

**Keeping the Memories: Louisianaians of the 2nd Wave Feminist Movement
1960s-1980s**

**KEEPING THE MEMORIES: LOUISIANAIANS OF THE 2nd WAVE FEMINIST
MOVEMENT**

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SOURCE OF ACQUISITION:

Newcomb College Center for Research on Women

RESTRICTIONS:

None

PROCESSOR:

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ORGANIZATION AND ARRANGEMENT:

The material has been arranged into one NAB storage box and sorted by subject. Approximately the first half of the folders in the box are directly tied to the activities of the Newcomb College Center for Research on Women (such as correspondences and training materials). The second half consists more of background and research materials gathered during the project. All papers have been unfolded and laid flat. All metal fasteners have been removed.

FINDING AIDS:

Inventory with folder descriptions is available in the repository

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

This collection contains materials gathered and used by the Newcomb College Center for Research for Women during the Keeping the Memories project, which researched and archived the Second Wave Louisiana Feminist Movement (1960s-1980s). This particular collection consists of the paperwork and documents used for the archival component of the project as well as the Symposium, presented March 24, 2001. Several other archival collections resulted from this project, but they are not included in this particular collection, but rather, are separate collections that can be found in the Newcomb Archives. This collection would be of particular interest to those researching the activities of the NCCROW during the 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 academic years in regards to the Keeping the Memories Project.

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Spring 2001 Newcomb Foundation Grant: Stories from the Louisiana Women's Movement
March Symposium Program Materials
March Symposium Preparation Materials
Time Line Materials
Transcript of Banquet sponsored by the Veteran Feminists of America (3/22/01)
Contact information on Louisiana feminists / Name lists
Biography information of Louisiana Feminists
NCCROW Correspondences regarding the Keeping the Memories project
Display Materials / Information
Copies of Collections
Index of Individual Files: Louisiana Feminists
Hard Copy of Website: Voices from the Louisiana Women's Movement
Training Materials for Student Workers
NCCROW Miscellaneous Correspondences
Veteran Feminists of America
New Orleans Women's Caucus for Art
Eyes Only
Past Women's Conferences
Outside research on Women and Feminists
Book Lists
Legal Separation / Divorce
Legal and Environmental Information
Sexual Orientation
Distaff
Biography forms for the Pioneers of the Second Wave
Women's Rights National Historic Park
"Girlie, Interrupted" by Christine Stansell
"Chapter 1: The Equal Rights Amendment: A Story of Feminist Frustration"
Miscellaneous
"The Spirit of Houston" The First National Women's Conference

Video Tapes 1-4
"Voiced From the Louisiana Women's Movement: First-Hand Accounts From People Who Made it Happen" March 24, 2001

**“Keeping the Memories”
Louisianaans of the 2nd Wave Feminist Movement**

Index of Individual Files

Note: Listed for each woman, usually under Autobiographical or Biographical information, are notations of the woman's major feminist achievements in Louisiana during the 1970s and 80s. This short list is not reflective of all the woman's feminist activities, and the reader should research further to gain a full understanding of her complete feminist involvements.

Aime, Juliette M.: *New Orleans, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Organized 2nd annual Women's Conference in New Orleans (early 1970s)

Arceneaux, Muriel Swanson Dees: *Houma, LA*

- Autobiography of Feminist activities
 - Louisiana ERA United, Board Member
 - State Legislative Chair (1978-1981)
 - National and State Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Member Terrebonne Club 1973-1985, President, Legislative Chair
- See archival collection

Armstrong, Eileen R.: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Succeeded in getting the LWPC (Louisiana Women's Political Caucus) admitted into the NWPC (National Women's Political Caucus)
- Resume

Bajoie, Diana E.: *New Orleans, LA*

- Biography
 - First African American elected to the Louisiana State Senate
 - Former Chair of the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus
 - Vice President of the National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women (NOBEL)
- Fax Cover Letter

Baker, Helen Vaughan Burdin: *Lafayette, LA*

- Personal correspondence from Helen Vaughan Burdin Baker to Renee Randazzo regarding project
- Autobiographical form
 - Louisiana Council for the Humanities, and the Mayor's Commission on the Needs of Women in Lafayette
- Curriculum Vitae

