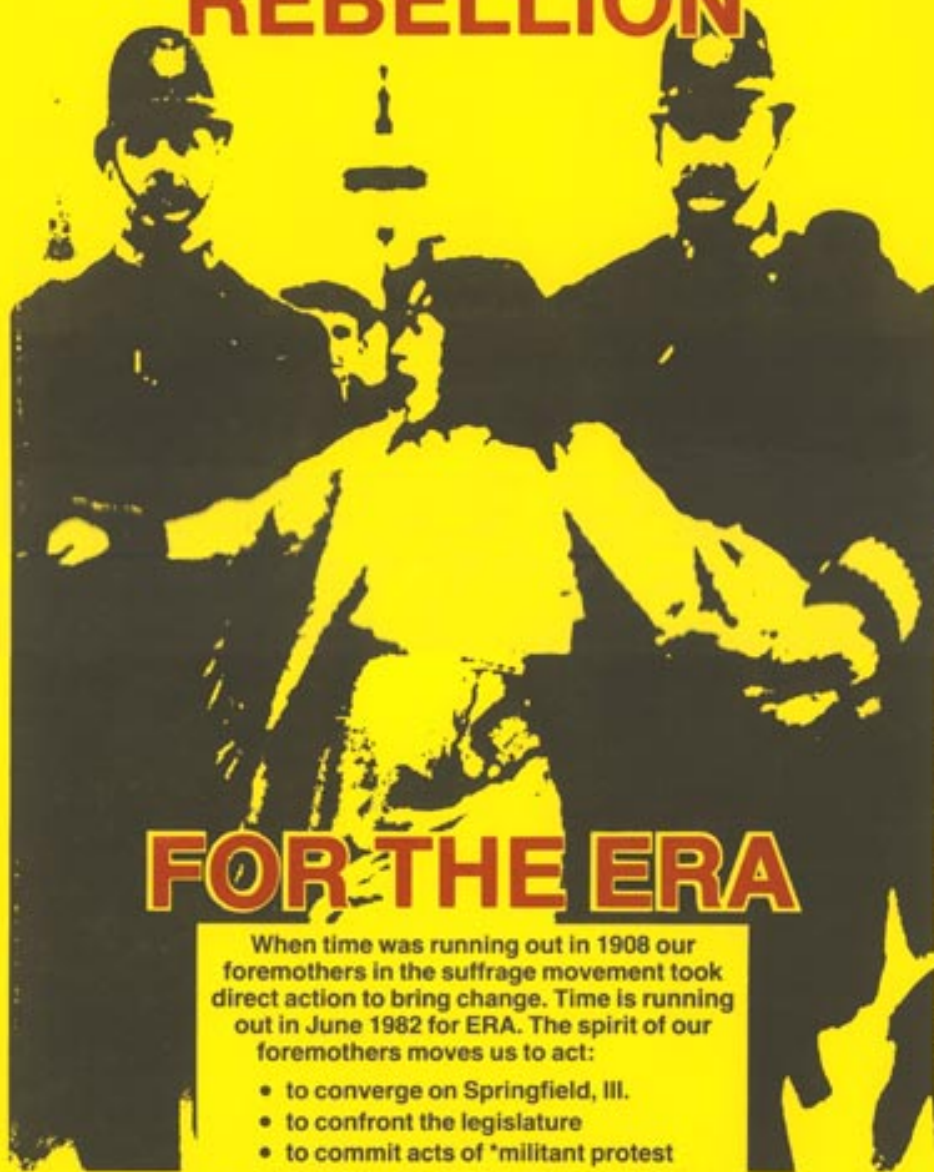


JUNE 3, 1982 A DAY OF REBELLION



FOR THE ERA

When time was running out in 1908 our foremothers in the suffrage movement took direct action to bring change. Time is running out in June 1982 for ERA. The spirit of our foremothers moves us to act:

- to converge on Springfield, Ill.
- to confront the legislature
- to commit acts of *militant protest

*Define militant as you like: from wimpy to Amazonian

WOMEN JOIN US!

For information call Weaver — 217-398-3578

A Lancashire mill girl arrested outside the House of Commons, March 30, 1907.



WOMEN! TAKE LIBERTY IN '86

CELEBRATE the Statue's 100th Anniversary
DEDICATE Her to Liberty, Equality, Sisterhood, and Peace
HONOR the Women of the World
AFFIRM a Feminist Vision of Our Future

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 1986
Liberty Island, N.Y. Harbor
Battery Park, N.Y.C.
Liberty State Park, N.J.

