

opinion

Equal Rights Amendment passage calls for unity

by Joy Hamilton

Did you know that women on average make only 59 cents for every dollar that men make? These statistics are contained in a 1978 U.S. Commission on Civil Rights report. This report showed that even when occupation, age, education and time worked are taken into account, that:

1. Women still earn less than 60 percent of what men earn.

2. Minority women earn less than half of what men

earn.

3. Women with college degrees earn less than men who did not complete high school.

4. Women earn less today (as compared to men) than they did more than 20 years ago.

The report emphasizes the fact that full-time homemakers have the least economic and legal protection of all. For example, a homemaker's labor is not recognized as having economic value. Another example is

that homemakers suffer economic discrimination during marriage in social security, pensions, and credit.

The report also shows that without the Equal Rights Amendment, despite laws prohibiting sex discrimination in education, opportunities for females in educational programs and institutions are still not what they are for males.

If the ERA is not ratified, a whole generation of American girls will grow up unequal, limited in their op-



Students should direct complaints to SGA campus affairs committee

To the Student Body,

The Campus Affairs Committee is a branch of the student government that all students should be aware of. Student government activities, administration policies, campus services and programs provided to the students, and almost any other facet of the college community are areas scrutinized by the Campus Affairs

Committee. As vice-president of the Student Government Association, I implore students to voice opinions that are sometimes only grumbled. If you have a complaint, comment, or criticism, please contact any of the Campus Affairs Committee's members. They are:

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Any student ideas conveyed in a reasonable and fair manner are not only welcomed but also needed.

Sincerely,
 Paul Aiello

tions, penalized for being born female. A recent Gallup Poll showed that Americans approve of the ERA by 58 to 31 percent. In addition, a recent Harris Poll showed a 56 to 36 percent support for ERA. Furthermore, polls conducted in states that have not ratified ERA show that their citizens support ERA even though their state legislatures have not yet approved it.

Without the ERA, women will continue to earn less than men. Enactment of ERA would create families

with two full-time wage earners, whereas working couples earn only one-and-a-half incomes have because of sex discrimination.

The ERA means the difference between equal tomorrows for all of us or more generations of inequality. Only three more of 15 states are needed to enact the ERA. Students are encouraged to write their congressman and let them know that ERA should become law. Only with the limited forces of women and men in the 13 unratified states can the ERA pass.

Greensboro celebrates

by Mari Behrend

The crowd started clogging, foot-stomping and laughing as Mike Cross filled the warm Sunday afternoon air with his country music at the Greensboro City Stage Celebration.

While Cross bellowed out "Carolina Girls," one toddler ran wildly around in a circle whooping and stomping her feet as her parents looked on.

Onlookers square danced in one section of the throng; girls atop their boyfriends' shoulders clapped and cheered. From another section people were shouting, "Play Kentucky Song!"

Following the concert — one of dozens in the two-day celebration — the crowd dispersed for one last look at the work of local artists and craftsmen displayed along the city streets.

One woman had purchased so much pottery that she had to ask police for permission to bring in a van to pick up her goods.

Lines for food and beer tickets grew longer as the afternoon slipped by.

Everything from hot dogs to baklava could be bought from food booths. I found it surprising how many North Carolinians have never tried Greek delicacies.

"My waistline is shot," exclaimed one woman as she bit into a chunk of the chocolate that she had purchased at one of the booths.

While beer flowed the entire afternoon, I was delighted to find no drunkards running around the streets.

Five stages were set up in an area of downtown Greensboro. Such artists as Terri Gibbs and Ramsey Lewis were top attractions Saturday.

Peaches and Herb drew the largest crowd on Sunday afternoon when they performed on the steps of the Municipal Building.

Greensboro's Second Annual City Stage Celebration drew about 100,000 people. The festival was organized much better this year with food booths spread out for several blocks of a street. Last year's booths were all crammed into a small section causing much confusion. Also, signs hanging from street lamps identified what stage or events were located in certain areas.

Never have I seen Greensboro as such a friendly, open atmosphere. Blacks and whites, young and old, in suits and in t-shirts mingled happily throughout the celebration. What a wonderful event for everyone!

Sigma Sigma Sigma is proud and honored to announce our fall pledge class of 1981. Congratulations to Sharon Apple, Lisa Brincefield, Jennifer Cook, Martha Downey, Nancy Fox and Lucy Genova. We would also like to extend our congratulations to the Alpha Sigma Alpha, Phi Mu, and Zeta pledges.

Visitation is a concern

Dear Editors,

I've been at this college for a few years, and the visitation policy has yet to change. Each year I've heard the same stuff that the policy is loosening up. Well, I don't know. At the present I'm having to do work hours to support the school for breaking visitation.

I'm not complaining

about the work hours because I'm not the only one. But I do think something ought to be done about this policy. Personally, I think they ought to throw it away.

I hope no one else has to work hours assigned to them, but until they do something about this policy, everybody better be careful.

Signed,
 A concerned student

Loss of Mideast stability feared

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important issue, to the United States, Zarzar says, because he had pledged to make some of the Egyptian territory available for the United States to use as a source of defense. Sadat was opposed to letting Russian forces overstep their boundaries in the Middle East.

Zarzar says, "We needed Sadat to achieve peace. We have lost a valuable leader who was on our side. He was an outstanding statesman who took a courageous gamble making the alliance with the Israelis possible."

Priestley, summing up the state of affairs recently under the Sadat administration, says, "Sadat had many enemies throughout the

Middle East. He was considered a traitor by many to the Arab cause against Israel as a result of the Camp David agreements and his lack of support for the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"He was considered by many Arabs as a tool of the United States. He was considered an enemy to the Iranian Islamic Revolution within Egypt itself. Sadat's closing of mosques, the exile of the Coptic pope to the desert, the banning of the majority of political parties, and closing of the opposition newspapers created some resentment among his own subjects. His death will result in a further decline of stability throughout the

area. It means a reassessment of American policy in the Middle East," Priestley says.

Newspaper workshop set

About 130 high school journalism students and members of newspaper staffs with their advisers will be on campus next Thursday, Oct. 15, for a full-day workshop. They represent schools in Alamance, Guilford and Orange counties.

Sponsored by Elon College with the cooperation of the Daily Times-News of Burlington, the program will

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