Brasseaux, Mary: *Crowley, LA*

- See “Louisiana Pioneer Women in the Environmental Movement 1970-1990”

Fought and won to keep a medical incinerator from locating near Crowley

Brylski, Cheron: *New Orleans, LA*

- Personalized autobiographical form
Active in 1908s and 1990s New Orleans politics; Founding Organizer of Women-Elect 2000
- See archival collection

Bussie, Fran: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Biography
Chair of the First Governor's Conference on the Status of Women
Past chair of ERA United of Louisiana
Women's Vote 1984 Co-Chair

Cade, Maudelle: *New Orleans, LA*

- Personal Correspondence from Sidney Arroyo to Susan Tucker regarding the accomplishments
- Biography/ Resume
Developed Louisiana's first Family Preservation Program and Louisiana's first Children's Crisis Management Program

Ceballos, Jacqueline Michest: *Lafayette, LA*

- Autobiographical form
Louisiana woman who was active in New York and nationwide since 1967
- Personal Correspondence from Jacqueline Ceballos to Renee Randazzo regarding Ceballos' feminist activities
- Short biography
- Longer biography
- Photograph

Dunbar-Ortiz, Roxanne: *Hayward, CA*

- Personal Correspondence (email) from Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz to Susan Tucker regarding Dunbar-Ortiz's desire to be included in the project
Director, Southern Female Rights Group, New Orleans, LA
Author, *Red Dirt: Growing Up Okie* and *Outlaw Woman: Red Road Out of Oklahoma*

Durbin, Maurice: *Denham Springs, LA*

- Autobiographical form
ERA United President (1979-1981)
Women's Political Caucus Legislative Chair
Director and Lobbyist for the Louisiana Women's Lobby Network
- Biographical Information
- Fax Cover Letter
- See archival collection

Evans, Pat: *New Orleans, LA*

- Personal correspondence from Pat Evans to Renee Randazzo regarding Evans's interest in the project
- Autobiographical form
 First Director of the Governor's Office of Women's Services (1974-85)
- Biography
- Photograph

Fike, Evelyn L.: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Personal correspondence from Evelyn Fike to Renee Randazzo regarding forthcoming information on herself and her feminist activities
- Personal Correspondence from Evelyn Fike to Renee Randazzo regarding her personal feminist activities and materials included in packet
- Autobiographical form
- Autobiography, Personal Experiences
 prominent Baton Rouge businesswoman who helped grant women in the workplace greater recognition, pay and respect.
- "Women's Group Names 'Models of Achievement'," Sunday Advocate, Baton Rouge, LA, March 2, 1975
- Personal Correspondence from Baton Rouge NOW to Evelyn Fink informing her she has been selected to receive the "Advancement of Women Award"
- Personal Correspondence from Baton Rouge YWCA to Evelyn Fink informing her that she will be recognized at an awards gala, 1992
- "Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Community Service," 1990
- Personal Correspondence from Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation to Evelyn Fike congratulating her on being selected as a 1999 Volunteer Activist
- Personal Correspondence from the Department of Health and Human Resources to Evelyn Fike informing her that she has been chosen as an official interviewer for the 1977 survey of women's needs in Louisiana
- "Women: Changing Images," flyer for LSU Mortar Board's Women's Symposium, 1981
- "Network assisting women in business," newspaper article
- "Problems facing working women focus of symposium," State Times, Feb 4, 1981
- "Volunteers, Individuals giving back to our community," The Advocate, July 30, 1999
- "YWCA to honor five women of achievement," Sunday Advocate, October 23, 1983
- "Women at Work," The Greater Baton Rouge Business Report, November, 1984
- "Women's wisdom needed to balance decision-making," Louisiana Woman, November, 1988
- Photograph

Fossier, Mildred: *New Orleans, LA*

- See "Louisiana Pioneer Women in the Environmental Movement 1970-1990"
 Started the first Environmental Breakfast Committee in New Orleans
 Created the first environmental division in the city of New Orleans
- See archival collection