To help create the event, or for further information, contact:

WOMEN RISING IN RESISTANCE

P.O. Box 257
Northport, NY 11768
(718) 768-4602

P.O. Box 2096, Sta. A
Champaign, IL 61820
(217) 352-6110

1221 N. Lincoln
Stockton, CA 95206
(209) 466-6346

4440 Lindell #403
St. Louis, MO 63108
(314) 531-9442

Womyn Make Waves for Peace
1327 Potomac Ave. SE
Washington, D.C. 20003
202-546-4279

**Join us for an
EMPOWERING
CELEBRATION**

After July 18 call 212-689-0658

GRASSROOTS GROUP OF SECOND CLASS CITIZENS

P.O. Box 2096, Station A, Champaign, IL 61825-2096



The Grassroots Group of Second Class Citizens (GGSCC) is a group of women from central Illinois who engage in nonviolent direct actions and dramatic protests in order to break the silence surrounding the oppression of women. We join in a tradition of nonviolent direct action established by progressive social movements in the U.S. and declare our solidarity with all those struggling for an end to injustice, inequality and oppression.

WOMEN JOIN US!

"BE MILITANT EACH IN YOUR OWN WAY." Emmeline Pankhurst

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Beginning in December of 1981, a group of women from Champaign-Urbana and neighboring communities in Illinois came together to organize a series of direct actions that would confront the Illinois legislature with its responsibility to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. We were of diverse backgrounds and opinions but were united in the belief that it was time to undertake more dramatic and confrontational tactics.

Our first action was the Day of Rebellion on June 3, 1982. While 200 women conducted a demonstration in the Capitol Rotunda, 17 of us chained ourselves together and to the brass rails in front of the Senate chamber. The chains were intended to link us to our foremothers in the suffrage movement and to symbolize the legal, economic and social chains that still bind women today.

For the first time in US history women remained in occupation of a state capitol; after four days and nights we were forcibly removed by the Secretary of State's security forces in a pre-dawn raid described by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch as "dictatorial and cowardly."

During the following weeks we carried out numerous actions, including sit-ins at the Governor's office, the office of the Speaker of the House, and on the floor of the House itself. On June 25 after the Senate defeated the ERA, several of us wrote the names of opponents of the ERA in blood on the marble floors of the Capitol. The blood was intended to symbolize not only the centuries of violence, hatred and injustice imposed upon women in this country, but also a renewal of the struggle for women's freedom. The police arrested and jailed eight women on felony charges for pouring the blood and another woman for "obstructing justice."

On July 2, twelve members of the group were sentenced for violating a court injunction by wearing chains while sitting in at the Governor's office on June 21. Ten spent four days in jail (ironically over the Independence Day weekend) and were fined \$300 each. Two spent twenty-seven days in jail for making separate statements emphasizing their acts of conscientious civil disobedience.

On August 25, 1982, eight members of the group who had been charged with felonies in connection with the blood-writing demonstration on June 25, were found guilty of misdemeanors and were required to pay a total of approximately \$3,600 for restitution, court costs, and clerk fees. The Grassroots Group was charged over \$9,000 in fines, lawyers' fees, and other legal expenses for the campaign during the month of June.

OVER

WOMEN

Show WITCH side you're on!



Wednesday Oct. 31, 1984 HIGH NOON

Alma Mater statue - U of I Campus
(Wright at Green)



**Cities of Champaign and Urbana
Department of Rape Prevention**



**ATTENTION ALL MEN
10 P.M. CURFEW
EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 1983**

**Rape is the fastest growing crime
in Champaign-Urbana.**

**Less drastic measures have been
ineffective. In order to assure
the safety of women and prevent
further sexual violence**

**ALL MEN MUST BE OFF
CITY STREETS EVERY NIGHT**

AFTER 10:00 P.M.

**unless accompanied by two
or more women.**

**VIOLATORS WILL BE
PROSECUTED**


Women's
Encampment
to
End Sexual
Violence

April 29~30
UofI Quad
(FIELD FOR BY AMP)



Featured Speaker: Nikki Craft
Nationally Known Anti-
pornography activist.

Slide Shows: April 29, 2pm at
McKinley and 8pm at Noyes
Lab.

 Needed: Women to participate in the encampment during the day and/or overnight. Activities will include informal discussion and support groups related to issues of domestic and sexual violence.

Needed: Women to provide needed support to encampment participants. Food, extra blankets, flashlights, tents, other camping supplies, moral support.

Call Tina or Mary at 359-6187 for information.

GIVE US BREAD NOT BOMBS

Susan B. Anthony Birthday Demonstration

Wednesday, February 15, 1984, 5:00 p.m.

