

Women Are Human

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Reviews

Materials in the OSU Libraries about, for and by women (the location is indicated above each number). To determine if a copy is available call 422-3900.

WOMEN'S
STUDIES
QP 251
S482

Teitelbaum, Michael, ed.
Sex differences: social and biological perspectives.
Anchor/Doubleday, Garden City, 1976

The five women whose essays comprise this concise volume examine sex differences from various perspectives of the social and biological sciences. Articles on primate societies, biological influences, social influences, subsistence, and a "history of science and the woman problem" are tied together by editor Teitelbaum's useful introduction which presents a brief history of the study of sex differences. As in most compilations of this sort, the readability varies, but this book provides a well documented introduction or review for students and general readers.

ARK

WOMEN'S
STUDIES
HQ 766.5
U5 G7

Gordon, Linda.
Woman's body, woman's right: a social history of birth control in America.
New York, Grossman, 1976.

Gordon traces the social history of birth control in the United States by describing the main stages of the movement in depth--the "voluntary motherhood" demand of late nineteenth century feminists, the birth control stage of 1910-1920, and finally the development of the "planned parenthood" stage during the 1940's. Gordon ties these stages to the social content that created them. In Woman's body, woman's right, she substantiates that birth control is a problem of social significance that requires primarily social not technical solutions.

A comprehensive analysis that is essential reading for anyone interested in women and their health.

PWL

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CAMPUS
PHONO-
TAPE
CASSETTE
HD 6095
W5

What have women done? (Phonotape cassette).
Pacifica Tape Library, 1974.

This is a sound essay on the history of working women in the United States which also explores these myths: the housewife doesn't work, women can't be organized, women are docile, and women work for pin money. A fast moving informative look at the types of work and the social positions achieved by women in America since colonial times.

LL

UND
BX 5995
H46 A34

Heyward, Carter.
A Priest forever.
New York, Harper & Row, 1976.

Carter Heyward was a classmate of mine in college. The sermon she preached at her tenth class reunion was printed in the college alumnae magazine this spring. I read this sermon before reading A Priest forever. Carter's style is open, honest, and forthright. While neither a memoir nor a justification of her decision to seek the Episcopal priesthood, the book serves both purposes and more. I can make an "objective" statement about this book. Carter Heyward continues to awe me; A Priest forever moved me.

BM

WOMEN'S
STUDIES
HQ 800
B46

Bequaert, Lucia.
Single women, alone and together.
Boston, Beacon Press, 1976.

This research report about single women is the first of its type I have encountered; it covers information about women single by choice, by divorce, by chance, by widowhood and it searches for women's own feelings as well as the statistical information. After each chapter--and all are well researched and documented--is a section on "voices" which presents segments of the interviews in the subjects' own words. This new dimension to a scholarly report adds an element which refocuses the generalizations to individuals. Their statements include the range--anger, frustration, search, adaptation, resignation, and so on. Fascinating information about single women, well presented; it is recommended highly.

MIM

WOMEN'S
STUDIES
LB 2332.3
C3

Careers and couples: an academic question.
Edited by Leonore Hoffman and Gloria DeSole.
N.Y., Modern Language Association of America, 1976.

Personal narratives about women pursuing careers as college teachers, and about the subtle and obvious discrimination against their success. The advantages and disadvantages of the past career, shared appointments and shared lives indicate much discrimination against the married academic woman.

RAS

Announcements

ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE TO HOLD MEETING

The first public meeting of the Association for Women in Science of Central Ohio (AWISCO) will be held on Tuesday, October 25th at 8:00 pm in the Battelle Memorial Institute Auditorium, 505 King Avenue. Dr. Anne M. Briscoe, Assistant Professor of Medicine at Columbia University's Harlem Hospital Center in New York City will speak on "The Effect of Feminist Thinking on Career Opportunities in Science: How to Succeed in Science Without a Y Chromosome." Dr. Briscoe, a founder member and past president of the Association for Women in Science (AWIS), has been teaching undergraduates and students in the health professions since 1956 and specializes in clinical research in endocrinology and metabolism.

WESTERN SOCIAL SCIENCE CONFERENCE REQUESTS PROPOSALS FOR PAPERS ON WOMEN

The 1978 WSSA Conference will be held in Denver during April. The Committee invites persons interested in presenting papers or workshops to submit seven abstracts (no longer than 300 words) and a self-addressed, stamped postcard to Dr. Carl Messman, Department of History, Hamline University, St. Paul, MN 55104 by December 1, 1977. The Committee is especially interested in papers relating to the following topics: Women in the Work Force; Women and Therapy/Psychology of Women; Feminism and Political Philosophy; Multiple Jeopardy; Feminist Methodology; Violence Against Women; International Feminism; Racism and Sexism; Women and the Media; and Feminism and Gay Rights. Proposals from non-academic persons are welcome.

SPACE AVAILABLE FOR FEMINIST MEETINGS

Space in the Women's Action Collective house at 127 E. Woodruff Avenue is now available for rental for feminist meetings, social events, and fundraisers. In order to schedule a time for your meeting, please call the house manager at 291-7756 at least three days before your event. You need to state what kind of event you're holding, when you want to begin and end, and whether you'll need the childcare area. Cost of rental will be \$4.00 for a meeting of less than two and one-half hours. Longer meetings will incur an additional charge. A WAC member will be present in the house for emergencies and lockup.

MORE FILMS FROM COLUMBUS WOMEN'S FILM CIRCUIT

The Columbus Women's Film Circuit, in conjunction with women's programming at Hillel Foundation will present The Girls by Mai Zetterling. This Swedish film, made in 1970, lucidly articulates the dissatisfaction of three unhappy women whose identities have always been defined in terms of their men. The film will be shown on Saturday, October 29th and on Sunday, October 30th at 8:00 pm. Tickets will be \$2.00 at the door and child care will be provided.

ROSEMARY RUETHER TO SPEAK

Rosemary Ruether, of the Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, will speak on Monday, October 31st at 10:00 am in the Browsing Room, 101 Main Library. Rev. Ruether's topic will be "Women's Experience with Religious Institutions." Rev. Ruether has also taught at Howard, Princeton Theological Seminary, and the Yale Divinity School. Included in her publications is Religion and sexism: the images of women in the Judeo-Christian tradition. Her visit to The Ohio State University is sponsored by the United Campus Ministry and the Office of Women's Studies.

OHIO UNION WILL DISPLAY WOMEN'S ART

Two displays of women's artwork will be shown this month in the Main Lounge showcase in the Ohio Union:

- October 10-21: "Functional Stoneware by Rose Stevens and Jill Nerem"
October 24-31: "A Jewelry Display by Barbara Young"
"Dora Brittain: Typical Panamanian Beadwork"
"Puppets and Dolls by Sandra Hill Johnson (1942-1977)"
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