

..... Join us on the

Course to Fairness

"The controversy surrounding the Masters and Augusta National Golf Club is NOT about golf, any more than Title IX is only about sports."

*-Kim Gandy
NOW President*



**Discrimination
is not a game.**

Join us at the Masters tournament to oppose Augusta's exclusion of women members. Let the media and corporate sponsors know that discrimination is not a game.

Come to a

Women's Equality Rally

Buses will leave central Atlanta at **6:30 a.m.** on **Saturday, April 12.**

For more information about the rally gathering site in Augusta, the Atlanta buses, the availability of low-cost accommodations, the Augusta National Golf Club's membership policies and NCWO, contact

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Why Augusta, why golf, why privileged women, why now, why me?

Don't we have more important issues and aren't we working hard enough for equality in other areas?

We are already consumed with our studies, partners, families, jobs and the **future of our planet**.

We are out marching for **peace** and calling Senators to oppose **anti-women's rights** judges.

We are fighting to **save Title IX** and **Roe v. Wade** and demanding **fair pay** and **livable wages**.

We are speaking out against the lip service from our politicians in our fight to **end hate crimes and sexual abuse, assault, rape and battering of children, women, and men**.

We are pleading for **dignity for poor women** as they are vilified and their **safety net is shredded**.

We are defending **affirmative action** when it's under attack and horrified that religious zealots pretend to know what is best for girls and **women's reproductive health**.

We are angry that proposed **tax cuts** will go to millionaires and human needs programs and **child care funds will be cut**.

We want to protect **Social Security** and **preserve Medicaid and Medicare** and defend **Afghan women** and restore funding for **international family planning**.

We have city, state, and national **elections** to work on, searching always for the better candidate—the one who "gets it" about rights for women, safe families, healthy kids, real work with real wages, the value and worth of diversity, privacy, clean air and water and all the good things that make our nation strong, healthy and fair.

But we can't be for equality for most or some of us. Until women have a Constitutional right to equality, we must stand up and decry all discrimination, be it the gymnasium, boardroom, at the local Wal-mart or the welfare office. We can't "means test" our work for fairness. **See you in Augusta**. If you can't make it, please let everyone know, **"it's not about golf."**

When Men-Only Clubs Have Opened their doors to Women, they have survived and prospered.

1916 Jeannette Rankin, Republican from Montana, is the first woman elected to Congress.

1950 Harvard Law School admits women.

1964 Patsy Mink, Asian-American Democrat from Hawaii, is the first woman of color elected to Congress.

1967 Muriel Siebert became the first woman—one of 1,365 men—to own a seat on the New York Stock Exchange.

1969 Shirley Chisholm, Democrat from New York, became the first African American woman elected to Congress.

1971 Little League agrees to include girls "in deference to a change in social climate," but creates a softball branch specifically to draw girls away from baseball.

1981 Sandra Day O'Connor is the first woman appointed to the Supreme Court.

1984 Sex discrimination in the admission policies of organizations such as the Jaycees is forbidden by the Supreme Court in Roberts v. United States Jaycees, opening many previously all-male organizations and "service" clubs to women.

1986 Anita DeFrantz was the first American woman appointed to the International Olympics Committee.

1988 Liza Minnelli becomes the first woman to officially join the Friars Club.

1995 The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the USA opens its doors to women members.

1996 United States v. Virginia affirms that the male-only admissions policy of the state-supported Virginia Military Institute violates the Fourteenth Amendment.

2003 Annika Sorenstam looks forward to being the first woman golfer to play in a PGA event in over 50 years—at Bank of America Colonial from May 19-25 at Colonial C.C. in Ft. Worth, Texas.