Eisners Grocery, Green and Neil in Champaign

Join us to protest:

- women and children are 80% of the nation's poor
- women make 46¢ for every \$1.00 a man makes
- Reagan budgets have cut food stamps, infant nutrition programs, child care, job training, education, civil rights enforcement, welfare
- Reagan's 264 billion dollar defense budget feeds the war machine while our people go hungry, cold and jobless
- Reagan spends 15 billion on foreign military aid and only 11 billion on food stamps for our people



women rising
in resistance

TOUR THE HOUSE OF HORRORS

CONDEMN RAPE!

EVICT RAPISTS!



PROTEST THE FRATERNITY
SYSTEM'S SEXUAL VIOLENCE
AGAINST WOMEN!



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GATHER AT THE ALMA MATER STATUE
HIGH NOON FRI. OCT. 30, 1987

Grassroots Group of Second Class Citizens



THURSDAY DEC. 6, 12^{NOON} ON THE SOUTH QUAD

FEMINISTS

SPEAK-OUT ABOUT MALE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN



A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE 14 WOMEN MURDERED
BY A MAN IN MONTREAL, CANADA ON DECEMBER 6th, 1989

ON DECEMBER 6th 1989
MARC LÉPINE ENTERED
the SCHOOL of ENGINEERING
at the UNIVERSITY of MONTREAL
HE YELLED -
"YOU ARE ALL FUCKING
FEMINISTS",
OPENED FIRE, and
**KILLED 14
WOMEN**



Margaret Atwood
asked a male friend

"Why do men feel threatened
by women?"

He replied,

"They are afraid
of being laughed at."

She then asked a group
of women,

"Why do you feel threatened
by men?"

They answered

**"WE ARE
AFRAID OF
BEING
KILLED"**

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

On Father's Day, do something for children. Consider that 3 out of 5 female children, and 2 out of 7 male children will be sexually abused by the time they are 18 in Champaign-Urbana. 97% of child molesters are heterosexual men.

Take Responsibility. Educate Yourself. Take Action.

Child Sexual Abuse is:

- *Mostly committed by someone the child knows and trusts--a brother, father, neighbor, teacher, etc.
- *Inappropriate touching--fondling, oral sex, vaginal or anal intercourse of the child, or encouraging the child to perform these acts with an adult or another child.
- *Inappropriate sexual comments, suggestions, flirtations
- *Inappropriate exposure--exhibitionism, showing kids pornography, engaging in sexual activity in front of a child, watching a child undress
- *Any activity which is sexually arousing to the adult
- *Always the responsibility of the adult

CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IS AN ABUSE OF POWER.

Child Sexual Abuse is Always Harmful:

- *85% of runaways were sexually abused as children
- *80% of prostitutes were sexually abused as children
- *Child sexual abuse is linked to drug addiction, alcohol abuse, depression, suicide
- *Adult survivors of child sexual abuse also may experience difficulty in relationships, fear of intimacy, continued victimization, migraines, arthritis, and other illnesses.
- *Male victims often become child molesters

THE EFFECTS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE LAST A LIFETIME

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- *If you are molesting a child, **STOP**
- *Get help to stop molesting, call Champaign County Mental Health, 398-8080; Family Services, 384-1911; Parents Anonymous, 352-6995
- *To report child sexual abuse call 1-800-252-2873. This call is toll free and may be made anonymously
- *Victims can contact Rape Crisis Services, 384-4444.
- *Educate yourself on the problem. Read books about incest from the victim's point of view such as *The Silent Children*, by Linda Tschirhart-Sanford.
- *Talk about incest and sexual abuse in your household, let children know they can say "No" to adults. Encourage them to talk to you about any touch from an adult that they are not comfortable with. Let them know they can and should tell you and that you will always believe them.
- *Set up educational groups for men about incest and sexual abuse in your church, synagogue or elsewhere, or get them to sponsor workshops, speakouts, etc. on the subject of sexual abuse.
- *Encourage your schools to offer programs for school children and their parents to identify and prevent sexual abuse.
- *Alert your legislators and social welfare agencies that you feel more tax monies should be allocated for this.



***ON FATHER'S DAY, DO SOMETHING FOR CHILDREN
TAKE RESPONSIBILITY, EDUCATE YOURSELF, TAKE ACTION***

A Public Lecture

ANDREA DWORKIN

Pornography & Civil Rights



Tuesday April 24th 1990 8 p.m.
McKinley Foundation, upstairs (Westminster Hall)
Fifth & Daniels Streets, Champaign
Admission Free

YOU AND PORNOGRAPHY WILL NEVER BE THE SAME

