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Sent: Saturday, March 13, 2010 10:43 AM
Subject: Fwd: Gloria Steinem letters

Today's LA Times letters to the editor had a ridiculous responder to last week's article about Gloria.

I sent them one from me today.

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From: Elaine Madsen [REDACTED] >
Date: March 13, 2010 9:24:11 AM PST
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Subject: RE:Gloria Steinem letters

I don't know what world Montoya lives in but in this one, inequality for women absolutely exists. Women in blue collar jobs are not paid equal pay for equal work, there is no national child care policy or services. Health insurance companies are allowed to charge higher rates for women, which works to the detriment of low-paid women who must be the breadwinners for their families. While women with high paying careers, have the kind of privileges to which Montoya refers, women who professionally provide care for children, and for the elderly have far lower pay rates than the parking lot attendants to which Steinem refers in Saturday's March 6th article. Until there is a societal/financial value placed on the family care women provide care for children and the elderly which would enable them to accumulate social security benefits, we are a long way from achieving the kind of even playing field for which women like Steinem laid the foundation. The equality for which they dared to fight is not about left or right or even gender. It is about equality for human beings. That does not yet exist.

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