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A NOTE FROM ASSOCIATED COLLEGIATE WOMEN

--Did you know that every undergraduate woman at Michigan State is automatically a member of the Associated Collegiate Women?

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If you have wanted to become more involved with campus-wide activities and you are concerned about the status of women in today's society, perhaps serving on the ACW Council could become a good outlet for you.

ACW is primarily concerned with sponsoring programs which are relevant to the role of young women in today's society. Representative of such programs was the "Sex Colloquy", "Abortion Seminar", Lantern Night (honoring 50 outstanding senior women), and sponsorship of the <u>Mademoiselle</u> Magazine Award. Currently, ACW is involved with the sponsorship of "Women's Week", an activity slated for May.

Any woman student interested in participating in ACW is both welcome and encouraged. Please contact:

Miss Cathy Tomalka, President of ACW - 355-1354

or

Mrs. Mildred Etling, ACW Advisor - 353-6471

THE WORD FROM WOMEN'S LIB

--The Women's Liberation office is at 314 Student Services - Phone: 353-9778.

--There will be a march in Lansing on March 13 to show concern for the repeal of abortion laws. The march is slated to begin in East Lansing and terminate at the Capitol. Speeches are on the agenda. Sponsors of the march include Michigan N.O.W.; Lorraine Beebe (ex-State Senator); Dr. Etheline Crockett, Wayne Woman's Lib; Joan Israel, Chairwoman of N.O.W. Childcare Committee; Men and Women for a New Society; Alice Woodruff, President of Michigan W.I.L.P.F.

For further information you can write to Wayne Woman's Liberation, Box 26, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan 48202; or call 313-832-5143 (evenings - 313-824-3272.

--MARCH 8th IS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY. This tradition was begun by the Suffragettes in the United States, but later died out. The Women's Day recognition is now being revived.

RE: BIRTH CONTROL AND PROBLEM PREGNANCY

- --Free birth control pills and contraceptive information are available at the Family Planning Clinic, 701 North Logan (corner of Logan and Saginaw), <u>372-9212</u>. An initial visit usually requires a half day of time.
- --Free counseling is available through the Michigan Clergy for Problem Pregnancy Counseling. The following phone number will provide the caller with the names and telephone numbers of consulting clergy: <u>332-6410</u>.

CONGRATULATIONS

are in order to the new officers of Panhellenic Council:

President - Terry Rapchak 1st Vice President - Claudia Sowa 2nd Vice President - Margaret Levy 3rd Vice President - Kathy Rasher 4th Vice President - Carol Meyers Secretary - Nancy Goodwin Treasurer - Marsha Stapczynski

MORE FROM PANHEL

--Panhellenic Council is offering scholarships: Kappa Kappa Gamma--graduate scholarships Delta Delta Delta--undergraduate scholarships

Interested persons should submit their application before March 1 to Room 106 in Student Services or call the chapters offering the scholarships. The STATE NEWS will carry further information and announcements.

--Members of the Panhellenic Group have begun work on committees to prepare for 'Women's Week", in recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the admission of women to Michigan State.

DID YOU HAPPEN TO SEE ...

- --Sarah Fabio, who spoke at Fairchild on Monday, January 18, as part of the Minority Multi-media Festival? Mrs. Fabio's presentation included discussion of the slavery period in the United States, the Black Conscience movement of the 1920's--Black Renaissance, and the more contemporary revival of interest in African heritage. Mrs. Fabio's appearance was funded by the Association of Collegiate Women.
- --The article in the January, 1971, issue of <u>McCall's</u> written by Dr. Estelle Ramey and titled, 'Well, Fellows, What Did Happen at the Bay of Pigs? And Who Was in Control?'' Dr. Ramey is an endocrinologist (study of hormones), has a Ph.D. in physiology, and serves as a professor at the Georgetown University School of Medicine. The article comes out of her response to Dr. Edgar Berman's allegation (before a group of Democrats) that women with their "raging hormonal imbalances" should not hold high executive positions. Dr. Ramey states, 'Whenever men argue

that women, after all, are biologically different they really don't mean different; they mean inferior - in terms of stamina, stability and cerebration. The term 'biologically different' has the neat effect of taking the whole subject out of the realm of personal masculine prejudice and landing it squarely in the lap of impartial science: it's not a man's fault that women are relegated to less important, less interesting occupations; it's just the way the evolutionary cookie crumbled."

According to Dr. Ramey "impartial science" shows that women aren't doing so badly after all, in physical terms. She cites evidence that the female hormone estrogen may help to retard the aging of blood vessels, which is something the male hormone testosterone doesn't do, and mentions other ways in which the female has survival advantages over the male, both sociologically and physically. Dr. Ramey concludes, "Societal roles cannot be assigned on the basis of some stereotype of male or female capacity for leadership. As a society we must learn to answer as Samuel Johnson did when he was asked the question, 'Which is more intelligent, man or woman?' To which Dr. Johnson replied: 'Which man and which woman?' "

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