

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“There is nothing complicated about ordinary equality.” Alice Paul

The Equal Rights Amendment **MEETINGS:** usually the fourth Monday of the month, **except not** in Equality of rights under the law **August and December, at *Calvary United Methodist Church, shall not be denied or abridged by 16 E. Park Ave., Ambler**(This is a new location. Check any state on account of sex **website for map or call.) No meeting in bad weather!**

FAILURE IS IMPOSSIBLE! Susan B Anthony

VOTE!! General Election is November 3 (Information inside)
“Men their rights and nothing more: women their rights and nothing less” Susan B. Anthony

*Program Meetings – 8PM (Business – 7:30) *New Meeting Location*

Nov. 23 Chapter Election of Officers **Topic:** Media Reform Women will not be truly equal until we have full and just representation in the media since it informs the public about all the issues.

No Meeting in December Happy Holidays!

Jan. 25, **2010** **Topic:** Power and Speech About Reproductive Rights The words used can help win or loose reproductive rights. **Meeting is at my home on the Village Circle address listed above.**

Feb. 22 **Topic:** Rape is a Tool of Oppression Rape in the Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo as a tool of war has grown uncontrollably during the last year. Hillary Clinton has presented a plan to fight this sexual Violence. Rape is used worldwide as a weapon of sexual oppression.

March 22 **Topic:** Clinic Violence and Harassment Are Domestic Terrorism Heroic Dr. LeRoy Carhart and his brave staff at the Abortion & Contraception Clinic of Nebraska risk their lives for women.

“The need for change bulldozed a road down the center of my mind.” Maya Angelou

Newsletter: Contact us if you get it by email but want us instead to only mail it to you.

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2009 Officers

President – Kathleen DeFrees-Shank
Vice President – Brian Jones
Treasurer – David Grunfeld
Secretary -- Kathy Maniscalco

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Renew eScrip (www.escrip.com) Fundraiser

Renew or sign up again for eScrip with your Genuardi's Club card number at the store, or contact the chapter to give me your card #, or go online to eScrip and click “renew” or if you are a new member click “sign up.” Our Group ID#2350940. Also register your credit card on eScrip to buy at other local merchants or stores. Others are: Macy's, Office Max, Eddie Bauer, Orvis, and Sierra Trading Post.



Elaine Ferrara, Brian Jones and Kathleen DeFrees-Shank made contributions to help the chapter at this critical time. National NOW has a financial debt and our chapter has agreed not to receive our monthly membership dues rebate check since March of this year so National could keep the funds.

Chapter Election of Officers at November Meeting

PA NOW Election of Officers at State Convention at the Nittany Lion Inn on the Penn State University Campus from Dec. 4 – 6. For info. 814-280-8571.

Nov. 3 PA NOW PAC Voter’s Guide

PA Supreme Court

Jack Panella (D)

PA Superior Court (vote for 4)

Anne E. Lazarus (D)

Kevin Francis McCarthy (D)

Robert J. Colville (D) (Support not endorsement)

PA Commonwealth Court (vote for 2)

Barbara Ernsberger (D)

Linda Judson (D)

For updates go to panow.org. Need a computer; get help at your local library. . . .

Seven Montgomery County Common Pleas Court Judges to Be Elected

There is no PA NOW PAC endorsed candidate for this court. Lois Murphy (D) a candidate for this court has been endorsed by PA NOW PAC in the past when she was a candidate for another political office because of her commitment and work for women’s rights.

Action Alert: Form Letter about Health Care Reform

Dear Senator,

As a supporter of the National Organization for Women I support single-payer health care and urge you to oppose the Senate Finance Committee health care “reform” legislation. It is a bad bill that will result in higher insurance costs for individuals and families; reward irresponsible private insurance companies and does nothing to control rising health care costs.

Failure to include a public option means that there will be no competition to bring down costs and give people more choice and more affordability.

Especially objectionable is the removal of responsibility from employers to provide insurance while shifting all the cost and risk to individuals and families. Allowing excessive rates (five times as much!) for coverage of older persons defeats the idea of pooling risk.

Further, as a women’s right advocate, I object to restrictions placed on women’s access to reproductive health under this and other plans. Women have a fundamental right to the full range of reproductive services and provision of these must be treated the same as any other medically-necessary service.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

(Remember to include the date at the top of the letter and your name and address.) For more info: now.org.

ERA Reintroduced Into Congress

The Equal Rights Amendment was reintroduced in the House of Representatives on July 21, 2009 as H.J.Res. 61. Lead sponsors are Congresswomen Carolyn Maloney (D-NY) and Judy Biggert (R-IL). The Senate will be next. Write Congress in support.