Foreman-Scott, Barbara: *New Orleans, LA*

- Copy of original letter from Renee Randazzo requesting autobiographical information
- Resume
 - First female candidate to run for office of State Representative in District 96 (1972)
 - Founded and edited *Distaff*, News and Arts for Southern Women; longest running feminist paper in the United States
- "Paper Tigress Revives," Where ya at!
- "A Statement by Barbara Scott" Republican Candidate for Representative 96 District
- "Southern belle toils for feminist hotel," newspaper article by Glenda Daniel
- "Ozarks hotel becomes a resort for feminists," *San Francisco Examiner*, March 10, 1976
- Flyer for the election of Barbara Scott to State Representative
- Recruitment Flyer for the production staff of *Distaff*
- Front page of the first issue of *Distaff* (1972)

Fuoto, Ellen M.: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - President of Baton Rouge chapter of NOW (1979-82); Treasurer Louisiana NOW (1980-81); President Louisiana chapter NOW (1982-1983)

Gandy, Kim: *New Orleans, LA*

Gardmal, Irene F.: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
- Resume
 - Presentations on Women as Leaders and Women in Management

Henneman, Nadine: *New Orleans, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Organized NOW chapter of Hammond
 - Public advocate of Reproductive Freedoms
- Autobiography: "Personal Experience"
- Business Card

Holt, Sibal S.: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Biographical Information
- National Executive Board, Coalition of Labor Union Women
- Past President of the Baton Rouge Women's Resource Center
- Fax Cover Letter

Irons, Paulette: *New Orleans, LA*

- Biography: "Paulette Irons: A Record of Service"
 - Second woman in Louisiana's history to be elected to the state Senate
 - Twice elected Chair of the Louisiana Women's Legislative Caucus
- Photograph

Kahn, Felicia Schornstein: *New Orleans, LA*

- Autobiographical form

President of the League of Women Voters of New Orleans (1966-1969)
Organizer of NWPC of New Orleans to elect women to the Democratic National Convention 1972

- Photograph
- Business Card

Kaplan, Felicia: *New Orleans, LA*

- Fax cover sheet with personal correspondence from Felicia Kaplan to Renee Randazzo regarding Kaplan's connection with Newcomb College
- Autobiographical form
Member and president of the Lafayette League of Women Voters
Founder and Director of Acadiana Women's Political Caucus

Kirsch, Ruth G.: *Metairie, LA*

- Autobiographical form
Feminist activities were primarily concentrated in Boston, MA
Worked on task forces on the image of women in the media
Did speaking endorsements of the Massachusetts ERA

Latimer, Clay: *New Orleans, LA*

- Autobiographical form
- Photograph
- Four photographs from the Jefferson NOW Memorial Service and celebration of the repeal of the "Head and Master" provision in Louisiana law
- Accompanying description and explanation of the photos from Memorial Service
- Invitation to Memorial Service
- Personal correspondence from Clay Latimer to Renee Randazzo regarding the project and the papers sent
- Resume
Director of ERA United of Louisiana 1977-1978
Attorney who was instrumental in the reform of laws relating to Louisiana women
Member of the board of the New Orleans NOW 1972-1977
- Biographical description
- Draft of the "Great Women's Reunion – August 1995"
- Pages 67-70 of the Civil Codes of Louisiana (relating to Head and Master laws)
List of Louisiana feminists with info on each woman
- Current biographical information
- Fax Cover Letter
- See archival collection

Madden, Roberta: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
Organizer and VP of NOW chapter 1970
Founding member of Mayor President's Commission on the Needs of Women
- Resume
- Photograph

Martin, Linda J.: *Tempe, AZ*

- Personal correspondence from Linda Martin to Renee Randazzo regarding Martin’s interest in the project
- Autobiographical form
 - Organized first NOW chapter in Shreveport
 - Lobbied extensively for ERA in LA Legislature
- Photograph

Martinez, Ida: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Photograph

Mayer, Joyce Harris: *New Orleans, LA*

- Biography
 - Influential Feminist Artist and Sculptor
- Biographical and Exhibition Background
- “Joyce Harris Mayer presentation to Newcomb Women’s Center Conference, March 2001”

McCastle, Mary: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- See “Louisiana Pioneer Women in the Environmental Movement 1970-1990”
 - Worked on the superfund site and the commercial hazardous waste incinerator located near her rural African-American community

Merritt, Francine: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- See archival collection

Michaud, Norma: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Founding member of LA NOW
 - Lobbied for ERA

Milan, Mindy: *New Orleans, LA*

- See archival Collection

Olivo, Darlene: *New Orleans, LA*

- Biography
 - Worked at Delta Women’s Clinic
 - Feminist Photographer

Ottaway, Melanie: *New Orleans, LA*

- Biography
 - A leader in the housing industry; former president of the Louisiana Affordable Housing Management Association (LAHMA)

Pereboom, Margaret: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
- Curriculum Vitae
 - Former State Chair Louisiana Women in Politics
 - Elected member of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board; instrumental in desegregation of entire district
- Nomination for YWCA Woman of Achievement Award (later awarded to Pereboom)

Popisil, Lorenal: *LaBuse, LA*

- See "Louisiana Pioneer Women in the Environmental Movement 1970-1990"
 - Early environmental pioneer
 - Started first recycling program in Alexandria

Pounds, Janet Lynn: *Sulphur, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Legislative Coordinator 1973-1974 of Louisiana NOW
 - ERA coordinator 1974-1975 of Louisiana NOW
- Photograph

Remson, Jane Frances: *New Orleans, LA*

- Curriculum Vitae
 - Involved in New Orleans community to help fight hunger among children and the homeless
- "New Orleanians of the Year: Sister Jane Remson," *Gambit Weekly*, January 1995

Renihan, Lynne: *Metairie, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - President of New Orleans chapter of NOW (1982-1985)
 - Director of Delta's Women Clinic and Causeway Medical Suite in 1980s
- Personal Correspondence from Lynne Renihan to Renee Randazzo regarding Renihan's interest in the project
- "Louisiana NOW Times," Summer 1992
- "Organizing the Future NOW," 1985 National NOW Conference; New Orleans Louisiana, July 19-21, 1985
- "ERA YES" bumper sticker
- "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of Sex" stickers (6)
- Songs and Chants of NOW
- "Metro NOW Times," June/July 1985
- "Metro NOW Times," August 1985 (2)
- "Metro NOW Times," October/November 1985
- Photograph

Richardson, Rupert F.: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form (2 copies)
 - Founding member Louisiana Task Force on the talent bank for women

Past Louisiana and National President of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

- Photograph

Roberts, Sylvia: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Biography
 - First woman from her Parish of Lafayette to become a lawyer
 - NOW's first Southern Regional Director
 - President of the NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund
- Fax Cover Letter

Shirley, Eleanor, F.: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Chair of the Coalition for the ERA in Louisiana (1975-76)
 - Board member/President of Baton Rouge League of Women Voters
- Photograph of self

Spaht, Katherine Shaw: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
- Biographical Information
 - Member, Governor's Advisory Committee on Needs of Women (1984-1990)
 - Professor of Law (marital and family law)
- Bibliography of publications
- Photograph

Sievers, Linda H.: *Monroe, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Served as Monroe NOW chapter President, State NOW President,, and elected to NOW National Board
 - Member of Monroe Mayor's Commission on the Needs of Women

Subra, Wilma A.: *New Iberia, LA*

- Biography
 - Environmental Advisor and Activist
- See “Louisiana Pioneer Women in the Environmental Movement 1970-1990”
 - Organized citizen's environmental groups and gave them the technical data to use in their fights in the courtrooms and at public hearings

Taylor, Dorothy Mae De Lavallade: *New Orleans, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - First Woman acting Mayor of New Orleans
 - Advocate of Child Care, Anti-Discrimination Laws, and Equal Pay

Tierney, Karline: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- See archival collection
 - State Director, ERA United

State president , American Association of University Women

Truly, Gayle: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Legislative Co-coordinator for the ERA United Association
 - President of the Baton Rouge chapter of the National Women’s Political Caucus;
 - Vice Chair of the Louisiana state chapter
 - Past Secretary and Undersecretary of the Louisiana Department of Labor
- Hall of Fame induction write-up
- Photograph

Weber, Diana: *Baton Rouge, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - Tennis and Yoga Instructor
- Resume
 - Tennis Resume

Williams, Ann: *Plaquemine, LA*

- See “Louisiana Pioneer Women in the Environmental Movement 1970-1990”
 - Fought a proposed oilfield commercial facility and won

Williams, Elizabeth M.: *New Orleans, LA*

- Autobiographical form
 - President, NOW in Baton Rouge 1973
 - Wrote article regarding women’s rights in *Southern Law Review*
- Resume